

### MASS TIMES in St. Columba's Church

Saturday (Vigil) 6.00pm: St. Columba's Church  
Sunday Morning 11.00am: St. Columba's Church  
Daily Mass 9.30am Monday to Friday St. Columba's Church

**Also Sunday morning Mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery Chapel**

Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus

Monday to Friday @ 5.45 pm. Saturday morning @ 9.30 am.

### The following are the Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sat.	10th	6.00pm	Elizabeth Brady (A) Dolores Giblin (A) Danny, Betty & Anthony L'Estrange (A) John Redmond (A) Timothy & Mary Bowler (A) Matt Halton (A) Pray for Rita Lynch
Tue.	13th	9.30am	Diane McEnroe (A)
Fri.	16th	9.30am	Frank Farrell (A)
Sat.	17th	6.00pm	St Patricks Day

Thank you for your contribution to the **FAMILY OFFERING** the parish collection, amounting to **€367.50 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by S/Orders.

### Mass for St Patrick Day in

#### Iona Road Church

Friday 16th March - Vigil Mass  
@ 7.30pm

Saturday Morning - 17th  
March @ 11.00am

**In Cemetery Chapel @ 9.45am**

Monday 19th Public Holiday Mass in the  
Monastery at 11.00am.



### This week's intercession

#### 4th Sunday of Lent

*In this season of Lent, we pray that all families will grow in understanding of God's great love for every person, as the source of how we care for one another.*

# PARISH



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# Fourth Sunday of Lent

*What does it mean to be saved?* We have the secular sense of being rescued or spared somehow. The root meaning of the word in Greek and Latin is to be healed. So, the beginning is some recognition of need, of something fractured, unwell in my life. It includes faith in God who wants us to be both whole and holy, fully alive. The big "sickness" is death itself from which we are saved/healed through God's love to us in the lifting up of Jesus in death into resurrection.

*People loved darkness rather than light...so that their deeds may not be exposed.* Judgement and condemnation are very inhibiting forces and we easily slip into them. Occasionally we meet someone who is

non-judgemental, who does not come into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved. What has it been like for you when you met a non-judgemental person? What has it been like for you, and for other people, when you have been able to adopt a non-judgemental approach to them?



**Choose Life 2018** The **SIXTH** weekly edition of the newsletter from the Catholic Communications Office is now available at the back of the church. Its purpose is to encourage discussion in families on the value of every human life. It is available on a weekly basis on

[www.chooselife2018.ie](http://www.chooselife2018.ie),

### Mission Statement

*St. Columba's parish is a vibrant and welcoming community of faith, continuing to give practical witness to the Good News of Christ, through worship and reflection, and through Christian service to the community.*

**"Blessed is he who expects nothing, for he shall never be disappointed."**

(Alexander Pope)



Please visit St. Columba's Parish website at [www.ionaroadparish.ie](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie) and email your comments, good news stories and special parish events to [info@ionaroadparish.ie](mailto:info@ionaroadparish.ie)

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to [parishlink@gmail.com](mailto:parishlink@gmail.com) or dropped into the Parish Office letter-box, marked 'Parish Link', by 5pm on the Thursday of week of publication.

A contact name and phone number is required for each item.

Parish Link contact: Ann 087 6728761 or Parish Office.

**Parish Office Opening Times: Monday to Friday 9.30am. - 12.30pm.**

**Ph: 8308257 or email [saintcolumba@eircom.net](mailto:saintcolumba@eircom.net)**

**Date for the Diary**  
**Saturday, April 14th**  
**Not to be missed!**  
**Mad Hatter's Afternoon**  
**Tea Party ..**  
**Details to follow.**

**World Meeting of Families**  
**Project Ethiopia**

As you now know, the Glasnevin Grouping have undertaken to bring over 2 families and 2 priests from Ethiopia for the World Meeting of Families. As mentioned we have to raise funds to do this. There is a lot of help needed to make this project work so if anyone would like to help out in any way, please let us know by emailing the Grouping email @ [glasnevingroupingwmof@gmail.com](mailto:glasnevingroupingwmof@gmail.com).

The Annual  
**Iona Magazine**  
**"IONA 2017" is on**  
**sale in the Parish**  
**Bookshop.**  
**Well worth it for €2.**

**Drama at the Jesuit Church, Gardiner Street**  
**HOLY WEEK**  
 Mon 26, Tue 27, and Wed 28 @ 8.00pm  
 Sean Walsh and drama group will perform his play  
**A Veil for Veronica,**  
 Set against the backdrop of the first Good Friday  
 Admission free. All welcome

**Group walks continue in CLG Na Fianna Mobhí Rd. every Monday @ 7pm**

On Sunday, March 18, 2018, at 2:30 pm we will gather at our MASS ROCKS to pray the Rosary for the preservation of Life and Faith in Ireland.

If there is no accessible Mass Rock we suggest gathering at any local holy or monastic site. In November 30,000 people gathered at the Coasts of Ireland to pray the Rosary for the preservation of Life and Faith.

**For more information check**  
[www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie)  
**Or contact at**  
[costalrosaryireland@gmail.com](mailto:costalrosaryireland@gmail.com)  
 phone after 3pm 0872786552

**Nutrition Study at UCD**  
 UCD Institute of Food and Health are running a new study called **A-diet Confirm**. The study follows people's dietary habits and collects biological samples once a month over 4 months. This study looks for healthy, non-smoking volunteers, aged 18-60 years who are not on medication or supplements. Participants can find out about their body composition (muscle, fat and bone mass %) at each visit.

**Please contact Orla or Ilona**  
 on [adiet@ucd.ie](mailto:adiet@ucd.ie) or telephone 01 7162471 for more information.

**Can you help?**  
 An Easter letter will be sent to parishioners and will include a copy of the times for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies.

**Many Hands Make LIGHT Work**  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are also including the Easter Dues envelope and an acknowledgement of contributions to the Family Offering and Christmas and Easter Dues received in 2017.

We rely on a great group of helpers to distribute these Easter envelopes but **more help would be very welcome. If you can help with the distribution on your road or a particular road, please give in your name this weekend at the end of Mass.** The bundle of Easter envelopes for that road will be available for collection on next weekend.



**The Annual Collection for CROSSCARE Youth Services**  
 Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin will be held at all Masses on **next weekend 17/18 March.**  
 It will replace the normal SHARE Collection.

**Book Shop**  
 Call in today to see our large selection of cards for all occasions, including Mother's Day, St. Patrick's Day and Easter cards. We are open before and after Mass every week-end.



**Active Retirement**

Mon: 12th Mar. 2pm to 4.30pm – Bridge ... All welcome  
 Tues: 13th Mar. 2.15pm to 4pm - Exercise programme – Making good progress  
 Wed: 14th Mar. 10pm to 12 -Knit and Knatter and 2pm to 4.30pm. Cards and Bingo

**Mon: 19th Mar. B/Hol - Outing Booked out**  
 Spring has arrived so we need lots of ideas and suggestions for outings to where ....? and when ..?

**Just in..... Knock House Hotel, Co Mayo: 3 nights B/B and Dinner - No single supplement. To book : 094 9388088. Mention Iona Active Retirement.**