

Church Opening

We are delighted to say that our Church will be open for private prayer from Monday. It will open for 2 hours a day - 12.00noon to 2.00pm approx. We are conscious of the need to do this safely and therefore certain areas of the church are restricted.

- We kindly ask that you do not enter areas that are sectioned off and to respect social distancing at all times.
- Please adhere to the HSE guidelines & restrictions.
- Short Visits are requested.
- Please use the sanitiser spray and paper if you touch any surface.
- It is recommended that you enter through the main door and exit via the left side (Balcony entrance side)
- Please use the hand sanitiser available both on way in and out of church.



Many Thanks and we hope you enjoy your visit.

Sunday Morning Mass available by webcam

Monastery of St Alphonsus webcam @ 9.30am (www.rednuns.com)

Our Lady of Victories webcam @ 10.00am (www.olv.ie)

Iona Rd. webcam @ 11.00am (www.ionaroadparish.ie)

Our Lady of Dolour's webcam @ 12.00noon (www.glasnevinparish.ie)

Saturday Vigil

Out Mother of Divine Grace Ballygall @ 6.30pm (www.ballygallparish.ie)

Weekday Mass available by webcam

At 10.00am from Our Mother of Divine Grace, Ballygall (except Wednesday)

At 10.00am from Our Lady of Victories, Ballymun Road (except Friday)

At 11.00am from Our Lady of Dolours, Glasnevin (except Thursday)

At 5.45pm from The Monastery of St. Alphonsus and (9.30am Saturday morning)

A Holy Hour, with Eucharistic adoration, is broadcast each Wednesday evening at 7.30pm from Ballygall church.

For the benefit of parishioners who do not have access to the internet, RTÉ airs Mass every weekday (Mon-Friday) at 10.30am on the RTÉ News Now channel and on Sundays on RTE radio or television.

COTRONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

0818 222 024

If you have concerns or queries about Covid-19 call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8.00am - 8.00pm

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Pentecost Sunday



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.

The Pentecost of the Upper Room in Jerusalem is the Beginning, a beginning which endures Popè Francis



As we approach Pentecost, I am struck by how alike we are to those caught in the Upper Room. We too are a long time waiting to hear if its safe to go out. We too worry about the



future and know what it is to feel the absence of God, perhaps. And we too need a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit into our lives – bringing gifts that we might need to draw on now in a new way - Wisdom,

Understanding, Knowledge, Courage, Right Judgement, Reverence and Wonder and Awe. As we begin the gentle journey from lockdown to hope, how have you seen signs of the divine in your Easter season? What gifts might you unwrap again this Pentecost to help yourself and others around you, on our way? Happy Pentecost to you all, take care. Noirin

Download the Sacred Heart Novena for free ! @ www.messenger.ie
The Messenger Sacred Heart Novena is one of our most popular publications each year. Many have found comfort and solace praying the Novena, and this year we have particular reason as a community, a nation and a global people to find strength, patience and reassurance in God's love for us.

Mass Cards On-Line

St. Mary's Pro Cathedral is now taking orders for Mass cards on line and over the phone. E-mail your Mass Card order and details to stmarysprocathedral@gmail.com When you receive confirmation you can make a donation through their website, www.procathedral.ie Mass cards can be ordered by phone on **089 2469414**.

A Reflection for Pentecost: While we must make progress towards the challenge of reopening our Churches for public worship, we also have to prepare for life in a different religious culture after the Coronavirus emergency. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit who fosters unity and I have written a Pentecost Reflection on how we renew a true sense of unity and community as we move from a situation dominated by the virtual back to the challenge of reality. I ask you to remember me in your prayers. Being cocooned – and respecting that situation – has not been easy for me, as is the case with so many people. I remember daily in my prayers all our clergy and lay faithful who are showing remarkable creativity in keeping pastoral life active and flourishing in a situation few of us could have imagined just weeks ago.
+Diarmuid Martin,
Wednesday 27 May 2020

The Reflection is available on the Dublin Diocesan website

Good News

St. Columba's and St. Vincent's will be **Co-Educational schools starting in September 2020**. For further information please contact:



principal@ionaroadschool.ie and office@vincentsprimary.com.



Our parish **St. Vincent de Paul Society** have been continuing their quiet work of responding to the needs of parishioners who are in difficulty, but they have been unable to hold their usual church-gate collection which funds their work for the past two months. Parishioners who would like to contribute to their work may leave an offering in an envelope marked SVP and drop it into 87 Iona Road. We will ensure that it gets to them quickly.

Revamped Parish website Launching this weekend

Website

Many thanks to Maurice Grehan, who has delivered us a website that is more attractive, easier for parishioners to navigate and particularly for our parish team to upload information and other resources for prayer and reflection.

Fr. Richard

Trócaire asks for your help by returning your Lenten Trócaire Box to:

- ◆ **Online at www.trocaire.org**
- ◆ **By phone: 1850 408 408**
- ◆ **By post to Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare**
- ◆ **Check with your local parish on how to safely return your donation**

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

Weekly Donations to Parish & Diocese.

Our thanks to those who have been leaving in family offering envelopes over the past few weeks.

Thank you for your support. Very soon we will have a **Donate Button** on the parish website which will make it easier to support the maintenance of the parish during these difficult times. You will also be able to donate to the 1st and 2nd collections, if you wish. This can also be done directly by dropping your donation into the Parish Office.

Your generosity is not only appreciated but is very encouraging in these difficult times.

Thank you.

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to 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. **Ph: 8308257 or email saintcolumba@eircom.net**