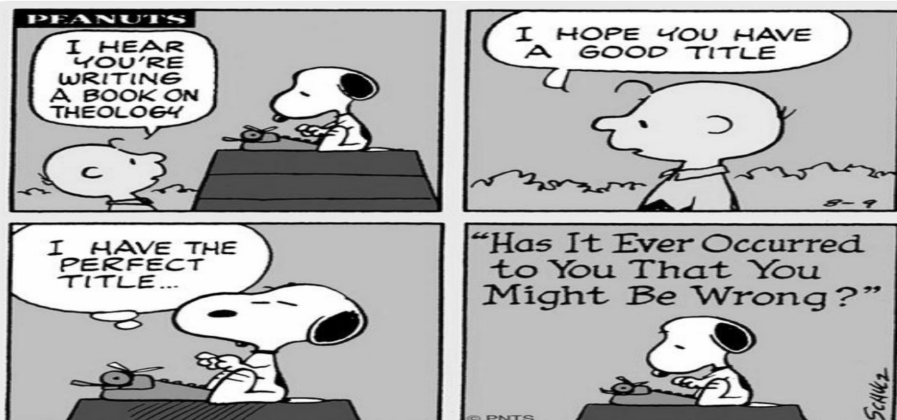


REFLECTION...

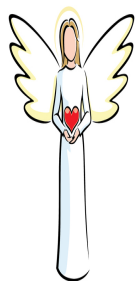
Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate' (Luke 6:36)

As Synodal gatherings begin in parishes, this line from today's Gospel reminds us that the quality of our attention to one another will be crucial in the Synodal pathway. Careful listening helps us to understand the other person, to stand in their shoes. When we really listen, we listen to understand in an open, loving and compassionate way.

Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name. Guide our listening that we may receive others with respect, for we are to love our neighbour as ourselves.



Thank you for your contribution to the parish FAMILY OFFERING collection, amounting to **€198.00 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of €544.00 is also contributed by Standing Orders.



Mass Intentions for the coming week

SAT	19th	6.00pm	Kathleen Kelly and Dermot Kelly & Betty Bowers (A) Marjorie Scannll (A)
SUN	20th	11.00am	Robert Conlan (A)
WED	23rd	10.30am	Margaret Shortall(A)
SAT	26th	6.00pm	John Gibbons (A) Charlie & Delia Cherry & Michael & Ellen Donnellan (A)
			Ramiro Blanes & Bernardo Pastorino (1st A)
SUN	27th	11.00am	Philip Cahill (1stA)

Please pray for Christine Brady of Iona Road whose funeral took place this week and all our recently deceased.

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to parishlink@gmail.com or dropped into the Parish Office. A contact name and phone number is required for each item.

Ph: 8308257 or email ionaroadparish@gmail.com
St. Columba's Parish website : www.ionaroadparish.ie

PARISH



LINK

Issue No 29/7

Parish of St. Columba

20 February 2022

PLEASE TAKE THE LINK HOME WITH YOU

How to Love Your Enemies

Luke 6:27-38

"Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

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.

Parishioners and visitors are encouraged to **hand sanitise** on entering the church, to **maintain social distancing** and to wear **face masks** throughout the Mass. An MC will introduce the Mass.



There are two Collection moments at Mass, the first after the homily, and the second while the parish notices are being read. We thank parishioners for your contributions to

the First and Second Collections at Mass. A **Tap and Go** machine at the back of the church facilitates parishioners and visitors who wish to contribute to the First and Second collections but who don't carry cash. Contributions to the parish can be made through the 'Donate' button on the parish website: www.ionaroadparish.ie



Thanks to all the parishioners who contributed to the ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD last weekend.
We received €680.00



Iona Active Retirement

Join us for Lunch on 17th March at Maples Hotel €25 per person. **All Welcome.**
Galway Bay Hotel 9th October (3 nights Dinner B&B @ €380 Per Person sharing)
(5 nights Diner B&B €505 per single room) Mention Iona Active Retirement when you Phone 091 514645 to book.



Next Meeting 8th March at the back of the church after 11am Mass. **4 new members have joined and more are**

We continue to look for new volunteers to assist with all ministries in the church and also the production of the Parish Link. Please contact Sheila in the parish office @ 8308257 for more details or drop an email to ionaroadparish@gmail.com

Contact AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS - in relation to your mental wellbeing, For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on www.aware.ie

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

is open seven days a week, **8am - 8pm, call 0818 222 024.**

Dates for your Diary .. Reminder!

"We are all in the same boat"



Dublin Archdiocesan Synodal Pathway Parish Gatherings

The gatherings will take place on Tuesday 8th and Monday 14th March from 7.00-8.30pm in St. Columba's National School. Each gathering will

focus on two questions which will be introduced by the local animators and then discussed in small groups.

First gathering: Tues 8th March 7pm to 8.30pm

When you think of your experience of Church, what brings joy?

When you think of your experience of Church, what brings sorrow?

Second gathering: Monday 14th March 7pm to 8.30pm

When you think of your experience of Church, what brings hope?

When you think of your experience of Church, what brings fear or anxiety?

Everyone is invited – whether you feel connected to or distanced from church life and please invite at least one other person to come along; better still, bring them with you!

As well as contributing towards the 2023 Synod in Rome, the feedback will also assist our parish in pastoral planning. If you are unable to attend on the dates listed above, you are welcome to attend any of the similar gatherings in the other parishes that make up the Glasnevin Grouping. Safeguarding and confidentiality guidelines will be in place.

What else is happening in our parish....!

A meeting of our parish Finance Committee takes place on zoom on Monday 21st February at 8.00pm.

A Baptism preparation meeting on zoom for parents and godparents takes place on Tuesday 22nd February at 8.00pm.

The season of Lent begins in ten days' time on Ash Wednesday 2nd March.

The annual Trocaire Lenten campaign packs will be available at the back of the church from this weekend.

We are planning a Glasnevin Grouping

Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 2nd to 5th September. Given the present circumstances, all plans and the details are necessarily provisional. However, if you would like to take part, flyers with details and booking forms will be available at the back of the church from early next week. Please submit your booking form to (ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com) The deposit of €100 to secure the booking should be paid directly to Marian Pilgrimages (Tel. 01/8788159)



TROCAIRE LENT WORKSHOP

Trócaire will be hosting four Lent workshops again this year.

Our first workshop is on Tuesday, 22nd of February at 2pm and this workshop is on our Lent parish resources and the context in Zimbabwe. We will be privileged to be joined by our colleague Yvonne who is based in our country office in Zimbabwe.

You can register here on this link for our workshops-
<https://forms.gle/jbb8mxLt8t1NpSzu8>