

### ***A Prayer for the People of Ukraine***

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
For all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and  
protect them.

We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom  
to guide their choices.

We pray for the world; that in this  
moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of  
Ukraine and for all the world.  
Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us  
Our Lady of Kyiv, pray for us!  
(From Irish Conference of Bishops)

**Special Collection for Ukraine:** The Irish Bishops have asked for a Special Collection to be taken up at Masses on the weekend of 26/27 March to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland. The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to Caritas Internationalis, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region. Please be as generous as you can.

**Accommodation for Ukrainian Refugees.** The Irish Red Cross has launched an online portal where offers of accommodation can be submitted. Contact Íde Finnegan or Patrick Nelson [ide.finnegan@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:ide.finnegan@dublindiocese.ie) ([patrick.nelson@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:patrick.nelson@dublindiocese.ie)) with any queries, or go directly to the Irish Red Cross portal: [registerofpledges.redcross.ie](http://registerofpledges.redcross.ie)

Thank you for your contribution to the parish **FAMILY OFFERING** collection, amounting to **€288.00 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of €544.00 is also contributed by Standing Orders.

### **TAP & GO**



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](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie)

### **Mass Intentions for the coming week**

SAT	19th	6.00pm	Giovanni Rocca (Rec Dec)
SUN	20th	11.00am	Frank McGolderick (Month's Mind)
SAT	26th	6.00pm	William Darby (A) Michael Soroan (Rec Dec)
SUN	27th	11.00am	



**Please pray for all our recently deceased.**

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to [parishlink@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:ionaroadparish@gmail.com)

St. Columba's Parish website : [www.ionaroadparish.ie](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie)

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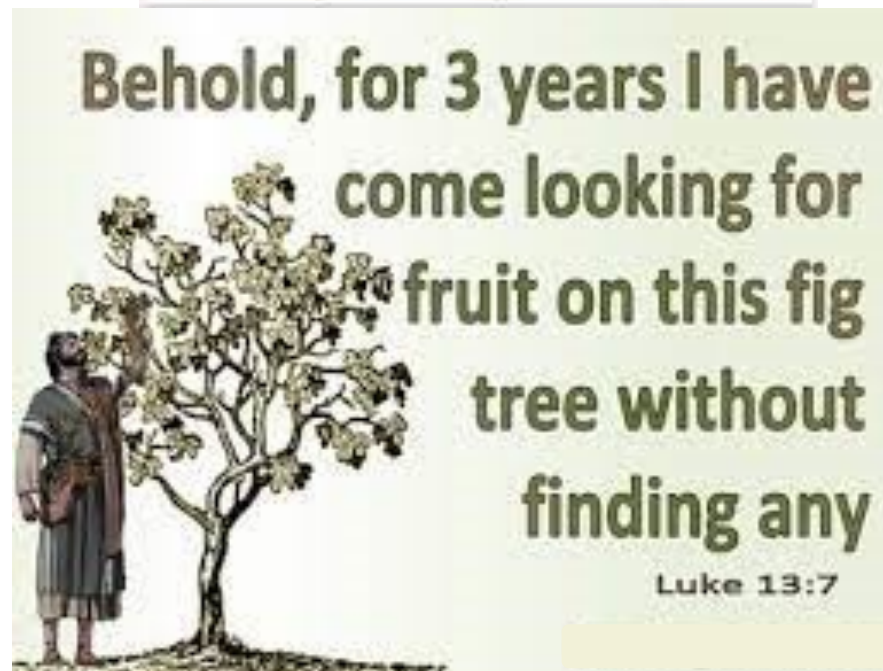
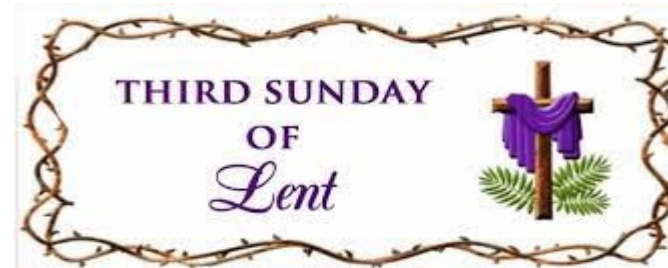
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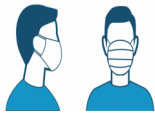
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***PLEASE TAKE THE LINK HOME WITH YOU***



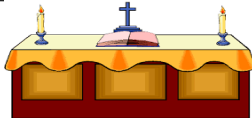
**Mission Statement: St. Columba's parish is a vibrant and welcoming community of faith, continuing to give practical witness to the Good News of Christ, through worship and reflection, and through Christian service to the community.**



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

We are delighted to be back using the main altar for Mass again and thank parishioners for your understanding while the work on the sanctuary steps was in progress.

A cleaning company cleaned and polished the floors, and we thank the volunteers who gave the pews a good wipe down during the week.



**Iona Active Retirement  
BINGO AND CARDS ARE BACK!**

Monday at 2.00pm in the Annex Cost €5.

All are welcome

**CHAIR YOGA**

Tuesday Exercise with Fiagh 2.00pm to 3.00pm  
Our Lady of Dolours Hall Botanic Ave Cost €3.00



The Office for Mission and Ministry are offering daily reflections for Lent. With parishes holding their Synod gatherings during Lent, we will be focusing on themes around journeying, walking with, listening to each other and to the Spirit. The reflections are posted each morning on the Facebook page of the office for Mission Ministry, [www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry](http://www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry)

**Association of Catholics in Ireland Synodal Pathway Talks No. 9  
Human Rights and the Challenges for the Church  
March 24th at 8.00pm**

More than ever, the intersection between human rights and religious traditions and their importance in a global context remains a geopolitical flashpoint.

ACI is honoured to host **Professor Linda Hogan** of Trinity College, Dublin - Chair of Ecumenics, School of Religion as guest speaker for this latest Zoom call in our **Synodal Pathway** series. To join us, use the following URL:

Meeting ID: 870 8297 9287 Passcode: 659942



A preparation meeting for parents and godparents preparing for **Baptism** in April will take place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 8.00pm.

The meeting will be delivered on zoom, and a link will be sent to the relevant families.

**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](http://www.aware.ie)

**COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE**  
is open seven days a week, **8am - 8pm, call 0818 222 024.**



Our thanks to those parishioners who took part in either or both of our two **Synodal Pathway** gatherings over the past couple of weeks. If you were unable to attend, you can still attend any of the remaining gatherings in the other parishes in the Glasnevin Grouping. Dates times and venues for these are on posters at the back of the church. The next step is to identify the main themes which emerged from this listening exercise and to feed it back to the diocese so that it may contribute to the diocesan report. Our Parish Pastoral Council will also examine how we might respond in a practical way to some of the suggestions which have emerged. A huge thanks to our 'group leaders' who facilitated the listening at both meetings and to our superb 'local animators', Ann Redmond and Seamus Treacy, who coordinated the whole process.

*"We are all in the same boat"*

**Dublin Archdiocesan Synodal Pathway Parish Gatherings**

**Young People of Dublin**, Pope Francis wants to hear what you think or feel about our Church. We would love to hear your voice at our Dublin online **Diocesan Teen Synod on Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> March 6:30pm - 8pm.**

Register online using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/jVYZSdxbF1>

Registration closes on the 25<sup>th</sup> March 5pm.

**THE YOUNG ADULT SYNOD**

(ages 18-30) is your opportunity to take part in a gathering of views of what young adults in Dublin think and feel about the Church and is part of the preparation in advance of the Synod by Pope Francis next year. You may know others interested in taking part. It will take place online on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 7:30-9pm. Register using this link <https://forms.gle/os5DNAnoNPGSmVKV6>

We are planning a Glasnevin Grouping **Pilgrimage to Lourdes** from 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Sep. All plans and details are provisional given the present circumstances.

However, if you would like to take part, flyers with details and booking forms are available at the back of the church. Please submit your booking form to the

**Glasnevin** parish office

[ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com)

A deposit of €100 to secure the booking should be paid directly to Marian Pilgrimages (01/8788159).



The **Ceremony of Light** for families in the parish preparing for Confirmation will take place on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.00pm

(St. Columba's and Lindsay Road) and at 8.00pm (St. Vincent's).

Let us remember them in our prayers.

The **Walking with Families** parish programme of accompaniment for children and their parents preparing for Confirmation will be delivered on zoom on three successive evenings: on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>, Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm.