

### Reflection

Pentecost concludes the Easter season and marks the transition in our liturgical year to Ordinary Time, which is the time of the Holy Spirit, the time of the Church. The task of the Church is to discern with the help of the Holy Spirit the will of God revealed in the life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Pentecost is our assurance that no matter what challenges or upheavals we encounter in life: personal, social, political or global, the Holy Spirit is always with us, offering us guidance and encouragement.



the synthesised report of the Dublin Synodal Pathway, in which some 13,000 parishioners from most parishes across the diocese participated, and which marks the completion of the diocesan phase of the Synodal Pathway initiated by Pope Francis. The report has been forwarded to the Irish Bishops Conference and contribute to the submission of the Irish Bishops to the Synod on Synodality in Rome next year. It will also contribute to a National Synod in three years' time. As Archbishop Dermot puts it: 'the challenge now is to sustain the synodal impulse in our Church so that a process of enduring synodality (clergy and people journeying together) becomes deeply embedded in the hearts and minds of the people of God.'

The Archbishop has just published

Fr. Richard Sheehy

Fr. Paddy and Fr. Richard wish to thank all those who have returned Easter Dues, which contribute to the remuneration of the priests of the parish and of the diocese. Easter Dues may be left in the safe at the back of the church.

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. We hope to install a second Tap and Go device shortly for the benefit of receiving parish contributions. Contributions to the parish can be made through the 'Donate' button on the parish website: [www.ionaroadparish.ie](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie)

*Thank You!*

for your contribution to the parish **FAMILY OFFERING** collection, amounting to **€186.00 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	4th	6.00pm	Edward, Mairin & Eugene Fallon (A) Brian Sherry (A)
SUN	5th	11.00am	Tom Smith (Month's Mind)
WED	8th	10.30am	Kevin McCluskey (A)



Please Pray **Owen McEnroe** from Botanic Rd whose funeral took place this week in Iona Road and 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)

# PARISH



# LINK

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**PLEASE TAKE THE LINK HOME WITH YOU**

# Pentecost Sunday



The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said 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 continue to hand sanitise on entering the church and to wear face masks during Mass. Communion is received in the hand only.

### RESPONSE TO UKRAINE CRISIS

It is becoming increasingly difficult to source accommodation for the refugees who continue to arrive in Ireland from Ukraine, fleeing the war which is devastating their country. Parishioners who are willing to offer a room in their home, or to assist in other practical ways, are invited to register directly online with the Irish Red Cross at [registerofpledges.redcross.ie](http://registerofpledges.redcross.ie)

Parishes and Individuals are now invited to register their interest in either attending WYD Lisbon or organising a parish group to participate. Over the past year many parishes and people have noted in submissions for the Task Force and also preparatory meetings on Synod the importance of reaching out to younger people. World Youth Day will take place August 1 to 6 in Lisbon 2023. Package options and costs are still being determined and the registration system will open in September. At present it is intended to have the option for teenagers aged 16-18 to participate as well as those aged 18-29. The Archdiocese of Dublin has a great tradition in participation at World Youth Day. This is a great opportunity to reach out to young people and connect them to young people in many parishes that will participate at WYD. A full pastoral programme for all pilgrims will also commence later in the year, with opportunities for leadership roles as well. Contact [wyd@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:wyd@dublindiocese.ie).



### Pathways: Exploring Faith as an Adult

*Pathways* is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings, run by the Dublin Archdiocese in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Upper Drumcondra Rd., Dublin 9. Late September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.). Application is now open for September 2022. **Early application advised.** Contact: *Pathways* Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594 or [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie). Web: [www.missionministry.ie](http://www.missionministry.ie)

Archbishop Dermot Farrell has just published the Report (synthesised) of the Dublin Diocesan Synodal Pathway. It is the fruit of listening sessions in 173 parishes across the diocese over the past five months led by local animators and parish pastoral councils. I have no doubt it will be available on the diocesan website shortly (see reflection).

### Cemetery Sunday

Mass will be streamed from the Cemetery Chapel for all Dublin Cemetery Trust cemetery's at 12.30 on Sunday 3rd July. All can follow the Mass and blessing on line while at their loved ones graves

You are invited to the Annual Commemoration Ceremony for **FRANK DUFF** founder of the Legion of Mary in Glasnevin Cemetery on Sunday June 12th @ 3pm

A preparation meeting for parents and godparents, who plan to celebrate the **Baptism** of their child in the coming month, will take place on zoom on Thur. 9th June at 8.00pm. The link to the zoom meeting is available from the parish secretary.



We remember in prayer all those in our parish who will be beginning Junior and Leaving Cert exams in the coming week. We pray that they may approach the exams in a spirit of calm and that they may jus-



### Iona Active Retirement

General meeting on 8th June in the Annex at 11.00am.

All Welcome

Outing: to Glendalough on the 14th July leaving the church grounds at 9.30am. Cost: €40.00 including lunch at the White Heather. (money can be given to Marjorie.)

Bridge changing form Monday 13th June 2.00-4.00pm Tuesday 14th June Bingo and Cards 2.00—4.30pm

**New members always welcome to Join the Active Retirement Group**



**Family Fun Day** returns next Sunday 12th June starting @ 1.00pm in the Church grounds. It is always a very enjoyable day with lots of activities for young and old.

If you want to volunteer to help out please contact **Dermot @ 087 257 3918**

**Parish and Community Annual Clean-up next Saturday 11th June**  
**Residents can pick up brooms, brushes and bags form St Columba's School at 10.00am**

### BUILDING HOPE

Members of our Parish Building Hope Leadership Team met on Wednesday evening to collate the responses from the parish gathering the previous week. It is hoped to report back the fruits of the gathering to parishioners shortly. It represents a first step in the diocesan consultation with parishes, which will continue in the autumn. This week marks a special week of prayer that the diocesan Building Hope journey will enable us as parishes to collaborate more effectively in working together for mission and anticipating future challenges. The Building Hope prayer can be found at <https://dublindiocese.ie/the-building-hope-prayer/> Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral Letter,

Living the Hope of Easter, can be found at <https://dublindiocese.ie/category/building-hope/>.

### Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Many thanks to all those who have submitted applications to participate in the Glasnevin Grouping Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 2nd-5th September as part of our Jubilee celebrations. Already a large group have signed up. There are still a few places left. Please submit your completed booking form to the parish office ([ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com)), and a deposit of €100 should be paid directly to Marian Pilgrimages (Tel. 01/8788159) to secure the booking.

All Readers will be commissioned at the 11am Mass this Sunday as Ministers of the Word.



The voyage of discovery is not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes.

*Marcel Proust*