

Sunday 30th April

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

'The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gate-keeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out.' (John 10: 3). Just as the sheep know the voice of the Shepherd, we pray today – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, that those whom are being called will recognise the voice of the Risen Lord in their hearts and will follow him to serve as a priest, deacon or religious.

Who is She? A day-long conference for Our Lady, takes place on **Saturday, May 13** 9.30am – 4.30pm in DCU All Hallows campus. Join us for insightful talks, prayer, Mass, good food and great company. Discover what we can learn from early Irish Christians' Marian devotion? And how can we love Jesus as His mother loved Him? Cost €30. For more information or to book contact mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com.

We thank parishioners for your contributions to the First and Second collection at Mass last weekend

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.

A second Tap and Go device has been installed for the benefit of receiving parish contributions. Contributions to the parish can also be made through the 'Donate' button on the parish website www.ionaroadparish.ie

Thank you for your contribution to the parish FAMILY OFFERING collection, amounting to €423.00 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 29th April 6 pm Chris & Tom Leen (A) Marie Winston (A)

Margie Craig (Months Mind) Ulton O'Byrne (A)

Sun 30th April 11 am Marie Winston (1st A)

Please pray for 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

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30th April 2023

Good Shepherd Sunday



Vocations 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.



OUR PARISH SHOP is open on Sunday mornings.

It is a cash based system. Lots of lovely cards and small gifts are available

Cafe Columba



Sunday 7th May
(After 11am Mass)

Donations of homemade cakes welcome !!



The Flower Society would very much like to thank everyone who contributed to last week's collection. Contributions came to €945 for which we are most grateful.

The New Young Adult Folk Choir @ St Columba's Iona Road are looking for new members.

We sing at 6 pm mass on Saturday evenings.

We would love you to join us

You don't need to be able to sight read but Enthusiasm and a sense of humour is essential

If you are interested please ring or text Anna at 085 2313188



Courageous Conversations



Massey Bros. present a free thought-provoking evening on planning for the future, funeral planning and to answer questions that may be on your mind and help you have those

courageous conversations that ultimately bring peace of mind and give you the confidence to discuss these things with loved ones.

Join us on Monday 8th May 2023 in Erin's Isle Finglas at 6 pm – 8 pm

'Pop-up' Piano Recital

After Mass this Sunday 30 April @ 12:15pm (Duration 20 mins)

Sam Shortall will present a selection of light pieces in preparation for his final recital in Maynooth.

Including: Bach, Schubert, Debussy, Boulanger, Gershwin.



IONA ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Ceilé in Botanic Hall Tuesdays from 11.30am to 1.00pm All Welcome

Boyne Valley Tour Thur 18th May. Leaving St Columba's Church at 10am . Cost €25 pp bus only. Please pay Marjorie.

Committee meeting will take place in the annex On Wed 3rd May at 11 am

Mon	B/Holiday	No activity
Mon	2.00 - 4.00	Bridge
Tues	2.00 - 4.30	Bingo & Cards
Thur	11.- 12.15	Bible Group
Fri	11- 12.15	Writers Group

Lay Ministry Collection

The Lay Ministry Collection will take place **on the weekend of May 6/7**. This collection will replace the usual Share collection

Parish Social Media



We have some new posts on our Parish Facebook and Instagram accounts, including the work of the Flower Society, Baptisms and The Easter Egg Hunt. Please follow, like and share.

Facebook: Iona Road Parish Instagram: ionaroadparish



Join us for Christian Meditation
In The Monastery of St Alphonsus
on Wednesday 3rd May at 7.30 pm

The Sacrament of Confirmation



Congratulations to all the children from St Vincent's, St Columba's and Lindsay Road national schools who made their Confirmation here in St Columba's last Wednesday and Thursday. A great big thank you to all those who helped in any way to make each day so special.

AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support, self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit www.aware.ie.