SUMMER DUES

The Summer Dues collection for the support of priests takes place again this year. It began on the weekend 10th/11th June. (Envelopes are available at the back of the church).

Now that the emergency phase of the pandemic has been officially declared over, this is an appropriate time to remind ourselves of the centrality of coming together as a Christian community to celebrate Sunday, the Lord's Day. Though we are many we are all one body in Christ (see 1 Corinthians 10:16-17). As we pray for a new beginning for the Church in the Archdiocese, and encourage renewed and active participation of all parishioners, please continue to support your priests in all the ordinary ways, and through this

Summer Dues collection. The generosity that people show towards their priests is indispensable; our gratitude can never be fully expressed. Your donations may go further at no additional cost to you due to the availability of tax relief on charitable donations. With your help the parish can claim a tax refund to the value of 45% of your contribution from Revenue from those who contribute €250 or more in any given year, subject to the taxpayer having paid at least the amount of tax being claimed by the parish. The parish can reclaim the tax no matter whether you are either PAYE or Self-Assessed. This tax rebate from Revenue is now an important source of

> +Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin

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 **€363.00 last weekend**, This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of €503.00 is also contributed by Standing Orders.

The Blessing of Graves will take place

Glasnevin Cemetery this Sunday at 3.00pm Dardistown Cemetery July 2nd at 3.00pm

income for the parish.

Mass Intentions for the coming week

June	SAT	24^{th}	6.00pm	John Mc Rita & Jo
July	SAT	1 ^{st.}	6.00pm	Martina
July	SUN	2 nd	11.00am	

John McNulty (Month's Mind) Rita & John Hadley (A) Martina Doyle (A) n



Please pray for Patrick Dalton of Iona Villas 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

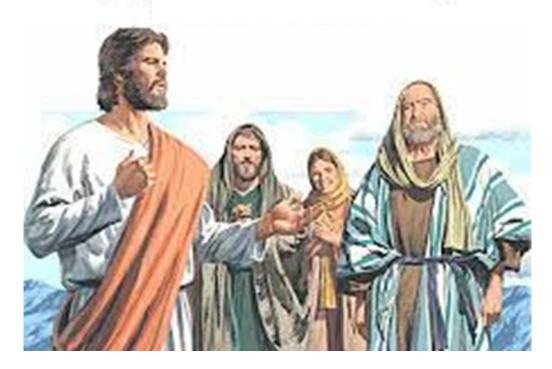


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Mission Statement: St. Columba's parish is a vibrant and welcoming community of faith, continuing to give practical witness to the Good News of Christ, through worship and reflection, and through Christian service to the community.



OUR PARISH SHOP is open on Sunday mornings. It is a cash based system. Lots of lovely cards and small gifts are available

ST LAURENCE O'TOOLE ANNIVERSARY

The Archbishop of Rouen has invited the Archbishop of Dublin and the people of the Dublin Diocese to join him in the town of Eu in Normandy in May 2025 for the celebration of the 800th anniversary of St Laurence O'Toole's canonisation with the Diocese of Rouen. Those interested in participating in, or organising a group for, this pilgrimage celebration, can contact Fr Ivan Tonge, Ringsend (ivan.tonge@gmail.com), or Fr John Flaherty, Portmarnock (john.flaherty@dublindiocese.ie), This visit will be co-ordinated by Marian Pilgrimages.

The New Young Adult Folk Choir (a) St Columba's We are looking for new members. If you



are interested please ring or text Anna at 085 2313188. We sing at 6 pm Mass on Saturday evenings.

CATHEDRAL PROPOSAL

The Archdiocese of Dublin is undergoing a process of pastoral renewal, Hope – In that context, the Archbishop has been considering how the presence of the Church in the wider community can be strengthened.

St Mary's Pro-Cathedral was built nearly 200 years ago to provide a focal point for the Archdiocese, but it was always envisaged that at some point a cathedral building would be required that had both the space and the facilities to accommodate the full range of diocesan liturgical and pastoral ministry. For a variety of reasons that never happened, but the limitations of the St Mary's building & complex remain. The Archbishop will be communicating the details of this project process over the coming weeks and he envisages that proposals will be presented by the project group for decision before the end of the current year.

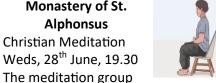
Thank you most sincerely for allowing us *The Little Sisters of the Poor* – to make a collection in your Parish last weekend. We are happy to tell you our collection amounted to the very generous €932



Botanic Bridge Club Play bridge every Weds evening evening at 7:15 in Clareville Dav Centre. We welcome

visitors to join us in June and July. If you have any queries please contact Emer at 0862546987.

Monastery of St. Alphonsus **Christian Meditation** Weds. 28th June. 19.30



will have a break during July & August.

Parish Social Media Please follow, like and share. **Facebook: Iona Road Parish** Instagram: ionaroadparish

IONA ACTIVE RETIREMENT Seven members of the Active Retirement Group went to Knock Shrine for 5 days organised by James Kilbane. It was most enjoyable		Mon Mon	11 12.00 2.00 - 4.00	Exercise Bridge. Because of growing interest we will continue	
		Tues	2.00 - 4.30	for month of July Bingo & Cards	
Tour to St Mel's Cathedral - went well all enjoyed.		Thur	11-12.15	Bible Group	
Ceilé dancing in Clareville Hall Finished till September No further meetings till September.		Thur	12.00-1.30	Game of 25 Botanic Flats	
		Fri		Writers Group Finished till September	
	PETER'S PENCE The annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken up on the weekend of Sat/Sun, July 1 st and 2 nd	Collec	The recent Collection amounted to €901 06		
Offerings are designated for the Pope's apostolic and charitable ministry			A Very Special Thanks		

60 years ago Habemus Papam - 21 June 1963, the 65 year old, Cardinal Giovanni Battista Montini, archbishop of Milan was elected Pope at the conclave of 80 cardinals in the Sistine Chapel. The senior cardinal, Alfredo Ottaviani, announced 'the great joy,' annuntio vobis gaudium magnum Habemus Papam, 'we have a Pope.' He had taken the name, Paul VI.

Pope John XXIII had died on 3 June, aged 81. Regarded as old and seen as a caretaker when elected Pope in 1958 -he was almost 77- he had without warning announced the holding of an ecumenical council at Vespers for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on 25 January 1959. The first session of the Second Vatican Council or Vatican II was held 11 October 1962 - 8 December 1962. The previous first Vatican Council was 1869-70 and mainly concerned the authority of the Pope and infallibility.

One of the first announcements of the new Pope Paul was his intention to continue the council. This happened on three more sessions in 1963, 1964 and 1965.

The first topic for the Council was the liturgy and it became the subject of the first document of the Council, the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, promulgated at the end of the second session, 4 December 1963.

Pope Paul said on that day that he saw this as an acknowledgement of God in the first place with the liturgy and worship of God as our first duty.