Ukrainian Catholic Chaplaincy: Fr Vasyl Kornitsky is Chaplain to the Ukrainian community and curate in Donnycarney Parish. He can be contacted at 086 2359561 or ugccie@gmail.com. Ukrainian Mass (Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom, Byzantine rite) is held every Sunday at 1pm in Our Lady of Consolation Church,

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support for anybody who has been abused, physically emotionally, sexually, spiritually, in a religious/church environment. The Towards Peace office hours are Monday and Tuesday 9am - 4pm and Wednesday 9am - 12noon. For further information phone 01 5053028 or 086 7710533 or visit www.towardspeace.ie or https://www.facebook.com/ TowardsPeaceSpiritualSupportService/.

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 and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit www.aware.ie.

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 **€433.00 last weekend**, This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€**503.00 is also contributed by Standing Orders.

Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sept	Sat	23rd	6.00pm	Dec Members of the Bradshaw &
				Whelan Family (A) Breda, William
				& Barry Nyhan & Pauline Moriarty (A)
Sept	Wed	27th	10.30am	St. Columbas School Mass
Sept	Sat	30th	6.00pm	May Caffrey (A)

Please pray for Frank Sheehy recently deceased and all 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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Labourers in the Vineyard



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



The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1st September to 4th October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the gift and beauty of God's creation and encourages initiatives to protect our Common Home. For further

information and resources go to www.catholicbishops.ie/laudato-si/



The Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership chair based exercise programme will continue this week on Monday, 25th September, from 11am to 12 noon in the quietness of Wellbeing the side aisle of St Columba's Church. There is no charge and the exercises are suitable for older adults. Our coach will be our parishioner, Pauline Pierce.

Student accommodation needed

Anyone interested in renting a room to a DCU student from the end of September please contact Eileen at 087 293 1327



Parish Social Media

Please follow, like and share.

Facebook: Iona Road Parish

Instagram: ionaroadparish

Diocesan Youth Leadership Course

Beginning in 30th September, a new Course will take place. Course will equip young adults to take on leadership roles in their parish setting and for peer-topeer ministry, as well as training those looking to accompany young adults in their parish. Each month, new skills are learnt and will be put into practice at the retreat day which will be shaped and organised by the course participants. For info email natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie.

We are for looking for people in the community to take part in our exercise and nutrition study. We are looking for adults (70 + years) to take part in our Protein and Exercise classes for 12 weeks by PhD student Catherine Fallon from the University College Dublin. For more information, please contact 086 724 0910 or catherine.fallon@ucdconnect.ie

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077.

Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Mon 25th 11-12 Chair Exercises No Charge 3.30-4.30 Clareville Centre Ceili Dancing Clareville Residents joining us this week Tea/Coffee and Biscuits will be served. Weds 27th 2-3 pm Thai Chi classes in Margaret Alyward Centre €10 per class. Weds 27th2-3 pm Aqua Aerobics €3 per class Finglas Swimming pool. Thur 28th 10am Lectio Divina

Mon	2-4pm	Bridge				
Tues	2 -4.30pm	Bingo & Cards				
Thur	11-12 noon	Bible Group				
Fri	11- 12.15	Writers Group				

Trip to Gleneagle Hotel Killarney

15th –18th Oct. 4 nights b&b and evening meal With daily activities and nightly entertainment . €379 pp sharing or €479 single. Please contact Clare at 087 2192640 asap to book your place. Family and friends are welcome too.



Annual Appeal for Homeless Prevention Services

which took place last weekend amounted to €1,221. Many Thanks

This year's Safeguarding Sunday will take place this Sunday. September 24th. 2023 marks the twentieth anniversary of the formation of the diocesan Child Safeguarding & Protection Service and consequently the theme of the occasion is very much "reflection".

We reflect on the journey that all of us have been on over the last twenty years. especially the victims of abuse in our Church. It is also a time to reflect on the ongoing commitment by all in our parishes to ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults. A lot has been achieved; however, this work is never done. The safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults in our diocese is central to the Gospel values that we embrace on a daily basis.

Weekly Taizé at Newman University Church is on Tuesdays at 6pm. Taizé Prayer is named for the ecumenical Christian community formed in Taizé, France. The Taizé community includes brothers from all Christian denominations, including Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox traditions. The church is dimly lit and our Taizé cross is brought out as a focal point for prayer. There is meditative song, silence, readings, and prayer. During the procession of light each person brings up their lit candle to the cross to pray. On **Oct 8th** at the 11am and 6:15pm Masses we will be celebrating St John Henry Newman (his feast is Oct 9th) Both our choirs will be singing at both

Masses. There will be refreshments afterwards in the church courtvard.