

God's commandments are given as a test or measure of our love for him. They lead us to show love for others and our world.



# Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to LOURDES Annual Collection this weekend

Under the leadership of the Archbishop of Dublin

Become an Associate Member of the Pilgrimage.

All donations gratefully Received Please give Generously and help send a sick pilgrim to Lourdes

Tap and Go machines 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.

The second Tap and Go device is 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 €.....00. This is received in weekly envelopes.

An average weekly total of €503.00 is also contributed by Standing Orders.

### Mass Intentions for this week

Sept	SAT	31st	6.00pm	Rory Moore (A)
Sept	SUN	1st.	11.00am	World day of Prayer for the care of Creation
•				Patricia Clarke (Month's Mind)
Sept	SAT	7th	6.00pm	Kieran, Karl & Patricia Andrews (A)
_			_	Mary O'Toole (A) Patricia Gilligan (A)
Sept	SUN	8th	11.00am	BAPTISMS
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## Remember in your prayers all our recently deceased.

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

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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Parish of St. Columba

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Detail of St Columba from our Pulpit

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.



**Monastery of St. Alphonsus** Christian Meditation Wednesday, the 4th of September 7.30 pm

Everyone who seeks silence and contemplation is very welcome!

# **Pathways**

Have you ever wanted to know more about vour faith? Are you looking for a course that can help you grow in your ministry? Pathways is an Adult Faith formation programme run by the Archdiocese aimed at all adults, members of PPCs and those in parish ministry.

It is a 2 year course running on Thursday evenings from September to May (excluding holidays) from 7pm-9.30pm in DCU, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.

The course is has a number of modules including input on Images of God, Discipleship, Scripture, Liturgy, Church, Caretaker needed for busy primary school in Dublin 11. Split shift 7:30 am - 12:00 pm and 3:30 pm -5:00 pm (30 hours per week). Email applications (CV and cover letter) to recruitment@stbrigid.ie.

Vatican II. Sacraments and Parish. The Second Year has a more intentional focus on Ministry.

Each evening includes a presentation on the topic as well as small group sharing and discussion and there is no written work or assessments.

The cost is €400 per year (Some parishes may help to cover some of the cost or you can contact us to discuss the possibility of a bursary)

For more details, and to complete the online application form, please

visit www.missionministry.ie/pathways or email peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie.

**NEXT WEEKEND** 8th September 2024 We need a hand Give an hour on the day from 1.00 to 5.00pm

> Contact email: ionafunday@gmail.com

Art Tent Face Paintina Dog Show Messy playBingo Football Inflatable Games Café Columba Barbecue

Ice-cream & Crepes Tuck shop Raffle Fun Games

Salad Bar

Thank you to anyone who can make a cake or bring a salad. But come and have a wonderful afternoon.



## BUILDING HOPE WITH OPEN HEARTS

Archbishop Farrell has issued a Pastoral Letter entitled Building Hope with Open Hearts. It launches, across the diocese, a significant new phase of the Building Hope pastoral renewal initiative with the publication in September of the Building Hope Pastoral Strategic Planning Resource 2025–2027 and associated Workshops. It also references the World Day of Prayer for Creation 2024.

Copies are available at the back of the church

# **ACTIVE RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES**



**Chair Exercises** with Pauline Pearse Monday 11-12 & 12-1.00 €2 Per Person

All Welcome

Annex Tuesday: Bingo/Cards 2-4:30pm Annex Wednesday:

Committee Meeting @ 11am

Annex Thursday: Bible

The **Day Trip to Newbridge** on the 21st of August was thoroughly enjoyed by the 14 people who travelled there.

#### **Autumn Break**

Galway Bay Hotel Sunday 20th October 3 Nights B&B & 3 Evening Meals €315 Per Person Sharing €477 Single Room Book with Hotel on 091 514645 (Say you are with Iona Active Retirement)

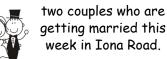
# Sunday 15th September @ 3pm

Our Lady of Dolours Parish Centre Ceol & Rince Song & Dance **Céilí** come along and join in the craic! Live music by **Beeswing** and Irish dancing Tickets €10 (family of 4 €25) OAP and Students €5 For more info: Kathleen 085 8721480 ourladyofdolours@gmail.com

David and Ciara and to

# Cliodhna and Andrew

Wishing Best of luck to





Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Rd Welcomes

# Saint Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage Ireland 2024 Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th of September

Encounter Saint Bernadette of Lourdes in Dublin this Autumn

If you would like to be part of this wonderful occasion and have an hour or two to volunteer and welcome people, please fill in your details on the form at the back of the church.

During the thirteenth apparition, the Virgin Mary asked Bernadette, "Go and tell the priests to build a chapel here and that people should come in procession."

Bernadette thus became the Virgin Mary's missionary, passing on her request to Father Peyramale, the parish priest of Lourdes.

Today, the Sanctuary Our Lady of Lourdes wants to respond to this request in a new way. This is an opportunity to have Lourdes come to you and experience the pilgrimage in Lourdes at home in Ireland.

Like Bernadette, we want to: Bear witness and proclaim that God is near and that in Him every life can be open to the happiness of the other world today.

Encourage a spirit of prayer and hope by helping all the faithful to rekindle the strength and dynamism of their Christian life and Marian piety.

Replicate the pilgrimage to Lourdes because the Virgin invites us to come here in procession to draw on the source of God's powerful mercy and his action on behalf of humanity.