



# ANNUAL Collection for Cross Care This weekend

Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin

## MAKE A DONATION TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

This weekend, September 14 and 15, Crosscare will hold its Annual Appeal for those most in need. This will replace the Share collection at all Masses.

Crosscare delivers a wide range of homeless, youth, and food poverty support to people at various stages of poverty or marginalisation. Regrettably, the demand for these vital services continues to increase, and Crosscare relies on your generosity to reach as many people as possible who need help.

Please support the Crosscare collection if you can this weekend at all Masses in the Archdiocese, or you can donate online at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie).

### MERCY HERITAGE

Mercy Heritage will be on show on Culture Night on Friday, September 20, in Mercy International Centre at 64a Lower Baggot Street. On September 20 the doors of Catherine McAuley's House on Baggot Street in Dublin will be open from 4pm until 8pm for guided tours.

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](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie)

Thank you for your contribution to the parish FAMILY OFFERING collection, amounting to €774.00. 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	14th	6.00pm	Pat O'Donnell (A) Joe & Margaret Harkins (A) Con Woodley (A) Rowan Floreani (A)
Sept	SUN	15th	11.00am	Cross Care Collection
Sept	SUN	22nd	11.00am	World day of Migrants & Refugees



Please follow, like and share our Parish Social Media  
Facebook: Iona Road Parish Instagram: [ionaroadparish](https://www.instagram.com/ionaroadparish)

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



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'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.

For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

**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.

St Columba's N.S. Parents Association would like to thank local residents and parishioners for their support and understanding during recent car-parking fundraisers. A fantastic amount of much-needed money was raised, with all proceeds going directly to the school.



### Mater Hospital Volunteer Programme

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in the hospital for a minimum of 4 hours per week and you are over 18 please contact the following for a friendly chat and more information;

Email: sdempsey@mater.ie  
Or Hazelphelan@mater.ie

### 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

Dear friends, It has come to that time of year again where we make arrangements for Safeguarding Sunday.

Safeguarding Sunday will take place on

**September 22** throughout the diocese.

The theme for this year's Sunday is

**A Safe and Welcoming Church for Children and Vulnerable Adults.**



### The BLESSING of the ANIMALS

St Columba's , Iona Road

A community service of celebrations and blessing or our pets in the week of the

Feast of St Francis of Assisi

Patron Saint of Animals

All pets and owners are welcome

**Sunday 6th of October at 3pm**

The St Vincent de Paul monthly collection takes place next weekend on Sat/Sun 21st 22

National Botanic Gardens Gallery

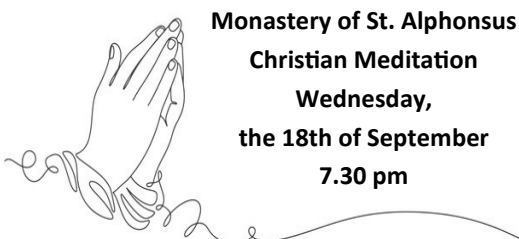
### Stories from the Gardens

Exhibition Launch

7pm Thursday 19th September

Exhibition dates

20 September 29th October



Monastery of St. Alphonsus

Christian Meditation

Wednesday,

the 18th of September

7.30 pm

## St Columba's Iona Family Fun Day Festival

was a huge success last weekend. Many thanks to all who gave their time and effort to make it such a GREAT DAY.



## ACTIVE RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES

**Chair Exercises** with Pauline Pearse Monday 11-12 & 12-1.00 €2 Per Person  
Monday Bridge 2 to 4 in Annex. Tuesday Annex : Bingo/Cards 2-4:30pm  
Thursday Annex : Bible

The Active Retirement had their AGM on Wednesday 11th of Sept. and there were 14 Members in attendance.  
Marjorie Chawke has stepped down as Treasurer from the Active Retirement.

**We would like to thank Marjorie for all her hard work and dedication as Treasurer.**

### Autumn Break

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

### Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Rd

Welcomes Saint Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage Ireland 2024

Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th of September

### Wednesday 25th September

2.00 pm

Service of Welcome Archbishop Dermot Farrell

Followed by The Rosary while preparing for the Veneration

Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available

4.00 pm – 6.30pm

Blessed Sacrament Procession (Holy hour) & Blessing of sick.

7.00 pm

Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available

8.00pm – 9.00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation available.

9.00pm

The day concludes with Mass

### Thursday 26th September

10.00am

A visit from some of our schools

11.00am

Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available

Sacrament of Reconciliation available.

12.00

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

2.00pm – 7.30pm

Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available

Sacrament of Reconciliation available.

8.00pm

Torchlight Procession

10.00pm

Night Prayer/Prayer moment

### Friday 27th September

10.00am Mass & Departure of the

Relic to Ardagh & Clonmacnoise

We the parish community on the Ballymun Road are privileged and honoured to be hosting St. Bernadette's Relics. Many of us has a special place in our hearts for St. Bernadette and indeed some of us have had the privilege of travelling to Lourdes. Now a little bit of Lourdes comes to us and we look forward to welcoming you to our parish as we gather together on this very special occasion. Please note you do not have to book, the church will be open as above and please feel free to call anytime. There is ample parking in and around our church.

