

**November is the month of the Holy Souls**, a time when we remember our beloved dead with special affection.

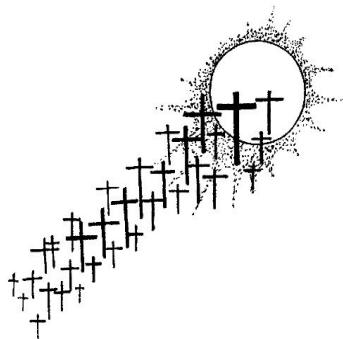
Each year, here in St. Columba's Church, we remember parishioners who have died over the past twelve months at a special Mass.

This year it takes place on :

**Saturday 2nd November at 6.00pm.**

which is also All Souls' Day.

Anyone who has been bereaved in the past year is most welcome to attend along with those who would like to remember someone they have lost over the years.



Thank you to all who contribute to our monthly St Vincent De Paul collection amounting to €710 which includes donation of €50

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 €1988.00. This is received in weekly envelopes.

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

#### Mass Intentions for this week

Oct	SAT	19th	6.00pm	Gussie Butler (A) Rita Rocca (A)
Oct	SUN	20th	11.00am	Margaret Pearl McGreavy (Months Mind) & Paddy McGreavy
Oct	SAT	26th	6.00pm	George Hilda & Sean Kelleher, Máire, Tom & Tony Dunne, Nora O'Halloran (A)
Oct	SUN	27th	11.00am	



Please pray for 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](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)

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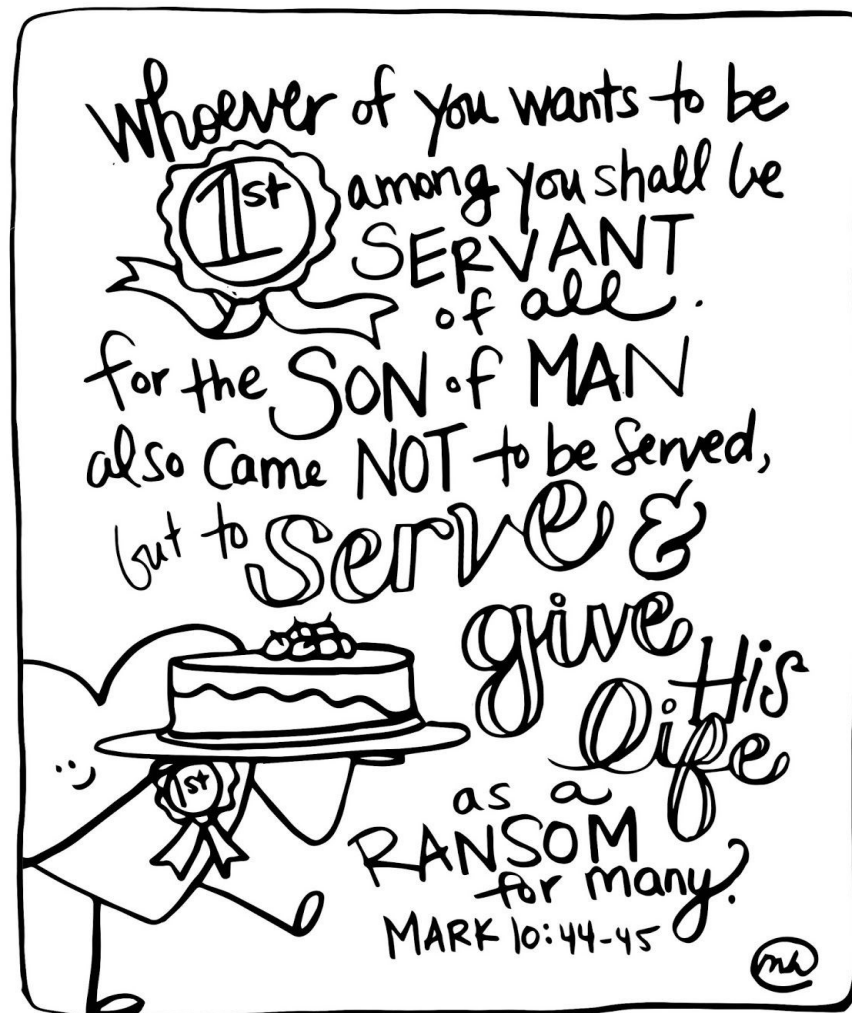


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**Mission Statement:** St. Columba's parish is a vibrant and welcoming community of faith, continuing to give practical witness to the Good News of Christ, through worship and reflection, and through Christian service to the community.



The Holy Father's Message for World Mission Day 2024

**World Mission Sunday** is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. It takes place in every single parish worldwide where the Church is present. In Ireland, Missio Ireland is tasked with organising the Mission Sunday Collection. Missio Ireland is the Pope's official charity of overseas mission.

**The Collections takes place THIS weekend 20th October**

**ST BERNADETTE – RELIC PILGRIMAGE** In October, the relics of St Bernadette will visit two more churches in Dublin:

Mary Immaculate, Inchicore, October 23-24; and Adam & Eve's, Merchants Quay, October 25-26. For more information, visit [www.stbernadette.ie](http://www.stbernadette.ie).

## Marriage Encounter

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland is a weekend experience for married couples

who want something more in their marriage – more fun, spontaneity, excitement, communication, understanding, romance, intimacy, passion, joy. Our next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is November 8 to 10. Venue: Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Online booking only: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie).



## ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE

800th anniversary of the Canonisation of St Laurence O'Toole. 10th May – 12th May 2025. Three-day Pilgrimage with Fr Ivan Tonge, to Rouen and Eu with Archbishop Farrell and

Archbishop Jackson, Booking is now open. Contact Marian Pilgrimages, Dublin, at 01 878 8159.

There is a **Living well programme** starting in St Clare's Integrated care hub on Friday 8th November for 6 weeks from 10:30am-1pm.

The Living Well programme supports you to develop and enhance the skills that help you to live well with a long-term health condition. Two trained leaders run the workshops; one of the leaders lives with a long-term health condition. To register or for further enquiries please

contact: Louise Potter, Living Well Coordinator  
Email: [LivingWellDNCC@hse.ie](mailto:LivingWellDNCC@hse.ie) or Phone: 01-8976171

**Liturgical Music Workshop** – led by Marie Dunne CHF, will take place on Saturday November 9th, from 10am – 3pm in the Margaret Aylward Centre, Glasnevin. The workshop (for choirs/music groups, and interested individuals), will offer music for a variety of liturgical uses, including resources for the season of Advent.

A new and exciting opportunity is beginning with the establishment of the Diocesan Certificate in **Young Adult Ministry** – It is a highly practical course where participants are given new experiences & key resources, including gaining vital skills to put into practice in their local context, while also being grounded in key church documents such as *Christus Vivit*. For more information and to send on any queries, please contact [natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie). Registration is open and can be accessed by going to : <https://forms.office.com/e/WXSxEzXUQ7>.

## ACTIVE RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES

Chair Exercises with Pauline Pierce  
Monday 11-12 & 12-1.  
€2 Per Person  
All Welcome



Annex Monday: Bridge 2-4pm  
Annex Tuesday: Bingo/Cards 2-4:30pm  
Annex Thursday: Bible Game of 25 in the Annex  
Thursday 11-12:30PM

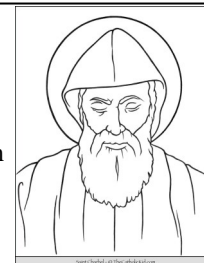


## ABIDE in His Love Women's Conference. 15th-17th November 2024 The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal.

Join us for an inspiring weekend with guest speakers including Lisa Cotter (Denver, Colorado), the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr. Barry Braum (London), Kathleen Nichols & Celine Kelly (Magdala, Israel), Bishop Kevin Doran (Elphin), Catherine DiNuzzo (Kansas), and Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR, among others. This conference will celebrate the beauty and dignity of women in the Church and the world today. It offers a wonderful opportunity to come together, form new friendships, be uplifted by powerful talks, and experience the transformative presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We encourage you to invite a family member or friend to join you. To register, visit [Eventbrite.ie](http://Eventbrite.ie) and search for "Abide in His Love." Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.

## RELICS OF ST CHARBEL, WHITEHALL

The relics of St Charbel will be visiting the Church of the Holy Child, The Thatch Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9, from Friday, October 25, until Monday, October 28. St Charbel was a Lebanese Maronite monk. He has the highest number of miracles ever recorded in Church history through the intercession of a monk.



## BUILDING HOPE IN THE WORKPLACE

Catholic Careers Summit – Building Hope in the Workplace: A Catholic Career Summit will take place in Whitehall Parish Centre on Saturday, October 26, at 1pm. This event is for Catholic professionals and those in education to come together to network, hire, mentor, and discuss career progression through the lens of our faith. For more information visit <https://catholiccareersummit.com>.

## Irish Bishops' pastoral letter on welcoming immigrants: A Hundred Thousand Welcomes?

On 12 October, Bishops of Ireland published a new pastoral letter on welcoming immigrants, entitled: *A Hundred Thousand Welcomes?*

*A Hundred Thousand Welcomes?* invites the faithful to reflect on how we welcome immigrants in contemporary Ireland, and the theme is informed by the parable of the Good Samaritan.

The pastoral letter's call to action encourages people to welcome immigrants and strive to help all newcomers belong to the life of the community; to reject voices that sow division; and, calls on State authorities to provide more resources to address local social and economic shortages that have been neglected for too long.

*A Hundred Thousand Welcomes?* is available on the [website](http://website) of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, with brief videos by Bishop Donal Roche, chair of the Bishops' Council for Migrants, and by Ms Concepta DeBrun of the Bishops' Council for Justice and Peace, along with downloadable social media resources.