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.

Cross Care wishes to thank parishioners for your most generous Contribution to the Annual Collection 2024 which amounted to €1301

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

Oct	SAT	26th	6.00pm	George Hilda & Sean Kelleher, Máire, Tom & Tony Dunne, Nora O'Halloran (A Elizabeth & Thomas Sheehy (A)	<b>.</b> )
Oct	MON	28th		Bank Holiday Mass in the Monastery @1	1AM
Nov	FRI	1st.	10.30am	All Saints	
Nov	SAT	2nd	6.00pm	Tina Cronin (1stA) Conor Cronin and Kieran Cronin (A)	E S
Nov	SUN	3rd	11.00am	Roscommon Association Annual Mass of Remembrance	
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 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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Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

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.

# Solemn Novena **Monastery of St Alphonsus**

Novena through the intercession of our Mother of Perpetual Help.

The Novena will be led by Fr. Ivan Mendana C.Ss.R.

# Masses at 10am and 8pm

(There will be no Mass in Iona Road for the weekdays during the Novena)

Confessions will be available after Mass Email: rednunsweb@gmail.com Tel 01 305723

5th to the 12th November 2024

Please Note:

There will be no Mass in the monastery on Saturday, the 16th of November.

#### SHALOM HOPE CONCERT

SHALOM are a group of International young Catholics based in St Mary's Pro-Cathedral who evangelise through scripture, prayer, music, song and dance. They will put on their annual Hope Concert on November 23 at 7pm.

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. Registration is open and can be accessed by going to: https://forms.office.com/e/ WXSxEzXUQ7.





Mother of Perpetual Help Pray for Us.

### 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 or Phone: 01-8976171

The Very Best of Luck to the Na Fianna Senior Hurlers in the County Final this weekend



## ACTIVE RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES

Chair Exercises with Pauline Pierce Bank Holiday Monday 10 to 10.45am One class only

€2 Per Person

Newcomers and regulars are welcome.

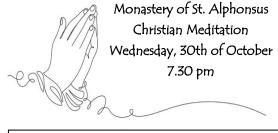


Annex Tuesday: Bingo/Cards 2-4:30pm Annex Thursday: Bible Game of 25 in the Annex Thursday 11-12:30PM



### 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 and search for "Abide in His Love." Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.



SHARE APPEAL SUNDAY

Share Appeal Sunday will take place on the weekend of November 9/10.

### MATT TALBOT WALK

Matt Talbot Walk: Sunday, October 27, at 2pm at Sean McDermott Street Church.

### UNIVERSITY CHURCH

Traditional Irish Storytelling and Music: On Wednesday, October 30, at 6pm, Eithne Ní Ghallchobhair will be accompanied with music by world-renowned guitarist Steve Cooney for "Traditional Irish Storytelling and Music" Storytelling in the ancient Irish form of the seanchaí, which forms part the Gaelic oral tradition of storytelling and history.

#### WEEKLY EZINE

Sharing Good News is the newsletter of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. If you would like receive this weekly ezine, you can do so at https://catholicnews.ie/ newsletter/. You are encouraged to invite others to do so too. Send articles and photographs for use in Sharing Good News to info@catholicbishops.ie.

## Parables and Pets!

Have you something special you would like to share with others about your pet (past or present)? A memory, a story, a poem, a picture - a moment of wonder for you! As a follow up to our blessing gathering we would like to invite you (with or without your pet) to join us in listening, sharing and reflecting on the mystery of God's creation in our lives. Saturday November 9th at 2pm for 30 minutes in St Columba's Church Iona Road. Fáilte Roimh Cách - All Are Welcome!

