



The Share Collection this weekend of **23/24 November** is for the **Sick & Indigent Room Keepers Society**, which is the oldest charity in Dublin founded in 1790.

This collection occurs on an annual basis and is in line with the Diocese's appreciation of the work of the Society. The area between the canals represents traditional boundaries within which the Society originally carried out its relief work, an area that now represents only 18% of the parishes within the City and County of Dublin. We are particularly grateful to parishioners for their generosity to the Society in past years.

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 **€326.00**. This is received in weekly envelopes.

Mass Intentions for this week

Nov	SAT	23rd	6.00pm	Paddy Keogh(A) John Curtin (A)
				Sean O'Reilly (A) Peadar Hynes (A)
Nov	SUN	24th	11.00am	Paddy Cullen (1stA)
Dec	SUN	1st.	11.00am	Dympna O'Gorman (Month's Mind)

Please pray for all our recently deceased.



Help needed next weekend 1st December to deliver the parish Christmas letter. The bundles of letters for each road in the parish will be available at the back of the Church. We would gratefully appreciate it if you were able to take your own road or a road near you and deliver them for us.

'Many hands make light Work' Thanking you in anticipation.

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 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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Jesus is more powerful than any earthly ruler because His kingdom is one of everlasting love. Jesus died so we could have forgiveness of our sins and be part of His kingdom.

He rose to conquer sin and death, proving His kingship and showing us that He wants to bring us all to resurrection.

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 most Sunday mornings.

It is a cash based system with lots of lovely cards and small gifts available.

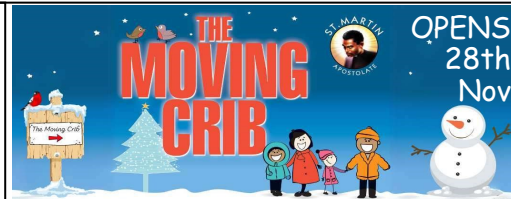
Christmas Cards available in the shop

They are 100% Irish made cards with a beautiful sketch of our Church.

They were sold out last year, so don't delay and get yours today. The cards are €2 each.

Strength & Balance Class with
Pauline Pierce
Monday 11-12 & 12-1
€2 Per Person

All Welcome



REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

November begins with the feast of All Saints and then, the following day, All Souls' Day. We remember our departed sisters and brothers at Mass on All Souls', the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed as we do at all Masses. We visit the cemetery and final resting place of deceased family and friends. We include everyone in our prayers. We place the names of our dead on the Altar List of the Dead, for whom Mass is offered on the First Friday of each month. Kindly take an envelope and slip of paper on which you write the names of those for whom you wish to be on the Altar List. Return the envelope to the safe at the back of the church or to the sacristy or parish office.

Teachers' Musical Society presents 'Festive Favourites'

The acclaimed Teachers' Musical Society will be hosting their first annual Christmas Concert in the beautiful surroundings of All Hallows Chapel on December 5th at 8pm. Performances on the night will be courtesy of the Teachers' Musical Society Choir, stunning soloists, and some groups of very talented local school children. This will be a lovely opportunity for the whole family to get into the Christmas spirit, and maybe even sing along!

Tickets are €12 available from
[/www.gr8events.ie/festivefavouritesconcert](http://www.gr8events.ie/festivefavouritesconcert)

Very Best of luck to the
Na Fianna Senior Hurlers
in the
Leinster Senior Hurling
Championship Semi-Final
v St Martin's



in Parnell Park
this
Sunday
24th
November
at 3pm

TABLE QUIZ Kennedy's Pub
Wednesday Dec 4th @8pm in aid
of the Mater Hospital

*'In the heart of our community and
serving the nation'*

€15 per person - Four on a team



Further Info: Call Pauline
0876950299 or Carol 0868121757

ACTIVE RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES

Annex Monday: Bridge 2-4pm

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

Annex Thursday: Bible

Christmas Party The Maples Hotel Weds. 11th Dec,
Time: 12:30 for 1PM
4-Course Dinner
Friends Welcome
€26 Per Person (Please Pay
Marjorie Chawke by 4th Dec)



'MAKING SPACE FOR HOPE'

Join our new Pastoral Worker, Pádraigín, for Advent Reflection.
Each Thursday morning 11.15 -12noon (after mass)
in the Annex or sacristy at St Columba's.
Nov 28 th , Dec 5 th , 12 th , 19 th . Céad Fáilte! All Welcome!

Monastery of St Alphonsus

Last Saturday novice Nilima confirmed her 'Yes' to God's call of Love through the rite of First Profession, thus becoming a Redemptoristine Nun and the newest professed member of the Monastic Community. It was a joyous occasion, attended by her family, who travelled all the way from Mumbai, India, some of our community friends, our brother Redemptorists and Religious from different Congregations.



Christmas with the
PALESTRINA CHOIR
returns to the
National Concert
Hall, on Saturday Dec 14th at
3pm and 8pm. Tickets from
€25 available from www.nch.ie
or 01 4170000. This magical
show will be conducted by Mu-
sical Dir. Blánaid Murphy.



Advent Prayer Moments

The Advent Service on November 30 at the **Monastery of St Alphonsus** at 8pm is open to all. It can be viewed on line also. Recording will be on the webcam so that you can revisit it www.rednuns.com/webcam

*O Come
O Come
Emmanuel*

RTÉ Radio 1 started broadcasting a new religious programme called *The Divine Spark* on Fridays at 10pm. This programme will offer a fresh, engaging and thought-provoking look at religious and spiritual life both in Ireland and overseas.

The annual **'Christmas in Song and Word'** will take place in the Church on **Sunday 8th December** (5pm – 6 pm), featuring festive carols, readings and reflections. This event includes members of the People's College Choir and the Church Choir, the children's choir of St Columba's National School and our organist, Eoin Tierney. The choirs will be joined by Mary Flaherty (soprano). Admission is free and all are welcome to join with us in this celebration of Christmas.

TAKE TIME IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD
Each Friday in Advent, following morning mass, there will be an hour of Eucharistic Adoration in front of the Blessed sacrament including quiet prayer for Peace and Healing.
Concluding with the Angelus.
December 6th ,13th,20th