

# Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown





### Celebrating 50 Years Of Trócaire

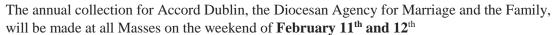
On the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in 1973, the Irish Bishops wrote to the Christian people of Ireland establishing Trócaire. As we mark 50 years of Trócaire, we mark 50 years of perseverance, courage, participation, accountability and solidarity.

From supporting human rights defenders in Central America, to leading the relief effort in Vietnam following the war, to providing essential emergency assistance in the midst of crisis, Trócaire has been proud to work on behalf of the people of the island of Ireland in fighting injustice across the world.

We thank God for our supporters and partners who empower us to do this vital work. We pray that the next fifty years will see all the people of the world working together for a more just world, and that the fruits of this work will be clear to see.

## **Accord Collection Next Weekend**

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Accord Dublin throughout the diocese offers Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups; Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone; A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

Accord Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously to this collection.

# International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking - Wednesday 8th February

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The Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the International Union of Superiors General has designated **February 8**<sup>th</sup> as an annual day of prayer and awareness against human trafficking.

On this day, Catholics all over the world are encouraged to host or attend prayer services.

The day is intended to raise awareness and encourage reflection on the violence and injustice that impact victims of human trafficking.

February 8th was selected as the International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking as it is the day commemorating St. Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of anti-trafficking in the Catholic faith.

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### ARISE - Youth and Young Adult Ministry in the Archdiocese of Dublin

**ARISE!** is the new name for Youth and Young Adult Ministry in the Archdiocese of Dublin. Including prayer, pilgrimage and faith exploration, ARISE! will support young adults in their faith, as well as those in parish who accompany young people.



**Sign up to the mailing list** to be the first to hear all that is happening with ARISE!

https://forms.office.com/e/3rfLFnUXjR or contact natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie

**ARISE!** Lent is a series of workshops for young adults on key areas of social justice and how we can get moving on areas that matter. Takes place in St Paul's Church, Arran Quay, from 7pm each night.

For more information, email: natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie.

Register interest now at: https://forms.office.com/e/rwJkixXMyi/





We are currently looking for volunteers to join our Parish Cleaning Team on a Thursday or Friday morning, whichever day suits you best. You would only be required to clean for one hour every 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month. If you would like to volunteer for any of these days, please contact Teresa in the parish office with your details.

A very big **THANK YOU!!** to our team who do a marvellous job of keeping our Church sparkling clean, therefore creating a safe and healthy environment for us all.

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