



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



Pope Francis speaks on lay ministries within the Church

Instituted ministries and those that require ordination, “do not represent the full extent of the ministeriality of the Church, which is broader and, ever since the first Christian communities, regards all the faithful.”

The origin of the full ministeriality of the Church lies in two pillars: **baptism** and the gifts of the **Holy Spirit**.

Areas to privilege

Speaking about lay ministry, Pope Francis encouraged the laity to meet the demands of today's world, attending to those who need "welcome and solidarity," such as migrants and the poor, in addition to those who experience “new forms” of suffering and isolation.

“The ministry thus becomes not only a simple social commitment, but also something beautiful and personal, a true Christian witness,” he said.

One thing we must remember, though: these ministries, services, offices, must never become self-referential. I get angry when I see lay ministers who – pardon the expression – are “puffed up” by this ministry. This is ministerial, but it is not Christian. They are pagan ministers, full of themselves, aren't they? Beware of this: they must never become self-referential. **Service is one-directional, it is not a round trip.**

Message From Crosscare



From Yvonne Fleming, Senior Manager at Crosscare:

You may come in contact with people who experience food poverty through your work.

We help families and individuals with food supplies, and through our caseworkers, with any other issues that have brought them into poverty, for example, the rising cost of living, debt, illness, increasing rents or lack of access to social welfare. We have food collection and casework centres across Dublin – in Finglas, Ronanstown, Jobstown, Nutgrove, Bonnybrook, Blanchardstown, and Dublin 1 – with plans to establish more where needed.

Close to 500 families and individuals, including 300 children, have needed help with food from us since the start of the year, and we know many more need our support.

Please share details of this service (below) through your networks so we can reach as many people in need as possible. Email: foodcaseworkservice@crosscare.ie. Phone: **01 8913022**.

If your team would like more information and hear from us directly, we would be happy to visit you; please do not hesitate to get in touch. With thanks – Yvonne.

See poster on Parish noticeboard and Church door



The Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Gate Collection will take place next weekend

Young Adult Camino 2024



Plans are currently being made to host a Young Adult Camino in Summer 2024 for the Archdiocese of Dublin. It will be the final stage, walking the 110kms from Sarria to Santiago, with a day trip to Finisterre.

Upon reaching the Cathedral in Santiago, those walking will get their Compostela.

Three preparation sessions will be held in March, April and May. Register your interest now by fill in the following form: <https://forms.office.com/e/q4xqzF4Vwv/>.

All queries can be sent to natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie.



Gala Night Celebration

Loughlinstown Community Rooms proudly presents:

‘A Night To Remember’

Saturday 2nd September 7.30pm start, followed by dinner at 8pm

Dress Code: Black Tie



Tickets €50 per person (Limited tickets available) Contact: Patsy 0876680653 See poster on Noticeboard

St. Patrick’s Pontifical University

Postgraduate Programmes in Theology and Philosophy at St. Patrick’s Pontifical University, Maynooth. Applications will be accepted up until August 14th.

For more information email: pgadmission@spcm.ie or call 01-7083391



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