



# Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



## Mass Time for All Saints Day

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October Vigil Mass**  
St Anne's Church Shankill at 7.30pm

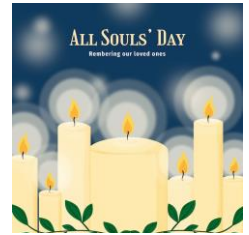
## **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Sts. Alphonsus and Columba Church Ballybrack - Mass at 10am  
St. Columbanus Church Loughlinstown - Mass at 11am

## Mass Time for All Souls Day - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

St Anne's Church Shankill - Mass at 10am  
St. Columbanus Church - Mass at 6pm

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## Altar List of the Dead Mass

Mass will be offered here for all our loved ones whose names are on the Altar List, on:  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November - 9.30am**

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## November Altar List of the Dead

Envelopes and lists are available on the tables at the back of the Church.

Please return the list as soon as possible

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## WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS ON TODAY'S GOSPEL - MARK 10:46-52

Bartimaeus' **faith** is evident from his **prayer**. It is not a timid and standard prayer. First and foremost, he calls the Lord "Son of David": that is, he acknowledges Jesus as the Messiah, the King who would come into the world. Then **he calls Him by name, confidently; "Jesus"**. He is not afraid of Him, he does not stay at a distance. And thus, from the heart, he shouts out his entire drama to God, his friend: "**Have mercy on me**"! Just that prayer: "Have mercy on me"! He does not ask for some loose change as he does with passers-by. No. **He asks for everything from the One who can do everything**. He asks people for loose change; he asks everything from Jesus who can do everything. "**Have mercy on me, have mercy on all that I am**".

*May Bartimaeus, with his genuine, insistent and courageous faith, be an example for us.*

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## **Fr. Richard Rohr considers what we can learn from the first Bible of nature.**

The first act of divine revelation is creation itself. The first Bible is the Bible of nature.

It was written at least 13.8 billion years ago, at the moment that we call the Big Bang,

long before the Bible of words. "Ever since God created the world, God's everlasting power and divinity – however invisible – are there for the mind to see in the things that God has made." (Romans 1:20). One really wonders how we missed that. Words gave us something to argue about, I guess, while **nature can only be experienced, and hopefully enjoyed and respected with admiration and awe.**

Don't dare put the second Bible in the hands of people who have not sat lovingly at the feet of the first Bible.

They will invariably manipulate, mangle, and murder the written text.

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## **'He Loved Us': Pope Francis' new encyclical on the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

"Dilexit nos," Pope Francis' fourth Encyclical, retraces the tradition and relevance of thought on "the human and divine love of the Heart of Jesus Christ," calling for a renewal of authentic devotion to avoid forgetting the tenderness of faith, the joy of serving, and the fervour of mission.

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## Annual Family Offering Boxes

The yearly Family Offering Boxes of envelopes will be ordered shortly.

The Family Offering pays for the expenses of running the parish as well as maintaining the church and parish buildings.

If you currently don't have a box of envelopes but would like to order some for next year please contact Teresa in the parish office (01-2824085) to arrange it. If you would like to support the parish through your bank the details are:

Loughlinstown Parish No.1 Account: Bank of Ireland, Kill O'The Grange

**BIC No. BOFIE2D IBAN No. IE60 BOFI 9011 8350 2672 64**

*Thank you for your continued support*

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**Church will be closed on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October for the bank holiday**

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