



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



This week we got our Framework Document to help us return to a very safe celebration of Mass and the Sacraments.

In the first instance we are reminded that "The dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day obligation is extended for the time being" also we are advised that "It is important that people who are vulnerable or unwell, and especially those with any symptoms that might suggest Covid-19 infection, should stay at home and, if possible, participate, as now, via webcam, social media, television, or radio. The same applies to those who have been in recent contact with someone who has the virus, in accordance with public health advice."

We have our own great strengths and strong community spirit. Our path to a safe return should be relatively trouble free, but it will involve sacrifices and some extra help.

In order to enable us to have two masses at the weekend, Saturday 6pm Vigil and Sunday 11am mass, we will need volunteers to ensure that the church is cleaned and sanitised before the Sunday morning mass. This could take place either after the Saturday Vigil mass or before the Sunday 11am mass.

We will also need stewards for our weekend masses.

In next week's newsletter we will make some very practical requests.

I am well aware that a number of our parishioners will be very cautious about returning too soon to Mass. That is perfectly understandable in this unique situation.

Once again may I stress that all we propose to do will be entirely for your safety!

I hope you have a good week.

Your brother in Christ

Enda L.

Corpus Christi Prayer



*Let us pray for the willingness to make present in our world
the love of Christ shown to us in the Eucharist,
Lord Jesus Christ, we worship you living among us
in the Sacrament of Your Body and Blood.*

*May we offer to our Father in heaven
a solemn pledge of undivided love.*

*May we offer to our brothers and sisters
a life poured out in loving service of that Kingdom
where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit
one God for ever and ever.*

Amen.