



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



We have just completed our first week of Mass since late March. It was wonderful to be back and to see you. I realise that some of you will come back in your own time, when you are ready. We look forward to seeing you.

Thank you, one and all, for your cooperation with our Stewards at Saturday evening and Sunday morning Mass.

Thank you to our cleaners who got the Church ready for Sunday after the 6pm Mass on Saturday and also after the 11am Mass on Sunday.

For the foreseeable future we will not be able to have more than 50 persons in the Church, including stewards, readers, priest etc. After that number you will be requested to go to the Pastoral Centre. Please continue to come with face covering, which allows us more senior parishioners to feel much safer. This is what the HSE asks us to do at Church services.

At our weekend Masses we will have all our doors open to allow plenty of air circulate in the church. In the Pastoral Centre we will have doors and windows open.

Last Sunday at 11am Mass we attempted to live stream our Mass via "facebook live" at "LoughlinstownParishChurch." It was a partial success. It worked! It was not perfect.

Next week I will ensure that I can be heard much better. If you had any special difficulties you might ask a young person to help solve the problem.

My advisors, all in their 20/30s, tell me that there are solutions. Please be patient with us as we try to get it just right. If it is not satisfactory for you by 10.50am this Sunday 12th July please go to an online Mass somewhere else.

It is our hope to livestream the Sunday Mass for the foreseeable future.

It would also be very helpful to contact the Confirmation candidates with some preparation input.

In early September we hope to have a gentle retreat for all in our parish via "facebook live". More about that over the next few Sundays.

Our weekly Mass schedule is:

- ❖ Tuesday 9.30am, Church open until 4pm
- ❖ Thursday 9.30am, Church open until 4pm
- ❖ Saturday 6pm
- ❖ Sunday 11am

The Church is thoroughly cleaned on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Your brother in Christ

Enda L.