



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



Christmas Dues

Many thanks for returning your Christmas Dues envelopes. The Christmas Dues, along with the First Collection, help to pay the subsistence of all priests in the Dublin Diocese, active and retired. It has been a difficult year for everyone so thank you for what you have been able to contribute. It is very much appreciated.

Parish Office

Due to the current surge in the increase and spread of Covid19, we ask, that until circumstances change, if parishioners would contact Teresa with their requests by **phone only. 01-2824085**

This is to ensure the safety of our parish staff, on whom we rely, to keep us up and running and enabling the Church to remain open for private prayer. We thank you for your cooperation in these difficult times.



Church Opening Hours For Private Prayer

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

11am to 4pm

Half Hour Quiet Prayer

On Wednesday evenings

7.30pm Half Hour quiet prayer

JUST BEING PRESENT before Blessed Sacrament'

We will include a short reflection on a Gospel passage



From Pope Francis



"We are living in a time of trial. In the trials of life, you reveal your own heart: how solid it is, how merciful, how big or small. Normal times are like formal social situations: you never have to reveal yourself. You smile, you say the right things, and you come through unscathed, without ever having to show who you really are. But when you're in a crisis, it's the opposite. You have to choose. And in making your choice you reveal your heart."

In moments of crisis, you get both good and bad. Some move out to meet others - in new and creative ways, perhaps even without leaving their houses - while some others retreat behind defensive armour. The state of our hearts is exposed. In a crisis we have to revise and modify our roles in order to emerge from the crisis as better people.

This is a moment to dream big, to rethink our priorities - what we value, what we want, what we seek - and to commit to act in our daily life on what we have dreamed of. What I hear at this moment is similar to what Isaiah hears God saying through him: Come, let us talk this over. Let us dare to dream"

(Pope Francis in the prologue of his new book LET US DREAM)

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