



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown

Final Farewell To Our Brother John



On Wednesday 28th of July, we laid to rest our dearly beloved Parish Steward, John Carroll.

John played a “Very Big” part in this parish, from the day himself and Kay moved into the area over 40 years ago, and continued to do so up until the day he died.

John was part of a parish team, along with John Quieney, Paddy Murray and Luke Daniel, affectionately know as “The God Squad” and God has our Squad with him now.

John was one of life’s greatest jokers and messers and everyone who knew John had a funny story to tell about him. He will be truly missed around the parish.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Kay and family at this very sad time.

Farewell good and faithful servant.

I Am The Bread Of Life

The bread that feeds the body:
grown, harvested, baked, prepared
by human hands;

The bread of God,
grown, harvested, baked, prepared
by the hands of God and our hands.

The bread of Jesus
is the compassion of God for us, his people,
the friendship and the forgiveness of God.

The aroma of fresh bread can fill a house
and the fragrance of God’s presence fills our lives,
especially when we most need it:

The peace of God at times of death,
the justice of God in hunger and homelessness,
the closeness of God when we feel lonely.

There could be no bread of life
without our co-operation:
And we bake that bread for the world;
we are grateful for the gift of Jesus:
for God’s love in prayer
and for the care of God
experienced in the care of others.

As we hear the words of Jesus:
I am the bread of life,
may we also say, with courage and thanks:
we are the bread of life.

Amen.

