



# Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



## Church Opening Hours For The Winter Months

As of Monday October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Church will be open five days a week  
**Monday to Friday - 11am to 4pm**  
For private prayer

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## THE HAIL HOLY QUEEN CONFERENCE

On Saturday October 9th, The Hail Holy Queen Conference will be on Radio Maria Ireland at 2pm.  
Guest speakers include Bishop John Keenan, Dr. Patrick Kenny, Fr. Gerry McCloskey, and Dr. Blythe Kaufman.

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## COASTAL ROSARY



Sunday Oct 10th, the Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm.  
Join people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our grottos,  
churches, at the coasts and other suitable places.

We encourage you to gather safely being mindful of COVID 19 regulations.  
Simply sign up a Rosary location at [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) or text your location to 087 278 6552.

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## Points To Ponder

‘In joining their lives, spouses assume an active and creative role in a lifelong project.  
For this very reason neither spouse can expect the other to be perfect.  
Each must set aside all illusions and accept the other as he or she actually is:  
an unfinished product needing to grow, a work in progress’

~Pope Francis - *Amoris Laetitia*, 218

‘Love is never something ready-made, something merely ‘given’ to man and woman;  
it is always at the same time a ‘task’ which they are set.  
Love should be seen as something which in a sense never ‘is’ but is always only ‘becoming’,  
and what it becomes depends upon the contribution of both persons and the depth of their commitment’

~Saint Pope John Paul II

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## The Love Of Children

Jesus had a way with children, a welcome for them, a love for them,  
and saw in them some of the qualities of openness to God.  
The innocence of children and their weakness touch the strings of love in our hearts  
If we are people of love, true followers of Jesus,  
we will want the best for our children.

We want happiness and love for them, good health and a meaning in their lives,  
we want them to find friends.

We want to spare them the hardships of life, and when we cannot,  
we want to give them a light to guide them in what will be the pain of life.

We hope also to give them a way through the inevitable difficulties of love and of growth  
which they will find as they make their way through life.

Can we give them the way of Jesus?

He had a way with children, because He is the Way to God.



~ Donal Neary SJ

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