



# Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



## First Holy Communion



Congratulations to the children from Ballyowen Meadows Special School who received the sacrament of First Holy Communion here last Thursday.

The children from St. Columbanus National School will receive the sacrament this weekend (Sunday) and the children from Gaelscoil Phádraig next Saturday. We will keep them all in our prayers

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## LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION

The Archdiocese of Dublin Lay Ministry Collection takes place this weekend

The Lay Ministry Collection will support the development of a variety of lay ministries, providing for more women and men to work alongside the priests and deacons. Our hope is that lay ministry will make a significant contribution to pastoral life into the future. **This collection replaces the SHARE Collection.**

Donations can also be made online at <https://pay-payzone.easypaymentsplus.com/customer/10012/product-list/>.

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## The Building Hope Prayer

*Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.*

*You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts.*

*We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family.*

*Open our eyes to recognise you in the faces of one another,  
in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation.*

*May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us.*

*May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word,  
bringing forth truth, justice and peace.*

*May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more  
than we can dare to imagine*

*as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service.*

*We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord.*

*Amen.*

*Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.*

*St Laurence O'Toole, pray for us.*

*St Kevin, pray for us.*

*St Brigid, pray for us.*

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## NO VISIBLE SCAR: WORKSHOP AT DROMANTINE CENTRE, NEWRY

Losing a loved one can be a lonely, isolating and disorienting experience. These feelings of loss have been felt even more keenly in the time of a global pandemic. This workshop provides a gentle, safe and comforting space to help those bereaved before or during the pandemic to better understand their feelings, sensitively unpack the layers of grief their loss has brought and learn how to respectfully carry grief and embrace life again. **Friday 20 May (arrive 5pm) to Sunday 22 May (depart 2pm).** €260. Workshop facilitator Fr Hugh Lagan SMA. Fr Lagan is a priest with the Society of African Missions and a chartered clinical psychologist. He has led retreats, workshops and trainings internationally on psychological and spiritual well-being, positive change, trauma, mental health and resilience. Please contact Jacinta or Louisa to reserve your place: 048 30821964 or [admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)

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## Cemetery Sunday Shanganagh

Annual Mass of Remembrance  
will be celebrated in Shanganagh Cemetery at  
**3.00pm on Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
(With blessing of The Graves)

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