



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown

Pope Francis' vision for lay ministry in the Church (April 25 2023) ... continued from last week
Pope Francis says:

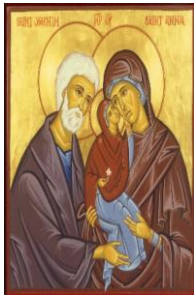
“All ministries are an expression of the sole mission of the Church, and they are all forms of service to others. All forms of ecclesial/church tasks have in common “the willingness to serve our sisters and brothers and, in them, to serve Christ.”

Referring to the apostolic exhortation (Encyclical) ‘Evangelii Gaudium’ he added, ‘Only in this way may all the baptised be able to discover the meaning of their own life, joyfully experiencing being a mission on this earth, that is being called, in different ways and forms bringing light, blessing, enlivening, raising up, healing and freeing, and letting themselves be accompanied.’”

The Origin Of Ministries

In his speech Pope Francis sought to differentiate “**instituted**” ministries from the ministries carried out in activities of an ordinary, everyday nature, in the life of the Church and in the world. To live and carry out a ministry, he said, is to participate in the “prophetic and regal function of Christ, not only within the Church, but also in the environments in which they are engaged.

A Prayer for Grandparents



*Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary,
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.*

Look with love on grandparents the world over.

*Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families,
for the Church and for all of society.*

*Support them! As they grow older,
may they continue to be for their families
strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals,
living treasures of sound religious traditions.*

*Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations
the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.*

Amen.



Gala Night Celebration

**Loughlinstown Community Rooms proudly presents:
'A Night To Remember'**

**Saturday 2nd September 7.30pm start, followed by dinner at 8pm
Dress Code: Black Tie**



Tickets €50 per person (Limited tickets available) Contact: Patsy 0876680653 See poster on Noticeboard

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) - Johnstown/Killiney Parish



CAP Ireland is a Christian charity that believes no Irish person should live in financial distress. CAP Ireland plans to provide the church with free-to-use practical financial tools, services, and money skills to enable financial wellbeing for their community. See www.capireland.ie/ for more details. They are having their launch event on Thursday 21st September to launch their new money coaching programme. Register for this free event through their website (above).

They are looking for parishioners to pray for them by signing up to a monthly newsletter. Also looking for people to volunteer to become a CAP Coach and Befriender, both working with those in financial debt.

They work alongside the St. Vincent de Paul. One parishioner in Johnstown/Killiney is a Director of CAP Ireland.

Escorted 3 Night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

19th August 2023. Price includes return transfers via train, 3 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Price: €549.00 per person sharing. Single supplement €150.00.

For more information contact Patricia on 087 1890 236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

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