



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



Extracts from the Report of the 16th General Assembly of the Synod on Synodality.

PART II – ALL DISCIPLES, ALL MISSIONARIES

Church is Mission:

a) Rather than saying that the Church has a mission, we affirm that Church ‘is’ mission. “As the Father has sent me, so I send you” (John 20:21): the Church receives from Christ, the One who is sent by the Father, Her own mission. Supported and guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church announces and witnesses the Gospel to those who do not know it or welcome it. They do this with that preferential option for the poor that is rooted in the mission of Jesus. In this way the Church co-operates in the coming of the Reign of God, of which She is the seed (cf. LG 5).

b) The sacraments of Christian initiation confer on all the disciples of Jesus the responsibility for the mission of the Church. Laymen and laywomen, those in consecrated life, and ordained ministers have equal dignity. They have received different charisms and vocations and exercise different roles and functions, but all are called and nourished by the Holy Spirit to form one body in Christ (1 Cor. 4-31). They are all disciples, all missionaries, in the reciprocal vitality of local communities who experience the delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing. The exercise of co-responsibility is essential for synodality and is necessary at all levels of the Church. Each Christian is a mission on this earth.

c) The family is the pillar of every Christian community. Parents and grandparents and all those who live and share their faith in the family are the first missionaries. The family, as a community of life and love, is a privileged place of education in faith and Christian practice, one that needs special accompaniment within communities. Support is especially needed for parents who must reconcile work, including within the Church community and in service to its mission, with the demands of family life.

Share Appeal Sunday

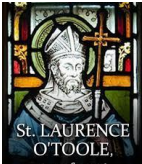


Extract from the letter from Archbishop Dermot Farrell:

I am writing to you today about Share, the Diocesan Development Fund, the second collection at Sunday Masses, which depends on the generosity of parishioners across the Archdiocese. Building on the wisdom in parishes throughout the world, guided by the Holy Spirit, the Synod in Rome last month grappled with the challenge of renewing the Church worldwide as the listening, participative, active community of the followers of Jesus.

Full copy of the letter is on the noticeboard at the back of the Church

Feast of St. Laurence O’Toole Tuesday 14th November



Mass in the Pro Cathedral at 10.30am. Join on the webcam at: www.procathedral.ie

Southside Partnership’s Creative Places initiative Survey

We’re interested in all expressions of creativity both indoors and outdoors from painting to crafting, singing and gardening. *Everything!* The survey is part of the Southside Partnership’s Creative Places initiative funded by the Arts Council. Blue Drum, a registered charity and community arts organisation is responsible for the survey and it takes 3 -4 minutes. Any questions or if something is not clear just write to Ed – blue.drum@yahoo.com

SOS Please do us a favour and fill out a survey about community, art and culture in Loughlinstown and Ballybrack. It’s only for people who live in these areas!! Here is the link and we will also leave some hard copies in the back of the church: **[Spaces and Connections – Loughlinstown and Ballybrack](#)**

Please put your completed survey in the letterbox at the back of the Church

Christmas Craft Fair - In Aid of Purple House Bray and Harolds Cross Hospice



Great gift ideas for Christmas
Saturday 25th November in the *Cherith* Pastoral Centre
1pm to 8pm

See poster on the church porch door

Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society

Tom Conlon will present ‘From Victorian to Carolean era - how Dún Laoghaire has changed’ at 8p.m. on Tuesday November 14th in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. All are welcome - **admission is €5**

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