



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



St. Colmcille Partnership of Parishes Encounter Jesus This Lent

The St. Colmcille Partnership of Parishes invites you to journey this Lent towards a deeper encounter with Jesus.

St. Anne's Parish Shankill

7pm evening Mass from Monday to Friday, with Stations of the Cross beforehand at 6:30pm.

Lenten Evenings in Johnstown Parish Centre

Fridays: 20th and 27th February – 6th, 13th and 20th March - 7.30pm to 9pm (Tea and Coffee from 7.30pm)

Partnership Retreat – Church of the Apostles – Led by Fr. Pat Collins

Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March

Mass at 7.30pm (With invited preacher) - Confession available from 7pm

No cost to any of these events – All are welcome – See poster on our porch door

ACCORD Collection This Weekend

The **ANNUAL COLLECTION for Relationship Care / Accord Dublin**, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses this weekend of **14th & 15th February**.

Relationship Care throughout the Diocese continues to offer:



- Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups.
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. *This collection replaces the SHARE/2nd Collection*



Ash Wednesday

This coming Wednesday 18th February is Ash Wednesday.

Blessed Ash will be distributed during 9.30am Mass and will also be available to take home

Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse

This year's Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse will take place on 20th February, the first Friday of Lent. The Day of Prayer is an initiative of Pope Francis and was first marked in Irish dioceses in 2017. Blessed candles will be lit in parishes across the country as a reminder to the faithful of the need for atonement and to symbolise repentance; light in the darkness and hope. These 'Candles of Atonement' will be lit in diocesan cathedrals and churches on the Day of Prayer, and thereafter during the celebration of Mass and other liturgies. The lighting of the 'Candle of Atonement', and the following prayer, are based on the very moving Penitential Rite composed and prayed by Pope Francis at the final Mass of the 9th World Meeting of Families on August 26, 2018, at Phoenix Park, Dublin, when the Holy Father implored the Lord's mercy for the crimes of abuse and asked for forgiveness.

Friday Penance

The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Friday penance:

- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament
- Abstaining from meat
- Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking
- Make a special effort at involvement in family prayer
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays
- Making the Stations of the Cross
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely



Trócaire Box

Trócaire Boxes are available on the table at the back of the Church to take home.

Please take one home for a family member or neighbour who cannot attend Mass

Mass Intentions Next Weekend

Saturday 21st February Vigil Mass: Maureen Barnns 22nd, Tony Lenehan 4th Freddie Lenehan 28th and Carla Kane 3rd Anniversary

Sunday 22nd February 11am Mass: Special intention

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