



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin



Child Safeguarding Sunday

Given that this Sunday is also “World Day of Migrants and Refugees” our focus is on how we safeguard all those who are fleeing persecution violence and hunger. During his homily in St. Mary’s Cathedral in July of this year, Archbishop Farrell called for “greater compassion towards migrants and asylum seekers, urging Ireland to ensure its immigration policies are rooted in respect for human dignity.” The safeguarding of the most vulnerable in our society is rooted in Gospel values as we strive to follow the example of Jesus.

The letter in full can be read on the parish notice board

Pope Leo tells us: that safeguarding children and vulnerable people is “essential for the life of the church” and a natural expression of faith, rather than an optional duty.



Crosscare Annual Appeal

A total of €645 was collected last weekend for the Crosscare annual appeal.
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Extract from the letter from Canon John Flaherty – Pilgrimage Director.

I wish to thank you for the generous contribution of €365 this year from the parishioners of St. Columbanus Church. This year we brought 118 sick pilgrims for all over the diocese to Lourdes under the care of our volunteer doctors, nurses and helpers who gave so generously of their time to care for them.

Again, sincere thanks for your support of the Pilgrimage. *The letter in full can be read on the parish notice board.*



The Irish Catholic Newspaper – Price increase

From the 1st of October the price of the Irish Catholic Newspaper will increase by 30c. This brings the cost of the paper to €3.80. As Ireland’s only Catholic newspaper, that is exactly what we try to do: bring all of this, news analysis, features, reflections and be an evangeliser and thoughtful source through what we publish. In an age when trust in digital content is fraying – when fake news and deepfakes compete for our attention, and our children’s – a newspaper staffed by real journalists offers something increasingly rare: professionalism you can trust. It’s our mission.

Thank you to all who support our weekly newspaper and continue to do so. Let’s keep on this journey together.

~ Garry O’Sullivan, Editor, *The Irish Catholic*

Breaking Through

Breaking Through is an organisation who co-ordinates a Suicide Intervention & Prevention training on behalf of the HSE as part of Ireland’s National Strategy to reduce suicide called Connecting for Life.

The following are **FREE** trainings sessions that are taking place in October and November in the DLR Lexicon Library:



SafeTalk – Suicide Alertness for Everyone
Thursday 22nd October
10am to 1.30pm

Understanding Self-harm
Tuesday 24th November
10am to 6pm



Booking is essential

Email: darlene@breakingthrough.org Ph: 01-6060858 or scan the QR Code on the posters on the parish notice board

St. Joseph’s Centre Shankill

- Our Memory Café takes place on 13 October in Loughlinstown Community Rooms from 10.30am. We’re delighted to welcome Deirdre Murphy, Garda Community Policing to speak about Safety in the Home and Personal Safety when Out and About.
- Our Cinema Club on 17 October – we’ll be watching *Our Relations* starring Laurel and Hardy
- Our Community Choir is every Tuesday at 2.15pm
- Our Community Café is every Thursday from 10am – 12pm. All welcome!
- **Please note that our café will be closed on 1 October but will reopen on 8 October.**

Mass Intentions Next Weekend

Saturday 3rd October Vigil Mass: Special intention

Sunday 4th October 11am Mass: Special intention



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