



Ballybrack-Killiney
Parish

Ballybrack-Killiney & Loughlinstown Parish Grouping Newsletter 20th & 21st November 2021

Annual Remembrance Mass

On Thursday 25th November at 7.30pm, we will offer our **Mass of Remembrance** in Sts. Alphonsus & Columba church for all who died in the past year and for all who have gone before us. We will read out the names of all who died since November 2020 and everyone will be invited to place a candle on the altar for their all their deceased loved ones.

All welcome.



DISINFECTING OUR CHURCHES

Many thanks to all who continue to help us disinfect our churches to keep them safe and healthy for private prayer and public worship. It is a great service to our faith-community.

Thank You

St Stephen's church, Killiney village

We hope to resume the 6pm Saturday evening Mass in St Stephen's Killiney, on a trial basis, on **Saturday 27th November 2021**, the vigil of the **1st Sunday of Advent**.

As you know, St Stephen's was closed because of the lockdown, and the difficulty of assuring the necessary teams to steward and disinfect the church, has meant that it has remained closed during the pandemic.

The numbers attending the Church for the one weekly Mass had already greatly decreased and the Diocese has questioned the pastoral need. Unfortunately, a lot of our elderly parishioners who used to attend St Stephens have died. It was also clear at the last parish assembly that it is not sustainable to have 3 churches in a small parish like ours.

The Parish Pastoral Council has recommended that St Stephen's should open for the duration of the Season of Advent, on a trial basis, to help us gauge the pastoral need at this time.

The church will be disinfected before and after the vigil Mass.

Thank you for helping us discern the way forward.



Recently Deceased
Joseph (Joey) Hunt
David Lawlor



We ask God to comfort their families and friends. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

Synodal Pathway

Thank you to **Colette McCarthy** and **Paul Linnane** for agreeing to be animators of the **Synodal Pathway** process in our parish. The process is about discernment together ("together on the way") for better communion, participation, and mission in the Church, and we hope that the first open assembly in this parish will be on 15th February 2022 in the Church of the Apostles. Our Synodal pathway prayer cards will be arriving soon and we will include a reminder about the first assembly with our Christmas schedule envelopes.



Registration for Confirmation 2022



The parish will be inviting parents and guardians to a meeting in the church in mid-December to register their child for Confirmation 2022 and to sign up for our parish-based preparation programme for their child and themselves.

Archbishop Farrell said recently:

Registration for Confirmation should continue to be made through the parish.

In this way it will become clearer to everyone that the parish and the Diocese, as well as the family, is providing the individual with the support they need on their faith journey. It also emphasises the blessing that young people are to the parish, when they choose joyfully to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

Altar List of the Dead

November is a month to remember all our dead. Altar List of the Dead lists are available in our churches. Mass is offered every First Friday for those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead, starting in November.

Prayer to Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

O Christ Jesus, I acknowledge You King of the Universe. All that has been created has been made for You. Exercise upon me all Your rights. I renew my baptismal promises renouncing Satan and all his works. I promise to lead a good Christian life and to do all in my power to procure the triumph of the rights of God and Your Church. Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer You my poor actions in order to obtain that all hearts may acknowledge Your sacred royalty and that thus the reign of Your peace may be established throughout the universe. Amen.

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