

The Ascension of the Lord

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Mass times: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 10.00am, Thurs Communion Service 10.00am.

Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.30am Confessions: Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm

Church of the Visitation Drynam, The Visitation of the BVM

Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, 11.00am Irish Mass



Mass times St Finian's Church Rivervalley

Mon – Fri 10.00am, Saturday 11.00am (Vigil) 5.30pm. Sunday 10.00am & 12 noon

Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Margaret Geddes
Christine, Frank & Colm Loughran
Lucy Ryan

Sun 11.30am Joseph Tully
Anna Douglas

Margaret Prendergast
James McGee (MM)



Mass intentions for next week

Mon 10.00am Patricia McLoughlin

Tues 10.00am Patricia McLoughlin

Wed 10.00am Patricia McLoughlin
Anna Douglas

Thurs 10.00am **Communion Service**

Fri 10.00am Altar List of the Dead

Sat 6.30pm Sarah, Elizabeth Gaul

Sun 11.30am The Commemoration of
Servant of God, Frank Duff

Mary Broderick

Paul Woods

Michael Derham

Beatrice Mahon

Teresa Walsh

Communion Service

A Communion Service will take place on **Thursday 5th June** at 10.00am in St Colmcille's Church. All are welcome

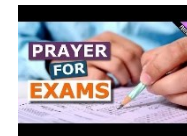
Building Hope Novena to the Holy Spirit

You are invited to join with every parish in the Diocese in a Novena to the Holy Spirit for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin. This Novena runs from June 1st – June 9th, beginning on the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, through Pentecost and continuing to the Feast of St Columba on Monday 9th June. The Novena prayer will be read at all masses during this time. Novena cards are at the back of the Church

Prayer for Exam Students

At the Masses this weekend we will pray for all students who are sitting exams. Students are invited to write their names on a piece of paper and place it in the basket in front of the Altar, and they will be left there for the duration of the exams. If you have a family member or friend or know someone who is preparing for exams, please feel free to put their names in the basket. Also, a special candle will be lit and kept lighting for the duration of the exams.

Copies of student prayer are at the back of the Church.



Swords Partnership of Parishes

As part of the Diocesan Building Hope initiative, representatives of the Parish Pastoral Councils will address the congregations at Mass in each of the parishes in our partnership on the three-year programme of Building Hope (2025-2027), beginning on (Pentecost) Sunday 8th June.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to the boys and girls from Scoil and Duinninigh, St Colmcille's GNS, St Colmcille's BNS and Holywell ETNS who received the Sacrament of Confirmation during the past week. Thank you to their teachers and the Sacramental Team, Betty & Renata who helped prepare them for this special day.



The Ascension of the Lord - (World Communications Day)

The Ascension, which is one of the chief feasts of the Church's year, marks the close of the appearances of Jesus which took place after his resurrection and celebrates his exaltation to the Father. It is an essential element of the resurrection of the Lord. It is portrayed as having taken place variously, even by the same author, on the evening of Easter Sunday and forty days later. It underlines the teaching that it is from Heaven that the exalted Christ exercises his power over heaven and earth. (Source: St. Paul's Missal)



SACRED HEART CRUSADE VISITS SWORDS:

In January of this year, The Sacred Heart Crusade of Love and Hope commenced with the papal blessing of four pilgrim Sacred Heart Statues on the 8th January 2025 in Rome. During this Jubilee Year of Hope, the launching of a renewed and revitalised rally encourages all to explore a relationship with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Heart speaking to heart, a fresh personal encounter with Christ. The Pilgrim statues will travel to each of the four provinces in Ireland. One of the statues of the Sacred Heart will visit our own parish of St Colmcille's on **Sunday 1st June for the 11.30am Mass. We will also have afternoon prayer from 2.00pm – 4.00pm in the Church**

Legion of Mary

Frank Duff Annual Commemoration Ceremony will take place on Sunday June 8th in Glasnevin Cemetery, in chapel near main gate of cemetery at 3.00pm