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### CHURCH OPENING AND MASS TIMES

- \* **Sunday Mass** times are 9.30am and 11.00am. **Weekday Masses** are Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday & Saturday at 10.00am. There is no mass on Thursdays
- \* Parishioners and visitors are encouraged to observe social distancing, to hand sanitise on entering the church and to wear a face-mask at Mass. Holy Communion should be received in the hand.

**N.B.** all weekly mass intentions must be booked no later than Wednesday of the previous week in order to be included in the mass intentions list and in our newsletter.



As part of the celebrations to mark the **50th Jubilee** of our church, we are hoping to have a Pilgrimage to Lourdes in early June. Obviously, given the present circumstances, our plans and the details are provisional. However, at this stage we simply wish to gauge the level of interest, so if you would like to take part, please contact the parish secretary (Tel. 01/8379445 or ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com ) for more details.



As part of the upcoming events planned for Our Lady of Dolours **Jubilee Celebrations**, we will be having a photographic exhibition on display showing the rich and diverse history of our parish. We are inviting parishioners to submit photos for the exhibition. We are particularly looking for photos from the early days of the Church and the previous wooden church which was on the site. If you have any images of weddings, christenings, group communion/ confirmation, parish events, pilgrimages etc that you would be happy to share with us, we would be really appreciative. Copies of photos can be either mailed to us at [www.glasnevinparish.ie](http://www.glasnevinparish.ie) or dropped in to the office. For more information, contact Ailish on 0868567945 or the parish office on 018379445. Thank you!

We have been advised to warn parishioners that there are double yellow lines on the road outside the entrance to the church and that if they park their car there while attending Sunday Mass, they risk getting a parking fine. We are actively pursuing the matter with the DCC Transport Advisory Group, but wish to advise parishioners of the risk of parking on the yellow lines in the interim.

We have elected a new **Parish Pastoral Council**. The members are:

Anne Boyle, Ciaran Coll (chair),  
Philomena Devitt, Teresa Grennell,  
Seamus Greene, Linda Lamb, Michael Mahon,  
Joan McRory (secretary), Miriam O'Connell,  
Maureen O' Connor, Colette Sanders,  
Fr. Paul Coyle and Fr. Richard Sheehy.

We take this opportunity to thank the members of the previous Pastoral Council for the many excellent initiatives they undertook, as well as asking God's blessing on the new Pastoral Council in this our Jubilee year. It is planned to formally commission the new PPC at Sunday Mass shortly.



The ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses next weekend, **12 & 13 February** and replaces the Second (Share) Collection. ACCORD Dublin offers:

- 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.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever.

A (zoom) meeting of the **Glasnevin Grouping Committee** will take place on Tuesday 8th February at 7.00pm.

Celebrate the **30th World Day of the Sick/Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes** by joining with the Redemptoristine Sisters, Drumcondra online ([rednuns.com](http://rednuns.com) webcam) at 8.00 p.m. on Friday 11th February.

Family Offering Donation €660 1st Collection €475  
Share €250 - thank you for your generous support

### AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental well-being, please consider using the Phone in and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie/](http://www.aware.ie/) If you would like to volunteer with Aware, please see their website for more information: <https://www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/>

As you are no doubt aware, preparations for the **Synodal Pathway** are well underway. This initiative of Pope Francis encourages us to engage in a process of listening, so that we may discern how God is calling us as Church to respond to the needs and hopes of people today. A key aspect of the engagement will be two parish gatherings in March, to which everyone is invited, whether they feel connected to or distanced from church life. The very act of listening respectfully to one another will be an experience of synodality. In the coming weeks our 'local animators' will outline for us at Sunday Mass, how the process will unfold in our parish. Please pray that it will bear fruit.

Prayer for the Synodal Pathway  
We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.  
With You alone to guide us,  
make Yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.  
We are weak and sinful;  
do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path  
nor partiality influence our actions.  
Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together to eternal life  
and not stray from the way of truth  
and what is right.  
All this we ask of You,  
who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
forever and ever. Amen.

*Reflection We are saddened to learn of the imminent departure of the **Bon Secours sisters** from the parish of Glasnevin after 70 years of wonderful service to the whole community. Just five months ago, on 8th September 2021, Archbishop Dermot Farrell celebrated Mass in the chapel of the Bon Secours hospital to mark the 160th anniversary of the arrival of the Bon Secours Sisters in Ireland and the 70th anniversary of the foundation of the hospital in Glasnevin. In his homily, Archbishop Farrell said that since the arrival of the Bon Secours sisters in Dublin in 1861, 'it would be impossible to measure their impact on generations of families in the Archdiocese'. Not only have the sisters established and maintained a hospital in the parish providing excellent healthcare, but they have demonstrated a particular charism over many decades of embedding themselves in the life of the community and showing a particular concern for the vulnerable and the housebound. All this they have accomplished with extraordinary discretion, never seeking to draw attention to themselves. I know that many parishioners will be deeply saddened to see the sisters leave Glasnevin, but we can only respect the discernment and courage which has led them to this difficult decision. It remains for us to acknowledge with gratitude their witness to the Gospel of Christ and enormous contribution to the life of our parish and to wish them every blessing for the future. They may be leaving Glasnevin, but their wonderful legacy will live on.*

**Anam Cara** North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding an Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 16th February at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 085 2888 888.

**COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE**  
ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19  
Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.