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MISSION & MINISTRY MATTERS

A note from the Director...

Dear Friends,

Lent is a great time for us all to renew and refresh our lives.

This year as we continue our journey as Pilgrims of Hope we are offering reflections for each week in a podcast form, as well as making the same reflections available in E-form.

This resource is called JUSTHope, and in each of the weeks we will reflect on the Jubilee Prayer.

The 9th March is a great marker moment for the diocese as we celebrate once more the Rite of Election. This takes place in the Pro-Cathedral at 3pm. It is becoming a great event of new life in the diocese as numbers of adults who want to join the Catholic Church continue to grow in Dublin. If you want to make this part of your Lenten journey of prayer please come along and celebrate with our Catechumens, Candidates and Catechists.

Once more this year Emmanuel takes place in the Helix, a great celebration for young people and in this month we also launch our HOPEFEST initiative, a way of engaging with young people in parish in the Jubilee Year.

Our Catechist training for this part of the years' cycle ends on the 22nd March with 50 participants ready to receive their certificate soon

Litmus will also be offering a great Easter Triduum workshop that day.

And we continue with our Youth Ministry Leadership Training, so important in this Jubilee Year as we build a sustainable way to accompany young people in their journey of faith.

All in all, a happy Lent journey.

Patricia

COMING UP

24TH FEB
PEACE NOT WAR

3RD MARCH
FUNERAL PRAYER LEADERS
TRAINING

5TH MARCH
JUSTHOPE

11TH- 13TH MARCH
EMMANUEL
14TH MARCH
HOPEFEST

22ND MARCH
CATECHIST'S TRAINING

LITMUS EASTER TRIDUUM
WORKSHOP

29TH MARCH
YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP
TRAINING



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Adult Faith Ministry



Father in heaven,
may the faith
you have given us
in your son,
Jesus Christ,
our brother,
and the flame of charity
enkindled in our hearts
by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators
of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within
both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen

JustHOPE

REFLECTIVE PRAYER RESOURCE FOR LENT

In this Jubilee Year, you are invited to spend some time this Lent reflecting on the words of the Jubilee Prayer.

Each week, a recorded reflection will help you to think, consider and pray a different part of the prayer.

This time of reflection can be used individually, perhaps as you travel to work or journey in the car, or with a lit candle in your room.

The accompanying booklet means you could also use it as a family or a small group in the parish, to pray together and think about the different themes and intentions found in the prayer.

The resource is available to download from the **Lent section** of our website

www.missionministry.ie



FUNERAL MINISTRY PRAYER LEADERS

This is an important and growing ministry in many parishes as we look to accompany bereaved families. Funeral Ministry Prayer Leaders are members of parish Funeral Ministry Teams. They can lead a variety of prayer moments with the families in the lead up to the funeral, they can lead Funeral Services (that aren't Mass) and also the Rite of Committal at the grave or crematorium.

The next round of training is taking place in St Paul's in March. Places are limited and a number of people have already registered.

Online registration is now open by scanning the QR code or visiting the **MINISTRIES** section of our website:
www.missionministry.ie

For more information please contact **Peter Siney**

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FUNERAL MINISTRY PRAYER LEADERS TRAINING

Module 1: Leading Prayer **MONDAY 3rd MARCH** 7.30pm-9.30pm

- Communal Prayer
- Role of Leader
- Leading Communal Prayer

This course is for those who will lead times of prayer, Funeral Services and the Rite of Committal. It builds on the training for Funeral Ministry teams.

Module 2: Rites Before & After **MONDAY 10th MARCH** 7.30pm-9.30pm

- Prayers after Death
- Gathering in Presence of the Body
- Vigil
- Transfer to Church
- Rite of Committal

Module 3: Funeral Services **MONDAY 24th MARCH** 7.30pm-9.30pm

- Christian Symbols
- Funeral Liturgy outside Mass

St Paul's Church
Arran Quay
Dublin 7
D07 KX66

Scan QR code to Register

CERTIFICATE for those who complete ALL 3 modules

Tea/Coffee from 7pm



As our Irish Synodal Pathway continues, inspired by the Universal Gatherings in Rome, dioceses all across the country are being invited, over the coming months, to deepen the conversations that have been happening. Dublin diocese will be holding gatherings in each of the 5 pastoral areas as we discern together priorities for the way forward towards an Irish Synodal Assembly in 2026.

Keep an eye out for details and feedback as they emerge (see www.synod.ie) and continue to keep the fruitfulness of the journey in your prayers.

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As complete our final module of the Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis in March, the emphasis is on how to Accompany Families for Confirmation.

This links to our parish programme for Confirmation - Confirmation Connect. This can be found on our mission and ministry website in the Accompanying Families section.

Look out for dates for the new course and **May registration**. Some parishes have sent a group who will now become a team. This is really the best way to take part in the training

A catechists testimony

Here is what one participant is saying about the course:
'I'm finding that as the course goes on it is becoming very practical. I now realise that we must focus more intentionally on the support of parents to grow in faith and share their faith. This means I must move out of my comfort zone and engage with adults.'

For more information about training contact Patricia Carroll



To download a copy of the **Diocesan Policy on Accompanying Families** please visit our website www.missionministry.ie



Rite of Election 2025

This year takes place on the 9th March at 3pm in the ProCathedral
 All are welcome to join with Archbishop Dermot and our Catechumens, Candidates and Catechists.



BAPTISM TEAM TRAINING

On 12th February 121 members of Baptism Teams from across the diocese came to St Paul's to explore and experience the new Baptism Preparation Process for parishes in the diocese.

This video based resource enables Baptism Teams to accompany parents in line with our Accompanying Families Sacramental Policy. Designed to be one meeting with parents, the process is divided into a number of moments for guided reflection, conversation and simple activities to do at home.

You can find more details in the Accompanying Families section of our website or contact Patricia Carroll.



Youth & Young Adult Ministry

It is a busy time at the youth desk in Mission & Ministry. We are putting the finishing touches to the second module of the Diocesan Certificate in Youth Ministry Leadership. This session, we're going to be hearing from people who are currently ministering with youth and young adults in the Diocese. The participants will get to hear what is working, what is not, and, more importantly, where are the opportunities and moments of light that participants can take back to their parish to get something stirring in the Spirit.

Fortunately/Unfortunately, the trip to Rome for the Jubilee of Youth is sold out. With many disappointed to not be able to travel, the hope is to have an event in Dublin during the time. This can only be possible if there is a team of people to help out. If you are interested, there is an information Zoom session on 24th February. You can sign up clicking the image below.

On March 14th, there will be a Young Adult event, 'Hopefest' hosted in the Maynooth deanery, but open to all to attend. Details on the poster and click to register for catering purposes.

Lastly, save the date of April 27th for the Canonisation of Carlo Acutis... more details to follow!

Contact: natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie

HOPEFEST @ Maynooth

14th March

7 pm - 9:30 pm

Maynooth Parish
W23 N663



Join with other young people (18-35) from across the area for a night of faith and fun. Take some time to gather with young people, experience a time of Taize prayer, explore some workshops on the life of Carlos Acutis and the theme for the Jubilee Year!

JUBILEE OF YOUTH AUGUST 1ST - 3RD DUBLIN



SIGN UP NOW



Rome @ Home

As the numbers able to travel to Rome are limited, the hope is for a simultaneous event 'Rome @ Home' to take place in Dublin from August 1st to 3rd for the youth of the Diocese. This can only happen if there is a team to make it happen. If you are interested in being part of the team to host this event and want to know more, please sign up using the link above for the information session on **February 24th at 7:30 pm** via Zoom. This session will be repeated.

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SAVE THE DATE

CANONISATION CARLOS ACUSTIS

SUNDAY

APRIL 27TH

Details to follow

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

LAUDATE 2025

Our Lady of Victories Church

Ballymun Road

28 January



Event Details

Date: 11 March - 13 March, 2025

Time: 7.30pm

Location: The Helix, Dublin

Contact: 01 7007000

Website: www.thehelix.ie



MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2025 AT 8.00PM

Peace not War

Please join the Dublin Diocesan Music Group and the Redemptoristine Community for a time of reflection, music, testimony and prayer on the theme of Peace not War.

Monastery of St. Alphonsus, Drumcondra. Come in person or join us online/webcam - www.rednuns.com

Save the Date

LitMus Workshop on the
Easter Triduum
Saturday 22 March 2025.

10.00am-1.00pm
Blackrock College
Application forms

from

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'Sing for Joy!'
A Day of Music and Ministry

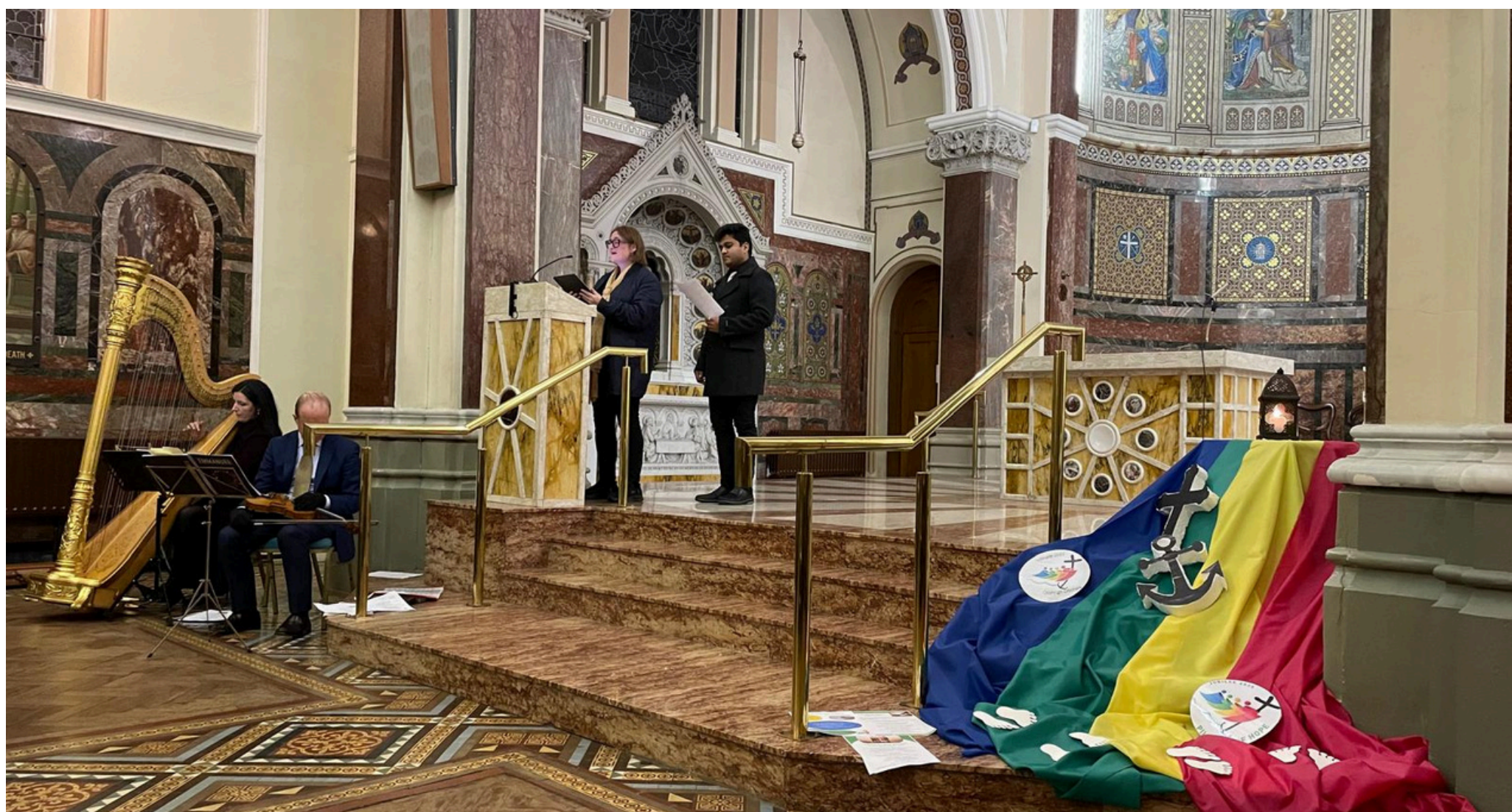


Saturday 26 April 2025
on Lough Derg. Boat 9:30am.



Open to Young People aged
18-35. Free to attend.
Register via QR Code.

Organised by the Knights of St Columbanus.
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Patricia Bourke and Brinsten Abraham of the Dublin Diocesan Music Group singing at the Songs of Praise celebration in the Dominican Convent Chapel, Cabra

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