



WEEK ENDING 8TH FEBRUARY 2026

NOTICES

Refreshments on Sunday: This Sunday (8th February) after service we are delighted that Saoirse Howlett (Alice's daughter) will be providing treats in order to raise money for Cliona's Foundation. In April and June 2026, over 200 students from across Ireland will walk 100km of the Camino de Santiago, from Portomarin to Santiago, over 4 days. Saoirse will be walking with a group from Alexandra Collect in solidarity with families facing the emotional and financial challenges of caring for a seriously ill child.

Each of the students have to raise a minimum of €1000 - 100% of which goes to Cliona's Foundation, with the cost of travel and accommodation being borne by themselves. For more information and to donate online please see:

<https://eventmaster.ie/fundraising/pages/SH11911486>

Otherwise, please do bring cash and help Saoirse on her way.

The Gathering: Social evening once a month in the Rectory for the **under 60s**. Food and chat. First night: Tuesday 10 March (7-9 pm). Confirm your place with Rev

David: revdavidwhite2018@gmail.com

Zion Mothers' Union: The annual subscription 2026 is now due. Members who wish to continue their subscriptions please transfer €40 by Revolut to Susan Grimason or by cash in an envelope marked with your name to Susan or Barbara Love. Susan Grimason 0863367283

Parish Out and About: Historical Guided tour at the National Print Museum, Beggars Bush at 2pm on Feb 5th. The cost is €5 per person, which you can bring along on the day.

Register of names on the General Vestry: Each Church of Ireland parish is governed by an Executive Committee called the Select Vestry (SV). The SV is elected at the parish AGM (*which will be held on Sunday 19th April 2026*), by an electorate called the General Vestry. This electorate includes those who attend Zion Church, even occasionally, and who have

asked to be listed. If you would like to be included, there are simple forms to be completed at the back of the church. **We encourage you to add your name.**

Christmas Carol Service Collection for St Luke's: A total of €924.30 was donated at the Carol Service in December which will be given to St Luke's. Many thanks for your generosity.

Remembrance Sunday Poppy Appeal: We have received a note from Brian Crawford at the Royal British Legion, thanking us for the sum of €307.90 from the sale of poppies. Many thanks to Janet Bockett for coordinating this over the last number of years. We are looking for someone to take over from Janet – please let Deirdre know if you can help.

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Alice Leahy Trust: Donations of clothes for the homeless are very welcome. There is a box at the back of the church. Jeans & tee shirts especially welcome.

Reading & Tea/Coffee Rota: There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church for Sunday readings and refreshments. Thank you in advance for your help!

CONDOLENCES

We are saddened to hear of the death of Theodora (Theo) McConnell (née Thompson) on the 3rd of February 2026. Theo was in her 97th year and is remembered as the beloved wife of the late Norman and wonderful Mum of Nigel, Linda and Amanda. We send our condolences to her family and friends. The funeral Service will take place on Saturday afternoon (7th February) at 3.45pm in the Garden Chapel, Mount Jerome.