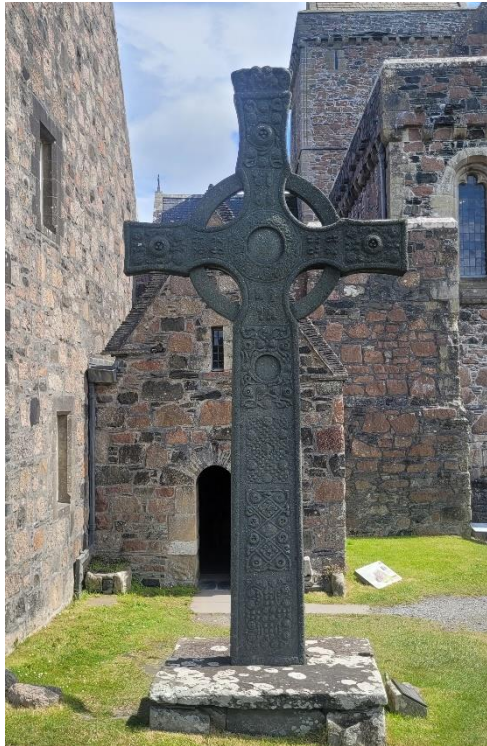


PASTORAL CARE MESSENGER

Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa, July 2024



Celtic Cross at Iona Abbey

Iona Sound

You look for signs for why you're here
And try to settle on the sun's confetti
Agglitter on the aisle of the water
Unripping in white towards the shore —

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Above the abbey tower doves fly up —
White petals from a rose, or notes from a song
Configuring a pattern that attunes your soul
To what it now remembers it has lost.

James Harpur

From *The Oratory of Light: Poems
in the Spirit of St Columba*

Prayer of Saint Columba, founder of the Iona Abbey

Kindle in our hearts, O God, the flame of that love which never ceases, that
it may burn in us, giving light to others. May we shine forever in thy holy
temple, set on fire with thy eternal light, even thy son, Jesus Christ, our
Saviour and Redeemer. Amen



May the living flame that is God's love surround you today and always.

Canon Doug

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