FAITH MATTERS

MISSION MONTH OF OCTOBER

Today 1st October marks the first day of the **Mission Month of October.** World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission and is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland. A calendar of events has been put in place by World Missions Ireland throughout the month of October, details of which can be found on our website (www.wmi.ie).

DAY FOR LIFE

Sunday 1st October, Day For Life, is celebrated yearly by the Catholic Church In Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. Prayer cards at the back of the Church.

THE ROSARY

October is dedicated to the Rosary. This month is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary everyday. The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life. The feast day of the Holy Rosary in particular, is next Saturday 7th October.



CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Fr Michael Gaitley, the author of "33 Days to Morning Glory", is coming to Ireland to promote a national consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. He will be giving his personal testimony on how consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary changed his life, and also how it can change ours. His book is a Do-It-Yourself, 33 day, retreat-styled consecration to Our Lady. If you have already done it before you will know how powerful it is and we are invited to take part in it again as a nation, from Sunday 5th November, concluding on Friday 8th December, the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Fr Michael Gaitley will be speaking in St Patrick's, Donegall St, Belfast at **7.30pm this Friday 6th October.**

SHOE BOX APPEAL

Bring joy to a child this Christmas by filling a shoe box with some gifts. Suggestions for how to fill your box are on the leaflets at the back of the Church. Please leave your filled shoe box in the Church Porch or Office, by **Sunday 22nd October**.





PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE BALLYHACKAMORE

1st October 2017

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Entrance Antiphon	All that you have done to us O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.
1st Reading	When the sinner renounces sin. He shall certainly live. Ezekiel 18:25-28
Psalm	Remember your mercy, Lord.
2nd Reading	In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus. Philippians 2:1-11
Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!
Gospel	He thought better of it and went. Tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. Matthew 21:28-32
Children	Jesus wants us to help out when we are asked.
Communion	Remember your word to your servant O Lord, by which you
Antiphon	have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Reading: Sunday - Cycle A; p 659, 452, 499.

Weekdays 1; 26th week in Ordinary Time; Psalter Week 2

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9.30am, 11.30am.

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am

Mass Intentions: Saturday 6.30pm: Bobbie Devine, Sheila Roberts

Sunday 11.30am: Manuel Bungay, Ramon Hacbang Fideles

Chapel of Adoration: Monday and Tuesday: 2.00pm - 9.00pm.

DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of all those who have died recently especially Sheila Roberts, relative of a parishioner.

We also remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially: Manuel Bungay, Bobby Devine, Ramon Hacbang Fideles, Clement J Hann, Paddy Kelly, Luke Kerr, Elizabeth Loughran, Loretta McKenna and William McKenna.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT- Tel: 07456 989458

MONEY MATTERS

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday 17th September: £ 1864.07

Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the collection last weekend. The Monthly Stipend collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

WEEKDAY MASS READERS

A copy of the source of the weekday Mass readings, taken from the Liturgical Calendar for Ireland 2017, is posted on the notice board in the Church porch. Copies will be available to take home each week, for Readers and also for those who follow the Weekday Missal, in order to help all find the correct readings.



FAMILY SUPPORT

HOME START

Please support the Home Start Quiz in the Parish Hall on **Friday 20th October, at 8.00pm.** Entrance fee is £5. BYOB. Through volunteers Home Start support parents as they learn to cope, improving their confidence and supporting better lives for their children. They work closely with St Vincent De Paul, providing equipment such as prams, buggies and carry cots for young children in poor families.

THE PARENTING CHILDREN COURSE

At Knock Presbyterian Church, on **5 Tuesday evenings, at 7.30pm**, starting on **17th October**, for those parenting 0-10 year olds. To register contact Nicki: 07840 924505 / njemphrey@knockpresbyterian.co.uk

WMOF 2018

The parish launch of the World Meeting of Families 2018 will be held at the Masses in St Colmcille's this weekend.

Refreshments in the Hall after Masses on Sunday.



FAMILIES TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Pope Francis has chosen Dublin, Ireland as the venue for the The World Meeting of Families 2018. It will take place from 21st—26th August. Families and others from all over the world will gather in Dublin to celebrate their lives together, to share their experiences from different parts of the world, to reflect on the different challenges they face and to grow together in faith. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for WMOF2018 is **The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World**

For more information on WMOF2018 see www.worldmeeting2018.ie.

St Colmcille's Family Committee will give out WMOF2018 badges and prayer cards after all the Masses this weekend to raise awareness of WMOF2018 and the committee's related forthcoming parish events.

PARISH FAMILY

APOSTOLIC WORK

The first meeting of Apostolic Work will be held in the Iona Room on **this Tuesday 3rd October at 8.00pm**. New members are always welcome. We do not knit and sew so please do not stay away because of old images of Apostolic Workers! Even if you do not want to join us but would like to lend a hand at our fund-raising events please let any member know. We are always glad of the extra hands.

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

There is a severe shortage of people available to welcome Mass goers to the three weekend Masses: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 9.30am and 11.30am. All that is involved is coming along about 20 minutes before Mass and handing those who are attending a Parish Bulletin and Missal and giving them a warm welcome. If you would like to help out put your name, phone number and Mass time available, on the list at the back of the Church.