



### STREET COLLECTION

Saint Vincent De Paul will be holding its annual collection outside Tesco Express and the Spar at Ballyhackamore, and also Super Valu, Kings Square, at the Kings Road Shopping Centre, from 9.00am—5.00pm on **Saturday 2nd December**. Collectors are needed who are prepared to collect for one hour. Please put your name and telephone number on the sheet at the back of the Church, together with the time best suiting you to collect at the shop.

### THE LARDER FOOD BANK

Because of the great need, we are extending our appeal for provisions for our partner The Larder Food Bank **until 3rd December 2017**. Please support our appeal with donations of food and hygiene products. Particularly welcome are tinned meats, tinned fish, coffee, soap and shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, toilet tissue, and baby products (especially nappies). Donations can be left in the boxes provided in the Church porch. Thank you for your continuing support.



### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Thanks to all who supported our sale of Christmas cards last week, as a result of which we sold out our supply!

### CHRISTMAS AT TOBAR MHUIRE CROSSGAR

**Christmas Craft Fair** on **this Sunday 26th November** from 1.00pm – 5.00pm.

**Christmas Candlelight Dinner** - Enjoy great food and music at our 6 course Christmas Dinner on **9th December** with music by local singer Matthew Campbell.

**Advent Day of Reflection** - A time for reflection and solitude amongst the busy Christmas period with guest speaker **Sean Goan** on **next Saturday 2nd December from 10.00am – 4.00pm**

For further information on pricing or bookings call 02844 830242 or email [secretary@tobarmhuirecrossgar.com](mailto:secretary@tobarmhuirecrossgar.com)



## PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE

### BALLYHACKAMORE

26th November 2017

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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**Office open: Monday to Friday 10.00am—12.30pm.**

<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	<b>How worthy is the lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.</b>
<b>1st Reading</b>	As you for, my sheep, I will judge between sheep and sheep. Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
<b>Psalm</b>	<b>The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.</b>
<b>2nd Reading</b>	He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all. 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28
<b>Acclamation</b>	<b>Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia!</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another. Matthew 25: 31-46
<b>Children</b>	Jesus tells everyone that he will come again in glory. Then Jesus will welcome us to heaven.
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	<b>The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.</b>

**Reading: Sunday : Cycle A ; p 693, 452, 499.**  
**Weekdays: Cycle 1; 34th week in Ordinary Time; Psalter Week 2**

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

**Weekday Mass: Tuesday — Friday: 9.30am**

**Mass Intentions: Saturday 6.30pm: Fr John Carroll, Joe Jennings**  
**Sunday 11.30am: Aislinn Carr, Peter Kelly**  
**Tuesday 9.30am: Bridget Magill, Robert Mitchell**  
**Wednesday 9.30am: Vera Donnelly**

**Chapel of Adoration: Monday & Tuesday 2.00pm—9.00pm**

## DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of all those who have died recently especially Tommy Murphy and John Moore.

We also remember all those whose anniversaries are at this time, especially : Sarah Armstrong, Aislinn Carr, Fr John Carroll, Vera Donnelly, Joe Jennings, Peter Kelly and Robert Mitchell.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**– Tel: 07456 989458

## PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER

This year's Over 60's Christmas Dinner will be held in Shandon Park Golf Club on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** from 3.00pm – 6.30pm.



A four course dinner will be served from 3.30pm. Alan the 'Bandman' will be there providing his usual entertainment along with a visit from Santa. As this year's event will be outside the Parish we need to confirm **final numbers by this Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November**. If you wish to attend please provide your name, contact number and choice of meal on the spreadsheet at the back of the church.

Should you wish to make a contribution towards the cost of this celebration, envelopes will be available on the night for anonymous donations.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact anyone from the social & fundraising committee or Roisin McMullan on 07854 140019, Mary Walsh on 07815 493463 or Lucy Traynor on 07900 807589. We look forward to seeing you there.

## CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Ballyhackamore Christmas Market will be in St Colmcille's Parochial Hall and Church grounds on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December**, from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Santa will arrive at 11.30am.



## PARISH FAMILY

### **APOSTOLIC WORK CHRISTMAS SALE**

The Apostolic Christmas Sale will be held after all the Masses **this weekend, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November**. Tea, coffee and scones and all the usual stalls including a special Christmas stall. Please come to support the Missions. Cake and craft donations will be very welcome. If anyone can help in a practical way after any of the Masses we would be very grateful.



### **FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING**

There will be a meeting for parents of the children who are preparing for First Holy Communion, **this Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm** in the Parochial Hall.

### **OPEN MORNING IN ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**

St Joseph's Open Morning will take place **this Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**. This will commence at **10.30am** with refreshments and a short presentation by the Principal, followed by a tour of the school at 11.00am.

### **LIFT**

A person in a care home on the Old Hollywood Road would very much appreciate a lift to Mass on a Saturday night. If you are able to oblige please contact Caitriona O'Keeffe: 07907026266.

### **SACRAMENTAL DATES 2018**

Frist Reconciliation : Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 6.30pm

First Holy Communion: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> May, 11.30am

Confirmation : to be announced.

## MONEY MATTERS

### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November: £1995.62 . Bishops Commission : £825.00

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

# Advent

Advent comes from the Latin word 'Adventus' which means 'coming'. Advent, marks the beginning of the liturgical year in the Catholic Church. It is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas. It was historically known as "little Lent," because, like Lent, it is a time of repentance, with prayer, fasting, and Confession.

## PARISH ADVENT PROGRAMME

An Advent DVD programme, particularly aimed at retired people, 'Beloved Disciple', is being presented in the Iona Room on four Friday mornings in Advent. It continues **this Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 10.00am**, starting with refreshments. All are welcome.

## WALK WITH ME ADVENT BOOKLETS

The season of Advent begins on **Sunday 3rd December**. Take part in a journey of prayer for Advent by using the little **Walk With Me** booklets that you will find on a table at the back of the Church, price £1. Please put the money in one of the boxes in the wall next to the candelabra.

## A JOURNEY IN FAITH



St Colmcille's Catholic Faith Community welcomes and invites you:

- if you need to get a deeper understanding of your Catholic Faith...
- if you are seeking to return to celebrating your Faith...
- if you would like to explore and enquire into the Catholic Faith with a view possibly of Baptism...
- if you would like to explore and enquire into what it is Catholics believe ...

This Journey of Faith is an opportunity to partake with others in a journey of faith exploration and development during the season of Advent and beyond. Please share this invitation with others. For enquiries or to register contact Noeleen 07879 498131 / [stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org](mailto:stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org)

## ROSARY ON THE COAST FOR LIFE AND FAITH

The Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith, North and South takes place across Ireland **this Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November**, the **Feast of Christ the King**.

Over the last two months over a million Polish faithful travelled to the borders of their country to pray for the preservation of the faith including the protection of the Unborn Child in Poland. Inspired by the Polish "Rosary at the Borders", Italian faithful held a similar "Rosary on the Border" for the same intention. Many of the thousands who participated prepared with a week-long fast on bread and water. **IT IS NOW IRELAND'S TURN!**

Ireland's Catholic Faithful are turning out in great numbers to pray for a great restoration of the faith especially among the youth and to pray for protection for our unborn babies, in Ireland, North and South. The Irish faithful are preparing to flock to our local coastlines, the Atlantic Ocean and the Irish Sea, to pray for **the preservation of the faith and for the protection of life at all stages**.

Why did the organisers choose the Feast of Christ the King? **Ireland** was **the first country in the world to be consecrated to Christ the King**. This solemn consecration was declared in the 1930s and to date only three countries share this great blessing. The feast is extremely important. **Acknowledging Christ as King has relevance for the spiritual, social, cultural, legal and political life of Ireland.**

Remember that when we honour Christ as King, we are immediately brought to His Queen, Mary and her Immaculate Heart! The prayer at the coasts will begin at **2:30pm**. It will not take long.

**"WHERE TWO OR THREE GATHER IN MY NAME  
THERE AM I WITH THEM"**

**-- Matt 18:20 --**

Meet at **2.30pm** at local prayer venues:

**\*Belfast**- Water's edge at the Odyssey, Titanic Quarter, Belfast

Holy Mass at 1.00pm in St. Marys, Chapel Lane. Group will then go to the water's edge to pray the Rosary.

**\*Bangor**- Park your car in Queen's Parade car park. Head to Pickie Fun Park, keep going and Rosary will be said on the small beach 100 yards beyond Pickie Fun Park (beside the partial remains of the old Victorian outdoor ladies bathing pool).