

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated in Belfast **this Sunday 8th April** in: St. Peter's Cathedral, Falls Road – starts at 2:15pm with Holy Rosary and Sacrament of Reconciliation; Divine Mercy Chaplet; and Mass. St. Paul's Church, Falls Road – starts at 1:30 with Exposition and Sacrament of Reconciliation; Holy Rosary; Divine Mercy Chaplet; and Mass.



PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE

BALLYHACKAMORE

8th April 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Office open this week: Monday— Friday: 9.30am to 1.30pm

Readings	Sunday: Cycle B Pages 296, 452, 495 Weekdays: 2nd Week of Easter; Psalter week 2
Entrance Antiphon	Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.
Psalm	Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe." Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon	Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, And do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am

Mass Intentions: Saturday 6.30pm: Danny Acton
Sunday 11.30am: Gerry Hughes

Confession: Saturday 6.00pm

Chapel of Adoration: Monday and Tuesday 2.00pm—9.00pm

COMMENTARY

Sean Goan's commentaries for the Sunday Year B readings are available to buy at the back of the Church.



ART OF CARING

The Art of Caring Exhibition and Sale will return **next Friday 13th April until Sunday 15th April** in the Parochial Hall. Since 1994 we have raised over £214,000 primarily for Marie Curie but we have also supported St Joseph's Primary School, 11th Belfast Scout Troop and St Colmcille's Guide Unit. Each year we have been delighted to see the Exhibition grow in stature and in the calibre of artists participating. We hope you can come and support this event during the weekend. If you want any further information please contact Stephen McAnee, Artie O'Neill or Roisin McMullan. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the event during the week leading up to it and during the weekend. If you can spare a few hours to help please contact Roisin McMullan on 07854 140019.

MONEY MATTERS

Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the collections.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Parishioners are asked to return any outstanding Trócaire boxes to the parish at their earliest convenience. Boxes may be left in the parish office or returned through the Offertory Collection baskets at Mass. If paying by cheque please make cheques payable to Saint Colmcille's Parish.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR THE NEW YEAR

The new boxes of Offertory Collection envelopes commence **this Sunday 8th April**. If you have not yet received your envelopes you can collect them from the Sacristy after Mass this weekend or call into the Parish Office during office hours this week. If you wish to contribute by Standing Order or by envelopes and do not do so currently, please phone Philomena on 02890 654157 option 5, or email her at finance@st-colmcilles.net

Monthly Stipend Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of those who have died recently especially Margaret Martin.

We remember all those whose anniversaries are at this time, especially: Louis O'Keeffe, Danny Acton, Gerry Hughes, Hugh McCaffrey and Josephine McCaffrey



"I bind to myself this day the power of God to guide me."
Confession, St Patrick.

Come home to the love of God's family on Lough Derg, Co Donegal, to a sacred space where you can feel the energy of centuries of prayer. Join our **St. Colmcille's annual parish One Day Retreat** on **Saturday 12th May**. The day at Lough Derg offers a set programme of prayer and reflection and concludes with the celebration of Mass in St Patrick's Basilica. Please note footwear stays on! The cost is £38 per person which includes admission, transport, refreshments on arrival and lunch. The coach will leave the Church car park at **7.15am** and return at approximately **7.00pm**.

You may secure your place by writing your name on the list at the back of the Church. You may also leave a deposit in the Sacristy or Parish Office, if you wish. Final balance payable for all **by Sunday 6th May**. Enquiries to Rosemary Cowan on 07923 246992 or Joan Rogan on 028 90 282015 or add your name to sheet at the back of the Church.

PARISH OFFICE

We welcome Geraldine Nolan as Parish Secretary and wish her well in her new role. Geraldine's hours of work are Monday to Friday: 9.30am-1.30pm.

42nd Street

St. Agnes' Choral Society are excited to be producing the Broadway Classic, 42nd Street, from 10th-14th April. The show is also currently running in The West End but why not avail of the chance to see it in The Grand Opera House? Tickets can be purchased online at www.goh.co.uk or via the Box Office on 028 9024 1919

Ministry of Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound.

Ministers of Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound will be Commissioned in this Ministry at the three Masses on the week-end of April 14th and 15th. Those wishing to be Commissioned will be asked to come forward at whatever Mass they attend on that week-end. We will be in contact with you before then to provide you with more details.

The Priests—Upcoming events

St Killian's College: The Friends of Garron Tower are pleased to announce that 'The Priests' will perform in a Fund Raising concert, in aid of the refurbishment of the College Chapel, at Garron Tower on **Sunday 27th May at 6.30pm**. Tickets are priced at £30 and can be purchased by contacting the College on the following telephone number 028 2888 5202. Seating is limited to 320 therefore ticket allocation will be on a first come first served basis.

Knock Methodist Church: Music in May—**Friday 11th May at 7.30pm**. Tickets available from Jimmy 9042 6040 or Grahame 9076 1000. Minimum donation £20.00.

AMORIS

Join us in Clonard Monastery, Belfast for our 'Amoris: Let's Talk Family,' six session, programme, from 7.30pm -9.00pm, on April 10, 17, 24 and May 1, 22, 29. To book your place, 028 9044 5950 or email reception@clonard.com

Scripture and Prayer Group.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 17th April, at 8.00pm** in the Committee Room. We will reflect on the reading for the Fourth Sunday of Easter and parts of Acts of the Apostles.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Over the past year there has been a movement to see Youth ministry leaders and those involved in working with young people in our parishes to come together to inspire, equip, encourage and support each other in their ministry. I am delighted to announce an event that is taking place on April 28th in Saint Mary's University College called **ENCOUNTER** which aims to do just that.

The event begins at 9.15am and runs until 4.00pm. Danny Curtain will be speaking on how we as a Church engage young people and youth culture itself, and there will be an opportunity to discuss and share the joys and challenges you face reaching out to young people in your own ministries. If you are able to come it would be helpful if you would sign up via the Link below to give us an idea of numbers for lunch, coffee breaks etc. <https://goo.gl/forms/A115kvYeABgagQLL2>

Also for more information on the event please see our website and social media avenues www.encounternetwork.com