



### FROM COLM'S HILL

**A History of St Colmcille's Parish,  
Belfast 1890-1997**

**Author: Patricia Kernaghan**

The **Colm's Hill** of the title is the area of Knock in the eastern suburbs of Belfast where, as tradition has it, Saint Colmcille founded a church in the sixth century. Today's parish of Saint Colmcille developed from that early foundation.

This is the story of the parish's origins, and its growth in the last hundred years despite an often unsympathetic environment, into a confident and flourishing community imbued with the ideals of the Second Vatican Council. 1997 was the fourteen-hundredth anniversary of the death of Saint Colmcille, so it seemed appropriate to mark the occasion by the publication of this history of one of the fruits of his labours.

Bishop Patrick Walsh wrote in his Foreword "*St Colmcille's parish is a strong and vital parish with a very active Parish Pastoral Council encouraging a high level of participation by all parish members in the life of the parish. No parish should be inward looking and it is especially commendable that St Colmcille's has established strong links with other Churches in the area ....*"

On sale this month at **£5.00 (normally £7.00)**. Please contact Geraldine at Parish Office: **028 9065 4157** to purchase a copy. **Limited copies left.**



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**Friday 27th July 2018**

*Topics include: Discover who you really are in God's Plan, Learn of your true beauty, The Valiant woman.*

and

### HUMANAE VITAE CONFERENCE

**28th and 29th of July 2018**

*Topics include: Embracing womanhood, motherhood and the crucible with joy, Dad's Role, Supernatural motherhood etc.*

*(for everyone)*

**In the Emmaus Retreat Centre Swords, Co. Dublin  
(close to M1 & Airport).**

For Bookings and more info please contact: Human Life International,  
Knock Tel: **094 9375993** Web: [www.humanlife.ie](http://www.humanlife.ie) Email: [mail@humanlife.ie](mailto:mail@humanlife.ie)

**PARISH OFFICE:** Items for the Parish Bulletin should be submitted no later than **Wednesday at 12 noon**. Thank you, Geraldine.



## PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE

**BALLYHACKAMORE**

**22nd July 2018**

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Very Rev Tony Fitzsimons PP and Rev Vincent Cushnahan CC**

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

<b>Readings</b>	<b>Sunday: Cycle B Pages 755, 452, 499</b> <b>Weekdays: 16th Week in Ordinary Time. Psalter Week 4</b>
<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	<b>See, I have God for my help.</b> <b>The Lord sustains my soul.</b> <b>I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,</b> <b>and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.</b>
<b>Psalm</b>	<b>The Lord is my shepherd;</b> <b>there is nothing I shall want.</b>
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	<b>Alleluia, alleluia!</b> <b>The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,</b> <b>says the Lord,</b> <b>I know them and they follow me.</b> <b>Alleluia!</b>
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	<b>The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,</b> <b>has made a memorial of his wonders;</b> <b>he gives food to those who fear him.</b>

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

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

**Mass Intentions:** Saturday 21st 6.30pm: Frances McClure  
Tuesday 24th 9.30am: Kurian Varghese

**Confession:** Saturday: 6.00pm

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

## DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of those who have died recently especially May Taylor.

We remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially: Margaret Canney, Maureen Edwards, Kurian Varghese, Frances McClure, Kathleen McNaughton.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**– Tel: 074 5698 9458



## SUMMER HOLIDAY BIBLE WEEK SHOOT FOR THE STARS Monday 6th—Friday 10th August 2018

### AUGUST ADVENTURE DAYS

Monday 13th—Thursday 16th August 2018

Young people aged 9 - 17 years are invited to some day trips on August afternoons:



Monday 13th:	Vertigo Trampoline Park & Adventure Centre, Belfast
Tuesday 14th:	Come & Try It activities, Antrim
Wednesday 15th	Barry's Amusements, Portrush & McDonalds, Coleraine
Thursday 16th	Lisburn Water Park

There are spaces left on both events. Forms available in the Church porch. **Adult volunteers are also needed please on all of the above dates.** Enquiries to Noeleen: 078 7949 8131.

## URGENT PLEA



### FOR RETIRED TEACHERS to help support local children

Special needs charity **Sólás** has put out an urgent appeal for **Retired Teachers** to help provide 1:1 support to children, with **additional educational needs**, in a number of primary schools across Belfast. These are hugely rewarding voluntary positions and one morning per week, during term time, is required. Please contact Anne Cahill at Sólás on **028 9024 7600**, Mobile: **077 2977 9242** or email [anne@solasbt7.com](mailto:anne@solasbt7.com) for further details."

## MONEY MATTERS

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



## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES UPDATE

**All 500,000 tickets booked out for Papal Mass in Phoenix Park for the World Meeting of Families 2018.**

World Meeting of Families 2018 in Ireland recently announced that all **500,000 tickets for its Closing Mass**, in the Phoenix Park, Dublin on **Sunday 26 August**, have been booked out.

Commenting on tickets being booked out so far in advance of the Mass with Pope Francis, Father Timothy Bartlett, Secretary General of the WMOF2018 said those involved in organising the World Meeting of Families are not surprised at the very high levels of interest. He said, *"While I was cautious at the beginning, and while I am a little surprised every part of the event is booked out six weeks in advance, including the Mass for half-a-million people in Phoenix Park, I am not surprised at all by the incredibly high levels of interest. Family is important to all of us. People like what Pope Francis is saying about family and the Church."*

**Father Bartlett made a particular appeal for those coming to the Mass in Phoenix Park to plan their journey well in advance.** *"We are working with the Gardai and other authorities to make the WMOF2018 a joyful, welcoming and comfortable event. But it is vital everybody thinks through how they will get to and from the Mass, what they will bring with them in terms of seating, clothing and food.* Parish groups and others need to come together and figure out how they can help those who are on their own or who need extra help physically getting to the site of the Mass. Now is the time to start planning. Now is the time to come together as the family of families to help one another prepare for and enjoy this incredible, historic event, which Pope Francis will celebrate with us."



**For those who were unable to secure a ticket for Knock Shrine or the Phoenix Park, these events will be broadcast live. The WMOF2018 is asking people to check Parish and Diocesan websites for updates between now and the events in August and to regularly check the public service information being provided by the statutory agencies involved on [www.gov.ie/popeinireland](http://www.gov.ie/popeinireland).**



**Marie Curie** is inviting you to take part in their 7km **Twilight Walk** at the beautiful Barnett Demesne, South Belfast on **Friday 28th September 2018**. This is a great excuse to get together with family and friends and you can expect more than just a walk – there will be a festival atmosphere with music, entertainment and fireworks! You can sign up at [www.mariecurie.org.uk/twilightwalk](http://www.mariecurie.org.uk/twilightwalk) or call 028 9088 2060.

## CALLING ALL MARRIED COUPLES

For Married couples of all ages, an invitation to take time out to renew your relationship with a weekend presented by:

**Catholic Marriage Encounter** in Ireland; **Friday 5th to Sunday 7th October 2018** in **Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry**.

For further information and booking tel: +353 86 8541945.

[www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

