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"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 11th May 2019**.

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 £40 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 next Sunday 5th May**. Enquiries to **Rosemary Cowan on 079 2324 6992** or **Joan Rogan on 028 9028 2015** or add your name to the sheet at the back of the Church.



**FIRST SATURDAY
DEVOTIONS**

on the 4th May 2019

St. Matthias Church
Glen Road
and

Holy Family Church
Limestone Road

3.00pm Exposition, Confessions,
Rosary and Act of Consecration
and 4.00pm Mass.

St Joseph's Church
Killough, Chapel Street, BT30 7QJ
Sacrament of Reconciliation from 9.00am;
Rosary at 9.00am; Meditation on the Mysteries
of the Rosary at 9.30am,
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 10.00am

TROCAIRE

Working for a Just World

**"This is the Lord's
doing: and it is
wonderful in our eyes."
Psalms 118:23.**

Trócaire thanks all parishioners and clergy for their support of this year's Lenten campaign. Please return Trócaire boxes so donations can be put to use as soon as possible helping the most vulnerable in the developing world.
www.trocaire.org

PARISH OFFICE: Items for the Parish Bulletin should be submitted no later than **Wednesday at 12.00noon**. Thank you, Geraldine.



**PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE
BALLYHACKAMORE
28th April 2019**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(Divine Mercy Sunday)**

**Very Rev Tony Fitzsimons PP and Rev Vincent Cushnahan CC
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Office open this week: Monday to Friday: 9.30am—1.30pm

Readings	Sunday: Cycle C Pages 367, 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: **Sunday 28th April 2019**
11.30am: Maisie Farrell (Recently Deceased)

Tuesday 30th April 2019
9.30am: Jim Scott

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; Maisie Farrell and Maura Mullaly.

We remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year, especially: Molly McEvoy, Jim Scott and Mary Ellen Tansey.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT– Tel: 074 5698 9458

VOCATIONAL PRAYER VIGIL AND NOVENA



In his Pastoral Letter *To follow Jesus closely*, Bishop Treanor encourages us to pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life. You and your loved ones are invited to join the pastoral community for a vigil of prayer **this Thursday 2nd May 2019 at 7.30pm in Holy Rosary Parish.**

At the vigil, a **Vocations Novena** will be **launched** which you can pray at home individually, or with family and friends. This will lead into the celebration of the parish Eucharist on Good Shepherd Sunday. **Copies of the Novena will be available at all Masses this Weekend.** Together, let us pray that all of us hear the call to follow Jesus closely and respond to it with open minds and big hearts, and that more will do so as priests and religious.

PARENTS MEETING

Preparing for First HOLY COMMUNION



There will be a meeting for the *parents of the children who are currently preparing for First Holy Communion*, **this Wednesday 1st May at 7.00pm** in the Parochial Hall.

COFFEE MORNING



There will be a free coffee morning **this Friday 3rd May** in the Iona room **after 9.30am Mass.**

All are welcome.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - Please collect your Offertory Envelopes from the Parish Office during office hours.



MONEY MATTERS

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

Lots of adults are urgently needed to expand the small team of volunteers who are striving to maintain youth ministry activities and programmes, integrating young people and helping them find their place in the parish community. Please consider volunteering to help with supervision of activities or delivery of youth programmes with the young people of our parish:



- Children's Liturgy, 9.30am on Sunday
- Parish Youth group, every fortnight on Saturday evening
- Altar Servers formation programmes
- Prayer of the Faithful Readers formation programmes
- Mid to older teens leadership training & faith formation
- Youth retreat residentials
- Children's Summer Holiday Bible Week 5th - 9th August 2019
- Youth Adventure Days 12th - 15th August 2019
- Three Cross Community programmes & residentials, May - November 2019

If you are willing to help with one or more aspects of the activities above, or have an enquiry, please contact Noeleen:

Tel: 078 7949 8131 or email: colmcille youth@yahoo.co.uk

Habitat for Humanity



TRIP TO CAMBODIA 2020

St Colmcille's and Gilnahirk Presbyterian are running a joint Habitat for Humanity trip to Cambodia from **8th to 22nd August 2020. This will mark the 20th anniversary of the Gilnahirk and St. Colmcille's churches' partnership through Habitat.**

The trip will be to the city of Battambang in North West Cambodia, where homes will be built for some of Cambodia's most vulnerable people. As Habitat is "A hand up, not a hand-out", the local home owners will be working alongside us, so not only do we get the privilege of building much-needed homes, but we also have the joy of being part of their community and getting to know them, even if it's only for a short while.

Anyone who has been on a Habitat trip will tell you that the work is hard and the poverty encountered humbling. They will also tell you that it is the experience of a lifetime, which they would not have missed for the world.

If you are interested in being a part of the team going to Cambodia next year, please either add your contact details to the sheet of paper at the back of the church or contact Paula Sheils (paula.sheils@hotmail.co.uk) by **this Tuesday 30th April 2019.**