



ST COLUMBA'S, KNOCK—QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 31st January at 7.30pm
in Bloomfield Collegiate School

Join the laughter, food and fun, test your general knowledge and cryptic ability and have a great night out with friends. Quiz Master Billy McAlpine.

Tickets £7.50 from Parish office (Tables of 6), tel: 02890 656891.

Light supper included. Proceeds in aid of Church Roof Fund.

HOPE FOR THE PLANET

Re-inhabiting the Earth Spring Conference – Drumalis, Larne
Friday 14th – Sunday 16th February 2020



We are delighted to have Andy Lester, Head of Conservation for Christian Charity A Rocha UK, as the keynote speaker for this annual environmental conference. It is possible to attend on a residential or non-residential basis for the full weekend and there is also the opportunity to attend for the day only on Saturday. For further details or to book a place, please contact Drumalis - tel 028 2827 2196/2827 6455 (Monday - Friday, 9.00am – 5.00pm). Booking forms can also be downloaded from <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>



LAUNCH OF HSC NORTHERN IRELAND FOSTER CARE

You are warmly invited to join us as we launch HSC Northern Ireland Foster Care on **Tuesday 25th February 9.30am—11.30am** at Girdwood Community HUB, BT14 6EG. Throughout Northern Ireland there has been an increase in the number of children coming into the care system and there is an increased demand for foster carers and foster families.

This event will give an insight into different types of fostering and will provide accurate information about who can foster. Foster carers and fostering colleagues will be on hand to answer any questions. We will hear first-hand from Foster Carer of the Year 2019 and we will hear from a young person who has experienced foster care. We would be delighted if you could join us. Kindly RSVP by Friday 31st January to karen.carson@belfasttrust.hscni.net or phone 028 9504 0302 for catering purposes.



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

Please note the Parish office will be closed on **Monday (27th January)** for System Upgrades.



PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE
BALLYHACKAMORE
26th January 2020

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Very Rev Tony Fitzsimons PP and Rev Vincent Cushnahan CC
Phone - 02890 654157

Website: www.st-colmcilles.net

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/stcolmcilleschurch

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

Readings	Sunday: Cycle A, Pages 564, 452, 499 Weekdays: 3rd week in Ordinary Time. Psalter Week 3
Entrance Antiphon	O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord; all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour; strength and honour in his holy place.
Psalm	The Lord is my light and my help.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom, and cured all kinds of sickness among the people. Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon	Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

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

Weekday Mass Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am.

Mass Intentions: **Sunday 26th January 2020**
11.30am: Bill Knox and Claire Knox
Patrick Morris
Brendan Small

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 souls of those who have died recently.

We remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year, especially; Paul Deane, Peter Duffy, Marcelino Dumalagan, Bill Knox, Claire Knox, Laura McDowell, Patrick Morris, Mary Neeson, William Neeson, Brendan Small and Fr Henry Tansey.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT– Tel: 074 5698 9458

HANDING ON THE FAITH

Parents remain and always will remain the first and the most important teachers of the faith to their children.



“To hand on to your children the faith you received from your parents, is your first duty and your greatest privilege as parents. The home should be the first school of religion, as it must be the first school of prayer.” Pope St John Paul 2

“Parents, above all, have the task of raising children in the faith in which they were baptised, The faith then becomes the greatest gift a child is given.” Pope Francis

If you are a young parent or grandparent and think that you could assist other young parents in handing on the faith... and would be willing to be part of a small support team, please contact Noleen: Tel: **078 7949 8131** or email: **noleendunn@yahoo.co.uk**.



VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED—CHILDREN’S LITURGY

Volunteers are urgently required for Children’s Liturgy. Geraldine McCorry and Maureen Verdon will give a brief talk **after all Masses on Sunday 2nd February**.



PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD



Ministers of the Word are invited to **volunteer for duty at weekend Masses during the month of February**, by selecting the dates and Mass Times on which they are available to proclaim and to put their names on the appropriate Rota, which is located **at the back of the Church**.

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**.



GRANDPARENTS DAY IN ST JOSEPH’S PRIMARY SCHOOL



All grandparents are invited to the school on **Wednesday 29th January at 11.00am** for refreshments, entertainment and an opportunity to meet their grandchildren.



ST BRIGID CROSSES

Saturday 1st February 2019 is the **Feast of St Brigid**. St Brigid crosses will be available **after all the masses on 1st and 2nd of February**. All donations gratefully accepted. All proceeds will go direct to 3rd world charities.



In the heart of the East

Ballyhackamore Community MARKET



22nd February 2020 · 11.00am – 3.00pm

**Music, food, arts & crafts
St Colmcille’s Car Park,
191 Upper Newtownards Road,
Belfast BT4 3JB**

Email: ballyhackamoremarket@hotmail.com

Dates for Next Markets 2020:

28th March, 6th June, 24th October and 5th December.



PARISH SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

The Parish Safeguarding Sunday is on **Sunday 9th February 2020**. Members of the Safeguarding Committee invite you to the Parish Hall **after the Mass at 9.30am and 11.30am** for refreshments. This will give you an opportunity to meet members of the Committee, and we will try to answer any queries you may have.



Thrive Ireland is an organisation which supports community projects, and it is currently involved with the Inner East Belfast Churches Forum to improve the Forum’s outreach to the local community. The next events are: Wednesday 12th February and Saturday 21st March. St. Colmcille’s parishioners are warmly invited to any and all of these events.

In the meantime, Diane Holt of Thrive Ireland, tel: 077 4905 6403, can provide further information or you can register at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/beyond-the-food-bank-fighting-food-poverty-tickets-88484797411?ref=estw>