

Join in praying for **VOCATIONS** in our Parish and Diocese at the **ADORATION HOLY HOUR** on **THIS TUESDAY** at 6.00pm

SPARE WOOL?

Fr Stephen and Sr Oonagh along with the women in Hydebank will be knitting hats and scarfs for the homeless community in the run up to Christmas. If any parishioners have spare balls of wool, which could be donated to them, to help them with this very worthwhile project, please leave the wool in your Parish Office and Fr Stephen and Sr Oonagh will collect it.
Thank you.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

Marriage Enrichment Weekend, 10th-12th November 2023, Co Kildare: an opportunity to energise communication and romance in your marriage! Visit www.marriageencounter.ie/marriage-encounter-weekend

CHILDREN'S LITURGY takes place on **Sundays** at **9.30am** for children from age 3 to 11 years. **Starting from this Sunday** parents should leave their children over to the Iona Room at the parish centre, **before the start of Mass**, as we will no longer depart from the church to walk to the hall together. The children will arrive to Mass later with the leaders, for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Children must be annually **registered in advance** of attending Children's Liturgy. Parents may do this by completing a form provided to you by the leader in the Iona Room, or by contacting Noeleen to request a form : 07879 498131 / colmcilleyouth@yahoo.co.uk.

The children will be provided with a **name badge** which **should be returned** each Sunday **to the boxes** in the Church foyer **at the end of Mass**.

A new **Children's Choir** has been formed to sing at the 9.30am Mass, age from 3 years. Please speak to Meghan or Bruce (the musicians) after Mass any Sunday to enrol your child for the choir.

MONEY MATTERS

Weekly collection: £982.50 World Mission Sunday Collection £869.80

The Monthly Stipend Collection for the support of the priests in the parish will be taken up at all Masses *next* weekend.

BULLETIN: Please submit notes for the parish bulletin **NO LATER than Wednesday 8th November** by dropping a note into the Bulletin Box in church or sending an email: stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org



PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE BALLYHACKAMORE 29th October 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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READINGS: Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 1; Psalter Week 2

ADORATION

Tuesday: 6.00pm—7.00pm

MASS

**Saturday : 5.30pm,
Sunday : 9.30am & 11.30am.**

**Tuesday : 7.00pm Vigil Mass for
All Saints Day**

**Wednesday: All Saints Day Mass
at 9.30am**

**Thursday: All Souls Day Mass at 9.30am
Friday: 9.30am**

CONFESSION

**Tuesday : 6.00pm to 6.45pm
Saturday : 5.00pm**

**Morning and Evening
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
Monday & Friday 9.15am
Wednesday 7.00pm**



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Response to the Psalm: I love you, Lord, my strength.

NOVEMBER PRAYER FOR OUR DEAD

God our Father, Your power brings us to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, Who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen

DECEASED: We pray for the repose of the soul of all those who have died recently, including Rosita Ruales and for Eamonn McPeake whose months mind occurs at this time.

We also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year, especially Teresa Glackin.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF DEVOTION TO THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November Mass will be celebrated each day for the repose of the souls of those deceased whose names have been included in the November Dead Lists.

Blank lists are available for you to complete, on the tables at the back of the Church. If you wish to donate an offering for the Masses, please include it with the list in the envelope provided. Completed lists can be placed in the collection baskets or in the box at the front of the Church,

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DECEASED

The Annual Mass for deceased parishioners and their families will be held on **Tuesday 14th November 2023 at 7.00pm** Refreshments after Mass in the Iona Room

ALPHA

All recent and former Alpha guests and friends are invited to gather together again on **Wednesday 15th November at 8.00pm**, in the parish hall, for another night of food and fellowship.

LYNERGY & LUNCH

There is a **weekly lunch club**, for those **age 55 and over**, in the parish Centre each Wednesday. Lynne, a Personal Trainer and Fitness Instructor, facilitates some light exercise, starting at 12 noon. Marvellous things happen when you consistently train your body to stay active and mobile. There are less falls, injuries and weakness in joints, and a much greater chance of a better quality of life as we get older! The class caters for all abilities and may be done sitting on a chair in class, or standing. We have fun, a laugh, fitness, and enjoy the company of friends as well as making new friends.

There is a **light lunch provided** in the Iona Room for all after each session. Classes takes place on **Wednesdays at 12.00noon and are £5 per person**—including lunch. We look forward to meeting everyone— just turn up on the day.

PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

In today's Gospel, Christ gives us the simple yet challenging instruction on how to live as Christians – with complete, all-consuming love for God, loving others as we love ourselves.

The need to follow and to loudly proclaim this great commandment is needed now more than ever. We are living in turbulent times, where the love of God can seem absent and disregard for others can sadly be manifest in the threat or reality of war in many parts of the world, including the Holy Land. God's Spirit is calling us, each one of us, to be that voice proclaiming His commandment to love. He is calling us to be the light of hope and the message of love in the world, to renew and to grow His Church, creating new disciples for Christ. New disciples who will live their lives loving and serving God and others in His parishes and in our communities.

Through *Pathways to the Future*, as we work to renew and grow God's Church in love in Down and Connor, we ask for your prayers that God may send His Spirit to guide us, and that we may discern His wishes as we make plans for our future.

It was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the Gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you ...it was from you that the Word of the Lord started to spread"

1 Thessalonians 1:6, 8

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

Parents of the children who will be preparing for First Communion this school year, should attend a **PARENTS MEETING** on Wednesday 15th November at 7.00pm, in the church.

The children, with their families, should come to the **ENROLMENT MASS** for the GROW IN LOVE (First Communion Preparation) MONTHLY MASS, on Sunday 19th November at 11.30am to enrol their child for the sacrament.

GROW IN LOVE—FAMILY MASS : SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER AT 9.30am.

Parents of the children who are not being prepared by their teacher for the sacrament of Holy Communion, should contact Noeleen to register for the evening class in parish: 07879 498131 / colmcille youth@yahoo.co.uk