

## St Colmcille's Communications

In 2025, we are reviving the communications group. The group will be responsible for sharing news both online and in-person. To start us off, we would like to hear from you to help us best understand how you would like to receive information, what information you would like to hear more of and how often.

To do this, we will host a focus group to learn more about your current experience of how you receive news. We are also interested in expanding the team so if you have professional communications experience, you might like to attend and help us formulate our plans.

**ALL WELCOME AND PARTICULARLY KEEN TO HEAR FROM THOSE WITH professional EXPERIENCE OF:**

**Design, Social media management, Email marketing, Copy writing**  
**RSVP: To [eileen.p.donaghey@gmail.com](mailto:eileen.p.donaghey@gmail.com) or leave your details into the parish office.**

## East Belfast GAA Academy

East Belfast GAA Academy is turning 5 this year. We are 100 members strong and growing, including preschool all the way up to u14 (yr10) and our teams compete all over County Down. We focus on learning new skills and the fun of the game so please come and join the team!

Our season begins in February contact us at [ebgaayouth@gmail.com](mailto:ebgaayouth@gmail.com).



Dear Parishioners of St Colmcille's Ballyhackamore, thank you for your amazing generosity to the Tanzanian Africa Project. This year's tremendous total of **£10,174.08**, raised from the Christmas Gift Card Appeal and the Pennies for Petrol Appeal, goes directly to the parish of St. Bakhita in Moita Bwawani, Tanzania. Every penny of your donations continues to make such a huge impact on the lives of the people of our twinned parish. Asante Sana!

## Classroom Assistants for St Joseph's Primary School, Carryduff

We are creating a bank of Classroom Assistants for ongoing absences/vacancies. If you would be interested in this field of work, even temporarily, please contact the School Office on 02890813523 or email [info@stjosephscarryduff.belfast.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@stjosephscarryduff.belfast.ni.sch.uk) (FAO Mr Mc Mahon)

## PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE



**191 Upper Newtownards Road,  
 Belfast, BT4 3JB**  
**4th Sunday in OT (Missal Pg 840)**  
**2nd February 2025**

**Very Rev Conor McGrath PP, Director of Vocations**  
**Very Rev Anthony Curran PE**

**Phone: 02890 654157 Website: [www.st-colmcilles.net](http://www.st-colmcilles.net)**

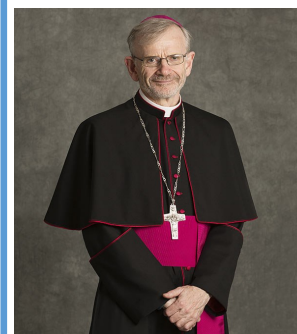
**Email: [stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org](mailto:stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org)**

**Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stcolmcilleschurch](http://www.facebook.com/stcolmcilleschurch)**

**Parish Office:**

**Monday & Friday 2pm-4pm, Wednesday 8am-10.30am**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mass: 9.30am &amp; 11.30am</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Divine Office: 9.00am</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Adoration &amp; Benediction: starting at 6.00pm</b>  <b>Mass at 7.00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mass : 9.30am Divine Office: 7pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mass : 9.30am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Morning Prayer: 9.00am</b> <b>Mass : 9.30am</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Confession : 5.00pm – 5.20pm</b> <b>Mass: 5.30pm</b>



Bishop Alan Mc Guckian will be Celebrating Mass on Sunday 16th February at 11.30am. He will be Recommissioning the Parish Engagement Group. Please come along and welcome him to our Parish

## DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of all those who have died recently and whose months mind occurs. We also remember in prayer

**Fr Henry Tansey MHM, Imelda Boden, John Doyle, Kathleen Acton, Maura Kiely, Teresa McMahon, Jean Adams, Willie Gallagher** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Parish Bereavement Support Group Contact: 07375 535 649.**

## ANNIVERSARIES

If you would like an Anniversary Mass booked please contact the Parish Office on 90654157 or email [stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org](mailto:stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org).

## Rosary & Rosé

Make your Friday that much sweeter! Join us once a month to pray the rosary and have a glass of rosé. 1st Friday of every month 7-8:30pm at St Colmcille's Hall, Gartan Room. Our next meeting is Friday, 7th February from 7-7:30 (before the ceili). Join us to help make this year a prayerful one!

## Recharge

Recharge is a young adult group based in Down and Connor for those aged 18 to 35. The group meet twice monthly on the first and third Tuesday of each month to "recharge" the spiritual batteries through Adoration, intellectual formation and social gatherings.

We will be meeting on Tuesday the 4th and 18th of February at 7.30pm the church.  
All welcome!

## Matt Talbot Relic



On Mon 3 Feb, the relics of the Venerable Matt Talbot will be received at St Peter's Cathedral at 5pm. Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm and the visit will conclude with Night Prayer at 10pm.

All are welcome to join us at the Cathedral for this time of prayer and intercession, particularly for those struggling with addictions, as well as their families and all those who are affected by addiction.

## MONEY MATTERS

**Weekly collection - £1, 102.23.**

**Many thanks to all those who generously donated.**

The Monthly Offering Collection for the support of the priests in the Diocese will be taken up at all Masses this weekend

## DEADLINE

Please submit notes for the parish bulletin no later than **12 noon every Wednesday** by- emailing the parish office.  
Posts may be subject to editing.

## Parochial Hall Bookings

If you would like to book a Party in the Parochial Hall we now require **1 MONTHS notice** by emailing the Parish Office at [stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org](mailto:stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org).

## The Social and Fundraising Committee Ceili Night

We would like to invite you to our next Ceili Night on Fri 7th Feb from 7.30pm -11.30pm at St Colmcilles Parish Hall. Admission £10.00, pay at door, BYO. Come along to this parish social community event, enjoy the dancing ,craic and fun.

## Venture Scouts Quiz Night Fundraiser

BYOB Quiz Night at the Scout Hall (behind Parochial Hall) 1st of March @ 7PM. Support our Venture Scouts in raising money for their expedition to Switzerland this June.  
Great prizes and raffle on offer! £5 per person or table of 5 for £20.  
Everyone welcome!

## ALPHA

We meet on **Wednesdays at 8.00pm** in the Parish Centre. The evening begins with food. It's a an opportunity to hear what others think about faith matters; a way to form your own questions and opinions; a time-out to make some progress on your faith journey; make new friends and find support in a safe and confidential setting.