

St Colmcille's New Years Collection for Local Food Bank

Sending Massive Thanks and Well Done to all our leaders, girls and their families for the hugely generous donations over the past 4 weeks for our local food bank collection.

A brilliant way to start our 2025 Guiding Year!

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.

PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE



191 Upper Newtownards Road,
Belfast, BT4 3JB
6th Sunday in OT (Missal Pg 850)
16th February 2025

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

Phone: 02890 654157 Website: www.st-colmcilles.net
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Parish Office:
Monday & Friday 2pm-4pm, Wednesday 8am-10.30am



DOWN & CONNOR
LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2025
40th Annual Pilgrimage



LOURDES YOUTH TEAM 2025

Cost Includes:
per person sharing, inclusive of return flights,
transfers, full-board accommodation,
insurance.

9-16 July 2025

Online applications now open!
To all aged 17 - 24 yrs (at time of travel)



Scan me for the
application form

Limited Spaces!

For more information please email:
Lourdes@downandconnor.org
or visit www.downandconnor.org/lourdes
Closing for applications Friday 7 March 2025 @5pm

5 Nights (10-15 July) Hotel - £859
5 Nights (10-15 July) Accueil Notre Dame
(for Pilgrims requiring care) - £729
7 Nights (9-16 July) Hotel - £972
Youth Team (9-16 July) - £760

Prices are per person sharing, additional charges may apply
This Tour is operated by North Star Travel Ltd T/A Joe Walsh Tours
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For more information or to request a booking form contact

lourdes@downandconnor.org (028) 9077 0162 downandconnor.org/lourdes

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

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 **Eileen Kennedy, Gary Morris, John Feenan, Bridgeen Trainor & Maria Rowan, Helen Cullan, Eva Haan, Joan Thompson, Matthew & James Dalton** 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.

RECHARGE

Recharge is a prayer group for young adults.
Join us on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in the Iona Room in the Parochial Hall.
Come and recharge your spiritual batteries through prayer, study and friendship.

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.

OPENING THE BIBLE

An Introductory course for those who wish to know more, and those unsure where to start, will begin in the Iona Room of the Parish Hall this Thursday, at 10 am. Duration one hour. Tea/coffee will be provided.
All welcome

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Parents please leave the children over to the Iona Room, at the Parish Centre, before the start of 9.30am Mass on Sundays.

Venture Scouts Quiz Night Findraiser

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!

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.

"Hope" – A Retreat for Those Discerning the Priesthood

Are you considering the call to the priesthood? Join us for a Vocation to the Priesthood Retreat from 7th–9th March at Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. This year's theme, "Priests as Men of Hope," invites us to reflect on the joy and strength that come from trusting in God's plan. To book a place or for more information, contact the Vocations Director: Fr Conor McGrath at c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org.

Let us all continue to pray for priestly vocations in our diocese:

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,
You are the source of all hope and the giver of every good gift.
Raise up men with hearts open to your call,
ready to serve your Church as priests,
bringing hope, healing, and the light of Christ to the world.
Give them courage to say "yes" to your will,
and bless our diocese with holy and faithful shepherds.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.