20TH APRIL 2025

PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE BALLYHACKAMORE

EASTER SUNDAY

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To know the joy of God's *love* and make the *love* of God known to all



Dear Sisters and Brobers,

Very Happy Easter to You and Your Family!

As we gather in the light of the Resurrection, we want to express our deep gratitude to each and every one of you for the part you played in our Holy Week and Easter celebrations. Whether you served at the altar or behind the scenes, read or sang, welcomed or decorated, prayed quietly in the pews or helped guide others through the sacred days—we are so thankful.

These days of prayer and remembrance, of silence and song, of sorrow and joy, are the heart of our Christian life. And they are made all the more powerful when shared together in faith.

It has been truly moving to witness the reverence, generosity, and love that filled our church over these sacred days.

Thank you to all who gave of their time and talent to make our liturgies beautiful and meaningful. Thank you to those who invited others, who reached out to the lonely, who accompanied someone back to the Church, or who simply showed up with an open heart. Your presence mattered. As we continue to celebrate the Easter season, may the Risen Lord bless you and your loved ones with peace, joy, and hope. May His victory over death fill every corner of our lives with new light, and may we go forward as people of the Resurrection—renewed, encouraged, and full of Easter joy! Alleluia! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Have a blessed Easter! 2 Comer

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"Alone with none but Thee, my God, I journey on my way;"

THIS WEEK AT ST COLMCILLE'S

Sunday	Mass: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday	Morning Prayer: 9.00am
Tuesday	Mass: 9:30am (No 7.00pm)
Wednesday	Mass : 9.30am. Evening Prayer: 7pm
Thursday	Mass : 9.30am
Friday	Morning Prayer: 9.00am Mass: 9.30am
Saturday	Confession : 5.00pm – 5.20pm Vigil Mass: 5.30pm

MASS THIS SUNDAY

First Reading: Acts 10:34. 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 117

Response: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia

Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; lets us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.

Alleluia

A Reading from the Holy Gospel, John 20: 1-9

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 all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Parish Bereavement Support Group Contact: 077 2981 6256.

ANNIVERSARIES

If you would like an Anniversary Mass booked please contact the Parish Office on 90654157 or email stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org.

"What need I fear when Thou art near,



PRAISE AND PINTS

7pm (Every other Thursday) Come for Adoration + Praise & worship followed by hangout in the Pub afterwards. Next Praise and Pints : 24th April.

Witnesses to Hope Carlo Acutis 1991- 2006 'To be always close to Jesus that is my life's plan.' Carlo Acutis The Parish Pastoral Engagement Group in Drumbo Parish continue our series of reflections on the lives of young holy people . On 27 April from 7.30pm- 8-15pm in the St Mochumma room in the Church we will reflect on the life of Carlo Acutis whose canonisation is taking place in Rome on this date . We look forward to welcoming you to this reflection.

MONEY MATTERS Weekly collection - £1285.53

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Parishioners are asked to return their Trócaire box to the parish. Boxes may be left in the parish office or returned through the Offertory Collection baskets at Mass. It would be appreciated if any small coins could be changed to larger denominations. All cheques should be made payable to Saint Colmcille's Parish. Donations to Trocaire can also be made via the Digital plate in the church porch.

Parish Engagement Group

Members of our Parish Engagement Group will be present in the porch after all weekend masses next weekend (26th/27th April).

We warmly invite all parishioners to take this opportunity to share any feedback, successes, suggestions, or anything else you would like to discuss. This will take place a few days ahead of the next PEG meeting, so that any relevant feedback can be brought forward for discussion.

Your thoughts and experiences are important to us, we look forward to hearing from you.

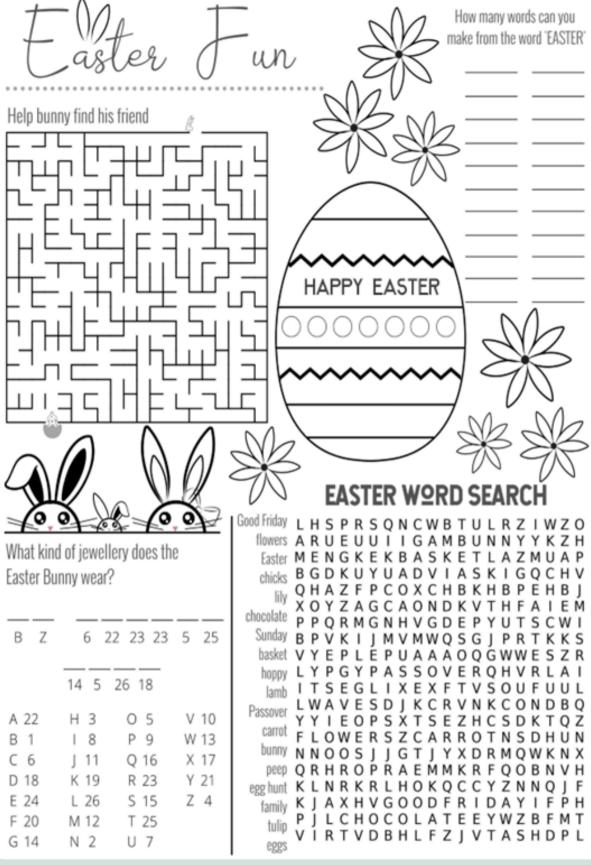
Parish Office

The Parish Office is closed from Friday 18th April at 4pm until Monday 28th April at 2pm

> Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday 27th April

St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast Rosary (2:30pm). Divine Mercy Chaplet and Holy Mass (3:00pm). St. Paul's Church, Belfast Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Reflections from St. Faustina's diary (2pm); Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction, Blessing of Image and Holy Mass (3pm). St. Mary's Church, Belfast Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Divine Mercy Image and Divine Mercy talk (2:30pm). Divine Mercy Chaplet (3pm). Holy Mass (5pm). Sacred Heart Church, North Belfast

Sacred Heart Church, North Belfast Rosary (2:15pm). Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Mass and Blessing with relic of St. Faustina.



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"More safe am I within Thy hand, Than if a host did round me stand."