PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE
BALLYHACKAMORE

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

September is the Season of Creation, a chance to thank God for the gift of the earth and do our bit to care for it. A big thanks to everyone who came along to the Repair Café last weekend – it was a great success and we hope to see them back again soon. It also gives me an opportunity to thanks our Garden group, who, sunshine or rain, have kept our Parish Garden beautiful.

We also kicked off our very first John Paul II Award with 22 young people volunteering to get involved in parish life – fantastic news for our community! And don't forget to give our NET Team a big smile and a hello as they settle into parish life.

It's another busy week ahead: Fr Tony and I are away at a clergy conference on Tuesday, Friday evening we've a Vocations Night, Saturday we're hosting a diocesan taster day of This is Alpha, there's also a retreat in Holy Cross, Rostrevor, and at 12 noon we have our monthly Sensory-Friendly Mass.

Lots happening – thank you for being part of it all

Have a blessed week, Fr Conor

All Creation

Bless the Lord!

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TUES & THURS 2PM-4PM,
WEDNESDAY 8AM-10.30AM

THIS WEEK AT ST COLMCILLE'S

Sunday	Mass: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday	Morning Prayer: 9.00am
Tuesday	**Mass; 9:30am to facilitate the Clergy Conference**
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: Amos 8:4-7

Psalm 112

Praise the Lord, who raises the poor

Second Reading: Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open your heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel: **Luke 16:1-13**

DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of all those who have died recently;
We also remember in prayer all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Eamonn Mc Peake, Charles Caldwell, Teresa Strain, Trevor Gray, Mike Loder

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.

St Colmcille's Faith Formation/RCIA Course

The course will be continuing this Wednesday as usual: 7pm in the Iona room (parish hall).
The topic is "Creation". All are welcome, and please feel free to invite a friend.
The session is an hour and a half with a tea break in the middle.
For more information, please email Ollie at o.donaldson@downandconnor.org

PARISH AWAY DAY
SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

AWAY DAY WITH THE BENEDICTINE MONKS
AT HOLY CROSS ABBEY, ROSTREVOR
In the Gospel according to Mark, Jesus said:
"You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while".
You are invited to come away for a day of reflection at the Benedictine Abbey in Rostrevor, on Saturday 27th September Please contact Claire Dowds on: 07766934246 or email cdowds181@gmail.com.

Save The Date: Ceili!

Friday 3rd October, 7.30pm—11.30pm at Colmcilles Parish Hall.
Admission £10.00, pay at the door Bring Your Own drink and snacks.
We will be having a Ballot/Raffle on the night - envelopes of 5 tickets is £5.
Come along to this parish social community event, enjoy the dancing, craic and fun.

Belfast Rosary Festival

The Legion of Mary and the Knights of Saint Columbanus present Our Lady's Rosary Festival from Saturday 4 October to Sunday 12 October 2025 with 9 events in different venues.

The Festival ends with the 22nd Annual Rosary Procession from St. John's Church to St Peter's Cathedral commencing at 2:30pm on Sunday 12 October.
All details can be found at belfastrosaryfestival.com

MONEY MATTERS

Weekly collection - £1, 126.22
The Autumn Collection will be taken up this weekend

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.

Children's Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy is back in full swing and we have a fun year planned! We are looking for volunteers who would like to join us for one Sunday a month during 9.30 mass, either to lead a session or to support one of our other leaders. For any young people hoping to work with children, it is a great addition to you CV and for parents it's a great way to connect with your child and talk about faith in a fun but meaningful way. If you are over 18 and would like to find out more email Fiona (fionamdonnelly@hotmail.com). No experience necessary!

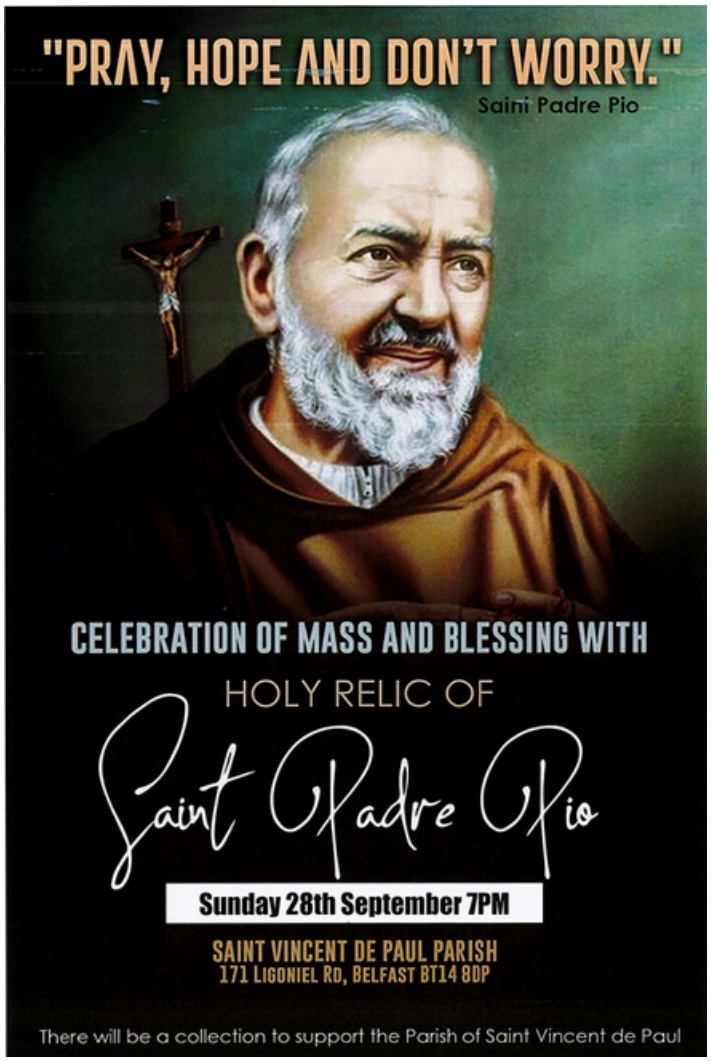
Jubilee of Youth –
Diocese of Down and Connor
Date & Time:
📍 Clonard Monastery
🕖 Friday, 26th September at 7.15pm
with
Bishop Alan Mc Guckian

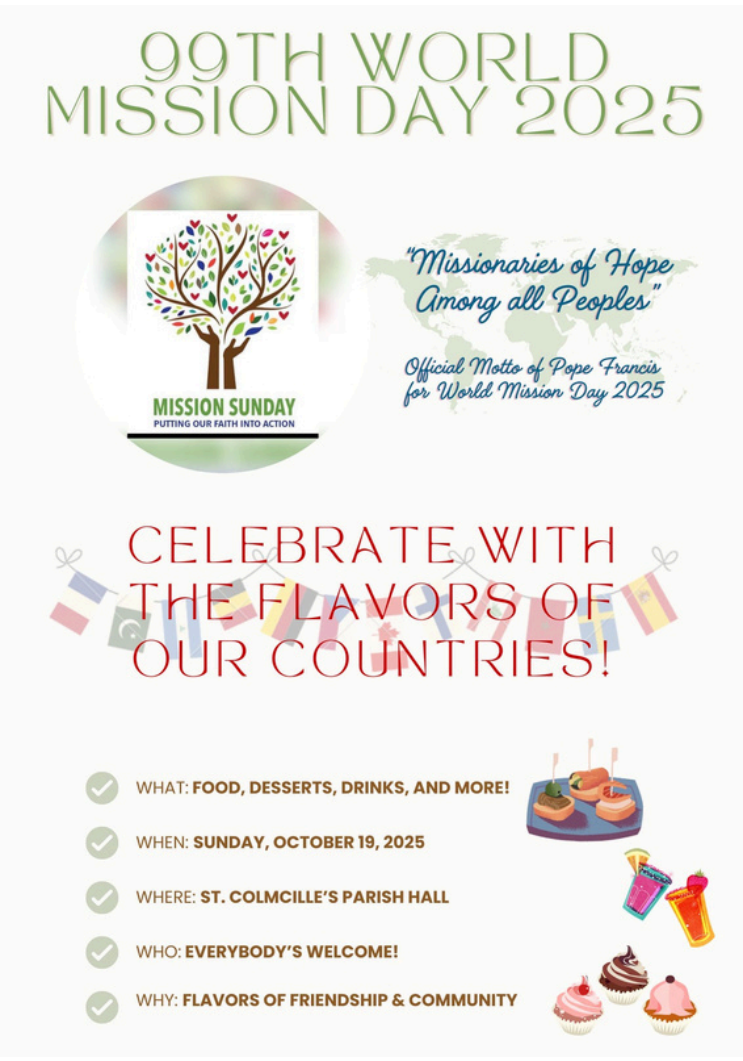
Welcome Back to Chaplaincy

The Catholic Chaplaincy reopens on Mon 15 Sept at 42 University Road, with weekday Masses resuming and Sunday evening Mass back on 21 Sept at 8.00pm in the Canada Room, Lanyon Building.

Whether new or returning, come and join us at Mosaic Café, in the Chapel, or the Common Room—a place to meet, pray and belong. For more visit qubcatholic.org

Oh King of night and day?"





Paws up for the Blessing of the Animals: 1pm, 5th October



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