PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE
BALLYHACKAMORE

30th 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

Mission Sunday Celebration – A Feast of Faith and Flavour!

What a joyful celebration we shared on Mission Sunday! After Mass, our parish hall was alive with colour, conversation, and the most wonderful aromas — a true feast of flavours from around the world. So many beautiful dishes and tastes reminded us of the richness of our global Church and the unity we share in Christ.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who brought food, helped with set-up and clean-up, and created such a warm, festive atmosphere. You helped make our celebration of Mission Sunday not only inspiring but also deeply personal — a true reflection of the words, "Go and make disciples of all nations."

As we continue to celebrate the beauty of our faith, please remember that Saturday, November 1st, is the Feast of All Saints — a Holy Day of Obligation.

- Vigil Mass: Friday at 7:00pm
- All Saints Day Mass: Saturday at 11:30am

Let us come together again in gratitude and prayer as we honour all the saints — known and unknown — who guide us by their example and intercede for us in heaven



Have a blessed week, Fr Conor

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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	Holy Hour & Confession: 6pm, Mass: 7pm
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: Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14. 16-19

Psalm 32

This poor man called; the Lord heard him.

Second Reading: Timothy 4:6-8. 16-18

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the souls of all those who have died recently;
We also remember in prayer all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Rosita Ruales, Salvacion Tio, Eileen Caldwell

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

There will be no class this week; the course will be taking a half term break, restarting on the 5th of November.



Talk: Duo Sunt

There will be a talk on Wednesday the 29th at 7:30pm in the Iona room entitled "Duo Sunt: Joseph Ratzinger & Carl Schmitt on the Spiritual and Temporal Powers". If political theology and philosophy is of interest, please do come along! There will be drinks to follow.
Please contact Ollie for further information.

"Recharge"

Dates for your diary for November:
Tuesday 4th November @7.30pm: Holy Hour with Adoration followed by drinks in the Hearth Bar.
Tuesday 18th November @7.30pm: Group Study - Growing in Prayer. Followed by social.

Ministers of The Word
A social evening is organised for Thurs 13th Nov at 7pm
The evening includes a guest speaker, wine and cheese and a chance to chat with others in our group.
New readers [both experienced and beginner] are very welcome.
Any queries please contact Alice [07766490443]

MONEY MATTERS

Weekly collection - £1, 259.67

Mission Sunday Collection £751.95
Monthly Offertory will be taken up next 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.



St Joseph's Primary School

Open Morning

Our Open Morning will take place on Thursday 27 November, 2025.
This will begin at 10.30am with refreshments and a short address by the Principal, followed by a guided tour of the school. All prospective parents are very welcome.

Oh King of night and day?"

DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST

ST COLMCILLE'S PARISH

BELFAST

VACANCY

'PARISH & VOCATIONS SUPPORT OFFICER'

An exciting opportunity has arisen for the recruitment of a Parish and Vocations Support Officer to be based within St Colmcille's Parish, 191 Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 3JB.

The role holder will be required to work with our Director of Vocations supporting him by undertaking secretarial, clerical, administrative and diary management services within the parish and in his role as Diocesan Director of Vocations.

If you are an individual with excellent communication skills and the ability to deal with sensitive and confidential matters in a professional manner, then we see this as a unique opportunity for you to join the Down and Connor Diocesan Trust Team.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment for 30 hours per week. Monday to Friday – work pattern to be agreed.

Salary: Will be considered within the range of £25,000 to £28,000 gross per annum – commensurate upon experience.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: http://www.downandconnor.org clicking on the tab: **job vacancies** and on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. Application Packs are also available from the Parish Office.

We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria as presented and are interested in playing an active role within the Diocese of Down and Connor.

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Monday 10 November 2025

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

Useful Contacts

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