PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE

BALLYHACKAMORE

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year A

Missal Pg 605



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

As we come to the final weekend before many families begin taking a well-earned summer break, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped make this past year such a blessed one in the life of our parish.

So much of what happens in St Colmcille's is only possible because of the generosity, faith and commitment of so many people. To our parish staff, the many committees and ministry teams, our volunteers, readers, ministers of Holy Communion, sacristans, altar servers, choir and musicians, flower arrangers, collectors, cleaners, Children's Liturgy leaders, youth club leaders, and all who work quietly behind the scenes, thank you. Your generosity and dedication are a wonderful witness to the life of our parish community.

I also want to thank everyone who has participated in parish life throughout the year. Together we have celebrated, prayed, served and grown as a community of faith.

Whether you are staying at home or travelling over the summer months, I hope you find some time for rest, recreation and renewal. Please travel safely, and know that you remain in our prayers.



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THIS WEEK AT ST COLMCILLE'S

Sunday	Mass: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday	Morning Prayer: 9.00am
Tuesday	Holy Hour, Confessions, : 6.00pm, Mass: 7.00pm.
Wednesday	Mass: 9.30am
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: 2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16

Psalm 88

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 10: 37-42

DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the souls of all those who have died recently.

John Joseph O'Brien

We also remember in prayer all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Mary McKenna, James Armstrong, Barbara Barrington, Paula Doran

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Money Matters

Weekly collection - £1215.04

Peters Pence collection - £837.60

The Monthly Offering Collection for the support of the priests will be taken up next weekend.

If you wish to make your contributions via contactless payment, this is now available using the QR code on the parish website or in the bulletin. We would encourage you to gift aid your donation if you are paying tax; you only need to key this information once, as long as you are using the same debit/credit card to make your donations each time.

https://donate.mydona.com/st-colmcilles-parish-belfast

Abide in His Love Women's Conference.

The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, 20–22 November 2026.

Join women from across Ireland for a faith-filled weekend with inspiring speakers including Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Fr Mark Wharton, Fr Barry Braum, Fr Oisín Martin, the Dominican Sisters of Nashville, Bishop Fintan Gavin, and more.

Register now: https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com/

SAVE THE DATE

You are invited to come away for a day of prayer and reflection at the **Benedictine Abbey** in Rostrevor on **Saturday 3rd October.** Details to follow.

Job Opportunity

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust, Belfast Jesuit Centre Vacancy, **"Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator"** (Fixed-term contract for 9 months), £29,000 gross per annum, 35 hours per week.

Apply via: http://www.downandconnor.org

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Monday 6 July 2026

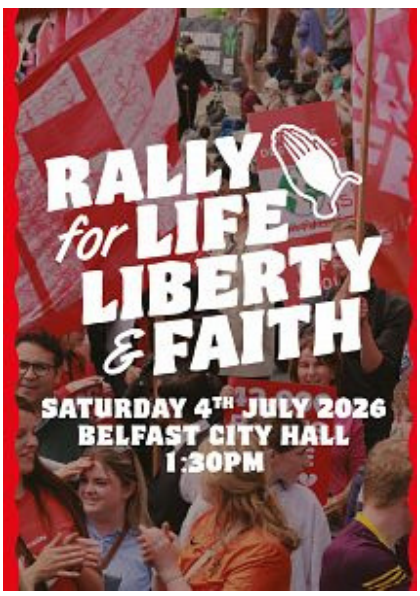
St Colmcilles Preschool, Limited Spaces Available – September 2026 Start

We still have limited spaces available for St Colmcille's preschool **starting September 2026.**

If you would like more information or to secure a place for your child, please contact our **Acting Manager, Lucia,** via email: info@stcolmcillespreschool.com

Precious Life Rally

The organisation Previous Life are holding a rally on **Saturday 4th July** to protest against recent decisions by Belfast City Council to restrict the noise that can be made in public, hindering street preaching, and to ban many of the images used by pro-life campaigners. Please see the poster attached for details.



A Year of Ignatian Prayer 2026/2027 – Belfast Jesuit Centre

10 in-person Saturdays (10am–4pm) in the BJC and 7 online sessions to support prayer, discernment and reflective living.

Suggested donation: £200–£280.

For details, please visit: https://belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk/a-year-of-ignatian-prayer-2026-2027/

THE ANNUAL NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE
CELEBRATING THE 6TH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

SUNDAY, 26TH JULY 2026
KNOCK SHRINE - CHIEF CELEBRANT ARCHBISHOP EAMON MARTIN
COMMENCING AT 2.30PM WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

A DAY OF GRACE AND BLESSING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY AS WE HONOUR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY. PLEASE JOIN US.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR RESOURCES:
www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org



MOVE

A five day summer event tailored for 14-18-year olds designed to have a life changing experience with God



For further information, contact Fr James O'Reilly at
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CHRIST IN YOUTH



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