PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE'S BALLYHACKAMORE

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

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A

30TH AUGUST 2026

Missal Pg 643

MASS THIS SUNDAY

First Reading: Jeremiah 20: 7-9

Psalm 62

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Second Reading: Romans 12: 1-2

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 16: 21-27

DECEASED

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

Joe McGourty, Alice Lokhart (month's mind)

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Lizzy Rocky Vavakkatt, Martin Derrig, Josephine McGuinness and Leo Galway.

THIS WEEK AT ST COLMCILLE'S

SUN	Mass: 9.30am & 11.30am
MON	Morning Prayer: 9.00am
TUE	Holy Hour, Confessions: 6.00pm Mass: 7.00pm.
WED	Mass: 9.30am
THU	Mass: 9.30am
FRI	Morning Prayer: 9.00am, Mass: 9.30am
SAT	Confession: 5.00pm –5.20pm, Mass: 5.30pm

DONATIONS

Weekly collection - **£1,137.21**

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

Many thanks for your donations. Contactless giving is available via the QR code below or on the parish website.

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PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

Parish Group Notices:

John Paul II Award – Information Session

Calling all 16-17 year olds, especially those who have recently finished their GCSEs!
Come along to find out more about this year's John Paul II Award and hear from young people who have recently completed it, sharing their experiences of volunteering and the benefits of the programme.
When: Thursday 17 September at 7pm
Where: Parish Hall – Iona Room
A great opportunity to get involved in parish and community life while gaining a recognised award for your CV and future applications.
New members are very welcome!

St Colmcille's Indoor Mixed Bowling Club

Bowling Club resumes on **Thursday 3rd September 26 at 7pm.**
New members are welcome!
Enquiries: Please contact Deirdre on 07479329938, or just turn up!

St Colmcille's Parent & Toddler Group

We provide an opportunity for anyone caring for a child from 0 to 4 years to come along with the child and enjoy company, snacks and play. We meet on Wednesdays at 10 am, and we resume on **Wednesday 9th September 2026** after the summer break. If you haven't been before, it's a great way to make new friends. All mums, dads, grandparents, childminders and carers are welcome, with their children!

Align Physio-led Pilates

Classes will resume **Monday 7th September** in the Parish hall. Class times on a Monday are 9.30am, 10.30am, 7.15pm and 8.15pm. Suitable for all ages, men and women. If interested and for more information, please contact oliviadavidson42@hotmail.co.uk

St Colmcille's Parish Youth Group

The Youth Club returns on Saturday 12 September at 6.30 pm.
New and existing members (Years 8–11) are very welcome!
Parents who would like to volunteer and help with the Youth Club are warmly invited to contact Jarek on 07704 410446.

Safeguarding Training

Child Safeguarding Level 2 training session:
St John's Parish Centre, Falls Rd, Belfast on 16 and 23 September 2026.

These sessions are mandatory for all Clergy, Religious and Group Leaders who have regular or direct contact with children and young people.
Please note, this will be the only Level 2 session in your area at this time (Sept 2026-Dec 2026).

Register via QR code:

Lost Property

A collection of clothing left in the church hall is currently on display on the long bench in the church foyer.

If you have lost an item, please check the collection and claim it by **Saturday 12th September**. Any unclaimed items after this date will be disposed of.

USEFUL CONTACTS

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