



St. Anthony's Parish, Belfast

part of the Family of Parishes
of
St Malachy's, St Matthew's,
St Colmcille's, St Anthony's, &
St Colmcille's, (Holywood)

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MASSES:

Sunday Morning:

(in Polish): 9am, & 6:30pm.

(English Parish Mass): 11.30am

Weekdays:

Mon, Tues & Thurs at 9.30am. Fri 9:30am.
(Nov, Dec & Jan at 9:30am).

**PLEASE NOTE then that from November
Fri Mass is at 9:30am**

All English Masses on Facebook.

Polish Weekday Masses:

Tues & Thurs 7pm, Sat 9am

Confessions: By Arrangement.

Baptisms: By Appointment

St Bernadette's SVP Conference. If you
require assistance, please telephone SVP
Regional Office at 028 90351561. Donate
locally at www.svpni.co.uk

Parish Collections

Many thanks for your support. If you
require envelopes, or if your address
details have changed please contact
Fr McCann

Weekly £622.30

Bishop's Commissions £62

Dona Digital £123.30

DONATE (website)£

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part of the Diocese of Down and Connor and
operates in accordance with the Diocesan
Privacy Notice, copies of which are available on
request.

Parish Safeguarding. Can you please ensure
that all Children and Vulnerable Adults are
accompanied at all times when entering the
Sacristy / Toilet facilities. If you have any queries
regarding the Safeguarding Policy please contact
a member of the Parish Safeguarding
Committee. Thanks. Fr Henry McCann PP.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED LOVED-ONES

Recently Deceased: Joan Ejialode Uhomoibhi
(mother of newly ordained deacon James). Malachy
Connolly (brother of Monsignor Sean), Maureen
Turnbill

Anniversaries: Terence & Sarah McCartan, James
Murray, Sally Watson (Sun 30th Nov)

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 24th: St Columbanus, abbot

Tue 25th: St Colman of Cloyne, bishop

Thurs 27th: St Fergal, bishop & missionary

Involvement in Parish Life. A couple of years ago we
asked parishioners to record interest to volunteer in
various roles within parish life. We would like to update this
information given new members of the parish. Forms are
available in the porch. Returns can be placed in the
collection basket.

Parish Pastoral Council. The current Parish Pastoral
Council was commissioned in 2018, for a period of 4
years, but because of the Covid Pandemic, it continued for
another term. Each parish is highly encouraged to have a
Pastoral Council in place, consisting of elected and
appointed members.

New members of the council have been approached, and
the new Council will be undergoing training in the next few
weeks. Many thanks to all who have worked on or will be
working on the Council. Parishioners will be encouraged
to support the work of the Council with their own
volunteering. May God bless the work.

Next Meeting of Pastoral Council will be on Thursday
27th November at 8pm in the St Vincent de Paul Hall
behind the church.

Masses for November - November Dead Lists are
available in the church porch. Write names of deceased,
place in envelope, place in black box on the sanctuary.
Donations optional. Lists will be placed on the altar during
Masses in November and the names thereon will be
remembered in the the mass intentions.

Mass for the Deceased will be celebrated on Wednesday
26th November at 7pm. An opportunity to remember those
who died over the year, and our own loved ones. You can
place a candle on the table before the altar as a mark of
remembrance of your loved ones.

Trócaire:

Christmas Gifts of Change. Could you help share the
true spirit of Christmas in your parish? Trócaire are
appealing for volunteers to help sell their Gifts of
Change to help make a real difference to families
living in poverty around the world. For more
information, please see the video below... Trócaire's
Gifts of Change on "Vimeo"

Schools Volunteers Notice. Are you a retired teacher
or someone who has experience presenting to groups
of school children? Trocaire is looking for volunteers
to support our Schools Talks Programme for Lent
2026 in the Down and Connor Diocese. If you think
you have the right skills and experience and will have
time to volunteer during Lent, there we would love to
hear from you. Full training and support will be
provided. For more information call Fionnuala on 028
9080 8033 or email fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org

Catholic Mothers Ireland, Retreat Day. Join us for a day of
Spiritual Restoration, the Parish Hall at St Joseph's, Antrim on
Sat 29th November 2025. An All Day Retreat from 10am - 6pm.
Email catholicmothers@outlook.ie

Belfast Jesuit Centre (Donegal Street) Advent 2025

Waiting in Wonder: Lectio and Visio Divina for Advent.
A four-week contemplative series beginning Tuesday 25th
November, inviting participants to pray with scripture,
poetry, and art. **Faith & Film: Romero:** The final movie in
our Jubilee Year of Hope series, taking place on Thursday
27th November. Both events are open to all and offer a
gentle space for reflection and community. If you have any
questions, feel free to contact me at bjc@jesuit.ie or +44
7955 282371.

Misa de Gallo at St Vincent de Paul Parish. We at St. Vincent
De Paul Parish, Ligoniel are delighted to welcome you all to our
annual, "Misa De Gallo," (Mass of the Rooster) - Christmas
Novena in 2025. The annual celebration is beloved by our
Filipino Community far and wide, but all are welcome.

Capella Caeliana 30th Anniversary Concert on Sun 23rd Nov
at 7pm in the Good Shepherd church. Conductor: Matthew
Quinn. Special guests include Ruth McGinley, Fr Eugene
O'Hagan, Fr Martin O'Hagan, and Fr David Delargy. Tickets
available at www.caeciliana.org

Mary's Meals Talk at Mass and Cake Sale. Mary's
Meals is keeping the promise of a daily school meal to
over 3 million children in 16 countries. Our Double the
Love Campaign has launched and all donations will be
doubled by a group of generous supporters. This Sunday
23rd Nov. There will be an address by a member of our
Mary's Meals Support group and a Cake Sale. Please
support the charity adopted by the parish.

St Vincent de Paul Sale of Christmas Cards will begin
this weekend. Stephen Murphy will be selling Christmas
Cards in the church porch in support of the SVP charity.
Please support them in their work.

Down & Connor Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima 2026, led by
Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ, Pilgrimage Directors: Canon Sean
Gilmore, Fr Martin Graham Adm, Fr Gerry McCloskey PP. 29th
MAY 2026, 7 nights, £850 per person sharing (£100 off per
person if paid in full by 3rd Nov 2025).

» Direct return flights from Belfast to Porto

» 7 nights Hotel Avenida

» Full Board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day

» Full religious programme

» Guided tour of Sanctuary & Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary

» Visits to Aljustrel & Valinhos

» Optional: Travel insurance & Single supplement (Limited
Places). For information please contact: Joe Catney
07776425631

Sensory-Friendly Mass Invitation, St Colmcille's
Parish Belfast warmly invites you to our monthly Sensory Mass
on Saturday, 29th November at 12:00 noon. This short service
is designed for neurodivergent young people and adults as well
as those with dementia or sensory sensitivities, and their
families. We would love to see you there. St Nicholas will meet
everyone with some gifts, at the refreshments after Mass, in the
Parish Centre!

Fiat Discernment Group. For Young Women (18-40yrs) who
are discerning a Vocation to Religious/Consecrated Life,
monthly meetings are held in Charleville Retreat Centre, Cork.

The day includes prayer, talks, Holy Mass, Adoration
and a chance to meet and chat with religious sisters of
different communities. If you are interested in attending
please email

womendiscern@corkandross.org

**Join the inaugural Stella Maris Lourdes
Pilgrimage: Mon 25 – Sat 30 May 2026.** We warmly
welcome serving or retired seafarers, fishers and their
family members or carers to spend six grace-filled
days of prayer, healing, and fellowship in the beautiful
sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes. This pilgrimage will
be fully funded (including travel, accommodation, and
meals). To register your interest, or request further
information please contact: Dcn. John Fogarty: john.fogarty@stellamarismail.org | 07986 723015, Hugh
Ramsay: hugh.ramsay@stellamarismail.org | 07432
654032

**Down & Connor Lourdes Pilgrimage 9 - 14 July
2026.** We are seeking doctors, registered nurses and
volunteers to care for pilgrims who need medical,
nursing, personal care or assistance to make their
pilgrimage to Lourdes possible. This year we are
especially seeking new brancardiers (adult men
helpers) in addition to our medical, nursing and
handmaidens teams. For more information please
email your contact details to
lourdes@downandconnor.org

Christmas Craft Fair. Preparation Workshop in
the St Vincent de Paul Hall on 7th December. All
welcome to attend. Fair on Sunday 14th
December after the Masses. Christmas wreaths
and table centres, plus other crafts and raffle. In
the front Church Porch.

**Down and Connor Diocesan Trust, Bishop's
Residence & Curia Office: Vacancy - Assistant
Housekeeper – Job Share.** An opportunity has arisen
within our Housekeeping Team to recruit into the role
of Assistant Housekeeper, as a Job Share
arrangement. Working closely with our Head of
Housekeeping, you will be required to provide a
reliable and efficient housekeeping service to include
cleaning, shopping and cooking duties. This role will
support the Head of Housekeeping to ensure a
pleasant, welcoming and clean environment for all
visitors to the residence and Curia offices. This role is
being advertised as a Job Share position. The terms
are based on a permanent appointment of two
individuals who will be required to work 16 hours each
per week. Work pattern to be agreed with the Head of
Housekeeping. Having a flexible approach to working
hours will be a requirement within the role. Rate of
pay: £15.50 gross per hour x 16 hours per week
(£12,800 gross per annum). 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. 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
Tuesday 2 December 2025. Down and Connor
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