



# ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, HOLYWOOD PARISH

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**The Holy Season of Lent begins on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021**  
**Details of Lenten Courses, Workshops and Talks**  
**taking place remotely can be found highlighted in this week's Bulletin.**

## **St Patrick's Belfast**

*'The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life.'* – Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

This year St Patrick's Parish invites you to **TAKE ON** a Lenten discipline and join them each Tuesday evening during Lent as we gather as a Christian community in prayer and reflection based on different themes each week. The goal of these spiritual disciplines is to strengthen our faith as a faith filled community and to develop a closer relationship with God. For Western Christianity, Ash Wednesday marks the first day, or the start of the season of Lent which begins 40 days prior to Easter.

This year St Patrick's Parish begins their Lenten reflections on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.**

This Lent they are inviting you to join them along their Lenten journey for 2021. This year's journey reflects from Easter of last year, when Covid was becoming more known, towards this Easter in which, please God, we will have more light and, hopefully, move towards the end of this pandemic.

Each of the Talks are themed, based on the Gospel of the previous Sunday, in light of Covid. The Guest speaker will reflect on the theme from their own context in light of their vocation and faith, but also in light of the Hope of this Easter and our journey through Covid, now that there is a vaccine to aid the control of this virus.

There will also be an opportunity for some prayer and questions during the evening.

During this question time we, as a Christian community, can reflect on either the Talk or the Scripture of the previous week.

So, **THIS LENT, make that commitment** to spend an hour on a Tuesday evening to engage with our Christian faith in the Light of Easter and through the lens of the hope which Easter brings as we continue our earthly journey fighting against Covid.

[Link to Information on the Talks and Speakers](#)

To Register and Sign-up for the Lenten Talks, please send an email to: [lententalks@downandconnor.org](mailto:lententalks@downandconnor.org)

## **REMEMBERING OUR DEPARTED**

***We pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.***

**Recently Deceased:** Betty McKee, Hugh Campbell, Gemma Cunningham, Teresa Spence, Patsy McGrellis, Tom Delaney, Melanie Quigley

**Month's Mind:** Frank Tully, Mary Theresa Morgan, Sarah Mathews

**Anniversaries:** Frances Graham, Ellen Liddy, Esther Hill, Dessy Mohan, Paul McPeake, Chris McConville, Mick McGeown, Timothy & Kathleen Dargan, , Winnie & Frank McLaughlin, V Rev John Courtney, Rev Daniel Keenan, V Rev Fred MacSorley, Rev James Black, V Rev Canon Patrick McAlister, V Rev Hugh Crossin, Rev Dominic Murray, V Rev Michael Blaney, Rev Theodore Crowley



5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7<sup>th</sup> February 2021

“Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace,.”



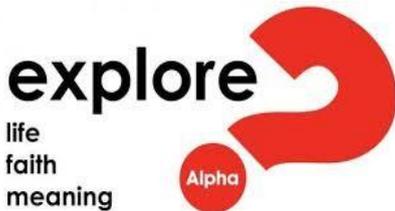
“Walking with Jesus along the Via Dolorosa” a webcam Lenten Reflection.

Father Martin, together with the Knights of St Columbanus, will lead a series of 5 evenings of scripture readings, reflections and prayer **commencing on Ash Wednesday, 17 February 2020 at 7.00pm.**

Tune in to St Patrick’s webcam Newtownards and walk with us during Lent. Resources to download for each week are available on the Newtownards and Comber Parish Website

<https://www.newtownardsandcomberparish.com/>

Everyone welcome!



**St Colmcille's Ballhackamore Alpha Programme**

The Alpha Video series will be presented **via Zoom,**

starting on **THURSDAY 4TH FEBRUARY, 8.00pm to 9.00pm** Alpha helps to create conversations in small groups about life, faith and God. Those who would like to register, or to find out more, should send an email to **-stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org**



The Irish Institute for Catholic Studies has an exciting line-up of speakers for Spring 2021, beginning on **Wednesday January 27th from 3-4 pm**

with Mark Regan of the Economic and Social Research Institute. The series will be held on **Wednesday afternoons from 3-4 pm Dublin on Microsoft Teams.** The link to join the meetings can be found below. All are welcome and we hope to see you there! Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer or mobile app [Click here to join the meeting](#) [Learn More](#) | [Meeting options](#) If you missed any of our lectures from last semester, you may access them on our YouTube channel: [Irish Institute for Catholic Studies IICS - YouTube](#)

The new Diocese of Down and Connor Directory 2021 is now available to purchase from the Sacristy.

**Priced £4**

**World Day of Prayer for the Sick Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 29th World Day of Prayer for the Sick along with Prayers for the Sick and Prayers for Care-Givers on our website [www.stcolmcilleshollywood.org](http://www.stcolmcilleshollywood.org)



Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during Lent. Why not take this opportunity to perhaps help yourself or someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering your sacrifice for freedom from addiction?

Please consider taking the short- term Lenten Pledge and make a difference to someone's life and say the following daily prayer.

**PRAYER:"** I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during Lent."

**Catholic Engaged Encounter preparing for Marriage**

A 'Zoom' online Marriage Preparation course is planned for **27-28 March 2021.**

This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship.

Information/Booking: [marriageencounter.ie.org](http://marriageencounter.ie.org)

**The virtual Divine Mercy Conference (2021) will take place on 19, 20, and 21 February.**

It will be broadcast through our website [www.divinemercyconference.com](http://www.divinemercyconference.com) free of charge. It will also be available on [www.RadioMaria.ie](http://www.RadioMaria.ie) and you may listen in via your TV on Saorview 210 (audio only) and dial up listening service 01-4373277. The theme of this our 30th Conference is: **For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory (Mt. 6:13).**

The speakers over the weekend are: Sr. Briege McKenna, Healing Ministry, Conference Speaker and author. Fr. Hayden Williams, OFM Cap, Healing Ministry and preacher. Fr. Colomba Jordan C.F.R, Healing Ministry and Retreat Director. Fr. Brendan Walsh, SCA, Retreat Director, Healing Ministry and Conference speaker. Rev. Dr. Eunan McDonnell, SDB, Provincial of the Salesians in Ireland and Spiritual Director to the Conference Committee. Fr. Eamonn McCarthy, Director of Radio Maria.

### Standing Order Details –

**Account Name: St Colmcilles Church**

**Account Number: 34952843 and**

**Sort Code; 90.21.27**

Please use either your envelope number  
or a standing order reference  
This will identify you to the parish.

Thank you

### Requests for Masses for Deceased Relatives and Friends

In remembrance of loved ones- to request a Mass for an Intention of a family member or friend - Please give your request either by calling the office during office hours Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm on 02890422167 or by sending an email to [hollywood@downandconnor.org](mailto:hollywood@downandconnor.org)  
*Although we cannot guarantee the date you request will be available, Fr Stephen will be offering a Mass for the intention each day.*

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are now available  
on our website

**Tuesday St Anthony's  
Novena during Mass  
on Tuesday evening at  
7pm**  
**Friday Novena of  
Our Lady of Perpetual  
Succour during Mass at  
7pm**



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SUPPORT LINE**



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EXPERIENCED COUPLES &  
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DURING THIS TIME OF  
UNPRECEDENTED STRESS AND  
PRESSURE ON FAMILY LIFE...**

Contact:

**01 531 3331 028 9568 0151 01 905 9555**

9.00 am - 8.00 pm, Monday to Friday

All calls charged at local rate.



### New Covid 19 Restrictions

**“As many people as possible stay at home for the sake of Health, Life and the Common Good”**

Following an increase in coronavirus (COVID-19) cases, additional restrictions have been introduced for people in Northern Ireland. These new restrictions are in place to help reduce the spread of coronavirus and to help manage the pressures on our health and social care system. During this time, the single most important action we can all take is to **stay at home**.

The current regulations are in place until **5 March 2021**. They will be reviewed on 18 February 2021. The celebration of the Eucharist and other liturgies should take place without the physical presence of the faithful - with the exception of marriages, funerals, baptisms (marriages and funerals are limited to 25 people, baptisms limited to 9 people)  
Fr Stephen will celebrate Mass privately from the Altar which will be streamed online at [www.stcomcilleshollywood.org](http://www.stcomcilleshollywood.org).

The Church will be open for Private Prayer Mon to Fri 12noon to 2pm. Unfortunately, they will be no **Eucharistic Adoration**. The Parish Office is now **CLOSED** and Claire will be working remotely. Please contact the office either by phone on 028 90422167 or email at [hollywood@downandconnor.org](mailto:hollywood@downandconnor.org)



**Bethany Bereavement Support Group** is a voluntary parish-based service which aims to help and support bereaved adults. We offer listening and support

to those who have been bereaved: Telephone confidentially on **07580820872**