

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 18 November 2018

THE ANNUAL ST COLUMBANUS FESTIVAL 24/25 NOVEMBER

JOURNEY OF A SINGLE DAY VI

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF COLUMBANUS

SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER

10.30am – St Comgall’s Parish Centre

Columbanus today - the development of the Columban Way in Ireland and Europe

Derry Healy (Friends of St Columbanus Republic of Ireland) and Kenneth Irvine (Friends of Columbanus Bangor) describe recent developments in the establishment of the Columban Way across Europe and particularly in Ireland.

12 noon – light lunch provided by Ards and North Down Borough Council.

1.30pm - Bangor Abbey

Revindicating Columbanus: The Agrestius Affair, Bobbio, and the Writing of the Life of Columbanus

Alexander O’Hara, Honorary Research Fellow in the Department of Mediaeval History, University of St Andrews, looks at the way the Bobbio community responded to an attack on Columbanus’s legacy in 626 by commissioning the writing of the *Life of Columbanus*.

7.30pm Bangor Abbey (doors open 7.00pm)

‘Journey of a Single Day VI’

Jane Cassidy and Maurice Leyden, an evening of County Down songs,
Mike Donaghy and Inverbeg (a group of exciting young local musicians).
Short selected readings from Jonas’s Life of Columbanus – Rosalind McNeice.

SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER

7pm – First Bangor Presbyterian Church

A United Celebration

Several of Bangor’s Churches come together to celebrate the life and legacy of Columbanus
Speaker – Rev. Donald Watts – previously Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and former Minister, Ballyholme Presbyterian Church

Sunday Mass Times this week:

Bangor: Vigil 6.30 pm,
10.30 am, 12.30 pm.

Donaghadee: Sun 9.30 am.
Ballyholme: 11 am.

Hollywood: Vigil 6.30 pm;
10 am and 12 noon.

Newtownards: Vigil 6.30 pm; 11.30 am.

Comber: 10.00 am.

Weekday Mass Times:

Bangor: Monday - Thursday 9.30am.
Friday 10 am.

Ballyholme: Monday and Friday 9am.

Confessions: Sat 5.30 pm.

Children’s Liturgy:

Every Sunday at the 10.30am.

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Sunday of the Month at 2pm.
Register online at www.bangorparish.com under
Sacramental Preparation. 4 week’s notice must be given.

Your prayers are requested for:

Month's Mind: Michael Egan

Anniversaries:

Margaret Forte, Marion McLarnon,
Anthony Mulligan, Alice Carvill,
Vincent Jamison Snr, Paddy Mulligan,
Theresa and Jimmy Crockford,
Patricia McGivern, Tom McKillop,
Patrick Rafferty, Lily Campbell,
Mathew K M and Mary,
Eileen Thompson.

*The second collection this weekend is
the Diocesan Collection for the
Bishops Commissions.*

Perpetual Adoration

St Comgall's Church
Monday 10.30am-9.30pm.

Mass of Commission

For Position-holders of St Columbanus' College will be celebrated at 10am Mass in St Comgall's Church Bangor on Fri 23 November, Feast Day of Columbanus. All Parishioners warmly invited to attend this special school celebration.

National Collection for the World Meeting of Families 2018

Please support the Fifth National Collection for WMOF2018 which will be taken up in this parish next weekend 24/25 November.

Thank you for your generosity to date.

November Dead Lists:

During November Mass will be celebrated each day for those whose names are recorded on the dead list. Lists are available at the back of the Church and should be returned to the box at the front of the altar. All the envelopes are opened and the lists placed on the altar.

Trocaire and Traidcraft Christmas Sale 17/18 - Santa will be there.

Big Ballot Prizes; Tombola; New/nearly new Gifts; Toys Galore; Bric-a-Brac; Bottle Stall. Fairtrade Christmas Gifts.

New Mission Council in D&C Diocese: If you are interested in being part of a new Mission Council in the diocese to promote and foster mission awareness at home and overseas, join us for a meeting on Wed 28 Nov at 7.00pm in the Good Shepherd Centre, Belfast. All welcome. For further info contact Fr Conor McGrath 9081 2238 or email c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org

Precious Life - Lobby for life.

Please take a card and register your name to keep the law in Northern Ireland a devolved issue.

SVP Christmas cards on sale after all Masses, £3.50 per pack. Please support this worthy cause.

From Bishop Noel Treanor: I wish to make you aware of an initiative within the Diocese of Down & Connor that is very beneficial to those who are deaf and hard of hearing. Each day a BSL NI Sign Language Mass is provided via the webcam from St Vincent de Paul Parish, Belfast. www.saintvincentdepauligoniel.com/webcam. You can also watch a recording of the Mass externally at: www.youtube.com/channel/UCQJf_QN2zqPzwKx4p6PJ18A This will have subtitles.

SVP Pensioners Dinner

Sun 2 Dec in the Parish Centre at 3pm. We are preparing a guest list to include those who attended last year. Do you wish to attend or do you know someone who would like to? If so please leave your name, address and contact details on SVP Helpline 077 0367 9384. Transport to and from the venue can be arranged if required.

A New U3A for Donaghadee

Launch Meeting on Tues 27 November at 1.30pm in Donaghadee Community Centre, Parade. Just come along and find out more! We are a self-help organisation for active retired or semi-retired people, providing educational, creative and leisure activities.

St Comgalls Praise Band, from our 12.30 mass, release their debut album on Thurs 29 Nov, doors open 8pm, Imperial Bar. Free in, with nibbles. Signed Albums £10, funds for praise band equipment and development. Featuring fantastic guests artists and ballots on the night. All welcome.

A special screening of "**Paul, Apostle of Christ**" will be shown in St Bernard's Parish Centre, Glengormley Sun 25 Nov at 7:30pm. This is not just a film, it is a gift...offering modern Christians a real and rare glimpse into the life of the early Church and calling us all to live more boldly for Jesus Christ. All proceeds in aid of Stanton Healthcare. To reserve a seat contact 078 4568 6437.

Advent is a time of journey, moving towards the coming of the Light of the world – Jesus. The parish is offering 4 consecutive weeks of reflective prayer through the Gospels. Starting Wed 28 Nov at 7pm in St Comgall's Church, Bangor. More information next week.

Confirmation 2019

Sacramental Preparation classes for children from the Parish, not attending the Parish Schools, will be held in Newtownards in early December. If you wish your child to attend please send details i.e Name of child and parents, address, age of child etc to: newtownards@downandconnor.org

Turkey (Whist) Drive will take place on Sun 16 December at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Comber. Proceeds in aid of Church Restoration Fund. Adm £5 including supper.

St Comgall's Donaghadee - Coffee Morning in 'Slice of Heaven' Sat 1 December 10-2pm. Santa and Mummy Claus will be there between 11am and 1pm. Turkey Raffle on the day, Lady Hermon will drop in for coffee. All funds for Night Shelter Rough Sleepers in Belfast. A representative from the Night Shelter will be attending.

The Bangor Parish Family of Schools warmly invite you to attend our Open Days/Nights to experience the warmth and ethos of a Catholic School.

- St Malachy's PS, Tues 4 Dec 7pm
Tel: 91 270594
- St Anne's PS, D'dee, Wed 5 Dec
11am-12noon – Tel: 91 883619
- St Comgall's PS, Thurs 6 Dec 7pm
Tel: 91 463194
- St Columbanus' College, Tues 8 Jan
7pm Tel: 91 270927

For further information please contact each school directly and follow us on

Christmas Mass Times

Following discussion with the Parish Pastoral Council Mass times for Christmas were agreed as follows:

St Comgall's, Brunswick Road:

Vigil 7pm and 9pm;
Christmas Morning 9.30am and 11am.

St Comgall's Donaghadee:

Christmas Morning 9.30am.

Ballyholme:

Christmas Morning 11am.

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