

See you Sunday!

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (BCP Order One)
- 10.00am Morning Worship & Children's Church
- 11.30 am Morning Prayer/Holy Communion (BCP Order Two)
- 6.30 pm Evening Worship

Coffee/Tea for everyone in the Parish Centre between the 10 and 11.30 services

July & August

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (BCP Order One)
- 10.30am Combined Morning Service
- Evening Worship by arrangement with the other Ballyholme Churches

Can't make it on Sunday? See you Wednesday...

- 10.30am Holy Communion & Prayers for the Sick (BCP Order Two – Not July & August)



Parish Prayer Line

Whatever your need or worry, many have found this service to be a real spiritual lifeline. It's run confidentially: the person who takes your call simply passes on your request to our prayer team who, in turn, bring your need to the One who knows us better than we know ourselves.

Tel: 07531 806167

*Jesus said – Everything that the Father
gives me will come to me,
and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away (from John 6)*



A parish journey towards 2015

Since its foundation as a parish, St Columbanus Ballyholme has creatively blended worship, pastoral care and outreach, touching many lives for God along the way. With a view to taking the best of the past into the future, a multi-faceted consultation exercise was undertaken in early 2009. The objective was to garner opinion on the future growth and development of the Parish with a view to setting aims for the run up to 2015, the 1400th anniversary of the death of St Columbanus. A range of fundamental questions were discussed in a variety of forums and many opinions were offered. This led to a Parish Vision Statement, subsequently adopted by the Select Vestry.

Under Christ our three Parish aims for 2010-2015 are

GROWTH

**To encourage more people to grow
into the life and worship of our Church**

CONTINUITY

**To seek new ways to pass on the blessings we
have received to others at home and abroad**

SERVICE

**To work together with the other churches in Ballyholme
to serve our local community**

More than just a building!



One of the key questions discussed in 2009 (by 160 parishioners) concerned our church building and how it might need to be enhanced to best serve the needs of the years ahead. A design brief was developed over a couple of years by the Restoration Committee (Geoff Hewitt, Stephen Baird, Ian Bell, Margaret Magee, Patricia Robinson, Ann Browne, Richard Gillan, Jonnie Stockton, Christine Rankin, Alistair Morrison, Simon Doogan). Much work went into the design requirements and a feasibility study, prepared by MW McCullough Architect, confirmed that the design brief could be achieved by linking the existing church and the Parish Centre.

Restoration Project 2016 “Universal Access”

Update Autumn 2014

In September 2014 the Architect Appointment Sub-committee (Ivan Humphreys, James Perry, Christine Rankin, Ian Foster, Stephen Baker, Geoff Hewitt) meets to consider the proposals and fees submitted by the four short-listed tendering firms of architects. Following a presentation by the architects to the Sub-committee a recommendation will be made to the Select Vestry.

The appointed architect will work along with their professional team to consider how our design brief can be realised. It is hoped that a scheme design can be prepared by Christmas 2014, and a presentation made to the church early in the New Year. During the remainder of 2015 the professional team will work on the finer details of the project and acquire a building contractor before work commences on site in January 2016.

We would encourage everyone in the parish to view the full design brief given to the tendering contractors on the Parish Website, a brief summary of which is provided below.

DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

Church Building

- Conservation Restoration Works.
- Upgrading of the building fabric.
- Relocation of the organ.
- Replacement of the M&E Services Installation.
- New Vestry Room.
- New additional entrance from new welcome area.
- New audio visual system.

Parish Centre

- Larger Kitchen incorporating existing Youth Room.
- Lock up storage space in kitchen.
- Cold storage facility.
- Direct link from the kitchen to the main hall.
- Creation of additional storage space to the main hall.
- Creation of an access route from the entrance lobby, between the kitchen and Kajiado Room, to the new church welcome area.
- Lighting to upper carpark.
- Additional disabled carparking spaces.

New Welcome Area / Meeting Space

- Creation of a new entrance to the buildings.
- New entrance into the Church from new welcome area.
- Provision of a permanent coffee bar.
- Passenger Lift to the Parish Centre level.
- Provision of a new Youth Suite.
- Provision of designated Children’s space / crèche, with access to the Church.

Phasing

Details of phasing / access to be addressed.

Relocation of the existing NIE kiosk.

Access required to the Parish Centre at all times, including the office, toilets, main hall and Kajiado Room.

Church Services to be held in the Church Hall while the Church is being refurbished.

Works involving the Kitchen carried out during the summer months, when there is a reduced requirement for catering.

The following areas have also been considered:

RESTORATION SUB-COMMITTEE DESIGN BRIEF

1. Audio The restoration must incorporate an improved audio system that will be much more user friendly and effective.

2. Visuals: Sight Lines The restoration must reduce sight line problems, minimise pillar obstructions and increase connectivity between those leading the service and the congregation.

A re-positioning of the choir will help them in their role of leading the singing and free up space to the front right hand side of the church for seating. It will also help the organist lead the choir more effectively

3. Visual Aids / Props / Screen The restoration must incorporate an improved audio/visual system that would be much more user friendly and effective – while ensuring that screens don't jar with the atmosphere of the building.

4. Baptism Services The restoration should consider a sensitive re-positioning of the Font to ease current space, access and visibility issues.

5. Holy Communion Services The restoration should incorporate curved seating and moving the choir will provide more space at the front of church. A longer communion rail should then be provided with no steps. This will make Communion a smoother and more efficient service for the whole congregation and people will feel free to stand or to kneel to receive Communion as they prefer.

6. Children A permanent crèche with a glass screen visibly and audibly connected to the main worship space will enable parents and children to remain part of the service without any feelings of self consciousness if a child is not happy.

7. Small Group Worship A restoration of the Church with a connecting building should improve access to the Church from the Parish Centre and car park. Together with zoned lighting this should increase usage of the Church building for different services throughout the week.

8. Music In a restoration of the Church singing quality should be improved by repositioning the organist, the choir, and our musicians/singers in relation to the gathered congregation. Tidying equipment and music scripts in a more appropriate manner will be possible. This will make the church more flexible for other church-appropriate but non-worship occasions (eg choirs, concerts etc).

9. Sitting / Kneeling A restoration plan should seek to include more flexible, comfortable, storable seating. Any new chair will need to be carefully chosen to aid flexibility and comfort and facilitate kneeling for those who wish to do so.

10. St Columbanus Educational Display Drawing on our rich Columbanus history there will be opportunities for education, creativity and merchandising, (especially with the 2015 St Columbanus anniversary on the horizon) which to date remain untapped. Website, postcards, North Down Museum, possible production of a tapestry are possibilities which might be housed in the new design.

11. Welcome Area / Meeting Space / Hospitality The joining of the Church building and Parish Centre will create a new entrance lobby (as well as making the Church building readily accessible from the upper car park, Parish Centre and Groomsport Road) and afford flexible meeting space, a welcome area, information centre, hospitality provision and a collection point.

12. Toilets / Cloakroom / Wheelchairs / Pushchairs / Walking Rollators A restoration plan which connects the Church and the Parish Centre will offer ready access to toilets, cloak rooms and disabled toilets in the Parish Centre and create space for temporary storage. The new seating will seek to accommodate wheelchairs and make movement around the Church building for everyone much freer.

13. Entry / Exit / Security A restoration plan which connects the Church and the Parish Centre will address all the lingering entry/access and health and safety issues.

14. Clergy Vestry A restoration scheme will ideally include appropriate provision for both clergy and churchwardens.

15. Storage / Cleaning Equipment Additional storage facilities must be included in any restoration design, to tidy our kit and equipment, to de-clutter our worship space and to reduce the need to use the bell tower for storage.

A Prayer for Restoration 2016

Father, we thank you for our beautiful and beloved Church St Columbanus
and for those whose prayers and generosity bequeathed it to us.

Open our hearts in faith and trust that we may give
in the same spirit of gratitude and sacrifice as those who went before us.

By your Spirit, guide and direct our plans
to preserve and enhance your house of prayer
for our own generation and those who will follow after us.
To the glory of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At your service

Rector – Canon Simon Doogan

Formerly curate of St Finnian's Cregagh, Simon served for three years in the Church of England Diocese of Chichester and was rector of Aghalee from 2004. He was appointed Rector of Ballyholme in March 2008. Simon also serves as Area Dean of Clondeboye, Diocesan Registrar and is Prebendary of Wicklow in St Patricks Cathedral, Dublin.



Curate – Reverend Alistair Morrison

Born and bred in Greyabbey, Alistair was ordained in 2011 and served as a deacon intern in St Colman's, Dunmurry. After working as an Architectural Technician, specialising in the conservation of historic buildings, he trained for ministry at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute in Dublin. Alistair joined us at St Columbanus in September 2012.



Youth Ministry Co-ordinator – Jade Irwin

Jade joined our staff team in August 2012 as Youth Leader. Jade lives in Belfast and enjoys a good cup of coffee and a chat with family and friends. Jade is passionate about working with young people and works full-time running the Youth Programme. Her contemporary directive and forward-thinking ideas both stimulate and inspire the young people of our Parish and beyond – vital ingredients in engaging and communicating the messages of Christ here in Ballyholme and the wider area.



Children's Ministry Co-ordinator – Laura Jeffrey

Laura is the newest member of the Ballyholme staff team, arriving in September 2013 as the Children's Worker. She is a bookworm, loves to sing, and is more often than not found in a local café with a book and a cup of raspberry tea. Passionate about children and encouraging them to grow, learn and worship, Laura is excited to develop the children's programme and get to know all of the families here in St Columbanus.



Pastoral Assistant to the Elderly – Karen Baker

Karen leads a large team of parish volunteers who care for our senior parishioners and deliver a busy, year-round programme of parish hospitality. Karen joined the pastoral team in 2004 after experience in catering management. From coffee and scones on Mondays to the lunches on Fridays and Cinema Club, Wednesday Club and everything in between, Karen is constantly seeking new ways of including more and more seniors in the life of the Parish.



Sexton – Ann Browne

Ann is the first port of call for many visitors to the Church and parish buildings, especially when it comes to weddings, funerals and church flowers. She has been looking after us at St Columbanus since 1992 and is responsible for the care and order of the Parish Centre which sees a steady stream of community users every day.



Organist – Ian Bell

Director of our music and choral singing for Sunday worship. Always keen to expand our repertoire and to encourage our many musical parishioners, Ian loves to experiment with styles both formal and informal, meditative and exuberant. Ian has been with us in Ballyholme for 28 years and is Vice-Principal of Movilla High School. Ian is also the inspiration behind our *Upstage, Downstage* musical productions which rehearse in the Parish Centre and perform in the Web Theatre, Newtownards.



Parish Administrator – Kelly McCullough

Seeing to the all important practicalities of Parish life, Kelly is the helpful voice at the end of the phone and by now the familiar face in the office on weekday mornings. Baptised and confirmed at St Columbanus, Kelly is wife to Gareth, mum to Ben and Zoe and is involved in other aspects of church life here in Ballyholme. Kelly joined us in Autumn 2012 from the pharmaceutical industry and has a background in marketing and PR.



**Grant Lord, to those called to ministry and service in our midst:
increasing knowledge of the living God,
confidence in the Gospel and the word of life,
compassion for the lost and needy,
patience, courage, endurance
and unfailing love,
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen**

Contact details at the back of the book!

On Mondays.....

Coffee Time 9.30 – 12 noon

This has rapidly become an essential part of our weekly social diary with often as many as 70 people dropping in to the Kajiado Room for a homemade scone and a cup of freshly brewed coffee or tea. By all means come on your own, but we encourage you to bring your friends or even a group – so long as you phone ahead if it's a busload!

Contact Karen Baker 9127 4912

Keep Fit

Men 10.00 am & Ladies 11.00 am

Low-impact is the name of the game here with a general body work-out for ladies and gentlemen in the Columbanus Room. Please bring your track suits and exercise mats. It's for people of all ages and fitness levels and we'll do our best to send you home feeling refreshed and, perhaps, slightly more flexible.

Contact Pat Peel 9146 2896



The Mothers' Union 8.00 pm First Mondays

Mothers' Union is an opportunity for the ladies of the parish, whether mothers or not, to meet for regular support and fellowship. We have a themed programme of speakers and activities and our abiding concern is Christian support for families worldwide.

Contact Ruth Ruttle 9145 0130

Table Tennis 8.00 pm

2009 saw table tennis make a welcome return to the parish recreational programme with many of us recapturing our youth club days of old. We have three tables, we cater for all levels of player, and run a little league among ourselves but nothing too competitive – why not give us a go?

Contact Stanley Officer 9146 1650



On Tuesdays.....

Cinema Club 2.00 pm Every other Tuesday

The 'Columbanus Classic' continues to pack 'em in every other Tuesday afternoon. We laugh and cry together as the stars of the big screen delight and entertain us. It depends on the film of course – not every picture receives universal critical acclaim but the cup of tea always does!

Contact Karen Baker 9127 4912



The Crafty Stitchers 7.45 pm Every Tuesday

If craft is your thing, especially needlework – even if it isn't your thing but you feel the mysterious draw of the thimble – we'll be glad to see you. Beginners work happily alongside more experienced seamstresses. Some quilt, some embroider and some mend or darn but no one goes home without supper!

Contact Janice Hewitt 9185 7448



Rainbows, Brownies Guides and Praise Kids, Children's Choir See Youth Section

On Wednesdays.....

The Wednesday Club 2.00 pm (First Wednesday of every month)

A firm favourite with the ladies of the parish, Ballyholme's Wednesday Club is a happy blend of fellowship, an interesting speaker, a competition and afternoon tea. We also have a book stall and every year. A fleet of lifts is always available.

Contact Sue Bleakley 9145 4833



Parish Choir Practice 7.00pm

As well as seasonal pieces for Harvest, Advent, Christmas, Palm Sunday and Easter (not forgetting our regular Taizé reflection services) the Choir meets each week for rehearsal in the Parish Centre. Our musical menu is a healthy Anglican mix of the old and the new and we hope our ranks reflect this. Many of you out there love choral singing – we'd be delighted to have you join us!

Contact Ian Bell 9145 1081

Indoor Bowling Club 7.30 pm

Ever popular, and one of St Columbanus's longest established societies, the indoor bowling club continues from September through to Easter. With special games at Christmas and the end of the year and visiting team matches periodically there is much to enjoy for all ages.

Contact Derek Coates 9145 5471



On Thursdays.....

Parent & Toddler Group 10.30 am The Columbanus Room

Mums and Dads (or Grannies and Grandpas) can have a chat and a cup of coffee while the infants and toddlers play at their feet. With plenty of toys to amuse the children and plenty of chat to occupy the adults, we're open to everyone but closed through the school holidays.

Contact Janice Hewitt 9185 7448



Beavers and Cubs. See Youth Section

Parish Prayers: 7pm First Thursday The Choir Room

The clergy pray each weekday morning in Church but once a month we have a special hour of prayer when the whole parish is encouraged to come along and intercede for the needs of our Church family. This is not just for the 'prayer warriors': everyone is welcome, those for whom praying aloud feels comfortable and those for whom it doesn't.

Contact Simon Doogan 9127 4901



On Fridays.....

Lunches 12.30 September to June

Many friends and neighbours (from other churches and none) join us for our weekly Friday lunch. There are those who come on their own and find company when they arrive, others turn up as part of a group but our numbers continue to grow (often 50 people each week) and the consensus seems to be that £5.00 for two excellent courses is still unbeatable value!

Contact Karen Baker 9127 4912



Squirrels and Scouts. See Youth Section

On Saturdays.....

St Columbanus Walkers (usually first Saturday in the month)

The walking group has welcomed many new members over the last couple of years, walkers of every level of experience. We explore a wide variety of scenery with walkers bringing their own packed lunch to refuel en route. We always stop somewhere for coffee – and drying off if necessary! Lifts are sorted on the day in the Church Car Park.

Contact Leslie Adams 9146 6689 or Betty Armstrong 9146 5372



Other Activities.....

Golf Society (Four outings a year)

It's mostly about getting together – and the meal after everyone has finished! But there's always a ladies and a gents prize on offer. Come on your own or with a partner or by all means bring a four ball and join us as we tackle Mahee Island, Helens Bay, Donaghadee, Blackwood and who knows where!

Contact Harry Browne 9146 7275



Explore Programme 2014-2015

November 2014

Word & Worship

Venue: Kajiado Room

Sunday 2 November 6:30pm

Visiting Speaker:

Canon Tom Keightly

Rector of Belvoir Parish Church, Belfast

Core

Venue: Kajiado Room

Tuesday 18 November

10.30am

Wednesday 19 November

8pm

Tuesday 25 November

10.30am

Wednesday 26 November

8pm

Visiting Speaker:

Revd Dr Heather Morris

Former President of the Methodist Church in Ireland

February 2015

Word & Worship

Venue: Kajiado Room

Sunday 1 February 6.30pm

Visiting Speaker:

Rev Stephen Smyth

Rector of Inch and Kilmore

(A former Curate of Ballyholme Parish)

Subject:

These are the Days of Elijah

Core

Lent Course 2015

Shrove Tuesday 17 February

10.30am

Ash Wednesday 18 February

8pm

Tuesday 24 February

10.30am

Wednesday 25 February

8pm

Tuesday 2 March

10.30am

Wednesday 3 March

8pm

Tuesday 9 March

10.30am

Wednesday 10 March

8pm

Leaders: Canon Simon Doogan and Rev Alistair Morrison Venue: Kajiado Room

Explore Explained

'Explore' is our home grown teaching and fellowship programme. It is run in conjunction with our home groups. Meetings take place in the Kajiado Room which provides an informal, low-key, friendly atmosphere. You can even choose between a morning and evening session or a combination of the two as suits best.



Home Groups

Home Groups themselves are relaxed and have fellowship and mutual support as their primary goal. We have six groups running at the moment. They meet at different times and in different venues by arrangement. For further information please speak to:

Rev Alistair Morrison	9127 1922
Kelly in the Church Office	9127 4912

Home Group Leaders

Pat Davidson	9145 1150
Sandra Griffiths	9146 1782
Margaret Parr	9146 7532
Don Todd	9146 9035
Paula Foye	9147 9367
Ross & Anne McWilliams	9127 1323

Psalm 62:5

"Find rest o my soul, in God alone; My hope comes from Him".

Other Useful Parish Diary Dates

2015

18 February	Ash Wednesday
22 March	Easter Vestry
5 April	Easter Day



Youth & Children

Youth Contact Jade Irwin 07896694548/02891 274912 jade@ballyholmeparish.co.uk
Children's Contact Laura Jeffrey 07598695717/02891 274912 laura@ballyholmeparish.co.uk

Sunday Morning

Emerge!

Emerge is held in the Parish Centre at the same time as Children's Church, and is for anyone in 1st-3rd form. It is an opportunity to explore faith, journey issues that impact upon young people, and connect with God in relaxed and creative ways.

Children's Church

Some people call it Sunday School, others call it Children's Church. Basically we're talking about the teaching we offer to our children during the weekly Sunday service. Starting off in church, the children come out for a time of age friendly worship, games and craft all centred on the bible stories of the day. Children's Church is for any child from P1-P7. There is no Children's Church on the first Sunday of the month.



Sunday evening

JYF Drop In

JYF Drop In is for anyone in 1st – 3rd form. It runs on a Week A / Week B rota, with Week A being Tuesdays after school and Week B being Wednesdays. Its on 3.45 – 5pm and offers a variety of activities from crafts, to football and xbox. A great place to chill out after a hard day at school.

Youth Fellowship

Youth Fellowship in Ballyholme has been going for a long time and is constantly trying to be fresh and relevant for the young people of Bangor. It is for ANYONE who is in fourth year and above and we meet in the parish centre on Sundays at 7.30pm. The programme is very fluid, as we are always trying to cover the things that the young people in YF want to cover. More information is available at www.ballyholmeparish.co.uk/youth. Search "Ballyholme Parish Youth" on Facebook and ask to join the group.



Praise Kids



Calling all future Beyonces and Biebers - it's time to learn to sing and praise the King! In Praise Kids, we learn new songs, lead worship and most of all, have fun!

The Junior Choir (Children Year 2-7) meets every Wednesday afternoon at 4:30pm in the Parish Centre

Contact Laura Jeffrey 02891 274912

Jumpin'

Jumpin' is our holiday bible club which normally runs for a few days over the Easter Break and a week in the summer. This is open to anyone in Primary School, details are always circulated a couple of months before each event.



X-cess

X-cess takes place in the summer and is geared towards anyone from 1st form up. We bring in bands and speakers, allowing young people in Ballyholme to experience God in a relevant and fresh way, while hopefully having a great laugh. Contact Jade to find out more.

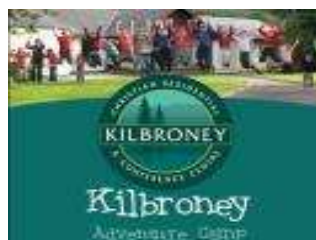


Summer Madness

This is a youth festival held at Glenarm Castle. Normally it's the first week of the summer holidays, when thousands of young people from all around Ireland (and around the world) come together for a long weekend to worship God. We bring a large group of young people from Ballyholme each year and if you want more information, contact our Youth Co-ordinator Jade.

Kilbroney Adventure Camp

The Kilbroney Adventure Camp is for 11-14 year olds and runs annually in the summer. It is a great opportunity to have a lot of fun, make friends and grow in faith. Contact Jade for details or see The Down & Dromore Youth and Children's website.



Admissions Criteria

All of the organisations below are independently run in our Parish halls.
Please be aware that no preferential treatment is given to children from Ballyholme Parish.

Each group is over subscribed and therefore it is crucial
that parents register their children early to avoid disappointment.



Meet on a Tuesday afternoon at 5pm in the Parish Centre.

Rainbow Guides are the youngest section of the Guide Association. Girls can start at age 4 and stay until they are 7. Our meetings are held on Tuesday afternoons, during term-time, from 4.30 – 5.30 pm. The meetings are fun and we usually do craft one week and play games the next and sometimes we have people come in to talk to us about various subjects. We also read stories regularly and have a Hallowe'en party, Christmas party (with Santa) and Parents' Day to end our term for the summer.

Contact: Karen Heasley 07790019750



The Brownies meet on a Tuesday evening at 6:15pm in the Parish Centre.

We cover a variety of crafts and activities, and hope the girls will learn the art of sharing and helping each other work things out as a team. We also go on varied outside visits throughout the year. As part of our programme, Brownies are encouraged to work for badges - these can be done as part of our evening programme or through their swimming instructor or music teacher for example. This can be fun as well as constructive. Once a year we go on pack holiday either to Lorne or the Ulster Folk Museum. Pack holidays are great fun – so much to do, so little time (and sleep)!

Contact Margaret Hagan 91468048



The Guide unit meets on a Tuesday evening from 7 until 9pm in the Parish Centre.

Guiding is all about having fun, building friendships, developing skills, discussing issues and working together in groups. Guides are encouraged to plan many of their own activities.

Most years we also go camping. We take part in many outdoor activities including sailing, canoeing, dragon - boating, assault courses, abseiling, campfires and outdoor cooking.



Guides are part of a worldwide organisation. Guiding is for all ages – you could come along and help too. Leaders listen, encourage, take part, have fun and sometimes manage chaos! Others occasionally come along to help with specific activities, to share skills or experience – so, whatever age, do get in contact and come along.

Contact Christine Rankin 02891 859469 / 0786736718

Squirrels

The Squirrels meet every Friday at 6pm in the Parish Centre.

Squirrels are for the younger boys, aged between 4-6 years old.

We encourage boys to join in and to share. We do crafts, play games and have various visitors over the year.

Contact Helen Crothers 9146 2101



The Beavers meet on a Thursday evening at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Beaver Scouts is an organisation for boys aged 6-8. Our colony is called 3rd Bangor Beavers. When new boys join they are called Kits. Beavers normally join straight from Squirrels but we also have other boys joining who hear about us in other ways. Whenever Kits have learnt the Beaver Scout prayer and promise and attended several Beaver meeting they are invested into the Scout fellowship in a special ceremony where they are presented with badges and the 3rd Bangor scarf, (which is yellow and maroon!)

Contact Lisa Boyd 07917131140



3rd Bangor Cub Pack meets every Thursday evening at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

We have an average of 28 boys throughout the year with a constant flow of new boys from the Beavers Colony and Cubs moving on to the Scout Troop, in addition to new boys joining who had not previously had any connection to the Scouting movement. During previous years the boys have had the opportunity to gain several activity badges including Air Activities, Entertainers, Nights Away and Collectors badges.

Contact Sylvia Davenport 91451273/07966697677



For boys aged 10 ½ - 15 who meet every Friday evening at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre.

3rd Bangor Scout Group continues its activities mixing an indoor programme of events with many outdoor evenings to practise and maintain the many traditional Scouting skills available. The boys camp under canvas, cook their own food and enjoy many exciting outdoor activities. Memorable weekend camps have been held in Waterfoot, Mountstewart, Crawfordsburn and Ganaway.

Contact Alister Ardill 91473217

Tiddli-winks

Playgroup

Monday – Friday

We open five mornings a week, 9-12 noon (9 -11.30 on Fridays) and our aim is to encourage and support each individual child to progress and develop happily to his or her full potential. We provide opportunities for children to explore, investigate and think creatively within a safe and structured environment.

Contact Pamela Gibb 0792946521

Children & Young People Safeguarding Trust



Like every parish in the Church of Ireland, St Columbanus follows a code of good practice for working with children and young people. If you have any concerns about child safety, please get in touch with a member of our parish panel: the Rector, Stanley Officer or Catherine Darragh.

Mrs Catherine Darragh 91459759

Mr Stanley Officer 91461650

Canon Simon Doogan 91274901

Or any of the following:

South Eastern Trust Gateway Team 0300 1000 300

Outside working hours please contact:

The Regional Emergency Social Work Service (RESWS)

028 9504 9999



Ministry Team Contacts

Parish Office		68 Groomsport Road	9127 4912
Rector	Canon Simon Doogan	3 Ward Avenue	9127 4901
Curate	Rev Alistair Morrison	34 Beverley Gardens	9127 1922
Youth	Jade Irwin	Parish Office	9127 4912
Children	Laura Jeffrey	Parish Office	9127 4912
Pastoral Assistant	Karen Baker	51 Rossdale Road	9127 4912
Administrator	Kelly McCullough	Parish Office	9127 4912
Organist	Ian Bell	20 Kinwood Drive	9145 1081
Sexton	Ann Browne	17 Summerhill Park	9146 7275
Diocesan Readers	Jill Boal	57 Morston Park	9146 0978
	Sandra Griffiths	10 Cove View	9146 1782

Select Vestry 2014-15

Churchwardens:-

Christine Johnstone	9 Brianville Park	9145 9623
Johnny Stockton	14 Moira Drive	9127 4670

Glebe Wardens:-

Stephen Baker	51 Rossdale Road	9127 4704
Geoff Hewitt	28 Bellevue	9146 8017

Members of Select Vestry:-

Roy Lawther (Treas)	20 Shandon Drive	9145 6722
Leslie Adams (Sec)	50 Sunningdale Park	9146 6689
Christine Rankin	73 Stonebridge Avenue	9185 9469
Yvonne Manogue	23 Springwell Road	9146 9707
Larry Cheshire	c/o 68 Groomsport Road	9127 4912
Ian Foster	28 Station Road, Crawfordsburn	9146 3007
Ann Browne	17 Summerhill Park	9146 7275
Joan Dales	2 Silverbirch Park	9145 1186
Ivan Humphries	20 Belgravia Road	9127 3015
Vicky Hayes	18 Chippendale Avenue	9145 5774
Patricia Robinson	15 Ardmillan Gardens	9127 0477
Gillian Young	49 Bellevue	9127 1082
Susan Stockton	14 Moira Drive	9127 4670



Administration	Kelly McCullough office@ballyholmeparish.co.uk	9127 4912
Bowling Club	Derek Coates	9145 5471
Choir	Ian Bell	9145 1081
Cinema Club	Karen Baker	9127 4912
Church of Ireland Gazette	Margaret Magee	9146 7242
Coffee Rota	Karen Baker	9127 4912
Crafty Stitchers	Janice Hewitt	9185 7448
Crèche Rota	Violet Davidson	9145 5219
Explore Programme	Rev Alistair Morrison	9127 1922
Flower Rota	Daphne Hamill	9146 5158
Friday Lunches	Karen Baker	9127 4912
Golf Society	Harry Browne	9146 7275
Keep Fit (Men & Ladies)	Pat Peel	9146 2896
Lifts to Church	Jim Shaw	9146 6198
Mothers' Union	Ruth Ruttle	9145 0130
Parent & Toddler Group	Janice Hewitt	9185 7448
Parish Magazine	Sue Bleakley	9145 4833
Prayer Line	Confidential	07531 806167
Readers Rota 10.00 Service 11.30 Service	John Copelton Freda Woods	9146 7243 9146 7624
St Columbanus Walkers	Leslie Adams Betty Armstrong	9146 6689 9146 5372

Table tennis Club	Stanley Officer	9146 1650
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'On the way': St Columbanus writes

"Now, you see, we must speak of the end of the way; for we have already said that human life is a roadway, and by the likeness of a shadow we have shown how doubtful it is and uncertain, and that it is not what it is; in the same manner, we have said before how incalculable and how blind it is; but concerning the end of our life, by the help of the Holy Spirit, our talk must be continued. It is for travellers to hasten to their homeland, likewise their part is anxiety upon the roadway, and in their homeland peace. Then let us, who are on the way, hasten home; for our whole life is like the journey of a single day. Our first duty is to love nothing here; but let us place our affections above, our desires above, our wisdom above, and above let us seek our home; for the fatherland is there where our Father is. Thus we have no home on earth, since *our Father is in heaven.*"
Sermon VIII

**Father in heaven,
Your Church on earth is a sign of heavenly peace,
an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem.
Grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that,
fed with the living bread of heaven,
and united in the body of Your Son,
we may become the temple of Your presence,
the place of Your glory on earth,
and a sign of Your peace in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

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