

The Knights of St Columba is an organisation of Catholic men formed at the time of the First World War, in part to provide aid to British troops who had seen American troops provided with parcels from home by the Knights of St Columbas.

They are open to all Catholic men over the age of 16 and are part of an alliance of Knights known by one name or another worldwide.

The Knights UK are custodians of the relics of St Margaret of Scotland, St Andrew and St Columba and each year they escort the relics in a beautiful reliquary around Britain.

The relics are known as First class relics, as they are actual bones of the saints.

The flag of Scotland (a white diagonal cross on a blue background) is a reminder of the method of Martyrdom of St Andrew.



The reliquary visited St Patrick's Church on the weekend of 10th /11th May and on the Sunday, eighteen candidates were Confirmed by Archbishop George Stack (Emeritus)