

DOWNPATRICK COMMUNITIES AREA
PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK
Sunday 14th April 2019

Emergency Mobile: 07841101678
Parish Office:
Tel: 02844612084

PARISH MASS TIMES:

St. Patrick's:
Easter Vigil Mass Sat 20th Apr 9.00pm (Only)
Sun: 9am, 12 Noon,
Mon-Wed: Daily Mass at 9.30am
Mon & Wed 7.30pm

St. Colmcille's:

No Neocat... on Saturday 20th Apr
Sunday 11am

St. Malachy's:

Sunday 10am
Every 1st Friday at 7:30pm

St. Brigid's

No Vigil Mass on Saturday 20th Apr
9am Easter Sunday 21st Apr

Confessions:

Please see under 'Holy Week'

Telephone Numbers:

Fr. J. Murray : 44612443
Fr. M. Henry : 44616224
Fr. L Toland: 44613430

Saint Vincent de Paul: 44616557

Parish Office:

Open Mon - Thurs 9.30am –
2:45pm

Priest on Duty: Mon & Tues 6.15pm
– 7.15pm Tel: 44612084

St. Michael's Parish Centre:
07518436591

Hospital Switchboard
02844613311

Weekly Collection:

Offertory £2,655 Loose Plate £736
Average Standing Order £190

Requests for Baptism/Confirmation/Marriage Certificates:

In line with new Diocesan Policy on Data protection, all requests for Certificates MUST be made in writing to the Parish Office. A request form and package is available at the parish office.

Bethany Bereavement Group:

Is a Parish based voluntary ministry which aims to support the bereaved and those suffering loss of any kind. Many of the group have themselves been bereaved; they are trained to listen with compassion and understanding. A Bethany group member is available by calling 07407172174

Your Prayers Are Requested For:

Recently Deceased: Michael McCashin,

Month's Mind: Vera Vaughan, Norah Fitzsimmons, Brendan Tweedie, Brendan Fitzpatrick

Anniv: Fr. Patrick McKavanagh, Fr. Michael Keogh, Fr. Patrick McVeigh, Cardinal William Conway, Fr. Martin O'Callaghan, Fr. Thomas McKillop, Paul Darragh, Isobel McKeating, Joe Cassidy, Henry & Margaret McCaffrey, Charles Mount, Damian McCashin, Cecelia Perry, David Perry Jnr., Rolla McCormick, Jack McCormick, Magdeleine Weyman, Bernadette Magorrian, Teddy Quinn, Henry & Lily Flynn, Brian McGrady, Damian McGrady, Bernard Smyth,

May They Rest In Peace

Baptisms: We welcome into our parish: Callan Gilmore, Rosie McAuley, **New Arrangements for Baptism:** As part of our Faith Development Process in Our Parish, Parents are asked to give 6 weeks notice for Baptism. They are also required to undertake a "Preparing Your Child for Baptism Session". The dates for these sessions along with the Baptism application form and further important information will be available to download from the website or collect from the Parish Office over the coming weeks. At the time of making your booking with Mary, the Parish Secretary, you will be invited to attend Mass on a Sunday before your baby's Baptism, when your child will be introduced and welcomed to the Parish Community.

Mass Intentions:

St. Patrick's, Mon, 15th, 7.30pm: Teddy Quinn, Ellen O'Hare, Paul Darragh, Tony Norney, Phyllis Tierney,
St. Patrick's, Wednesday, 17th, 7.30pm: Month's Mind: Brendan Fitzpatrick, Anniv: Kevin Curran, Maureen Stranney, Joe Cassidy, Brian & Damian McGrady

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues on Monday Evening 15th April

St. Patrick's Church,

6.30pm – 8:45pm.

6.30pm: Rosary,

7.30pm: Mass,

8.15pm: Rosary,

8:30pm Benediction,

The Sacrament of the sick will be given out during Mass.

Join us for all of the evening or part of it. Everyone Welcome!
PLEASE NOTE: NO EVENING OF MERCY ON MONDAY 22nd April will resume on Monday, April 29th

Final Lent Masses:

During lent we encourage parishioners to attend daily Mass or at least to try to attend The 'Evening Of Mercy' Mass in St. Patrick's.

In addition to the usual Weekday schedule of Masses there will be Two extra evening Masses:

Tuesday: 7:30pm – St Brigid's

Catechists Group: There will be a SHORT meeting of this group involved in giving catechism lessons and instruction in the presbytery on **Wednesday 17th April at 7pm.**

RGU: The Numbers were 2 – 9-12-25 No Jackpot winner. 3 people shared £100. This week's jackpot £4700

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Join us to pray the Chaplet in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday, 28th April at 3pm. Divine Mercy Novena Commences on Good Friday.

Convent Of Mercy Nursery School: Please do not park across the school gates – the school caretaker needs 24 hour access in the event of an emergency. Those attending 5.30pm Mass and 12 Noon Mass are asked especially to be mindful that access is required to the school.

Parish Website, Facebook and App: The Parish Website is available at www.parishofdownpatrick.com We regularly update the site. You can also find us on Facebook 'Downpatrick Parish' or by visiting your phone / iPads app store and downloading our App 'Downpatrick Parish'. It's Free. You can also contact the parish by email at: downpatrick@downandconnor.org

Penitential Service: There will be a penitential service for the Downpatrick and Lecale area. it will take place in St. Patrick's on **This Sunday 14th April at 5pm.** There will be several confessors available. Make your Lent special by making a good confession.

Downpatrick Pro Life Group Met for the first time on Tuesday 26th March. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 16th April at 7pm.** In Patrick's Place (Church Crypt). All are welcome. *"From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person - among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life."* (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2270)

The Why? Course: The next session of the 'Why?' course will be on **Wednesday 17th April (8:10 – 9:30pm)** in Patrick's Place. The second session will be called **'Why I believe in Jesus'**. Through modern media, chat and discussion – and a cuppa ALL ARE WELCOME to attend and deepen their faith. The session will be presented by our trainee deacons Jackie Breen and Paul McCormick with some assistance from Fr. Murray.

Downpatrick Parish Draw: The next draw will take place on **Thursday 25th April 2019 at 7pm,** in the Parochial House. Promoters' returns to be in **by 7pm, on Easter Monday 22nd April 2019.**

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima: Down and Connor Diocesan Bi-Annual Pilgrimage to Fatima Led by The Most Reverend Bishop Noel Treanor DD. 15-22 August 2019. 7 Nights Full Board Hotel Avenida. £715 Includes Taxes and Insurance. Pilgrimage Directors Fr G McCloskey and Fr S Gilmore. For Further Details Contact Joe Catney – 028 9071 4001 or 077 7642 5631.

Confessions in Holy Week:

Penitential Service, Sunday 14th April in St. Patrick's at 5pm. (Several confessors present)

Holy Thursday 18th April after the Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 19th April after each service during the day

Holy Saturday 20th April, 10.30am – 1pm (St. Patrick's)

Holy Thursday: 18th April

Morning Prayer at 9am in St. Patrick's Church. (Led by one of the clergy)

Mass of the Chrism at 11am in St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm in St. Patrick's Church. There is only one Mass on Thursday evening, to reflect the unity of the 'one bread and one cup'

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Patrick's from 8.30pm – 11pm, with a directed Holy Hour from 10pm.

Good Friday: 19th April

Morning Prayer of the Church at 10am in St. Patrick's. (Led by one of the Clergy)

Annual Good Friday Inter-Church Walk will leave the Down Recorder at 1pm and proceed to St. Patrick's Centre. All are welcome to join in the walk.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 4pm in St. Malachy's Church.

Prayer around the Cross at 7pm in St. Patrick's Church

Stations of the Cross; 7.30pm in St. Brigid's, & 8pm in St. Colmcille's.

On Good Friday the special collection will be for the Christians of the Holy Land.

Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence, please try to honour the Lord by observing this.

Holy Saturday: 20th April Morning Prayer of the Church at 10am in St. Patrick's. (led by one of the clergy)

Easter Vigil and Mass of the Lord's of the Resurrection in St. Patrick's at 9pm

Please note: The Easter Vigil is the only vigil Mass that evening. (There is no Mass at 5:30pm or 7pm)

Easter Sunday Mass Times:

St. Patrick's at 9am & 12 Noon

St. Brigid's at 9am

St. Malachy's at 10am

St. Colmcille's at 11am

PLEASE NOTE:

There will not be an evening Mass in the week after Easter. Morning Mass Mon – Fri 9.30am, Sat 10am as normal.

Struell Wells: Apologies - we inadvertently missed the deadline to apply to the council for permission for Struell this year so there won't be an Easter morning Mass there this year.

The Parish Office will close on Holy Thursday and re-open on Monday 29th April. For Emergencies Only, Contact 07841101678

The Easter Sunday Bulletin will cover Sunday 21st & Sunday 29th April. Normal bulletins will resume from the first Sunday in May.

Trocaire Boxes: Please leave Trocaire Boxes into the Parish Office or in the designated area at St. Patrick's – This is the ONLY AUTHORISED MEANS of returning your Trocaire Box.