

**DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL
COMMUNITY AREA
PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK
Sunday 17th November 2019**

Emergency Mobile: 07841101678

Parish Office:

Tel: 02844612084

PARISH MASS TIMES:

St. Patrick's:

Sat: 10am, 5.30pm (Vigil)

Sun: 9am, 12 Noon,

Mon- Fri: Daily Mass at 9.30am

Mon, Wed & Fri, 7.30pm

St. Colmcille's:

Saturday 8pm (vigil) (75 Mins)

Sunday 11am

St. Malachy's:

Sunday 10am

Every 1st Friday at 7:30pm

St. Brigid's

Saturday 7pm (Vigil)

Confessions:

St. Patrick's, Saturdays 12:00pm to

1:00pm & 4.45pm -5.20pm and

Monday 6:30 - 7:25pm & 8:15 -

8:40pm

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 £2,230 Loose Plate £691

Average Standing Order £190

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

**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 are

available at the parish office.

Your Prayers Are Requested For:

Recently Deceased: Eamon Smyth, Pat Perry, Gemma Trainor

(Loughinisland),

Month's Mind: Hugh McGreevy, Henry Dagens, Teresa Lavery,

Anniv: Canon Hugh O'Neill, Fr. Don O'Rawe, Fr. Charles Agnew, Fr. Bernard

Armstrong, Jim Blythe, Mary Blythe, Brian Blythe, Josephine McKinney,

Cameron McMenemy, Brody McMenemy, Zoey McMenemy, Noreen Doyle,

Irene, Doyle, Ellie Connolly, Raymond McCartan, William J. Vance, Thomas

Morgan, Helen Curran, Elizabeth Major, Eileen Hanna, Brian Norton, Edward &

Susannah Norton, James & Sarah Blaney, Hugh Millar, James Rooney,

Teresa & Paul Magee, **May They Rest In Peace**

Mass Intentions:

St. Patrick's, Monday 18th Nov, 7:30pm: Seamus Reid,

St. Patrick's, Wed, 20th Nov, 7:30pm: Month's Mind: Teresa Lavery,

Mary Peter, James & Sarah Blaney, Brian Norton, Edward & Susannah Norton,

Rosaleen Craig,

St. Patrick's, Fri, 22nd Nov, 7.30pm: Patrick & Maureen Magee, Alec, Rosie &

Tom McMahon, Betty & Siobhan McGrady, Raymond Newman,

St. Patrick's, Sat 23rd Nov, 5:30pm: 1st Anniversary: James Stranney

St. Brigid's, Sat 23rd Nov, 7pm: Month's Mind: John McGreevy

St. Colmcille's, Sun, 24th Nov, 11am: Month's Mind: Jean Cassidy

The Evening of Mercy: Continues on Monday Evening, 18th November in

St. Patrick's Church:

6.30pm - 8:45pm.

6.30pm: Rosary,

7.30pm: Mass,

8.15pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:30pm Benediction

Join us for all of the evening or part of it. Everyone Welcome!

Parish Baptisms: Six weeks' notice required for all Baptisms. Families booking a Baptism are required to attend one short evening session on Baptism in Patrick's Place, the date for your course is issued at the time of booking. Baptisms can be booked by contacting Mary at the Parish Office, Monday - Thursday 9am - 2.30pm.

November Dead: During the month of November, each of the priests will offer 15 Masses for the happy repose of our faithful departed. The morning Mass at 9.30am and the Saturday morning Mass at 10am will be reserved for this. The Annual Mass for the deceased will take place in St. Patrick's Church on Wednesday 27th November at 7.30pm

Hope and Healing: A service of prayer, Music and reflection for those who have lost love ones through suicide. At St. Patrick's on Sunday 24th November at 3pm. Refreshments in Patrick's Place (Crypt) afterwards. All Welcome.

Parish Mission: Parishioners may still want to help cover the cost of the Mission. If you have not already done so, you can put a donation in an envelope marked 'Mission' and either leave in the parish office, give to one of the clergy or leave on the plate during any of the weekend masses. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Parish Shop: Open before and after each Mass, or by appointment through the Parish Office. Lots of new stock arriving daily, Cards, Candles, Christmas decorations and gifts, medals, books and much much more!

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society: Meeting will take place in St. Michael's Parish on Wednesday 20th November at 8pm. Volunteers always welcome.

RGU: winning Numbers 03,08,17,27. No Jackpot Winner. Eight people shared £100. Jackpot now £1,600.

Downpatrick Parish Draw: The next draw will take place on **Thursday 21st November 2019 at 7pm**, in the Parochial House. Promoters' returns should be in by **7pm on Sunday 17th November**.

Parish Website, Facebook, Twitter 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'. Download the twitter App and follow the up to date news. Find us at 'parish of St. Patrick Downpatrick' <https://twitter.com/JohnMur95940145> They Are Free. You can also contact the parish by email at: downpatrick@downandconnor.org

Wanted! Readers at our parish Masses - especially the vigil at St. Patrick's. If interested, please contact the office 44612084.

Youth Parish Group: NEW! Our parish youth group will officially start on the **17th November**. It will run weekly on Sunday evenings from **7.30pm-9pm** in Patrick's Place. The youth group will be for young people in 4th year & up. Come along for some food, activities, and opportunities to grow in faith. For more info. contact Matt Brennan at 07549870334 or mattbrennan@youthinitiatives.com

BBC Mass Recording: The BBC are recording a Mass on Friday, 29th November at 1pm in St. Brigid's Church. The Choir will be from St. Mary's HS. Conducted by Mr Cathal Murphy. The Celebrant will be Fr. John Murray. All parishioners are welcome to attend but should be seated by 12:40pm at the latest.

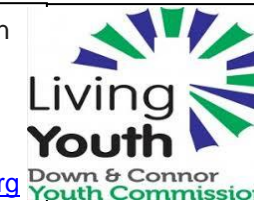
Come and listen to a series of **TALKS ON FAITH** 7:30pm (1 hour) in St. Patrick's Place (Crypt) every Tuesday and Thursday during the month of November. Jesus has the power over all the events of our lives. We look for the meaning of our life in all the things we do... In the family, In our job, In our social life, but the problem we have is that many people are living in fear, in loneliness, with depression. Does God help us...? Come and listen to the GOOD NEWS. Join us for one of the talks or for all the remaining talks, Everyone Welcome!

PARISH MAINTENANCE: is an ongoing work but often unseen. Recently some major maintenance work was carried out on the steps and 'cobblestones' at the entrance to St. Patrick's. We hope people will appreciate the bright 'new' steps there now. Work was also carried out at St. Brigid's and St. Colmcille's and over the next few weeks will be carried out at St. Malachy's in the sacristy and sanctuary areas where there is increasing damp and subsequent damage to the walls

Apostolic Work: Christmas cake sale, sale of woollens, and tombola in Patrick's Place on Saturday 7th December before and after the vigil Mass. Christmas draw will take place. Tickets now on sale. Please come and support the Missions.

'A Journey to Bethlehem with Joseph and Mary' will be taking place during advent for four Tuesday's between 7:30pm to 9pm. The dates and venues are 26th November and 3rd December in St. Patrick's Presbytery (front door - church side) and the 10th & 17th December in Patrick's Place (Crypt) All Welcome.

Youth Festival at Medjugorje: The LIVING YOUTH Summer Pilgrimage 2020 will be to Medjugorje. We will join more than 50,000 other young people from around the world to celebrate our Catholic Faith. Staying at the Medjugorje Palace Hotel we will take part in the youth festival and also visit the Waterfalls of Kravice, the capital Mostar and the Shrine of Vepric at Makarska, all the while journeying with other young people from across our Diocese. Pilgrimage Dates: 29th July - 7th August 2020, for those aged 17 - 25 Cost £799. For an Application Form and more information go to www.livingyouthni.org or contact us on 02890 232 432 or info@livingyouthni.org



Youth Mass: If you are interested in helping with the youth mass on the first Sunday of every month, please contact mattbrennan@youthinitiatives.com or call 0754 987 0334

Altar Servers wanted: We need new altar servers in all our churches for Sunday Mass. If you are P5 and older contact the parish office and give your name and contact number on 02844612084.

Tea / Coffee & Hot Toast: will take place every Friday after 9:30am Mass in Patrick's Place. Everyone welcome.



PATRICIAN YOUTH CENTRE: MONSTER BAZAAR & FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER: 2 PM - 5 PM Big Wheel - Fabulous Prizes to be won! Tombola (Bottles & Gifts), Christmas Crafts & Live Music! For the Children... Santa's Grotto, Face-painting, Gold Fish and much more! Coffee bar facilities. Not to be missed!

'Discovering Christ' Course is a 7- week course and will run on Tuesday evenings from 14 January to 25 February 2020, starting at 6:30 pm and finishing at 8:40 pm, in Patrick's Place. Participants will: > Gather one evening a week to share a meal (free but donation accepted). > View an informative teaching video and then explore answers to questions worth asking about God and finding purpose in life through small groups. > Have an away retreat day on 15th February. We invite YOU to attend this life-changing encounter. It is an excellent way to revitalize or rediscover your faith. Register by contacting the parish office directly on 02844612084.



Parking at St. Patrick's: PLEASE DO NOT park at the front of the Parochial House **at any time** - or across the entrance to Folly Lane - this area is the access and exit point for the priest on call - there are disabled spaces in front of the church and there are further parking spaces in the main church car park. Your co-operation is appreciated.

November Dead Lists: There have been several queries in relation to November Dead Lists and how we process them - ALL of the envelopes are opened, offerings are removed and the lists are then placed in a basket before the Altar, when all of our deceased family and friends are prayed for during the month of November. You can submit your list and offering at anytime during the month and it will be added to the basket and included in the prayers. Dead Lists are available in all of the Church porches and can be returned via the Offertory Plate or by posting through the box, which is signposted in St. Patrick's Church.

The Three Tenors in Concert: In St. Patrick's Church on Sunday 29th December at 8pm. Tickets are £25 and are available from the Parish Office or the Shop at St. Patrick's. Seating is not allocated and will be on a first come first served basis.