

**DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL
COMMUNITY AREA
PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK
Sunday 22nd March 2020**

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

**Only available on Parish
webcam or livestream
facebook.**

Confessions:

St. Patrick's, Saturdays 12:00pm to
1:00pm

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

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 is
available at the parish office.

Your Prayers Are Requested For:

Recently Deceased: Josephine McCann,

Month's Mind: Paul Turley,

Anniv: Fr. Brian Tomelty, Fr. Andrew McGrattan, Fr. John McPhilips, Fr. Liam
Vaughan, Maureen Moss, Bernadette McKinney, Charles Canavan, Kathleen
Bohill, Jack McGrady, June Hanna, Jim Smyth, Alfie Marron, Hugh McGuigan,
Belle Magee, Arthur & Cecelia Tumelty, Louis Grant, Jimmy Curran,
John & Patrick Rooney, Gerry Doherty, Brian & Madeline Gilfedder, Brendan
Tweedie,

May They Rest In Peace

Mass Intentions:

St. Patrick's, Wednesday, 25th March, 7:30pm: Margaret & Dominic Murphy,
Sarah & Samuel Griffin, Ted Griffin, Josephine Denvir, Joseph Denvir,
St. Patrick's, Friday, 27th March, 7:30pm: Gerry Carson, Oonagh Carson,
Theresa Laverty, Maureen Sheppard,
St. Patrick's, Saturday, 28th March, 5:30pm: 1st Anniversary: John Skeffington,
St. Brigid's, Saturday, 28th March, 7pm: 1st Anniversary: Fergus Curran,
St. Patrick's, Sunday, 29th March, 12pm: Month's Mind: Veronica Beattie,

The Two 'Reflection mornings' on March 21st and April 4th have been
cancelled. The first one 'For God and St. Patrick' will take place after Easter.

Parish Baptisms: We welcome Nevaeh Longfield, Theodore Maguire and
Joshua Wison into our parish. 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,

Shalom World TV: The Shalom World TV Evening of prayer, scheduled for
April 3rd, has been postponed. The 7:30pm Mass on that evening will take place
as usual.

RGU: winning Numbers 08, 09, 10, 16. No Jackpot Winner.
Three people share £100. Jackpot now £3,300.

Church Closure: While the Church is closed the parish is using this opportunity
to paint the interior of St. Patrick's and also renew the marking of the spaces in
the carpark.

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

Confessions: One of the priests will be available for confession on **Saturdays 12pm to 1pm**. He will be at the transept side of the
church (near the Mosaics of St. Patrick). If you wish to avail of the Sacrament please sit at suitable distance from others in the main
body of the church and wait until the priest is free for confession.

Downpatrick Pro-Life Group have decided, in light of the current Coronavirus Pandemic, to postpone the showing of
"unplanned" in St. Michael's Centre on 26th March and 2nd April. We apologise for any disappointments. We would ask
that parishioners pray for Mothers & unborn babies & families as the abortion framework comes into our town and across
N. Ireland on 31st March 2020.

PARISH DRAW: The Parish Draw will recommence on **Thursday 26th March at 7pm** in the Parochial House. If you would like to
subscribe to the draw, you can buy a ticket at the Parish Office or from the promoter in your area. Subscription is £5 per month, or £60
for the year, with monthly prizes of £1000, £200 and three prizes of £100 each. The final bonus draw will have a 1st Prize of £5000,
2nd £3000, 3rd £2000 plus the usual monthly prizes!

Eucharistic Ministers – An update: Do you bring the Blessed Sacrament to a family member? A friend? A neighbor? A nursing
home or any setting where there are sick or housebound individuals? If so, you need to let us know. There are still several EM's who
are visiting the sick & housebound and have not notified the Parish office – PLEASE contact Mary at the Parish Office in order to
update the parish records. – Eucharistic Ministers who do not submit their visitation details to the Parish Office should not be visiting
the Sick & Housebound.

Pilgrimage to Krakow and Czestochowa: From 11th to 18th October 2020. 7 nights, flying from Belfast to Krakow. 6 nights in five
star Niebieski Hotel & Spa with dinner & breakfast. 1 night in Hotel, in Czestochow with dinner and breakfast. English-speaking
Christian guide throughout. Comprehensive Travel Insurance included. Spiritual Director: Fr. Liam Toland. Cost £895 per person
sharing. Single room supplement is £250 extra Limited availability. £200 deposit secures a seat! For further details contact Jean
Reynolds on 07729 402311 or email: jeanreynolds@hotmail.com

**Parking At Parochial House: Please DO NOT PARK in front of the Parochial House at ANY time – the area needs to be kept
clear for Clergy and staff. Your co-operation is appreciated.**

VACANCY – PART TIME SACRISTAN – DOWNPATRICK PARISH: A vacancy has arisen for a Part-time Sacristan within
Downpatrick Parish, 54, St Patrick's Avenue, Downpatrick, Co Down, BT30 6DN.
The responsibilities will include: • the maintenance of the sacristy where the church's liturgical items are kept including vestments,
sacred vessels and books etc. • ensuring that the sanctuary is set up for mass, other services, baptisms and funerals and that all the
requisite books and sacramental vessels etc. are in place. • ensuring the sanctuary is cleared after all services and the church is left
secure and tidy. The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 16 hours per week, Monday – Sunday. Work pattern to
be agreed. Flexibility will be required in relation to attendance and hours worked, from time to time. Rate of Pay - £8.50 gross per
hour. If interested in making application for this post, please download an application pack from either the Diocesan website at
<http://www.downandconnor.org> by clicking on the link for JOB VACANCIES or alternatively on the Community NI website, where
details of the role are also available by way of Application Form, Role Profile and Person Specification. Application packs can also be
obtained from the Parish Office. We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing
an active part in the Parish.

Legion of Mary are looking to recruit new members. They meet on Tuesday's at the De La Salle Brothers House on Stream Street
between 6pm to 7pm. Anyone interested in joining please call Sean on 02844 613917. The Fatima statue is available to anyone in the
parish who would like to keep it in their home for a week or two.

Saint Vincent De Paul: are here to help you in whatever way we can. Our members are there to listen and offer support to you at a
time of difficulty. When they have a better understanding of the issues faced, they will consider how best we may be able to help. If
you are looking for assistance or you just need someone to talk to in confidence. Please ring SVP Downpatrick on 02844613717 or
02844 616557 or fill out the form by clicking on this link. <https://www.svp.ie/get-help/request-help-online.aspx>

COVID-19

How can you protect yourself?



Wash your hands
frequently and thoroughly
with soap



Cover face with a tissue or
your elbow when
coughing or sneezing



Then throw the
tissue in a waste
bin



Maintain social
distancing



Avoid touching your eyes,
nose and mouth

Source: WHO

