

DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA
PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK
Sunday 27th May 2018

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 £1,625 Loose Plate £641
 Average Standing Order £190

CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES:

KILLOUGH ROAD CEMETERY:
SUNDAY 24TH JUNE 2018, 3PM

STRUPELL CEMETERY:
SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2018, 3PM

PARKING FOR STRUELL WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE IN THE GROUNDS OF THE 'R.G.U'.

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: Terry Moore,
Months Mind:, Frank Brogan,
Anniv: Fr. Thomas Lynch, Canon Pdraig Murphy, Fr. Henry Loy, Fr. Maurice McAleese, Eleanor Stevens, Kathleen McCullough, James O'Hanlon, Larry Hampton, Brendan Keenan, Frank Ritchie, Pauline McCartan, William McKeating, Patrick Curran, Anna Murphy,
May They Rest In Peace

Baptisms: Please note: Four week's notice required for Baptism. An information sheet is available in the porch of St. Patrick's Church. This sheet should be filled in and brought to the Parish Office, Mon – Thurs 9.30am – 2.15pm or Mon & Tues Evenings 6.15pm – 7.15pm.

Mass Intentions:
St. Patrick's, Monday, 28th May, 7:30pm: Annie & Daniel O'Boyle
St. Patrick's, Wednesday 30th May, 7.30pm: Austin Cunningham, Mary Deeney, Mary McAuley, Patrick Milligan, Lily O'Flynn, Tommy Vance
St. Patrick's, Friday, 1st June, 7.30pm: Anna Murphy, David Doran
St. Colmcille's, Sunday, 3rd June, 11am: 1st Anniversary: Eileen Lynch

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues this Monday Evening, 28th May in **St. Patrick's Church.**
6.30pm – 8:45pm.
6.30pm: Rosary,
7.30pm: Mass,
8.15pm: Rosary & Benediction,
 Join us for all of the evening or part of it. Everyone Welcome!

Parish Office Closure: Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Monday 28th May. For Emergencies only please contact: 07841101678.

Legion Of Mary: Church Door Collection for Legion of Mary Hostels over the weekend of 26/27th May. The hostels rely on these collections as a source of income to help improve their service to the homeless and disadvantaged. Please give what you can.

Parish Shop: The book 'Amoris Laetitia' – The Joy of Pope Francis is available to buy again at the Parish shop. You can visit the shop at St. Patrick's Church before and after weekend Mass or You can reserve a copy through the parish office or the Parish Facebook on private message. There are lot's more gifts available at the shop, from baptism gifts through to wedding gifts.

Prayer for Exams: Almighty God, please help me in my exams. Help me to face them with courage and peace. Help me to understand the questions that are asked, to remember what I have studied and to express my answers clearly. Guide and direct me in all my decisions and help me especially to discover my true vocation to love and serve you in my life. I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sick Visitation: The Priests of the Parish will visit the sick & housebound during First Friday week on Friday 1st June.

Clare Lodge Holiday Home Newcastle: Beautiful setting overlooking the sea. Close to all shops amenities. You can stay overnight, midweek, weekend or for a full week. For further information, contact St. Vincent de Paul Helpline on 44616557.

Legion of Mary: Will visit homes in the model farm and Flying Horse area with the Fatima Statue over the coming weeks.

Apostolic Work: Are holding a coffee morning at the lakeside inn on Saturday 16th June 11am–2pm. This is to support the Missionaries in the developing world.

Apostolic Work: Cake sale, with Raffle, Tombola in Patrick's Place on June 9th & 10th after Mass. Raffle takes place after Mass. There will be a church door collection on 8th July.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society: would like to thank all those who contributed to their draw on 12th May. The total amount raised was £1,100. The prize winners were: 1st B. Gribben, 2nd P. Killen, 3rd Geraldine Magee.

Tobar Mhuire Summer Institute: "The Urgency of Adult Faith Development." The annual summer institute takes place on Thursday 21st / Friday 22nd June. Rev. Prof Eamonn Conway from Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick will be our main speaker. The theme speaks of the urgency of adult faith development and is particularly important at this time in the life of the church. We expect a high level of interest in this conference and would recommend early booking in order to guarantee your place. Conference begins each day at 9.30am and concludes at 5pm. Costs: £30.00 each day (to include light lunch) Evening Meal: £15.00 (pre-booked) Bed and Breakfast: £35.00 per person per night.

Corpus Christi Procession: Date: Sunday 3rd June at 4pm. From St. Colmcille's Church to St. Patrick's Church to arrive by 5pm for final prayers and Benediction. This is an event in the Parish and Downpatrick Pastoral area to mark the forth coming World Meeting of Families event in Dublin in August. All parishioners and the whole Lecale area are welcome. All children from all secondary and primary schools are invited. Primary 4 children are especially encouraged to wear their First Communion outfits. Children can be accompanied by their parents in the procession. Watch this space for more details in coming weeks.

Corpus Christi Procession: Are you attending the Procession? Can you help steward the procession with us? Please contact **44612084** if you would like to help. Any group / Organisation wishing to join us should contact no later than Tuesday 29th May.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES NEWS: Bus to Phoenix Park on Sunday 26th August. We have had some cancellations and have five seats remaining on the bus travelling to the Papal Mass. These seats will be reallocated on receipt of FULL Payment when booking – contact Mary or James to book. CHOIR MEMBERS WANTED! Would you like to join the 1000 member choir for the Papal Mass? Please log onto the WMOF 2018 website to sign up! **VOLUNTEERS:** Anyone who would like to volunteer during the WMOF event should contact them via the website. Volunteers are required for one day, two days or all of the event – whatever suits you... If you are interested and sign up to volunteer, the Parish will offer some financial assistance to both choir members and volunteers. Contact the parish office leaving your details.

Downpatrick Parish Draw:
 The Prize-winners for the Draw held on Thursday 24th May 2018, were as follows:
 1. John Gordon – (500) £1,000 2. Jerome Lennon – (758) £200
 3. Geraldine Grant – (208) £100 4. Stephen Kerr – (318) £100 5. Billy McCoubrey – (760) £100
 Promoter's Prize: Brenda Enright (£30). – Congratulations to the winners.
The next draw will take place on Thursday 21st June 2018, in the Parochial House. **Promoters' returns to be in by 7pm, Sunday 17th June 2018.** Many thanks to our hard-working promoters and generous members.

St. Joseph's Young Priest Society:
 Exposition of Blessed Sacrament at 12 noon on Saturday 2nd June 2018.

RGU Lotto: Winning Numbers were 15, 16, 22, 25. Jackpot not won. 1 lucky person matched 3 and won £100. Jackpot £1,700.

World Meeting of Families icon: Will be coming to St. Patrick's Church, Downpatrick on Thursday 21st June to Saturday 23rd June 2018. A full schedule of events during the three-day visit has been arranged with full details to be published shortly.

Sr. Clare Crockett SHM: You may remember that Sr. Clare, originally from Derry was tragically killed in an earthquake in Ecuador in April 2016. Many of her pupils also died that day. On June 4th, our usual 'Evening of Mercy' will have a different format – **Rosaries at 6.00pm, Mass at 7pm (Please Note the earlier time)**, this will be followed by a film on the life and vocation of Sr. Clare. Refreshments will be served at approx 8.45pm in 'Patrick's Place', There is no charge for the film, donations can be left at the parish office, given to clergy or donated on the evening – all donations will be used to continue Sr. Clare's work in education and health care in Ecuador.

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'. You can also contact the parish by email at: downpatrick@downandconnor.org

KEYS TO PARISH PROPERTY: Despite an appeal in last week's bulletin for those with keys to contact us – no one has done so! It is essential that if you have keys to any parish property, that you contact Mary at the Parish Office to notify us of what keys you hold. Those who may have keys – particularly keys belonging to Patrick's Place (known as the Crypt) should return them as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

Diocesan Annual pilgrimage to Knock: The Down and Connor Annual Pilgrimage to knock, led by bishop Treanor, will take place on Sunday 10th June 2018. We encourage Parishioners who usually visit Knock annually as a family or individuals to consider making their visit on this day. Due to the world meeting of Families many Parishes who usually organise a parish trip to knock for the Diocesan Pilgrimage are focusing their energies and resources on Parish trips to WMOF and the Papal Visit.

Glebe House Open Day: Sunday 3rd June between 1–5pm.

P6 Pupil boys experience day: St. Patrick's Grammar school is holding an experience day on Tuesday 5th June from 9:15am to 2:30pm. All Primary 6 boys are welcome.

Downpatrick School of lifesaving:
 invite past pupils, friends, former teachers & families to join and celebrate their 50th year anniversary. Dinner & distinguished guests in the Burrendale on July 2nd Ticket available from Yvonne on 02844832834