

DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA
PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK
Sunday 11th August 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 £2,140 Loose Plate £516
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 is available to
download at
www.parishofdownpatrick.com We
can no longer accept email or

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: Thomas Campbell,
Anniv: Fr. Terence Toal, Fr. Brendan McGarry, Fr. Tom Gartlan,
Fr. Francis McKenna, Fr. Eamonn O'Brien,
Fr. Joseph Mulholland, Sister Dorothy Walsh, James Gracey,
Patricia Cunningham, Seamus Byrne, James Lennon, John Brady, John
McIlmail, Malachi Kelly, Annie Galbraith, Annie Trainor, James McComiskey,
Catherine Cunningham, Sarah Jane Nixon, Rita Nixon, Agnes McKeown,
Annie McConville, Paul Fry, Donal Mackel, Joe McGrady, Hugh Taggart,
Seamus Craig, Joe Walsh, Dessie McAllister, John Molloy, Ita McNeill,
Thomas (Barney) Smyth, May Gordon, John Quinn,
May They Rest In Peace

Baptisms: We Welcome Amelia Synott into Our Parish Family.

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, Mon 13th August, 7.30pm: Annie Trainor,
St. Patrick's, Fri 17th August, 7.30pm: Geraldine Ghosh, Marie Lavery,
Noel Kearney,
St. Patrick's, Saturday 18th August, 5.30pm: Months Mind: Catherine
Duignan

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues this Monday Evening 12th August

6.30pm – 8:45pm.

6.30pm: Rosary,

7.30pm: Mass,

8.15pm: Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:30pm Benediction,

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

Parish Shop: The Parish shop will be in the porch of St. Colmcille's on
Sunday, 12th August and St. Brigid's on Saturday 18th August. Papal flags are
now available from the Parish shop.

World Meeting Of Families - Events during August
Sunday 19th August 5pm – 5:30pm: St. Patrick's Church Pastoral Community
Liturgy to mark the opening of the WMOF.

Wednesday 22nd August 6:30pm to 7pm: All parents (and sponsors and
grandparents) who have had a child baptised during 2018 are invited to a
service of prayer in St. Patrick's Church.

A special WMOF's card with your child's name will be presented.

Friday 24th August 6:30pm to 8:30pm: Family celebration in the grounds of
St. Patrick's with live music, complimentary food and a little bit of prayer at the
end. This event is admittance by ticket only – and TICKETS ARE FREE – from
the parish office.

Mass Recordings: While all Masses in St. Patrick's are live-streamed,
recordings are only made Via request. If you wish a recording to be made
please inform the parish office.

Holy Day of Obligation:

Wednesday, August 15th is a Holy Day of Obligation – The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin. Mass Times are as follows: Vigil (Tues 14th) St. Patrick's
7.30pm, St. Malachy's 7.30pm
Wednesday 15th – St. Patrick's 9.30am & 7.30pm, St. Brigid's 10am, St
Colmcille's 11am,

Fr. Stephen Quinn, O.C.D., Profession Cards: Some of you were
disappointed at not being able to get a profession card. We have been able to
obtain a few more from Fr. Stephen. These are available from the Parish
shop.

Calling All Married Couples! For Married couples of all ages, an invitation to take time out to renew your relationship with a weekend presented by Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland; 5th – 7th October 2018 in Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry. Information and booking 00353 86 8541945 or visit www.marriageencounter.ie

Downpatrick Parish Draw: The next draw will take place on Thursday 23rd August 2018 at 7pm, in the Parochial House. **Promoters' returns should be in by 7pm, Sunday 19th August 2018.** Many thanks to our hard-working promoters and generous members.

Day Trip to Knock: The Legion of Mary's annual trip to knock. Bus leaving Downpatrick Library at 6:45am on Sunday the 30th of September. The Price of £32 includes two stops and an evening meal on the way home. Everyone welcome. For more information or to book a place, ring Sean on 07504041526.

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

Discovering Christ Course: Downpatrick Parish is pleased to offer a 7-week course called 'Discovering CHRIST' on Tuesday evenings from 11th September to 23rd October, starting at 6:30pm and finishing at 8:40pm. 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 some of the most important questions worth asking about God and finding purpose in life through small groups. Over 60,000 people have attended Discovering CHRIST and have experienced a new or renewed relationship with Jesus and others. We invite YOU to attend this life-changing encounter. It is an excellent way to revitalize your faith. Come and discover something new about personal relationship with Christ, and others, and how it is relevant to your everyday life. WHO? All Adults, age 18 years and over. WHERE? Patrick's Place, St. Patrick's Church, Downpatrick. You can register online by opening the Discovering Christ link on the Parish website homepage www.parishofdownpatrick.com or click on the following link: [Registration Form](#) or contact the parish office on 02844612084.

Holy Land Pilgrimage 2019 led by Fr. John Murray: It is provisionally hoped to run a pilgrimage from Downpatrick to the Holy Land (staying in Jerusalem and Tiberias for 8/9 days in the latter half of June 2019. Flights are not available as yet – hence the lack of clarity re. dates. However this early notice will give prospective pilgrims an opportunity to save. An approximate cost would be £1400 to £1450 P.P. If you are interested email our parish office at downpatrick@downandconnor.org or ring 02844612084. No need for money yet.

The draft schedule at present is: Four days in Jerusalem, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Mount of Olives, Wailing Wall, Yad Vashem (If time permits), Three days in Tiberias – Nazareth, Capernaum, Mount of Beatitudes, Trip to the Sea of Galilee.

World Meeting of Families: FINAL CALL – IF YOU HAVE BOOKED A PLACE ON THE BUS AND IT IS NOT PAID FOR BY MONDAY 13th AUGUST – THE SEAT AND TICKET TO THE PAPAL MASS WILL BE RE-ALLOCATED.

Tickets for the Papal Mass will be available from the Parish Office from Monday 13th August 12 noon – 2.30pm & Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 16th August between 9.30am – 2.30pm. It is essential that tickets are collected as instructions, bus details and departure times will all be included with the tickets.

The WMOF will not be issuing refunds for tickets purchased – The Parish are currently holding a wait list and will try to pass the tickets on to other parishioners on behalf of those who have cancelled.

If you are still looking to travel to see the Pope, please contact Mary at 02844612084 to check availability of seats.

The decision to charge for tickets was NOT taken at Parish Level – it was based on WMOF advice earlier this year, this was clearly explained by parish office staff at the time of booking. Tickets were booked and paid for by the Parish office in good faith – we have taken a small number of calls this week – we understand and respect your point of view, but would ask that you respect Parish staff and understand that we based our information on the advice given at the time. All ticket proceeds have been paid to the WMOF and buses have also been paid for – the parish are not making any profit from the event, we facilitated the organising of the tickets etc to try and assist parishioners as best we could. As we previously stated, if you no longer wish to attend this historic event, please let us know and we will try to sell your ticket for you.

St. Mary's High School:

Return to School dates:

Years 8, 11 & 13 – Thursday 30th August (Induction Morning)

Year 10 – Friday 31st August (Induction Morning)

Whole School Returns on Monday 3rd September.

VMM International Celebrates 50 Years of Lay Mission: WMM would like to reconnect with returned volunteers who worked on projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America through the years. There will be a Gala dinner in Dublin on September 1st – attended by our founder Edwina Gately for details go to www.vmminternational.org and click on 50th Anniversary celebrations.