

**DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA**  
**PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK**  
**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 £2,287 Loose Plate £450  
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](http://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:** Arthur Young (Australia (Formerly Downpatrick)), Peter  
Quinn (Ballynoe), Imelda Fitzsimons (Strangford),  
**Month's Mind:** Margaret Stitt, Oliver Morgan,  
**Anniv:** Sr. Mary Colmcille, John McDaid, Gerard Walker, Jackie Walsh, Betty  
McGreevy, Andrew Diamond, Lena Philips, Sarah Gillan, Maureen McKee,  
Peter Gibney (snr), Michael Molloy, Paddy McCarthy, George Heaney,  
Margaret Fitzsimons, Thomas Kelly, Margaret Tracey, Mark McKee,

*May They Rest In Peace*

**Baptisms: We Welcome Clara Maura Linton 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, Sat 8<sup>th</sup> September 5.30pm:** Month's Mind: Margaret Stitt  
**St. Colmcille's, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 11am:** 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary: Jill Patterson  
**St. Patrick's, Wed, 12<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7.30pm;** Eileen & John Burke, Mark McKee,  
**St. Patrick's, Fri, 14<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7:30pm:** Month's Mind: Oliver Morgan  
1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Agnes Wylie, Anniv: Fiona Turley, Gerard Walker  
**St. Patrick's, Sat, 15<sup>th</sup> Sept 5:30pm:** Month's Mind: Thomas Campbell  
**St. Patrick's, Sun, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept, 9am:** 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary: Jackie Walsh  
**St. Colmcille's, Sun, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 11am:** Month's Mind: Tommy Creaney  
**St. Patrick's, Sun, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 12pm:** Month's Mind: Roisin Rice

**The Evening Of Mercy:** Continues this Monday Evening 10<sup>th</sup> September in  
**St. Patrick's Church**  
**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!

**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.

**Downpatrick Parish Draw: The next draw will take place on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>  
September 2018 at 7pm, in the Parochial House. Promoters' returns  
should be in by 7pm, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018.** Many thanks to our  
hard-working promoters and generous members.

**ALPS CONCERT: 'The Voice of Hope'** Featuring Donna Taggart, Peter  
Corry, Matthew Campbell, and a children's choir all over the area in St.  
Patrick's Church on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm (This Weekend)**. If  
you didn't get a ticket you can still pay at the door. Tickets cost £15.

**Marriage Encounter Weekend:** The next Marriage Encounter weekend will  
be held in Dromintine Conference Centre, Newry on 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018.  
For more information and booking visit [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie) or call  
02871 359612 or (087) 7840408.

**Deep Listening Retreat Day:** "Deep Listening" is the third in "Meeting God  
Mindfully" - four themed retreat days with Maria Garvey at Drumalis in 2018,  
bringing together the practices of Christian Contemplative Prayer and  
Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction. The day will run from 9:30 am to 5:00  
pm on Saturday, 15 September and costs £60. For further information, please  
contact 028 28276455/28272196 during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm).  
Details are also available on the Drumalis website - <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

**Laptop Operators – Can you help?:** The parish needs a rota of people who could operate the laptop during mass in St.  
Patrick's. Currently we have three people for the different Masses but if someone is away due to holidays the service of  
the screen does not happen. If interested please contact the office.

**WMOF CD's:** If you are interested you can order CD's from different talks that took place. You can order through the  
Parish of Downpatrick website. Go to [www.parishofdownpatrick.com](http://www.parishofdownpatrick.com) for more information on how to order.

**WMOF Shop Figure's:** In the run up to the WMOF the Parish shop was very busy. We sold 135 papal flags, 90 WMOF/Pope  
Francis candles, 40 WMOF rosary beads, 50 Pope Francis medals, as well as prayer cards, pictures and countless Holy Family and  
family themed items. We thank you for your continued support of the Parish shop.

**Ardglass Parish Retreat:** Ardglass Parish will be having a Parish retreat at Drumalis retreat centre from Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday  
23<sup>rd</sup> September. For further information, contact Pauline McKenna in Ardglass Parish on 44842146. Or visit [www.drumalis.co.uk](http://www.drumalis.co.uk)

**Radio Maria Ireland** is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and  
Testimonies – all commercial free – Listen via TV on Soarview Channel 210; FREE App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", streaming on  
[www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie) or via phone get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Join our family!

**Tea / Coffee & hot Toast!** Starting on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September (and every Friday thereafter). You are invited to Patrick's  
Place after Mass for a Cuppa and a slice of toast – or two!

**Discovering Christ Course:** Downpatrick Parish is pleased to offer a 7-week course called 'Discovering CHRIST' on Tuesday  
evenings from 11<sup>th</sup> September to 23<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://www.parishofdownpatrick.com) or click on the following link: [Registration Form](#) or contact the parish office on  
02844612084.

**WMOF:** Buses to Phoenix Park Mass. A total of five buses and 225 people went from the Lecale area on Sunday Morning. Everyone  
arrived in time – thank you. Everyone arrived home safely by 10:30pm. Thank God. A big THANKS to Mary Cullen and James  
Tumelty for taking and coordinating all the bookings. Bus 4: **A pair of glasses was left – can be claimed at the Presbytery –  
Black with white trim.**

**RGU:** Winning Numbers: 12, 13, 22, 28 Jackpot not won. Three people shared £100. Jackpot now £1,600.

**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](mailto:downpatrick@downandconnor.org) or ring 02844612084. No need for  
money yet. Fr. Murray hopes to have a definite date & cost by the end of September.  
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.

**Parish Website, Facebook and App:** The Parish Website is available at [www.parishofdownpatrick.com](http://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](mailto:downpatrick@downandconnor.org)

**Day Trip to Knock:** The Legion of Mary's annual trip to knock. Bus leaving Downpatrick Library at 6:45am on Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

**'Come Follow Me':** Children's Catechesis Training Day in Meeting Room of St. Nicholas Parish, Ardglass on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>  
September 2018 from 9:30am to 4:30pm. (Beginning with Mass at 9am). Given by Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph (New Forest,  
England). Open to anyone interested in Children's Catechesis. You will be joined by Catechists from Ardglass Parish who already  
give this programme. To reserve your place please phone Brigid on 07749101999.

**Pathways – Adult Faith Development Programme** at Drumalis: Enrol now for 2018 – 2020 intake. Pathways is a broad-based adult  
faith development course which explores spirituality, theology and prayer. Now in its thirteenth year, Pathways is geared towards  
those who want to reflect about life, faith and relationships with God and others The course takes place in the beautiful surroundings  
of Drumalis in Larne. No academic qualifications are necessary and there is no coursework attached.  
This two-year programme supported by the Diocese of Down and Connor runs from October to June each year and will be held on  
nine Saturdays from 10am to 4:30pm. For further information and booking form, please contact Drumalis – 028 28272196 / 028 -  
28276455 (during office hours, Mon–Fri 9am–5pm. Or email: [maura@drumalis.co.uk](mailto:maura@drumalis.co.uk) or visit [www.drumalis.co.uk](http://www.drumalis.co.uk)