

DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA
PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK
Sunday 21st October 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 £2,054 Loose Plate £540
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

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: Helen Reilly, John Irvine, Peter Rooney (Castlewellan),
Sally Fitzsimons, Briega Mulhall,
Month's Mind: Kathleen Brady, Jim McKeown,
Anniv: Canon Hugh Murphy, Fr. Austin McNabb, Fr. John Sloan, Fr. James
Sherlock, Fr. Richard O'Neill, Canon Daniel Gogarty, Msgr. Gerard Montague,
Fr. Gerard Laverty, Geraldine Brady, Ellen Hawkins, Pat Trainor, Colette
McEvoy, Frances Graham, Mary Hanna, Marie Galbraith, Bob Irvine, Catherine
Irvine, Kathleen McGrady, Patsy Campbell, Patrick Byrne, Etta Grant, Patricia
Magorian, Mary Kelly, Kathleen & John Berry, Mary & Dominic Berry, Jim
Dougal, Josephine & George Walls, Kevin Gallagher, Dan Flynn, Eleanor &
Hugh Sloan, Freddie Stitt, Robert Major, Maurice Blaney, Charles, Mary &
Carmel Lowly, Ellen McVeigh, Bernadette Smyth, Fergus Moore,
Patrick Connor

May They Rest In Peace

Baptisms: We Welcome Luke Connolly 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, 20th Oct, 5.30pm: Month's Mind: Kathleen Brady
St. Colmcille's, Sun, 20th Oct, 11am: 1st Anniversary: Glynn Roberts
St. Patrick's, Sun, 21st Oct, 12pm: Month's Mind: Jim McKeown
St. Patrick's, Mon, 22nd Oct, 7:30pm: Cathal Deegan, Charles Duggan,
Gertie Hanna,
St. Patrick's, Wed, 24th Oct, 7:30pm: Maurice Blaney, Geraldine Brady,
Oliver Burns, Kathleen McGrady,
St. Patrick's, Fri, 26th Oct, 7:30pm: Roisin McCann, Jim Ferguson,
St. Patrick's, Sat, 27th Oct, 5:30pm: 1st Anniversary: Catherine Mason

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues this Monday Evening 22nd October

St. Patrick's Church

6.30pm – 8:45pm.

6.30pm: Rosary,

7.30pm: Mass,

8.15pm: Rosary,

8:30pm Benediction,

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

Readers: We would like you to be part of the liturgical procession at SUNDAY
MASS. Please go to the sacristy before Mass and receive the lectionary - then
carry it at shoulder or head height to the altar and place it on the lectern.

Downpatrick Nurses Lourdes Group: Annual Church Door Collection will
take place next weekend 27th / 28th October at all masses in the Parish.
We appreciate your continued support.

Can You Help? The children of Chernobyl Appeal NI urgently require host
families for a three-week health break in July 2019. For the children who still
suffer the affects from the world's worst nuclear disaster. If so can you contact
Mairead on 07752399393, after 6pm.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration – Weekend Mission: Will take place on
Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th November. Preacher: Fr. Gary Holmes, Preaching
at all Masses. Ardglass Sat 6:30pm > Sun 11:30am > Mon 5th Guided Holy
Hour 7pm. Dunsford Sun 10am > Guided Holy Hour 7pm.

Children's Liturgy Leaders (CLL) Training: The Living Church Office will be hosting a series of development courses throughout the year for CLL. The first will take place on Sat. 24th Nov in Holy Rosary Parish Hall, Ormeau Road from 9:30am – 4:30pm. The other dates are Sat. 16th February and Sat. 11th May 2019. Attendance is free. If you would like to register to attend one, two or all three of the days contact Caren at the Living Church office on 02890 690920 or email c.collins@downandconnor.org

Ceili Community: Halloween has become as big a holiday as Christmas. We have "Halloween Shops" and a line-up of movies and TV specials on Zombies, death and the paranormal. These speak of a secular society's fascination with death, manifesting a deep fear, and a need to trivialise the object of that fear. Certainly this time of the year speaks of "death" to us; dying leaves fall to earth, daylight fades earlier and the weather turns colder. In November the Church helps her people to make sense of the inevitable and confusing fact of death as we commemorate All Souls Day. The Book of Ecclesiastes puts it like this ".the life breath returns to God who gave it.". That line points to a truth deeper than death, which gives All Souls Day its proper balance. Those who willingly return to God do not die, but become part of his deathless life. Death is real but God is more real. Let us pray that we trust God more than we fear death.

Laptop at weekend Masses: The recent notice on LAPTOP OPERATORS received one call. We have THREE operators for Sunday Masses – We would like to have a larger pool. The Parish is quite sure that there are lots of people – especially young people – in the parish who would do the job. If you have even basic computer skills Ten minutes is all it would take to teach you to use the laptop at one of our Sunday Masses. So please contact us – 44612084 or email downpatrick@downandconnor.org – If you are between 16–18 years old and – doing the Pope John Paul II award – you can count the laptop at Sunday Masses towards your award.

Pathways – Adult Faith Development Programme at Dromalis: Enrol now for 2018 – 2020 intake. Pathways is a broad-based adult faith development course which explores spirituality, theology and prayer. 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 or visit www.drumalis.co.uk

Pope John Paul II Award: Calling All Year 13's – The Pope John Paul II is a programme for young people aged 16-18. The Award offers young people the opportunity to be actively involved in their church and wider community and also to understand how this is such an important part of their Catholic faith. Interested in becoming involved in charity work helping parish groups?, Meet other young people from across the Diocese? and gain valuable experience for your CV? Sign up for the award by contacting Yvonne Maguire, Senior Youth Worker at the Patrician Youth Centre or Macartan Digney at the Parish Office. Closing date for registration is October 22nd.

Friday Adoration has resumed since the beginning of September. The Parish wants to encourage all those whose names were on the list before to try to be faithful to that time. It would be ideal to have at least 4 people 'covering' every hour or half hour slot. We don't want to leave the Blessed Sacrament - unattended otherwise Exposition would have to be cancelled. The Adoration committee will be contacting parishioners over the next few weeks in order to consolidate our Friday Adoration.

Tea / Coffee & hot Toast! You are invited to Patrick's Place after Mass, every Friday, for a Cuppa and a slice of toast – or two!

The Priests In Concert: In St. Patrick's Church on Thurs 27th Dec 2018. Tickets are available from the Parish Office Mon–Thurs 9:15 – 2pm. Tickets are £25 each. Tickets are also available at the Parish Shop after Mass.

RGU: Winning Numbers: 07, 16, 24, 28 Jackpot not won. Nine people shared £100. Jackpot now £2,200.

Getting Married In Downpatrick: Have you booked a wedding with us for 2019? If so, please contact us to confirm all of your details – date, address etc. Please ring Mary @ 02844612084 or email downpatrick@downandconnor.org

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

Bereavement Mass: The Bethany Bereavement Group have organised Mass on November 28th at 7:30pm in St. Patrick's Church. A special invitation is extended to those who have lost a loved one between November 1st 2017 and October 31st 2018. We will have a candle for you to present at the altar in memory of your family member. We would invite all those who are bereaved and continue to grieve to join us on November 28th when we will offer the Mass for all of our deceased family and friends. The priests of the parish continue to pray for all the deceased daily, especially during the month of November.

November Dead Lists are available in the Church porches. All envelopes are opened, offerings removed and lists are placed before the Altar during the month of November. We pray for all those on the lists of all our deceased family & friends at daily Mass during the month of November.

Parish Draw: The next draw will take place on **Thursday 25th October 2018 at 7pm**, in the Parochial House. Promoters' returns to be in by **7pm, Sunday 21st October 2018**. Many thanks to our hard-working promoters and generous members.

Pilgrimage to Rome & Giovanni will take place in Easter 2019 (Last remaining seats) with Papal Ceremonies in Saint Peter's Square in Rome for the 7 nights Ex Dublin €995 pps. Payments can be made in instalments. For further information, contact James Treacy on +353 86 0572216.

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.