DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK Sunday 15th July 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 £1,938 Loose Plate £417 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: Kevin Maginn, Sue Martin, Maureen Simpson, Month's Mind: Pat Watterson, Conac Hanna,

Anniv: Canon Archibald Molloy, Fr. Felix Scullin, Fr. George Whyte, Mgr. Dean Murphy, Sean Tumelty, Jim Tumelty, John Forsythe, Samuel Quinn, Raymond Lennon, Lily Vance, Hugh Rice, Kitty & Jim Dornan, Tom Halfpenny, Ciaran Murphy, Samuel Cleland, Daniel Smyth, Susannah Norton, Margaret Magorrian,

Joan Mills, Annie Deegan,

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. Brigid's, Sat, 14th July, 7pm: 1st Anniversary: Ciara McCullough St. Patrick's, Mon, 16th July, 7:30pm: Joseph O'Toole

St. Patrick's, Wed, 18th July, 7.30pm: Month's Mind: Pat Watterson Month's Mind: Conac Hanna – Anniv: John Forsythe, Dermot Blaney,

St. Patrick's, Sat, 21st July, 5.30pm: 1st Anniversary: Kevin Hanna

St. Brigid's, Sat, 21st July, 7pm: 1st Anniversary: Cecily Carson

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues this Monday Evening 16th July 2018 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!

Please note: There will not be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during July and August.

Apostolic Work – Thank you: The Apostolic Work would like to thank all those who supported the coffee morning at the Lakeside Inn. The amount raised was £1,200. – The Church door collection raised £1,654. – We Thank you all for your generosity & Support for Missionaries who work in the developing world.

Parish Shop: We have just extended the range of prayer-cards and medals available at the parish shop. We now have prayer-cards for 50 additional saints and medals for 12. We have a little bit of organising to do but these will be available in the shop at the weekend. Call in and have a look or PM us if you have a specific saint you are looking for.

WMOF Update: As part of the WMOF, Pope Francis will meet couples preparing for marriage or who have celebrated the sacrament of Marriage (within the last twelve months), at an event, in Pro-Cathedral, Dublin at 3:30pm on Saturday 25th August.

If any such couples in our parish wish to attend this event, they are asked to contact the Diocesan Office (Tel. 02890776185), by noon on Monday 16th July. As places are very limited, the first 24 names received will be nominated by the Diocesan Office. The couples selected by the National Team to attend the event will be contacted directly by the National Office.

GDPR / DATA PROTECTION: Eucharistic Ministers, Readers of the Word, Offertory Procession: As you are aware, there are new guidelines in place since May 25th in relation to Data Protection. Under the guidelines, we need to ask our volunteers whether or not they consent to their image being broadcast via the webcam during Mass and any other events in the church where they participate in their volunteer role.

If you are agreeable to having your image broadcast via the webcam – you don't need to do anything. However, if you would like to 'opt out' and do not want your image broadcast, please contact the Parish Office to inform us of your decision. 44612084. This only applies to St. Patrick's Church.

Patrician Youth Centre & St. Colmcille's Youth Club Summer Programmes

Patrician Youth Centre – Monday 2nd July – Friday 31st July: The Summer Programme starts on Monday 2nd July. Sessions for children aged 4-7 years will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10am – 12 noon for three weeks. Afternoon sessions for children and young people aged 8 years and upwards will take place Monday – Friday 1pm – 4pm for three weeks until Friday 20th July. 'Teen Club' will take place four evenings weekly for four weeks. Full programme details of onsite programme and out of hours' trips are available from the Youth Centre.

St. Colmcille's Youth Club: Monday 2nd July – Friday 20th July. 'Summer Time Fun' begins at St. Colmcille's Youth Club on Monday 2nd July at Ballymote Sports and Wellbeing Centre – 12 noon – 3pm. On site programme and out of club trips – age 7 years upwards. Teenage 'Out of Club' trips twice weekly for year 8+.

For further information contact the Patrician Youth Centre or call into Ballymote Sports & wellbeing Centre during programme hours.

Thank You: Many thanks to those who came on the Parish bus to the Prolife Rally On Saturday 7th July. Thanks also to those who made their own way to Stormont on the day.

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

World Meeting Of Familes: If you booked several seats using one name on the bus to the Papal Mass in Dublin, please contact the parish office as soon as possible and let us know who will be travelling in your group – tickets will be allocated in individuals names. The bus is now full, however we are compiling a wait list in the event that someone cancels – contact Mary or James at 02844612084 to register for the wait list.

Saints for The Family: The latest in the series of books written by Fr. Murray. This book focuses on 'Family' and is particularly relevant, given the approach of the World Meeting of Families Event in Dublin in August. From the parents of Pope John Paul II to those of John the Baptist, from the horror of the Holocaust to the violence of the Contras in 1980s Nicaragua, the book demonstrates that a holy life can be and frequently is, one deeply enmeshed with social life. Copies available from the Parish Office or the Shop at St. Patrick's, £8.95 each.

Semper Fidelis Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes: They will ex Belfast International on Friday 2nd October for 5 nights. They will stay at Hotel Mediterrannee full board. Price £669 PPS. For more information contact Terry Andrews on 44831308 or 07879998559.

Downpatrick Parish Draw: The next draw will take place on **Thursday 26**th **July 2018 at 7pm**, in the Parochial House. Promoters' returns to be in **by 7pm**, **Sunday 22**nd **July 2018**.

Youth 2000: Catholic Summer Youth Festival – in Cistercian College, Mount St. Joseph Abbey, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary. August 16th -19th. A Weekend of Fun, Faith & friendship! Live Music, Prayer & Reconciliation, Inspiring talks and much much more! If you are aged 16-25 and would like to attend, contact us at office@youth2000.ie or call 0035316753690. If any young person wishes to attend, the parish will help with expenses. Contact us for more information.

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.

WMOF: Every Parish in Ireland is invited to send at least one Family to the Family event in Croke Park on Saturday 25th August. Parishioners can, of course, apply online to attend. However, if you would like to represent our Parish – and be guaranteed a ticket – give your family name and number of people in it to the Parish Office. We will then have a draw to see who will represent the Parish.

ALP'S Concert: Join 'All Lives are Precious' (ALP) once again for our voice of Hope, Celebration of Love, Life and Happiness to mark World Suicide Prevention Day on Sunday 9th September in St. Patrick's Church, Downpatrick, at 7:30pm – featuring Peter Corry – with special guests Donna Taggart – Matthew Campbell and Sarah McVeigh amongst others – additionally featuring an ensemble choir of over 200 children representative of our local primary schools. Tickets £15 – available now from the Parish Office – Flixx Graphics or by contacting Ronan Gilchrist on 07801481013.

SVP – Outing for Senior Citizens: Date: Thursday 16th August. Bus leaves Church Car Park at 10am, stopping at Strangford for Tea/Coffee before going to Portaferry for a tour of the Ards Peninsula, Stopping at - Harrison's of Greyabbey for Lunch. If you would like to go phone the Helpline on 44616557, leaving your name and phone number or speak to a SVP member.