DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK Sunday 29th 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 £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

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: Catherine Duignan, Anne Smyth, Frances Masters (England)

Month's Mind: Tommy McLaughlin, Sue Martin,

Anniv: Fr. Robert Denvir, Fr. James Cannon, Isobel Jamison, Philip Murphy, Brendan & Clare King, Mary & Patrick Coyle, Sadie Shields, John Traynor, Kathleen Morrison, Mary McCormick, Patrick Martin, Sheila Foley, Mary & Michael Hamill. Joey Trainor, James, Catherine & Rosena Keenan, Sheila McPoland, Gerry McDowell, Jennifer Roden, William Philips, Peggy Ornal, Joyce O'Reilly, Jennifer Roden, Elizabeth Stitt, James Mageean, Mary Mageean,

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, Sat, 28th July, 5:30pm: Anniv: Jennifer Roden

St. Brigid's, Sat, 28th, 7pm: Month's Mind: Tommy McLaughlin

St. Patrick's, Mon, 30th July 7:30pm: John Taylor, Kathleen Craig

St. Patrick's, Wed, 1st August, 7.30pm: Patrick Martin, Mary McAuley,

Sadie Shields, Frances Masters (England), Gerry McDowell,

St. Patrick's, Fri, 3rd Aug, 7:30pm: Month's Mind: Sue Martin, Brendan Wilson, Michael & Mary Hamill

St. Patrick's, Sat, 4th Aug, 5:30pm: Month's Mind: Kevin Maginn

St. Colmcille's, Sun, 5th Aug, 11am: 1st Anniversary: Nora Craig

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues this Monday Evening 30th 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.

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.

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 <u>Via request.</u> If you wish a recording to be made please inform the parish office.

Parish Finances 2017: The figures for the Parish Finances for 2017 plus Fr. Murray's commentary are available on the Parish website and the Parish App.

In the interests of the environment we will not be publishing any printed copies of the figures. However, if anyone requests a printed copy it will be supplied.

Phoenix Gas: There will be roadworks on Irish street on Sunday 29th July. Parking will be severely disrupted on that day. Please use the carpark at St. Patrick's Church to avoid congestion.

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

Invitation: You are invited to a talk called **Dispelling the darkness**, **Spreading the light of truth** <u>keeping abortion out of</u>

Northern Ireland with Fr. Shenan Boquet (USA), president of Human Life International. The event will take place on Saturday 4th

August in Malone Lodge Hotel, Eglington Ave, Belfast between 2–4pm. An informative and inspirational evening! Everyone Welcome!

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.

Downpatrick Parish Draw:

The July Parish draw took place on Thursday 26th July at 7pm; The winners were:

1. Ciaran, Conor & Fergal Blaney - (239) £1,000 2. Bishop Paul McAleenan - (296) £200

3. Shauna Harris – (420) £100 4. Sean Morgan – (548) £100 5. Tom Price – (937) £100

Promoter's Prize: Anne Blaney (£30).

Many thanks to our promoters and members. Congratulations to our winners.

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.

Belfast Anointing Fire: Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry and Down and Connor Charismatic team jointly invite you to the 'Belfast Anointing fire' 3 days Healing Retreat. It will run from 9am to 6pm on 13th, 14th & 15th August at St. Mary's Christian Brothers' Grammar School – 147a Glen Road, Belfast, BT11 8NR – Open to all – A registration fee of £5 per day (Separate session for children) – Lunch, Tea / Coffee and Snacks will be provided. The three day event covers Preaching – Confessions – Eucharistic Adoration – Holy Mass – Healing & Deliverance Prayers. For more information contact: Tomas – 07967620435 – Jose – 07725124415 – Colin – 07762150803 – Raju – 07903091734. All Welcome.

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

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.

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.