DOWNPATRICK PASTORAL AREA PARISH OF DOWNPATRICK Sunday 16th 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 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 £2,120 Loose Plate £702 Average Standing Order £190

St. Mary's High School:

Mercy Day Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 20th Separat 11am in St. Patrick's Church. Sr. Elizabeth's Months Mind will be incorporated in this Mass. All pupils, friends and parishioners are invited to attend.

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. Later in the Mass do your reading in the usual way.

Thank you.

Your Prayers Are Requested For:

Recently Deceased: Josephine Torney, Helen Reilly (Rochford & Ballydugan), Leo Wallace (saul), Vincent Hanna (Ballywarren Rd & Hereford)

Month's Mind: Thomas Campbell, Tommy Creaney, Roisin Rice

Anniv: Fr. Richard O'Hare, Fr. Edward Donnelly, Fr. Vincent McKinley, Canon-George Clenaghan, Betty Graham, Hugh McGorrian, Mary McGorrian, Brenda Bonner, Mary & Harry Blaney, Briege Logue, Alan Feenan, James & Frank

Leonard, Mary McKay, Joseph McKay, Bertha Gleland, Mary Quinn, Bill Oakes, Kathleen Laverty, Arnold Halloran, Pat McDonald, Tommy McComb, Sadie Fay,

May They Rest In Peace

Baptisms: We Welcome Charlie Magaley, Logan McCoubrey and Mason Wade 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, 15th Sept 5:30pm: Month's Mind: Thomas Campbell

St. Patrick's, Sun, 16th Sept, 9am: Anniversary: Jackie Walsh

St. Colmcille's, Sun, 16th Sept 11am: Month's Mind: Tommy Creaney

St. Patrick's, Sun, 16th Sept 12pm: Month's Mind: Roisin Rice

St. Patrick's, Mon, 17th Sept, 7.30pm; Maura Craig, John McDaid,

May & Harry Blaney, Matthew McKee,

St. Patrick's, Wed, 19th Sept, 7.30pm; Anne Johnston, Harry Sage,

St. Patrick's, Sat 22nd Sept, 5.30pm: Month's Mind: Ivan Hanna

St. Patrick's, Sun 23rd Sept, 12pm: 1st Anniversary: Noreen McKay

The Evening Of Mercy: Continues this Monday Evening 17th September in

St. Patrick's Church
6.30pm – 8:45pm.
6.30pm: Rosary,
7.30pm: Mass,
8.15pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet
8:30pm Benediction,

The Sacrament of the sick will be given during mass
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 <u>Via request.</u> If you wish a recording to be made please inform the parish office.

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

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

St. Joseph's Young Priest's Society: Meeting will be held in St. Michael's Parish centre on Wednesday 19th September, After 7:30pm Mass. New Members very welcome.

Recent Parish Expenses: 1. £13,500 – Replacement of fence and gates at the Patrician Youth Club. First time it has been replaced since the PYC began. **2.** Upgrading of PA system in St. Patrick's £7,184. **3.** Cleaning of drains and maintenance on the spire and tower at St. Patrick's £4,500. Thank you for your continued generosity towards the Parish.

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 for more information on how to order.

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!

WMOF Shop Figures: 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 22nd to Sunday 23rd September. For further information, contact Pauline McKenna in Ardglass Parish on 44842146. Or visit 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 or via phone get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Join our family!

Discovering Christ Course: Downpatrick Parish is pleased to offer a 7-week course called 'Discovering CHRIST' continuing on Tuesday evenings from 18th 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 xperienced 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. Even if you missed the first evening, it is not too late to join.

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. 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 or visit www.drumalis.co.uk

RGU: Winning Numbers: 02, 08, 09, 15 Jackpot not won. Eight people shared £100. Jackpot now £1,700.

Sisters of Mercy: The Sisters of Mercy would like to thank all those who supported 'The Hand Up' concert with Stephen Smyth at the St. Patrick's Centre. The amount raised was a fantastic £3,540! Special thanks to the sponsors 'Connolly's Food Store', 'Downe Travel', and 'French's Bistro'. Charles Mwanda sends his thanks from Zambia. The car wash business will directly benefit from you.

PFC/PC The next meeting of the Parish Finance Committee will be on Wednesday 19th September at 8:15pm in St. Patrick's Presbytery and of the Pastoral Council on Wednesday 26th September at 8:15pm.

Rosary Rally Sunday: 7th October: Bus leaves Castlewellan at 1:15pm, Bus at DPK Library at 1:30pm. Bus at Crossgar at 1:45. Bus £5. For more info, contact Sean 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'. ltis Free. You can also contact the parish by email at: 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 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.

'Come Follow Me': Children's Catechesis Training Day in Meeting Room of St. Nicholas Parish, Ardglass on Saturday 29th 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.

National Conference – Pro Life Campaign: Will take place on Saturday 6th October between 1pm–4:30pm at the RDS Concert Hall, Dublin. This is a seating capability conference and seating is limited. To avoid disappointment telephone 087 266 8702 or register online at: www.prolifecampaign.ie/main/conf2018

Faith and Life Convention: Bishop Treanor invites you to attend our fifth Faith and Life Convention on Saturday 29th September 2018 in Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock, Belfast. Doors open at 8.45am with registration taking place from 9:00am. The Convention begins at 10:00am. The Faith and Life Convention is a forum for people from across the diocese, and beyond, to gather together and to take part in a range of conversations about the meaning of faith and its relevance to every area of our lives. This year we are delighted to welcome Cardinal Cardinal Óscar Andrés Rodríguez Maradiaga, S.D.B. as our keynote speaker. In the afternoon each delegate will have the opportunity to take part in two workshops from a range of twenty seven. The workshops fill up quickly so it's best to book now! Perhaps the best part of the day is the pleasure of meeting up with a great crowd of committed people from all over the diocese and beyond. Online booking is available at: www.faithandlifeconvention.org Cost per delegate £20.00 We look forward to seeing you on 29th September,2018

NI Blood Transfusion Service: Will take place on Monday 24th September at Down Parish Hall, Church Street, Downpatrick. From 2:30pm–4pm & 5:15pm-8pm.