

## Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

### Parish Of Downpatrick

6<sup>th</sup> February 2022

#### Your Prayers Are Requested for:

**Recently Deceased:** Catherine Russell (Ballykinlar), Angela Murray, Jimmy Fitzsimmons, Sr. Deirdre O'Leary (Belfast), Gerald Walsh, Johnny Rowlands, Jim Heaney (Belfast) - Brother-in-law of Fr. Henry,

**Month's Mind:** Patrick (Paddy) Doyle, Rev. Deacon Paul McCormick, Malachy Wynn,

**Anniversaries:** Rita Quinn, Noel McGrady, Matthew Fleming, Malachy McGrady, Mary Igo, Alexander Overend, Joseph Blaney Snr, Elizabeth Irwin, Eithne McCartan, Charles Moss, Mary Rice, Gretta McDonald, Sean McShane, Gretta Hampton,

*May They Rest In Peace*

**Baptisms:** Baptism can be booked by contacting Mary on 02844612084 Mon – Thurs 9.15am – 2.30pm. A maximum of ten people can attend Baptisms, this includes parents and sponsors.

**Weekly Collection:** Offertory £525 Loose Plate £286, Direct Debits £1710 Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Mass Intentions St. Patrick's @7.30pm:**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February: Month's Mind:** Rev. Deacon Paul McCormick,

**Anniv:** Jean Kearney, George & Hugh Trainor, Cabrini Curran, Margaret & Barney Trainor, Patsy McDonald,

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February: Anniv:** Rita Quinn

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February: Month's Mind:** Malachy Wynn,

**Anniv:** Paul Turley, Oliver McMullan,

**Adoration:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, will take place every Friday from 11.00am to 7:30pm (Mass time)

*If there is a funeral Mass on a Friday these times will be modified and parishioners will be informed*

**Marriage Course:** A Marriage Preparation course is planned for 9/10 April 2022 in The Drummond Hotel, Ballykelly, Co. Derry. This 2-day non-residential course. Information/ Booking: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie) or 028276 38512

**Confession in St. Patrick's have resumed as follows:**

**Monday's 6.45pm – 7.20pm**

**Wednesday 3pm – 4pm**

**Friday 3pm – 4pm**

**Saturday 12 Noon – 1pm**

*Confessions are held in the Transept, near the shrine to Our Lady. Please use the wipes provided to sanitise the kneeler/chair before you leave*

**'The GIFT':** Is a 'Hybrid' course the Parish is offering – Hybrid meaning that you can attend either in person at St. Patrick's or by logging onto the webcam at [www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com](http://www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com) at 7.30pm, because of copyright issues we will broadcast live on facebook from approx. 7.35pm The Gift programme (not to be confused with the young people's Gift programme) is for anyone who wishes to deepen their faith, grow in prayer, come to know the person of the Holy Spirit, become more open to the Spirit's Gifts. Starting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, for one hour, 7.30pm – 8.30pm – You can attend online through the parish webcam or you can attend in the church itself. – Six sessions to help you deepen your faith and come into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

**New System:** We now have a new system for donating to the parish. There are two bar codes on display in the Church porch – one for donations and another for weekly offertory envelopes. Simply use your camera or QR Code App to scan the bar code and follow the instructions. The donation button is also available via our website – [www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com](http://www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com) We sincerely appreciate your ongoing support at this time. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

**Reader Rota:** The new rota is in the porch at St. Patrick's, please, if you cannot read on your allocated day/time, try to ensure that a fellow reader can cover you.

**Masses in St. Brigid's & St. Colmcille's:**

The Next Mass in St. Brigid's will be on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. This Mass is fully booked

The next Mass in St. Colmcille's will be on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 11am. Booking is required for this Mass.

**150 Years! The Church of St. Patrick was formally blessed and consecrated in 1872. The Transept was added in 1993. To celebrate this historic event in our parish, there will be a NOVENA in honor of St. Patrick from March 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> 2022.**

A provisional timetable is laid out below.

Unfortunately, because of ongoing restrictions, at the moment we are limited to 140 people in St. Patrick's. If you wish to attend, please contact the Parish Office on 02844612084 to book your place/s  
**PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL OR LEAVE VOICEMAIL BOOKINGS AS WE CANNOT RESPOND TO THESE.**

**Timetable:**

**March 8<sup>th</sup>** Sisters of St. Clare 7:30pm

**March 9<sup>th</sup>:** The Ecumenical Aspect Rev Henry Hull 7:30pm

**March 10<sup>th</sup>** 'Jesus Heals' Koinonia John the Baptist 7:30pm

**March 11<sup>th</sup>:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament including parish groups and parishioners from 11am to 7:15pm with Benediction at 6:45.

**March 12<sup>th</sup>** Confessions throughout the day.

**March 13<sup>th</sup>** Mass celebrated by Bishop Treanor 12pm.

**March 14<sup>th</sup>** 'Slemish Day' – a day of prayer and fasting in imitation of Patrick. followed by Mass at 7.30pm Celebrant: Bishop Paul McAleenan

**March 15<sup>th</sup>** Mass celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin (Armagh) 7:30pm

**March 16<sup>th</sup>** to be confirmed – Mass 7:30pm

**Additional Information:**

- A. The normal 9:30am Mass (10am Saturday) will take place during these days.
- B. The Schools hope to be involved during the day. This will be confirmed after their midterm break.
- C. A prayer card for the Novena will be distributed from March 1<sup>st</sup>  
More details nearer the time

**New Parish App:** The Parish app is being updated. Just go to your App store and download the PARISH 365 app. When this is done type in DOWNPATRICK and you will be taken to the new app format. All content from the old app is still there. Enjoy!

**The Parish Bulletin** is available online at [www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com](http://www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com) or if you would like a paper copy, please call to the Parish office

**Readings for the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of The Year**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of The Year (C)**

**February 6<sup>th</sup>:** Isaiah 6: 1-8,

Psalm 137: 1-5,

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Luke 5: 1-11

**February 7<sup>th</sup> Feast of St. Mel**

1 Kings 8: 22-23, 27-30

Mark 6: 53-56

**February 8<sup>th</sup> 1 Kings 8: 22-23, 27-30**

Mark 7: 1-13

**February 9<sup>th</sup>: 1 kings 10: 1-10**

Mark 7: 14-23

**February 10<sup>th</sup> Feast of St. Scholastica, Sister of St. Benedict**

1 Kings 11: 4-13

Mark 7: 24-30

**February 11<sup>th</sup> Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**

1 Kings 11: 29-32, 12-19

Mark 7: 31-37

Readings for Our Lady of Lourdes:

Isaiah 66:10-14

John 2: 1-11

**February 12<sup>th</sup>:**

1 Kings 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34

Mark 8: 1-10