

## Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

### Parish Of Downpatrick

Bulletin for 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

#### Your Prayers Are Requested for:

**Recently Deceased:** Mark Laverty, Helen Hayes,

**Anniversaries:** Danny O'Flynn, Barney Bogues, Arthur Overend, Kathleen Overend, Patrick McGorrian, Annie Feenan, Muiread Cunningham, William & Margaret Denvir, Patrick Burns, Annie O'Reilly, Vincent Quinn, Paddy & Mary McKee,

#### **We Remember Our Diocesan Clergy:**

Fr. John Sloan, Fr. James A Sherlock, Canon Daniel Gogarty, Msgr. Dean Gerard Montague, Fr. Gerard Laverty,

*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 £1062, Loose Plate £172, Direct Debits £1760 (Sept) Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Mass Intentions St. Patrick's:**

**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7.30pm:** Anniv: Kathleen Overend, Arthur Overend, John James McAuley, Annie O'Reilly,

**Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7.30pm:** Anniv: Gertie Hanna, Cahal Deegan, Charles Duggan,

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 7.30pm:** Teresa Lavery, James McKinney, Pauline Vance

**Confessions:** Confessions: Wednesday & Friday 3pm -4pm. Saturday 12 Noon to 1pm.

**November Dead Lists** are available in the Church porch. Once returned, all envelopes are opened and offerings removed, the intentions are ALL placed before the Altar and remembered during the entire month of November at all the Masses. Please return

to the Parish Office or place in the designated area in St. Patrick's.

#### **EXPENSES IN THE PARISH**

The Parish wish to thank, sincerely, parishioners for their continued support during this difficult time. During the last 20 months, routine and extraordinary (i.e. remedial & repair) maintenance has continued in the parish. The total cost is approx. £55,000

Without going into exact figures for each item, here are the main areas which have been addressed:

Ground works, Gutter cleaning, footpath maintenance, safety rail installation, drainpipe repairs,

- Internal painting of St. Patrick's Church
- External painting of St. Brigid's Church
- Replacement of porch carpet in St. Patrick's Porch
- Cleaning of carpets in St. Patrick's (steam/wash)
- Carpark marking St Patrick's
- Grasscutting and Maintenance for all churches and houses
- Repairs to bell at St Patrick's
- Installation of new modern webcam
- Roof Repairs St Colmcille's
- Replacement lights in various churches
- Repair of Stained glass window at St. Malachy's
- Repairs to interior of St. Malachy's Church (ongoing)
- Resurface car park St. Malachy's

As you can see, a lot of work has been carried out. The parish wishes to thank the various groups/individuals involved in this essential work - painters, builders, plumbers heating and lighting engineers etc.

Thank you to one and all

*Fr. John Murray*

#### **SVP APPEAL**

Firstly a word of thanks to all of you who throughout the pandemic have generously supported the work of the Conference in Downpatrick, both through your prayers and donations. Christmas and the colder time of year is fast approaching when the poorest and most deprived in our community feel their hardest need. Sadly we are still restricted, on

account of the pandemic, in how we can collect funds for the Society but hopefully soon we will have a designated box in the church for any donations. In the meantime there will be envelopes available from the Parish office and at the SVP shops in the Ballymote Centre and Irish Street if you wish to contribute and please remember if you are a taxpayer we can recover 25p of every £1 of your donation from HMRC if you use the Gift Aid envelope. Alternatively donations can be made online via [www.svp.ie](http://www.svp.ie) and you can choose during the process to donate specifically to the Downpatrick area if you wish. By whatever means, your help is greatly appreciated and every £1 donated makes a difference! Thank you for your support and you remain in our prayers.

**St. Colmcille's Church:** We hope to hold a monthly Mass in St. Colmcille's Church starting in October. The first Mass would be at 11am on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October. In line with the current guidelines, places are limited to 34. If you would like to attend, please contact Mary on 02844612084.

**Adoration:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays 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*

**READER & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER ROTA is available in the church porch or a copy can be collected from the Parish Office. If you cannot attend on the day allocated to you, please contact one of the other reading team if possible to swap with them.**

*Readers – please note: a copy of the readings can be obtained from the Sacristy in the days before you are due to read. Please sanitise microphone and stand with the wipes provided*

#### Weekday Readers:

**Mon:** J. Lavery

**Tues:** B. Gribben

**Wed:** J. Lavery

**Thurs:** K. Hanna

**Fri:** B. Turley

**Sat:** M. McGlogan & E. Darragh

**The Parish Bulletin** is available to view via [www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com](http://www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com) website, on our facebook page – Downpatrick Parish, via the Parish App (available to download from your Apple/Google store) and also there's a link just below the webcam at [churchmedia.tv](http://churchmedia.tv) if you cannot access any of these sites, please call to the Parish Office where we will be happy to print off a copy of the bulletin for you.

**Downpatrick Pro Life** in conjunction with other Pro Life Groups across N. Ireland are holding a "Life Chain" on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 from 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Market Street Downpatrick (outside Danske Bank). Please join us to remember the (more than)1556 babies killed by abortion in N. Ireland since legislation was imposed on N.I by the Westminster Government. The theme for this year is, "Every child deserves a Birth Day". Show your support for LIFE by joining with us for all or part of the time.

#### **Readings for Oct 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**

##### **Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the year (B)**

##### **Feast of St. Ignatius of Antioch**

Isaiah 53:10-11

Psalms 32: 4-5, 18-20

Hebrews 4: 14-16

Mark 10: 35-45

##### **Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Feast of St. Luke**

2 Timothy 4: 10-17

Luke 10: 1-9

##### **Oct 19<sup>th</sup>**

Romans 5: 12, 15 17-21

Luke 12: 35-38

##### **Oct 20<sup>th</sup>**

Romans 6: 12-18

Luke 12: 39-48

##### **Oct 21<sup>st</sup>**

Romans 6: 19-23

Luke 12: 49-53

##### **Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> St. John Paul II**

Romans 7: 18-25

Luke 12: 54-59

##### **Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> St. John Capistrano**

Romans 8: 1-11

Luke 13: 1-9