

## Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

### Parish Of Downpatrick

17<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### Your Prayers Are Requested for:

**Recently Deceased:** Seamus Holland, Maureen McKinney, Patrick Denvir, Patrick Teggart,

**Month's Mind:** John McKenna, Sammy McCoubrey,

**Anniversaries:** Daniel Smyth,

**Baptisms:** Baptism can be booked in person only by contacting Mary at the Parish Office Mon – Thurs 9.15am – 2.30pm.

**Weekly Collection:** Offertory £1,561 Loose Plate £155 Direct Debits £1690, Thank you for your generosity.

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

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>:** John Forsythe, Patricia Rhodes

**Wed 20<sup>th</sup>:** Month's Mind: Sammy McCoubrey,  
Anniv: Catherine Duignan,

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Month's Mind: John McKenna  
1<sup>st</sup> Anniv: Patrick Branniff,  
Anniv: Muriel & David Burns,

**Confessions:** Confessions will take place on Monday 6:45pm – 7:20pm, Friday at 3pm to 4pm and on Saturday at 12pm to 1pm.

**Parish of Bright Ordination Mission:** The Reverend John O'Laverty will be Ordained to the Priesthood for the Diocese of Down & Connor in St Patrick's Church, Legamaddy, on Sunday 31st July. It is customary to have a Mission in the parish as a spiritual preparation for the Ordination of a priest. A Mission will take place over three evenings, beginning on Wednesday 20th July in St Joseph's Church, Killough, moving to Our Lady, Star of the Sea Church, Rossglass on Thursday 21st July, and concluding in St Patrick's Church, Legamaddy on Friday 22nd July, where Rev John will be Ordained to the Priesthood. The three evenings will be directed by Father Michael Donnelly (Missionaries of the Most Holy Eucharist), from 7.00pm-9.00pm. The themes for the three evenings are: Wednesday 20th July, talk on 'The Healing Power of the Eucharist and the Word of God', followed by individual Eucharistic Blessing; Thursday 21st July, after a talk on 'The Holy Mass', Fr Michael will then offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; Friday 22nd July, talk on 'Eucharistic Witness' followed by individual Eucharistic Blessing. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the three evenings. Everyone from our neighbouring parishes is warmly welcome to attend!

**Adoration on Fridays:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, on Friday's will resume in September.

**Tea & Toast:** Tea & Toast has stopped for the Summer and will resume in September.

**St. Colmcille's / St. Brigid's** The Masses are as follows: July... St. Colmcille's July 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at 11am. **St. Malachy's July 31<sup>st</sup> at 10am.**

**Fountain Foodbank:** have resumed the collection of food in St. Patrick's Church. A trolley and boxes labelled Fountain Food Bank will be in the porches of the Church before the 5.30pm Mass on Saturdays and will remain there until after the 12 noon Mass on Sundays. Donated items must be tinned foods, or dry foods. In these difficult economic times, the need for the foodbank is greater than ever. Your outstanding generosity in the past has enabled us to support the members of our community needing help. We appreciate sincerely your ongoing support and commitment to the foodbank – to date they are distributing 25 parcels per week, this is twice the number they distributed before Covid. This year, so far, 2000 parcels have been distributed in Downpatrick and surrounding areas. All those who receive the parcels are extremely thankful.

**Legion of Mary Annual pilgrimage to Knock Shrine:** will take place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The cost of the bus is £17 and is non-refundable with payment in full before departure. The price does not include food & drinks; each pilgrim/visitor can buy these separately. Pick up points: Castlewellan Chapel 6:30am, Downpatrick Library 6:45am, Crossgar Chapel 7am sharp. Everyone welcome. Please contact the trip organiser Sean McAlea (Ardglass 07504041526) or Colette (Downpatrick 07732610247) to make a booking.

**RGU Lotto.** This week's lotto numbers were: 4-6-12-25. Six tickets matched three numbers. Next week's jackpot is £4100. PLAY ONLINE USING

**Novena Talks:** Please listen again to the Novena talks (March 8th to 16th ) which will appear on the Parish Facebook Page. The Transcripts of the talks are also on the parish App.

**Blood Transfusion Service** will take place on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August at the South Eastern Regional College (Downpatrick Market Street campus) between 12:30pm to 4pm & 5pm to 7:30pm.

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is a four-day catholic event run by young people for young people from across Ireland. The event is free to everyone 18 to 35. It takes place at Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare between 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August. There are free buses around the Country, updates will appear on their website. Come and listen to some amazing speakers giving workshops on your favourite topics. Meet other young Catholics on fire with the faith or simply be refreshed and inspired. For more information visit [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or search their social media 'youth 2000 Ireland'.

### Readings for Ordinary Time:

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July (16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the year) (Year C)**

Genesis 18: 1-10

Psalm 14: 2-5

Colossians 1: 24 – 28

Luke 10: 38 – 42

**Mon 18<sup>th</sup>**

Micah 6: 1-4, 6-8

Matthew 12: 38-42

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>**

Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20

Matthew 12: 46-50

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Jeremiah 1: 1,4-10

Matthew 13: 1-9

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>**

Jeremiah 2: 1-3, 7-8, 12-13

Matthew 13: 10-17

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feast of St. Mary Magdalen**

Jeremiah 3: 14-17 & Matthew 13: 18-23 (Day) Or  
Song of Songs 3: 1-4 & John 20: 1-2, 11-18 (Saint)

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feast of St. Bridget of Sweeden**

Jeremiah 7: 1-11 & Matthew 13: 24-30 (Day) Or  
Galations 2: 19-20 & John 15: 1-8 (Saint)

### Down and Connor Diocesan Appointments for 2022

Very Rev Timothy Bartlett to be PP St Mary's, Belfast, Very Rev Conor McGrath to be PP St Colmcille's, Belfast and, in addition, Director of Vocations, Very Rev Eugene O'Neill to be PP St Patrick's, Belfast, Very Rev Michael Spence to be PP Holy Family, Belfast

**Parish Priests/Adm Very Rev Vincent Cushnahan to be PP St Vincent de Paul, Belfast. Very Rev Patrick Devlin to be PP Hannahstown. Very Rev Anthony Fitzsimons to be PP Carnlough and PP Glenarm (Tickmacreevan) Very Rev Raymond McCullagh to be PP St Agnes, Belfast and Vicar Forane (West Belfast Pastoral Community) Very Rev Michael McGinnity to be PP Ballymena (Kirkinriola) and Vicar Forane (Ballymena Pastoral Community) Very Rev Thomas McGlynn to be PP St Malachy's, Belfast. Very Rev Kevin McGuckien to be PP Coleraine, PP Portrush & Bushmills and PP Portstewart and Vicar Forane (North Connor Pastoral Community) Very Rev Paul Strain to be PP Glenravel and The Braid (Skerry)**

Assistant Priests (Curates) Rev Joe Davis to be CC Ballymena. Rev Paul Morely to be CC St Bernadette's and CC Holy Rosary, Belfast. Rev Robert Sloan to be CC Holy Family, Belfast.

**Hospital Chaplaincy Very Rev Darach MacGiolla Catháin to be Chaplain to Royal Victoria Hospital and Belfast Trust residing at Derriaghy.**

Retirements Very Rev Msgr Patrick Delargy to be Pastor Emeritus and to assist as Priest in partial ministry and resident in Portrush. Very Rev Austin McGirr to be Pastor Emeritus and take a period of sabbatical leave. Very Rev Dermot McKay to be Pastor Emeritus and to assist as Priest in partial ministry and resident in Ballinlea.

**Further Studies Rev Andrew Black to continue post-graduate studies at the Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome. Rev John O'Lavery to continue post-graduate studies at the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome.**

Diocesan Cathedral Chapter In addition to the above diocesan appointments, Bishop Noël Treanor appoint the following clergy as Canons of the Cathedral Chapter: Cathedral Chapter of Down and Connor Very Rev Brian Daly, Ballycastle (Ramoan) Very Rev Sean Emerson, Antrim. Very Rev Robert Fleck, Dundrum & Tyrella. Very Rev John Forsythe, Randalstown. Very Rev Sean Gilmore, Lower Mourne. Very Rev Joseph Gunn, Bangor. Very Rev Colm McBride, Glenavy & Killead. Very Rev Denis McKinlay, Castlewellan (Kilmegan) Very Rev Patrick McWilliams, Duneane (Moneyglass, Toome & Cargin) Very Rev John Murray, Downpatrick. Very Rev Edward O'Donnell, St Bridgid's, Belfast. Very Rev Hugh Joe O'Hagan, Ahoghill