

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parish Of Downpatrick

11th September 2022



Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Sean Savage,

Month's Mind: Geraldine Gordon,

Anniversaries: Mark McKee, Leo Wallace, Margaret Tracey, Thomas Kelly, Brenda Bonnar, Isobel Jamison, Molly Walsh, Gerard Walker, Helen Hayes, Helena Philips, Jackie Walsh, Maura Craig, Irene Cochrane, Veronica McKinney, Helen Reilly, Vera Marron, Pat McDonald,

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

Weekly Collection: Offertory £1,840 Loose Plate £130 Direct Debits £1685, Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions St. Patrick's @7.30pm:

Mon 12th Sept: Anniv: Brian Kearney, Josephine Torney, Mark McKee, Mary Ritchie,

Wed 14th Sept: Anniv: Fiona Turley, Gerard Walker, Agnes Wylie,

Fri 16th Sept: Month's Mind: Geraldine Gordon
Anniv: Jackie Walsh, Maura Craig,

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

Adoration on Fridays: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, resumed on Friday 9th September. It will continue every Friday at 11am. If there is a wedding or funeral, you will be notified.

Tea & Toast: Tea & Toast resumed on Friday 9th September. It will continue every Friday After 9:30am Mass.

St. Colmcille's / St. Brigid's/ St. Malachy's

The Masses are as follows: September...

St. Brigid's September 10th at 7pm,

St. Colmcille's Sept.. 11th and 18th at 11am.

St. Malachy's: Sept. 18th and 25th at 10am.

Diocesan Adoration Committee will speak at vigil Mass on 24.09.2022 and at Sunday Masses on 25.09.2022. The Committee will talk about the 'power of an hour' in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and will be encouraging all of us to spend some time at Adoration. Adoration re-commences in St. Patrick's this Friday 9th September at 11am.

Prayer For Ukraine: The Bishops of Europe have asked us to pray for the Ukraine. Accordingly, in our parish, there will be Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament on Wed 14th September from 11am to 7.

Calling all cantors/singers at funerals and weddings! You are invited to attend a practical seminar on the music for funerals (September 13th) and for weddings (October 25th) from 7.30 – 9.00 pm in St. Patrick's Church Downpatrick. The seminar will be free and will offer practical help and direction for choosing the right liturgical music and settings for these occasions. There will also be some guidance for cantors who assist at the weekly parish masses. The seminar will be directed mainly by Malachy McKeever of the diocesan liturgical commission with a short introduction also from Fr. John Murray,

If you require further information, please email us - downpatrick@downandconnor.org

SHALOM WORLD present 'Jesus Heals' evening on Monday 3rd October at 7pm to 8:30pm. Mass, Adoration, prayer for healing. (Parishioners – please note earlier time of Mass) Celebrant to be arranged.

Installation of the New Canons: This will take place in St. Peter's Cathedral on Sunday 18th September at 3pm. There are a limited number of guest places available for each Canon – if you would like to attend, please let the Parish office know - 02844612084

Pastoral Council Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 14th September at 8:15pm, in the Parochial House.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Tuesday 11th October for 7 nights. £645 per person sharing. €154 extra for single room. Return flights from Dublin. 7 nights accommodation. To book a place, ring 02844 830242 or email fraidanpc@gmail.com

Beginning Experience: The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (September 24, October 29 and November 26.) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

Rev. Rosalind Taggart: we Welcome Rev. Rosalind, who is the new Minister of the Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church (bottom of Stream Street). She replaces Rev. David Speers. Fr. Murray attended Rev Taggart's installation on Saturday on behalf of the local Catholic Community.

The Men for Christ Conference: A Catholic conference for Men will be Live & Exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland on Saturday 17th September from 2pm. Speakers for this year's conference are Fr. Jamie Twohig, John Pridmore, David Quinn and Fr. Marius O'Reilly.

Trócaire are looking for people to join our team of Christmas fundraisers to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world, especially the millions of people affected by the hunger crisis in East Africa. You can take action and make a difference through a range of activities, including the promotion of our Gifts of Love – training and support will be provided. If you would like to find out more about what you can do to help now or over the Advent and Christmas period, then please email Mark McMahon at info@trocaire.org or call 02890908030

Pathways – Adult Faith Development Programme

Two-year, part-time course, now enrolling for 2022-2023 intake Have you ever thought about exploring your faith... or wished that you could broaden your understanding of your faith? Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues

and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to life? If the answer is “yes”, then Pathways may be for you. The course runs one Saturday per month (10 am – 4:30 pm) from October to June, either in-house at Drumalis, Larne or online via Zoom. To register for Pathways, please contact Drumalis during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) – 028 28276455/28272196 or email maura@drumalis.co.uk for further information.

Readings for Ordinary Time:

24th Sunday of The Year (C)

Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14 Psalm 50:3-4,12-13,17,19
1 Timothy 1: 12-17 Luke 15: 1-32 (Shorter 15: 1-10)

Mon 12th Sept – Feast the Most Holy Name of Mary

1 Corinthians 11: 17-26, 33 Luke 7: 1-10

Tues 13th Sept – Feast of Saint John Chrysostom

1 Corinthians 12: 12-14, 27-31 Luke 7: 11-17

Wed 14th Sept, Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Numbers 21: 4-9 or Philippians 2: 6-11 John 3: 13-17

Thurs 15th Sept – Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 John 19: 25-27 or Luke 2: 33-35

Fri 16th Sept – Feast of Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian

1 Corinthians 15: 12-20, Luke 8: 1-3

Sat 17th Sept

1 Corinthians 15: 35-37, 42-49 Luke 8: 4-15