

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parish Of Downpatrick

28th August 2022

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Patrick Quinn, Anne Boyd, Alice Rodgers

Recently Deceased Other Parishes: Margaret Flynn (Darragh Cross),

Month's Mind: Darren Laverty,

Anniversaries: Sr. Mairead, Sr. Dorothy, Annie McKee, McConvey Family, David Williams, Maura Williams, John Williams, Christopher McNally, James McVeigh, Letitia McVeigh, Marie Wilson, Maureen Laverty, Raymond Galbraith,

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

Weekly Collection: Offertory £1,066 Loose Plate £215 Direct Debits £1685, Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions St. Patrick's @7.30pm:

Mon 29th Aug: R.I.P: Patrick Quinn,
1st Anniv: Michael Cusack, **Anniv:** Jenny Cunliffe, Siobhan Smyth, Pat Vint,

Wed 31st August: Anniv: Mary Straney, Annie McKee, McConvey Family,

Fri 2nd Sep: Month's Mind: Darren Laverty,
Anniv: Christopher Casement, Mary Kelly,

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, on Fridays will resume on 9th September at 11am

Tea & Toast: Tea & Toast will resume on 9th September.

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

The Masses are as follows: August and September... **St. Brigid's** September 3rd and 10th at 7pm, **St. Colmcille's** September 11th and 18th at 11am. **St. Malachy's:** August 28th, September 18th and 25th at 10am.

Availability of priests: Occasionally during the summer, the priests of our parish have been covering Masses in neighbouring parishes. Accordingly, it will not be possible for the foreseeable future to return to pre-covid parish Mass schedule. **If a priest in a neighbouring parish takes ill or has to go off, we will cover this, but it may mean a change in our own Parish Mass Schedule. We will always endeavour to let you know this in good time.**

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 PP (DOWNPATRICK).

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

Mary's Meals: A representative from the charity Mary's Meals will speak at all Masses this weekend (27th/28th Aug) about their life-changing work of feeding children in some of the world's poorest countries with a daily meal at school. Envelopes will be available if you wish to support financially. Mary's Meals would also appreciate your prayers in support of their work. Prayer cards will be available after Mass. Further details our work can be found at www.marysmeals.org.uk or contact Caoimhe McCann on 07394564065.

HOLYLAND PILGRIMAGE 2023: Fr. Murray hopes to lead a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in May/June 2023. To register your interest, we ask that you email the parish: The Pilgrimage is now over subscribed and we are operating a wait list – if you would like to be added to the waitlist, please email downpatrick@downandconnor.org or contact Mary on 02844612084, once we have further details, costs, itinerary etc, we will email it to interested parties as we receive it.



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

RGU Lotto. This week's lotto numbers were 4-16-24-28. 7 tickets matched three numbers. Next week's jackpot is £4700. PLAY ONLINE USING THE LINK ON FACEBOOK.

St. Michaels Prayer Group meet from 2pm until 3pm every Thursday in Patrick's Place.

Parking: If you choose to park in front of the presbytery could we ask you to park at the kerb adjacent to the presbytery itself. This is to allow a free passage for the postman and other utility vans who enter by Folly Lane. Remember 'thoughtfulness' is one of the fruits of the Spirit (Gal 5:22).

PARISH OFFICE: Please note – The Parish Office is CLOSED on MONDAY 29th AUGUST. Re-opens Tuesday 30th August at 9.30am.

Croatian Families: We have a family from Croatia who have just moved into the parish – if you are from Croatia or know a Croatian family locally, please let us know and we can pass the details on for the families to meet up.

Readings for Ordinary Time:

22nd Sunday of The Year (C)

Ecclesiasticus 3: 19-21, 30-31

Psalm 67: 4-7, 10-11

Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24

Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Mon Aug 29th Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

Jeremiah 1: 17-19

Mark 6: 17-29

Tuesday 30th

1 Corinthians 2: 10-16

Luke 4: 31-37

Wednesday 31st

1 Corinthians 3: 1-9

Luke 4: 38-44

Thursday 1st September

1 Corinthians 3: 18-23

Luke 5: 33-39

Friday 2nd September

1 Corinthians 4: 1-5

Luke 5: 33-39

Sat 3rd Sept: Feast of St. Gregory the great Pope

2 Corinthians 4: 1-2, 5-7

Luke 22: 24-30

(Readings of the day) 1 Corinthians 4: 6-15

Luke 6: 1-5