

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parish Of Downpatrick

Bulletin for 24th October 2021

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Roddy Maguire, Sean Martin,

Month's Mind: John Donald, Stanley McShane, Anne Martin, Tom Connor,

Anniversaries: Sr. Mary Columba, Sr. Mary Dymrna, Sr. Margaret Mary, Jane Cassidy, Raymond Burns, Etta Grant, James & Sarah Blaney, Winifred Oakes, Roisin McCann, Colette McEvoy, Geraldine Brady, Anna & Peter McMullan, Clare McDonald, Marie Madden,

We Remember Our Diocesan Clergy:

Fr. Patrick McAtamney, Fr. Arthur Haughey, Canon Hugh P Murphy, Fr. Austin P. McNabb,

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 £2045, Loose Plate £425, Direct Debits £1760 (Sept) Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions St. Patrick's:

Mon 25th Oct, 7.30pm: Month's Mind: John Donald, Month's Mind: Stanley McShane, Anniv: Oliver Lavery, Maurice Blaney, Remembering: Hannah Yates,

Wed 27th Oct, 7.30pm: 1st Anniv: Dessie Magorrian, Anniv: Bernard Croskery, Gerard & Colette Bryce, Geraldine Brady,

Friday 29th Oct 7.30pm: Month's Mind: Anne Martin, Anniv: Pat & Clare McDonald, Margaret Magorrian, Paddy O'Reilly, Oliver Burns, Isobella Bohill,

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.

Downpatrick Pro Life would like to advise parishioners that the Life Chain Event scheduled for Saturday 23rd October 2021 at 2pm in **Downpatrick has been cancelled.** There will however instead be a Rally for Life Chain event in Belfast at the City Hall on Saturday 23rd October 2021 from 2pm. This has been organized by Precious Life and they have requested all Pro Life Groups and supporters across Northern Ireland to attend this major event instead of local rallies. We apologize for any disappointment but hope as many as possible will attend this event in Belfast to support the Pro Life Cause.

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 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: There will be a Mass in St. Colmcille's this Sunday. The first Mass will be at 11am on Sunday 24th October. In line with the current guidelines, places are limited to 34. If you would like to attend, please contact Mary by Friday 22nd October 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 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 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.

RGU: This week's lotto numbers were: 3-4-5-7. Jackpot of £2000 WON. Three people matched three numbers. Next week's jackpot is £1500. Play online using the link on Facebook.

Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre: Loss and

Blessings: November is a special time when we remember loved ones who have died. Covid-19 has seen the loss of so many loved ones, and often without the ability to say farewell in a meaningful way. This day of prayer; reflection and symbols, will be a chance to take time aside; to reflect upon the memory of those who have gone before us, and to give thanks for those who have touched our lives. You are welcome to bring a picture or memento of the person you are remembering. Limited numbers are still in place, so early booking is advised. **Saturday 13th November 2021. 10.30am – 4.00pm Cost: £25 (to include tea/coffee and light lunch) For booking contact us at secretary@tobarmhuirecrossgar.com or by telephone, 02844830242.**

Readings for Oct 24th to 30th

Oct 24th 30th Sunday of the year (B)

Mission Sunday

Jeremiah 31: 7-9

Psalm 125

Hebrews 5: 1-6

Mark 10: 46-52

Oct 25th

Romans 8: 12-17

Luke 13: 10-17

Oct 26th

Romans 8: 18-25

Luke 13: 18-21

Oct 27th

Romans 8: 26-30

Luke 13: 22-30

Oct 28th Feast St^s Simon & Jude

Ephesians 2:19-22

Luke 6: 12-19

Oct 29th

Romans 9: 1-5

Luke 14: 1-6

Oct 30th

Romans 11: 1-2, 11-12, 25-29

Luke 14: 1, 7-11