

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parish Of Downpatrick

30th January 2022

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Tommy Carberry, Jim Botsford, Rosie Holland (Teconnaught), Loretta Magee (Newcastle), Carol Cowan (Castlewellan),

Month's Mind: Aidan Hennedy

Anniversaries: John Doris, Aidan Vaughan, Brendan Rice, Paddy Feenan, Miriam Quinn, Kathleen Quinn, Joe Blaney, Gwen, Dermie & Mickey Fitzsimmons, Gerard Cunningham, Eileen Kelly, June Cogger, Willie Byrne, Anne Marie Smyth, Raymond Hazard,
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 £925 Loose Plate £25.00 Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions St. Patrick's @7.30pm:

Monday 31st Jan: Anniv: Vera Coyle, Jimmy Shields, Mickey O'Hare

Wednesday 2nd February: Anniv: Brendan Rice, Malachy Craig, William & Brigid McKeown, Karen McQuoid, Deaglan Moran,

Friday 4th February: Month's Mind: Patrick (Paddy) Doyle

Anniv: Dermie, Gwen, Joe Neville, Leslie Mickey & Caroline Fitzsimmons, Mary & Noel Gracey, Neill O'Hare, John Clarke, Don Deegan,

Adoration: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, will take place every Friday 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

Marriage Course: A Marriage Preparation course is planned for 9/10 April 2022 in The Drummond Hotel, Ballykelly, Co. Derry. This 2-day non-residential course. Information/ Booking: www.marriageencounter.ie or 028276 38512

Confession in St. Patrick's will resume as follows:

Saturdays from January 29th 12 Noon – 1pm
Confessions will also be available on Monday 31st January 6.45pm – 7.50pm

Additional times will be added in the coming days, please see the parish bulletin for details. The confessional stand is situated in the transept (extension) side of the church – please sanitise the kneeler/pew after you have been to Confession.

'The GIFT': Is a 'Hybrid' course the Parish is offering – Hybrid meaning that you can attend either in person at St. Patrick's or by logging onto the webcam at www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com at 7.30pm, because of copyright issues we will broadcast live on facebook from approx. 7.35pm The Gift programme (not to be confused with the young people's Gift programme) is for anyone who wishes to deepen their faith, grow in prayer, come to know the person of the Holy Spirit, become more open to the Spirit's Gifts. Starting on Tuesday 8th February, for one hour, 7.30pm – 8.30pm – You can attend online through the parish webcam or you can attend in the church itself. – Six sessions to help you deepen your faith and come into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

New System: We now have a new system for donating to the parish. There are two bar codes on display in the Church porch – one for donations and another for weekly offertory envelopes. Simply use your camera or QR Code App to scan the bar code and follow the instructions. The donation button is also available via our website – www.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com We sincerely appreciate your ongoing support at this time. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

"Patrick Kavanagh – A Poet for Spring" with Sr Una Agnew SSL PhD: hosted by Drumalis via Zoom from 11:00 am – 12:15 pm (2, 9 & 16 March 2022) "As we embark on the season of spring, we celebrate in poetry the way Kavanagh senses the stirrings of his soul as the earth comes alive in Spring. His liturgy of the seasons enhances his poetic pilgrimage from Monaghan to the Grand Canal." (Úna Agnew SSL) Suggested Donation: £30 per person. For further details or to book a place, please contact Drumalis during office hours (Mon-Fri,

9am – 5 pm) – 028 28272196/28276455 or email drumalis@btconnect.com

Masses in St. Brigid's & St. Colmcille's:

The next Mass in St. Brigid's will be on Saturday 5th February at 7pm. – This Mass is now fully booked.

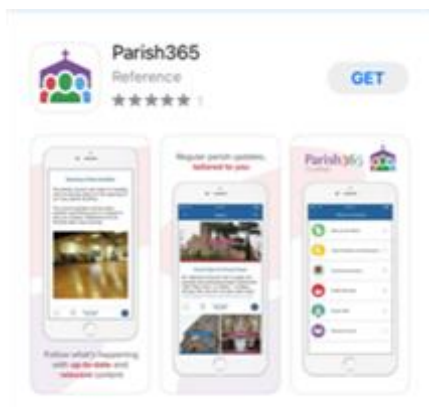
The next Mass in St. Colmcille's will be on Sunday 20th February at 11am. Booking is required for this Mass. Apologies for the confusion over the January Masses.

St Mary's High School: We are delighted to inform Parishioners that St. Mary's have won the prestigious 'The Spirit of Catholic Education Award' with distinction. The school has been recognized and praised by the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service for their outstanding commitment to partnership and community outreach. The award recognizes the importance that the school places on the holistic development of the students in terms of their academic, emotional and spiritual wellbeing. Congratulations to Mrs. Wylie, Head of RE and to all the Staff, Pupils and Parents for their hard work and support!

The Parish Bulletin is available online at www.stpatricksdownpatrick.com or if you would like a paper copy, please call to the Parish office

New Parish App:

The Parish app is being updated. Just go to your App store and download the PARISH 365 app. When this is done type in DOWNPATRICK and you will be taken to the new app format. All content from the old app is still there. Enjoy!



Readings for the 4th Week of The Year

4th Sunday of The Year (C)

January 30th: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Psalms 70:1-6, 15,17,

1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Luke 4:21-30

January 31st Feast of St. John Bosco

2 Samuel 15:13-14,3; 16:5-13

Mark 5:1-20

Readings for St John Bosco: Philippians 4:4-9

Matthew 18:1-5

February 1st Feast of St Brigid

2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19:3

Mark 5: 1-20

Readings for St. Brigid:

Romans 12: 3-13

Mark 3: 31-35

February 2nd: Feast of the Purification of Our Lord

Malachi 3:1-4, Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40

February 3rd Feast of St Blaise

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12

Mark 6:7-13

February 4th

Ecclesiasticus 47: 2-11

Mark 6:14-29

February 5th:

Feast of St Agatha

1 Kings 3: 4-13

Mark 6:30-34



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