

## Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

### Parish Of Downpatrick

7<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### Your Prayers Are Requested for:

**Recently Deceased:** Theresa McArdle (Belfast),

**Month's Mind:** Kieron Smyth, Mark Lavery,

**Anniversaries:** Mary Jennings, Sarah Savage, Danie Gilmore Snr, Tommy Savage, Stephen Hanna, Harry Kinsella, Nan Henedy, Joe Gordon Snr, Joseph Kelly, Paddy Trainor, John Trainor, Louis Curran, Catherine Curran Helen Curran Pat McMullan, Pat McArdle,

*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 £1830, Loose Plate £145, Direct Debits £1755 (Oct) Thank you for your generosity.

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

**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Anniv: Paul Mageean,

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Nov: Month's Mind:** Kieron Smyth, **Anniv:** Perpetual McAloon, Anna Denvir, Patricia Smyth,

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov: Month's Mind:** Mark Lavery, **Anniv:** Pat & Clare Perry,

**Confessions:** Confessions: Wednesday & Friday 3pm -4pm. Saturday 12 Noon to 1pm.

**St. Colmcille's Church:** There will be a Mass in St. Colmcille's on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 11am – it is essential that you contact the office to book a place. (In line with the current guidelines, places are limited to 34) If you would like to attend, please contact Mary 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.**

#### **Weekday Readers:**

**Mon:** J. Lavery

**Tues:** B. Gribben

**Wed:** J. Lavery

**Thurs:** K. Hanna

**Fri:** B. Turley

**Sat:** M. McGlogan & E. Darragh

**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.

**During the MONTH OF NOVEMBER 30 Masses** will be offered for the happy repose of all the faithful departed and all those whose names are on the Parish November Dead lists – which sit in front of the Altar for the month.

**The Annual Bereavement Mass** for all those who died in the Parish during the year will be held on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Because of the current restrictions and the limited capacity in St. Patrick's, the Mass will NOT be open to the public, but will be streamed live via our website and facebook page.

**Service of Thanksgiving:** A service to mark the contribution of keyworkers to the life of our community will take place in Down Parish Church (St Margaret's) on Sunday 21st November at 3.30pm The service will involve civic representatives, leaders from the local churches and those who played a role in the vital work of services such as healthcare, education and essential retail through the pandemic and especially during the various lockdowns. You are warmly invited to attend.

**Irish Bishops Pilgrimage:** To pastorally support everyone who has suffered the pain of bereavement during the pandemic, and in the context of the month of November as the traditional time when we remember our dead, on **next Sunday, 14 November at 3.00pm**, the Bishops of Ireland will undertake a pilgrimage to the International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock. The bishops will concelebrate Mass for all those who have died in our country during the pandemic, and for their families. At the Mass the bishops will also offer prayers of thanksgiving for all those who so selflessly sacrificed so much during the pandemic. This Mass will be live-streamed on [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie) and broadcast on the RTÉ News Now digital television channel and online. The bishops invite everyone to join with them in prayer on this solemn occasion.

**St. Patrick's Lighting:** The ceiling lights in St. Patrick's Church will be replaced soon with LED lights – these should be longer lasting and are more economical in terms of electricity use. Installation of these lights will provisionally take place from Nov 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> and may involve some minor disruption. Masses will take place as normal during this period.

**Trocaire:** There will be a special collection held next weekend, 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> November. The crisis in East Africa is worsening, affecting over 30 million vulnerable babies, children men & women. The scale of the hunger crisis is unprecedented. Yet with the world's focus on local issues and concerns and resources for humanitarian response spread more thinly than ever, the plight of those in East Africa remains largely hidden. Trocaire Teams are responding and on the ground ready to provide more life-saving assistance in East Africa and in other countries similarly affected, but they need our support, now more than ever. Any donation you can give will help with this work. Donations can be given to the clergy, the Parish office, placed in the collection boxes in St. Patrick's or online at [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

**Disposal of Masks:** Please ensure that you take your mask home with you and dispose of it correctly. Please DO NOT throw in church grounds or leave behind on a seat in the Church. We would appreciate your co-operation with this, as in recent weeks we have had to dispose of masks found both on the grounds and in the church.

**Good Morning Down;** - a free caring/befriending telephone service, will hold their AGM on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December. The meeting will take place via Zoom, login details are available by contacting Linda Baker – [linda@goodmorningdown.co.uk](mailto:linda@goodmorningdown.co.uk) or calling 02844613434. Everyone is Welcome! We are keen to recruit new volunteers to our Management Committee; we also have volunteering opportunities in administration, fundraising, accounting and our telephone service. If you are interested, please contact Linda for more information.

### Readings for Nov 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of The Year

1 Kings 17:10-16

Psalm 145: 7-10

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

#### Nov 8<sup>th</sup>

Wisdom 1:1-7

Luke 17:1-6

#### Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ezechiel 47:1-2,8-9,12,

1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17,

John 2:13-22

#### Nov 10<sup>th</sup>

##### Feast of Pope Leo I

Ecclesiasticus 39: 6-10

Matthew 16:13-19

#### Nov 11<sup>th</sup> Feast of St Martin Of Tours

Wisdom 7: 22-8:1

Luke 17:20 -25

#### Nov 12<sup>th</sup> St. Josaphat

Wisdom 13:1-9

Luke 17:26-37

#### Nov 13<sup>th</sup>

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9

Luke 18: 1-8