

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parish Of Downpatrick

Bulletin for 31st October 2021

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Michael Downey, Bernadette Feenan, Francie Davey (Newcastle),

Month's Mind: Raymond Kearney, Paddy Coyle, Tom Connor, Adrian (Eddie) Hinc,

Anniversaries: John McCann, Betty Murphy, Maisie & Gerry Stratton, Catherine & Patrick Rooney (Dromara), Annie Coughlan, Brigid Byrne, Joseph Savage, Dessie Magorrian, Jim Ferguson, Bridie Rooney, Kathleen Miley, Betsy Vance, Seamus Smyth, Frances Henney, Bernadette Smyth, Rosaleen Halloran, James Laverty,

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 £1558.50, Loose Plate £147, Direct Debits £1755 (Oct) Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions St. Patrick's @7.30pm:

Mon 1st Nov : Month's Mind: Raymond Kearney, **Anniv:** John McCann, Mabel Denvir,

Wed 3rd Nov: Month's Mind: Paddy Coyle,

Fri 5th Nov: Month's Mind: Adrian (Eddie) Hinc, **Anniv:** Agatha Smyth, Patsy Kearney, Michael McMullan, Pamela McDowell, May Mount,

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.

St. Colmcille's Church: There will be a Mass in St. Colmcille's on Sunday 21st 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

Mass for All Saints: Monday 1st November in St. Patrick's, 9.30am and 7.30pm.

Mass for All Souls : Tuesday 2nd November at 9.30am and 7.30pm

NOVEMBER - Month of the Holy Souls.

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer up their sacrifice for their deceased family members and friends. You can do likewise.

Please consider taking the **Short-Term Pledge for November** and say the Prayer daily:

"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November". Thank You

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.

Carer required under Direct Payments scheme for a 24 year old man who has cerebral palsy, is very chatty, and is a wheelchair user. Wednesdays 8.30am-4pm. £12 per hour. Carer must be physically fit as will be taking client out for walks during the day. Please contact his mother Charlotte Fitzgerald 07826813000 / fitzgeraldc8@aol.com.

Listed Places of Worship: The Parish are pleased to inform Parishioners that we have received a grant from this scheme for work at Ballykilbeg – the amount received is £2720 which was the VAT paid by the parish for the project.

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 9th – 11th and may involve some minor disruption. Masses will take place as normal during this period.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office is Closed on Monday 1st November because of the Holy Day. Office Re-opens, Tuesday 2nd November at 9.15am

Readings for Oct 31st – Nov 6th

Oct 31st – 31st Sunday of The Year

Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Psalm 17:2 -4, 47, 51
Hebrews 7:23-8
Mark 12:28-34

Nov 1st: All Saints

Apocalypse 7 :2 -4, 9-14
Psalm 24: 1-6
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5: 1-12

Nov 2nd: All Souls

Wisdom 3: 1-9
Psalm 23
Romans 5: 5-11
Mark 15: 33-9, 16: 1-6

Nov 3rd Feast of St. Malachy (Patron Saint of The Diocese) also St. Martin De Porres

Reading of the Day
Romans 13: 8-10
Luke 14: 25 – 33

Nov 4th St. Charles Borromeo

Romans 14: 7-12
Luke 15: 1- 10

Nov 5th

Romans 15: 14-21
Luke 16: 1-8

Nov 6th

Feast of the Saints of Ireland
Ecclesiasticus 44: 1-15
Luke 6: 17-23