

Downpatrick Pastoral Area

Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 29th October 2023



Your prayers are requested for:

Recently Deceased: Richard Orr, Josephine Hanna

Anniversaries: Sr. Margaret Mary, Sr. Mary Dymrna, Stephen Hanna, Desy Magorrian, James McCrissican, Frances Henney, Anna McMullan, Marie Mullan, Betsy Vance, Thomas Morgan, Patrick Burns, Joseph Savage, Brigid Byrne, Sarah Magee, Anna & Peter McMullan,

Weekly Collection: Offertory £1,879 Loose Plate £345, Direct Debits £1880. Thank you for your generosity

Mass Intentions, St. Patrick's @ 7:30pm:

Mon: 30th Oct: Anniv: Margaret Magorrian, John McCann, Paddy O'Reilly, Angela Steele, Pauline Vance,

Fri 3rd Nov: Anniv: Pamela McDowell,

Confessions this week: St. Patrick's Mon 6:45pm, Fri 3pm-4pm, Sat 12pm-1pm.

'Light the Fire': Dana, the winner of the Eurovision song contest in 1970 will be present at the evening of Mercy on Monday 6th November. She will share her own story of faith as well as sing the hymns she wrote 'Our Lady of Knock' and 'Light the Fire' (the new hymn dedicated to St. Patrick).

Parish Mass Schedule for October / November 2023:

Date	Church	Time
Sat 28 th	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 29 th	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 29 th	St. Colmcille's	10am
Tue 31st St. Patrick's 7:30pm Vigil Feast of All Saints Day		
Wed 1st Nov St. Patrick's 9:30am Feast of All Saints Day		
Wed 1st Nov St. Colmcille's 10am Feast of All Saints Day		
Wed 1st Nov St. Patrick's 7:30pm Feast of All Saints Day		
Thur 2nd Nov St. Patrick's 9:30am Feast of All Souls Day		
Thur 2nd Nov St. Patrick's 7:30pm Feast of All Souls Day		
Sat 4 th Nov	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 4 th Nov	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 5 th Nov	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 5 th Nov	St. Malachy's	10am
Sat 11 th	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 12 th	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 12 th	St. Colmcille's	10am
Sat 18 th	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 18 th	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 19 th	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 19 th	St. Malachy's	10am
Sat 25 th	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 26 th	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 26 th	St. Colmcille's	10am

Anyone who visits a cemetery on All Souls Day and prays for the Pope's intentions (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory) can obtain a plenary indulgence for the souls in purgatory.

'Evening of Mercy': 30th Sunday OT – Monday 30th Oct

6:45pm Confessions
 7:00pm Rosary
 7:30pm Mass
 8:10pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Prayer for healing of addictions.
 8:40pm Benediction,
 All welcome for all or even part of the evening.

EACH ONE OF US HAS A PART TO PLAY IN BUILDING THE CHURCH OF TODAY AND TOMORROW IN DOWN AND CONNOR. WE ARE GOD'S CHURCH. MAY WE WORK WITH OUR CLERGY AND WITH EACH OTHER TO MAKE OUR FAITH COMMUNITIES VIBRANT, WELCOMING, AND JOYFUL.



PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE
 DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR



November Dead Lists are now available at the back of the church. Once completed, please return to the Church, All envelopes are opened, offerings removed and ALL intentions are placed before the Altar to be prayed for at Masses during the month of November.



Cistercian Vocation Weekend: The Cistercian monks at Our Lady of Bethlehem Abbey, Portlengone, invite men who are between the ages of 18 and 50 and who may feel a call to the monastic life, to come and share a weekend of prayer and discernment at the Abbey, 3rd - 5th November. For further details please contact the Vocation Promotor Fr Aelred oco on 02825 821211, or via email frmagee@yahoo.co.uk



Period of Prayer Friday 3rd November: Parishioners are encouraged to come to St. Patrick's anytime between 12pm and 4pm for quiet prayer before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. There will be directed prayer between 3pm and 4pm with the Divine Mercy chaplet at 3pm and rosary and prayers for peace during the hour.

Pathways to the Future Prayer: God of Love, You are with us in every transition and change. As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents, and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. We ask this in your Holy Name. Amen.

Downpatrick Parish Draw Results

The first Parish Draw since 2020 and the final draw took place in the Parochial House on Thursday, 26th October, In the presence of quite a few promoters. The prizes were all as follows:

No.	Name	Prize
777	Noelle McKenzie	£5,000
826	Brian Traynor	£2,000
818	Margaret McCormick	£1,000
339	Pat Brannigan	£1,000
1050	Danny Doherty	£200
842	Leslie Rea	£200
525	Marian McCurry	£100
1185	Aodhan Bardon	£1,000
347	Patricia McKenna	£200
1093	Maria Blaney	£200
659	Suzanne Trainor	£100
697	Teresa Denvir	£1,000
927	Ben Murray	£200
469	Brigid Skeffington	£200
263	Thomas & Lisa Gibney	£100
659	Suzanne Trainor	£1,000
508	Fiona, Andrew & Sean O'Grady	£200
224	M & J Lavery	£200
697	Teresa Denvir	£100
625	Margaret Nolan	£1,000
414	Kevin Maguire	£200
539	Barry Kelly	£200
1118	John Cassidy	£100

In addition 9 promoters' prizes of £30 were distributed. We wish to take this opportunity to thank all of our hard-working promoters for making the draw a success and our members over the past number of years for their generous contributions. Bankers' order members who have over subscribed will be reimbursed by cheque for the amounts overpaid. Again, we offer our apologies for the delay in having this last draw, owing to the covid pandemic.