

Parish Notices

30th May 2021

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Marie Lou Mullan, Anthony Martin,

Month's Mind: Jim Connolly, Olga McGreevy,

Anniversaries: David Doran, Bridie Rice, Paddy Rice, Mary Rea, Lily O'Flynn, Agnes Donnelly,

We Remember Our Diocesan Clergy:

May They Rest In Peace

Baptisms: We Welcome Ellie Rogan & Theo De Rooij, into our parish family. 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 £2260.50, Loose Plate £327.50, Our Sincere Thanks to everyone who contributed to the collections over the last week.

Mass Intentions:

Monday 31st, 7.30pm: Month's Mind: Olga McGreevy, Anniv: Assumpta Taggart, Baby Olivia Cullen, Anna Murphy, David Doran,

Wednesday 2nd June, 7.30pm: Month's Mind: Stanley Michael Edgar, **Anniv:** Tommy Vance,

Friday 4th June, 7.30pm: Anniv: Geraldine Keenan, Bella & Frank Ritchie, Vicenta Samuel,

Society of St Vincent de Paul : The Society of St Vincent de Paul urgently needs volunteers with time to spare to work in the shop in Irish Street. If you could spare a few hours each week please ring Pat on 02844614194.

Cemetery Sunday:

Will be in St. Patrick's Church again this year on Sunday 4th July at 5pm (**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**) – the service will be open to the public, places need to be booked in advance by contacting the Parish Office, Tel: 02844612084

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 31st.

St. Brigid's Church: Mass will be celebrated once a month in St. Brigid's from Saturday 5th June. Mass will be at 7pm and those wishing to attend will REQUIRE A TICKET. Numbers are **STRICTLY LIMITED to 40** because of the current regulations and the maximum amount of tickets for any one family will be two. This is to try and allow as many people as possible to attend the Mass. Please follow the instructions given by the Stewards when you arrive at the church. Those wishing to book tickets for Saturday 5th June should contact Mary at 02844612084 from Tuesday 1st June – PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE A MESSAGE REQUESTING TICKETS, as there is no guarantee we will be able to help you, tickets can only be reserved by contacting the office and speaking directly to Mary.

ALL MASSES IN ST. PATRICK'S ARE NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. The Church will be closed immediately after each Mass and will open Monday – Saturday 1pm – 4pm and Sunday 2.30pm – 5.00pm for private prayer.

Exposition: On Fridays from 11am – 4pm.

Confessions: Tuesday 1st June 3pm-4pm, & Friday 4th 3pm -4pm. NO CONFESSIONS ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2nd.

PLEASE NOTE: There will not be an evening Mass on June 7th & 14th because of Parish Confirmation.

PLEASE WATCH OUR SOCIAL MEDIA SITES AND THE WEBCAM SITE FOR UPDATES ON MASSES ETC. The situation changes daily in order to facilitate funerals. We appreciate your understanding and patience.

Downpatrick Pro Life are having a collection for Stanton Health Care N.I. in St. Patrick's Church Downpatrick this weekend. We would like to ask for your support to collect much needed funds for Stanton Health Care. Stanton Health Care supports women facing an unexpected /crisis pregnancy, abortion vulnerable women and women experiencing trauma after abortion. They provide a full range of compassionate services and solutions to women for up to 2 years, in complete confidence and at no cost to the woman. **Donations can be placed in the marked box in the sanctuary area.** We greatly appreciate your support at this time when we are facing the greatest threat to the lives of unborn babies in Northern Ireland

The Parish Shop is open after Masses at the weekend or by contacting the parish office 02844612084 Mon -Thurs 9.30 – 2pm, we have a beautiful selection of Confirmation, First Communion, Baptism and Weddings Cards and Gifts at very competitive prices.

The Parish Bulletin is available to view via stpatricksdownpatrick.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

Unfortunately, because of the current guidelines, we are unable to leave any bulletins in the church, 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.

St. Malachy's Church: Join us for Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament in St. Malachy's Church, Ballykilbeg starting on June 6th (Corpus Christi) and continuing each Sunday in June from 7pm - 9pm. Anyone is welcome to attend, but we ask that you wear a mask and sanitise the area you sit in as you leave. Please remember to 'Social Distance'.

Rosary in May: Pope Francis invited us to pray a daily rosary during the month of May. Each day a different Marian Shrine – e.g., Knock, Lourdes, Fatima led the prayer. The last Rosary in May will be led by Pope Francis in the Vatican Gardens on Monday May 31st. Please join Paul McCormick (Our Deacon in training) as he leads the Rosary in St. Patrick's on Monday evening at 7pm.

RGU LOTTO: This week's lotto numbers were 9-17-21-24. There was no Jackpot winner. Two people matched three numbers. Next week's jackpot is £4800.

Readings for the week beginning May 30th:

Sunday 30th May: Trinity Sunday

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Psalm 32: 4-6, 9, 18-20

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

Mon May 31st Feast of The Visitation

Zephariah 3:14-18

Luke 1:39 -56

Tues June 1st St. Justin the Martyr (Week 9, Ordinary time)

2 Peter 3:11-15, 17-18

Mark 12: 13-17

Wed 2nd June:

2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12

Mark 12:18-27

Thurs 3rd June (St. Kevin)

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Mark 12:28-34

Fri 4th June St Charles Lwanga & Friends

2 Timothy 3: 10-17

Mark 12:35-37

Sat 5th June St. Boniface

2 Timothy 4:1 -8

Mark 12:38 -44

Viatres Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC have just launched, along with our partner agencies in Volunteering for Humanity, a new Online Discussion Forum that is open to all! The Forum is an online community that is free for everyone to join and to start discussions about volunteering - how to become a volunteer; to share stories and to find volunteering opportunities such as the #EUAVI. To learn more about the forum go to our website www.vcvolunteers.ie