

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parish Of Downpatrick

10th July 2022

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Seamus Holland, Maureen McKinney,

Anniversaries: Sr. Mary Bernadette, Tony McKee, Sean Tumelty, Jim Tumelty, Anastasia Smyth, John Fitzpatrick, Susannah Norton, Jack Foley, Patrick & Margaret Wildy, Susan Taggart, Joan Mills, Margaret McGrady, Robert Savage, Samuel Quinn,

Baptisms: Baptism can be booked in person only by contacting Mary at the Parish Office Mon – Thurs 9.15am – 2.30pm.

Weekly Collection: Offertory £1,647 Loose Plate £99, Direct Debits £1690, Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions St. Patrick's @7.30pm:

Wednesday 13th July: Month's Mind: Anne Stone
1st Anniv: Joe O'Reilly Anniv: Sean McQuoid,

Friday 15th July: Month's Mind: Seamus Rice,
Anniv: Philomena Curran,

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 12th July & Wednesday 13th July. The Parish Office will re-open on Thursday 14th July.

Confessions: Confessions will take place on Monday 6:45pm – 7:20pm, Friday at 3pm to 4pm and on Saturday at 12pm to 1pm.

Mass In St Malachy's Ballykilbeg: Fr. Murray will celebrate Mass in St. Malachy's on July 31st at 10am. After Mass he will be available and happy to answer any questions or queries parishioners may have in regard to the church and the parish.

Adoration on Fridays: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, on Friday's will resume in September.

Tea & Toast: Tea & Toast has stopped for the Summer and will resume in September.

St. Colmcille's / St. Brigid's The Masses are as follows: July... St. Brigid's July 9th 7pm, St. Colmcille's July 17th and 24th at 11am.

St. Malachy's July 31st at 10am.

Fountain Foodbank: have resumed the collection of food in St. Patrick's Church. A trolley and boxes labelled Fountain Food Bank will be in the porches of the Church before the 5.30pm Mass on Saturdays and will remain there until after the 12 noon Mass on Sundays. Donated items must be tinned foods, or dry foods. In these difficult economic times, the need for the foodbank is greater than ever. Your outstanding generosity in the past has enabled us to support the members of our community needing help. We appreciate sincerely your ongoing support and commitment to the foodbank – to date they are distributing 25 parcels per week, this is twice the number they distributed before Covid. This year, so far, 2000 parcels have been distributed in Downpatrick and surrounding areas. All those who receive the parcels are extremely thankful.

Legion of Mary Annual pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: will take place on Sunday 25th September 2022. The cost of the bus is £17 and is non-refundable with payment in full before departure. The price does not include food & drinks; each pilgrim/visitor can buy these separately. Pick up points: Castlewellan Chapel 6:30am, Downpatrick Library 6:45am, Crossgar Chapel 7am sharp. Everyone welcome. Please contact the trip organiser Sean McAlea (Ardglass 07504041526) or Colette (Downpatrick 07732610247) to make a booking.

Thank You: Dear Frs. John, Liam, Maurice and Parishioners, Greetings of peace and love to all of you. Thank you so very much for the tremendous welcome you gave me when I visited you in St Patrick's and St.Colmcille's. We are most grateful to you for your tremendous kindness and generosity. The brothers in Kenya and Uganda and the people among whom we work, will be thrilled to know of your great concern for them and your tremendous generosity. It will be a great boost to them in these hard times of Covid. We will be good guardians of the huge trust you have placed in us. We will use your resources wisely and efficiently. Every penny of your contribution will go directly to our missions. I know too that you will continue to remember all of us in prayer. As I mentioned to you, prayer is the backbone of our work and central to our lives. Situations arise when only a loving and caring God can help. I have little to offer in return for your tremendous kindness and generosity, except to let you know that you are remembered in the daily prayers of the brothers. You and your families are also remembered with a climb of Croagh Patrick, a pilgrimage to Clonmacnoise and a small fast. Again, to all of you, a million thanks for your tremendous kindness and generosity. May St Francis of Assisi bless and reward each one of you for your extraordinary kindness. And may Joy and Peace dwell in all your homes. Br. Brian Johnson OSF

Readings for Ordinary Time:

Sunday 10th July (15th Sunday of the year) (Year C)

Deuteronomy 30: 10-14

Psalm 68: 14, 17, 30,31, 33,34, 36,37

Alternative Psalm 18: 8-11

Colossians 1: 15-20

Luke 10: 25-37

Mon 11th Feast of St. Benedict, Abbot,

Proverbs 2: 1-9

Matthew 19: 27-29

Tuesday 12th

Isaiah 7: 1-9

Matthew 11: 20-24

Wednesday 13th Feast of St. Henry

Isaiah 10: 5-7, 13-16

Matthew 11: 25-27

Thursday 14th Feast of St. Camillus of Lellis

Isaiah 26: 7-9, 12, 16-19

Matthew 11: 28-30

Friday 15th Feast of St. Bonaventure, Bishop

Isaiah 38: 1-6, 21-22, 7-8 or Ephesians 3: 14-19

Matthew 12: 1-8 or Matthew 23: 8-12

Saturday 16th Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Micah 2: 1-5 or Zechariah 2: 14-17

Matthew 12: 14-21 or Matthew 12: 46-50

Novena Talks: Please listen again to the Novena talks (March 8th to 16th) which will appear on the Parish Facebook Page. The Transcripts of the talks are also on the parish App.



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