

ST PATRICK'S PARISH DOWNPATRICK

love God, love others, make disciples

SHARING VISION



We dream of St. Patrick's Parish as a welcoming community of missionary disciples, rooted in the Risen Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, sharing the Good News of God's love, peace, and joy with everyone, while serving those in need.



The mission of St. Patrick's Parish has been given to us by Jesus in the Great Commission - 'Go make disciples of all nations' (Mt 28:19-20) and inspired by St. Patrick's mission in Ireland - 'So, how is it that in Ireland, where they never had any knowledge of God, they are lately become a people of the Lord, and are called children of God' (Confession 41).

As the local expression of the universal Church, we will serve this mission through:

- ◆ inviting people to discover the God who loves them deeply and to give themselves to Jesus as missionary disciples.
- ◆ creating a community where each person receives formation in prayer and in discipleship and participates in vibrant liturgical celebrations.
- ◆ engaging every member to contribute to the life of the community, to parish ministries and to the wider world.