

Downpatrick Pastoral Area

Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024



**Your prayers are requested for:**

**Recently Deceased:** William McKeown,

**Recently Deceased other parishes:**

Gerard Jervis (Crossgar),

Dennis Prendergast (co. Kildare),

**Anniversaries:** Sr. M. Gerard Cosgrove, Eileen McShane, Tommy Vanve, David Linehan, Lily O'Flynn, Niall McNeill, Geraldine Keenan, Betty Smyth,

**Weekly Collection:** Offertory £1107, Loose Plate £670, Direct Debits £1971. Thank you for your generosity

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

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Anniv:** Rosaleen Correia, Tommy Vance, Bella & Frank Ritchie, Brian, Nora, Jerome & Maragaret Fitzsimmons, Marie Magee, Thomas Burns,

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June: Anniv:** Eileen McShane,

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup> June: Anniv:** Geraldine Keenan, Niall McNeill, Paddy & Gertie Teggart,

**Confessions St. Patrick's Church:**

Monday 6:45pm – 7:30pm

Friday 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Saturday 12Noon – 1:00pm

**Year of Prayer:** The Pope's intention for the month of June – For those fleeing their own countries – We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

**Readers of God's Word:** Rota available in sacristy. Readers are asked to collect the prayers of the faithful from the sacristy. Readers are now responsible for reading the prayers also.

Parish Mass Schedule for June 2024:

Date	Church	Time
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> June	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> June	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	St. Colmcille's	10am
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy's	10am
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	St. Colmcille's	10am
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	St. Malachy's	10am
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	St. Colmcille's	10am

The priests of the parish continue to cover the Parish of Strangford & Kilclief.

**'Evening of Mercy':** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

6:45pm Confessions,

7:00pm Rosary,

7:30pm Mass,

8:10pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

8:40pm Benediction, with litany of the Blessed Sacrament,

All welcome for all or even part of the evening.



The booklets are available at the church porches and the Novena will take place in St. Patrick's Church before the morning Mass (instead of the rosary) each day, starting this Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May and finishing on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Please take a copy and use at home or in the church at any time of the year.

**Car Parking at the front of the church:** The parking spots at the front of the church are reserved for BLUE BADGE Holders Only. If you have this badge please display it when you park there. Thank you.

**Trocaire:** The weight of water is a terrible burden to bear. But this Lent your caring and compassion are helping lift that weight from loving families like Malita's. Thank you.

Thank you for the pipes and taps that will soon save backbreaking labour and countless hours hauling water that's unsafe to drink. Thank you for solar-powered water systems and deep, sustainable boreholes that bring clean water to hardworking communities struggling with poverty and climate shocks. Thank you for agroecology training, and help keeping children like Malita's beloved twins, Patrick and Patricia, in school. Thank you for emergency food baskets, and climate-hardy seeds in farmer-run seed banks, with simple drip irrigation systems to nurture every sprout.

**One Day Pilgrimage** to Knock 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024, leaving St. Patrick's Church car park at 6:30am. For booking contact Mary 07895098189. Bus £30.

**Enrichment program:** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The Downpatrick Family of Parishes are offering a time of reflection and renewal for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The enrichment programme will be facilitated by Aishling Steen and Fr Paul Byrne from the Living Church Office. The programme has a blended approach of an online session followed by an in-person enrichment day. Thursday 13th June 7-8:30pm online via zoom Saturday 15th June in person 10:00am-3:30pm

Venue: Old School, Strangford Road, Dunsford BT30 7SP \*To book your place please contact the parish office or Aishling at [a.steen@downandconnor.org](mailto:a.steen@downandconnor.org) or telephone 02890690920

**St. Joseph's Young Priests Society** raised a total of £1207.80p during their recent coffee morning. Thank you to all who supported us through donations, buying raffle tickets and attending the coffee morning.

**Mother's Prayers** invite you to join them on Wednesday mornings from 9:30am – 11:30am as we pray for our children, grand children and all the children in our lives.

**Mary's Meals** acknowledge with thanks, the amount of £400 raised during Mother's Prayers recent coffee morning. Your donation will help provide nutritious daily meals in schools across the world.



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# THE MASS

*Explained*

**St. Patrick's Church**  
Mass 7:30pm  
Celebrant Fr. Stephen Quinn

**Saturday,  
15th June 2024**

#### **Cemetery Sunday Dates 2024:**

**Downpatrick:** Struell Cemetery on 7<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm

Killough Road Cemetery on 30<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm

**Kilclief:** St Malachy's Cemetery on 21<sup>st</sup> July at 3pm

**Saul & Ballee:** Ballycruttle Cemetery on 28<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm  
Saul Cemetery on 4<sup>th</sup> August at 3pm

**Bright:** St Joseph's Cemetery, Killough on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm  
Our Lady Star of the Sea Cemetery, Rossglass on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm – St Patrick's Cemetery, Legamaddy on 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 3pm

**Dunsford & Ardglass:** Ardglass Cemetery on 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 3pm – Dunsford Cemetery on 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 5pm

**Loughinisland:** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August - 11am Mass will be celebrated for all the deceased in both cemeteries.

Hopefully this celebration will take place outdoors in the New Cemetery. **The blessing of the graves** will take place at the end of that Mass. **Blessing of the graves in the Old Cemetery** will take place with prayers at 2:30 pm. For this celebration **please do not park along the Drumgooland Road**; please do use the parking facilities provided.

**Kilmore & Killyleagh** St Mary's Cemetery, Killyleagh on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm – Holy Family Cemetery, Teconnaught on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm