

Downpatrick Pastoral Area

Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024



**Your prayers are requested for:**

**Recently Deceased:** Rose Feenan, Colm Gorman - (Cumulus Heights & Newcastle),

**Other Parishes:** Marie McMullan (Kilclief), Janet Dickinson (England),

**Anniversaries:** Sadie Shields, Nan McStay, Patricia Rooney, Patrick Taggart, Patrick Joseph Taggart, Harry Craig, Oliver O'Hare, Frank & Sheila McPoland, Willie Philips & Kathleen Morrison, James Hennedy, Lily Quinn, Samuel Cleland, Kitty Magee, James Magee, Kathleen Trainor, Esther Rhodes,

**Weekly Collection:** Offertory £1945, Loose Plate £592, Direct Debits £1971. Thank you for your generosity

**Mass Intentions, St. Patrick's @ 7:30pm:**  
**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Aug: Recently Deceased:** Philip Moley,  
**Anniv:** Marie Lavery,  
**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> August: Anniv:** Nan McStay,  
**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> August: Anniv:** Rose Foley, James Magee, George Murphy,

**Confessions St. Patrick's Church**  
 Monday 6:45pm – 7:30pm  
 Friday 3:00pm – 4:00pm (St. Colmcille's)  
 Saturday 12Noon – 1:00pm

**Adoration** in St. Colmcille's each Friday during July & August from 3pm to 4pm. All Welcome!



Mass Schedule August 2024

Date	Church	Time
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	St. Malachy's	10am
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	St. Colmcille's	10am
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy's	10am
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	St. Brigid's	7pm
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	St. Colmcille's	10am
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	St. Patrick's	10:30am
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	St. Malachy's	10am

The priests of the parish continue to serve the parish of Strangford and Kilclief.

**'Evening of Mercy':** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024  
 6:45pm Confessions,  
 7:00pm Rosary,  
 7:30pm Mass, including Sacrament of the Sick,  
 8:10pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and time for quiet adoration,  
 8:40pm Benediction,  
 All welcome for all or even part of the evening.

**Welcome:** We welcome Finnan & Cora into our Parish family.

**'Hallow' App:** If you purchase 'Hallow' on a monthly basis it works out at 17p a day – far less than the cost of the 'Irish News' or a pint or a coffee. If you purchase for a whole year it will cost 12p a day. Once purchased you will receive a wonderful treasure of Catholic Prayer methods – 2000 years of wisdom. You will not regret it!



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**Readers Required:** We need readers for the vigil Mass. If you would like to volunteer please contact the parish office at 02844612084. So far no one has responded.

**Knock Novena Pilgrimage:** Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 19th August 2024 with different Novena speakers daily. £649.00 per person sharing. Price includes bus transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement on request. Contact Patricia on 07740 175557 or 087 1890 236 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

**Youth Initiatives "Awaken" Summer Scheme** is running at St. Colmcille's Church grounds on 5th-9th of August from 12:30-4:00PM. The 1-week youth programme is run by trained YI staff and volunteers for young people aged 10 to 14 (P7 to Year 10). The programme includes games, day trips, sports, arts and crafts, lots of fun, plenty of excitement and lots of creativity. AWAKEN Summer Scheme daily activities are free of charge excluding day trips and some activities. To register you can scan the QR Code, find the link on our website, or you can contact a staff member at 07713756809.



For more info go to [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

**Diocesan Job Opportunity:** An exciting opportunity has arisen for the recruitment of an Executive Support Officer, to join the Down and Connor Diocesan Trust team, based at 75 Somerton Road, Belfast, BT15 4DE. The Executive Support Officer will be required to provide a full portfolio of support to the Bishop of Down and Connor, Senior Clergy and the Management Team, by way of expert secretarial, clerical, administrative and diary management services. If you are an individual with excellent communication skills and the ability to deal with sensitive and confidential matters in a professional manner, then we see this as a unique opportunity for you to join the Down and Connor Diocesan Trust Team. The terms are based on a permanent appointment for 35 hours per week. Monday to Friday from 9.00am – 5.00pm; additional out of hours may be required from time to time. Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 15th August 2024. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies and on the Community NI and [www.nijobs.com](http://www.nijobs.com) websites,

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

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

**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.

**Liturgy Committee:** Please note that the Liturgy Count meeting for Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> will now take place on **Sept 4<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm in the presbytery. Anyone welcome as well as current members.

**SUMMER SINGING COURSE 2024:** 5 - 9 August 2024 St Dominic's Grammar School 135 Falls Road, Belfast, BT12 6AE This is a fantastic opportunity for young singers to up-skill their singing technique, as well as make new friends! We offer junior and senior classes for boys and girls (aged 8-17), as well as opportunities for mixed group singing. The week concludes with a final showcase in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. Email [cathedralmusic@downandconnor.org](mailto:cathedralmusic@downandconnor.org) for further information. Full fee £35, including refreshments.