



Downpatrick Family of Parishes

Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 18th May 2025



Your prayers are requested for

Recently Deceased: Sylvia Loughran (Belfast),

Anniversaries: Sr. Mary Teresa, Sr. Mary Aloysius, Sr. Mary Leontia, Pat Feenan, Marie Lou Mullan, Deirdre Robinson, Daniel Quinn, William McKeating, Sylvester Vaughan, Lily Connor, Tommy Stitt, Colette Park, Agnes Donnelly,

Weekly Collections:

Offertory £1386, DD £1900, Loose Plate £463.

Mass Intentions – St. Patrick's 7.30pm

Mon 19th May: Anniv: Joseph Hale, Colette Park, Agnes Donnelly,

Friday 23rd May: 1st Anniv: William McKeown, **Anniv:** William & Brigid McKeown, Tom McKeown, Seamus & Josephine Madine, Sean Deegan,

Mass Schedule May 2025		
Date	Church	Time
Sat 17 th May	St Patricks	5.30pm
Sun 18 th May	St Patrick's St Malachy's	10.30am 10.00am
Sat 24 th May	St Patrick's St Brigid's	5.30pm 7.00pm
Sun 25 th May	St Patrick's St Colmcilles	10.30am 10.00am

Canon John Murray: Extends his sincere thanks to all who have been praying for him, to those who have sent cards and letters and well wishes. Canon is out of hospital and recuperating and asks for your continued Prayerful support.

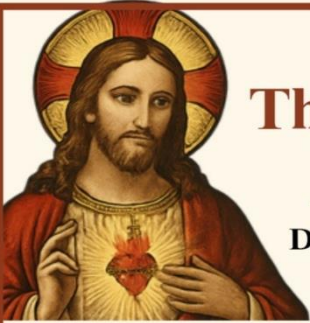
St. Joseph's young priests society are meeting in the Parochial House, Downpatrick on Wednesday 21st May at 2pm. New members always welcome.

Children's Liturgy: The Children's Liturgy Team will be at the main door only to sign up children age 4 to 9 for Sunday 18th May from 10:15am to 10:30am.

Day trip to knock on Tuesday 1st July. Price £35. For further information on bus pick up times, ring Mary 07895098189.

SVP Saul Conference day trip to Knock, Thursday 29th May. Price £40. Includes Breakfast on the way down and Dinner on the way back. Pick up at 7:00am sharp. For more information, contact: Marie 07801896229 or Caroline 07928346114.

Please note: The Legion of Mary pilgrimage to Knock has been cancelled.



Down & Connor

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Diocesan Devotions June 2025

<p>Friday, May 2nd to Friday, June 27th</p> <p>Sunday, June 1st</p> <p>Monday, June 2nd</p> <p>Tues, June 3rd to Wed, June 18th & Sat, June 28th to Mon, June 30th</p> <p>Thurs, June 19th to Fri, June 27th</p> <p>Friday, June 20th</p> <p>Sunday, June 22nd</p>	<p>NATIONAL NOVENA OF MASSES Fridays in May & June, in Cathedrals & churches across Ireland & on Shalom World Prayer Channel Live stream on www.sacredheartcrusade.ie (Led each Friday by Irish Bishops)</p> <p>SAUL SUNDAY Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine to St Patrick Reception of Pope Francis' Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue (Mass @3pm led by Bishop Alan McGuckian)</p> <p>SACRED HEART PROCESSION We gather 5.00 at St Patrick's Church Saul & process the Pilgrim Statue to St Patrick's Church Downpatrick for 7.30 Mass A prayerful evening stroll of 2.5miles (Led by local clergy)</p> <p>PILGRIM STATUE DOWN & CONNOR PARISH VISITS The Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue will travel through the diocese, preparing and promoting devotion (Mass, Prayer, Holy hours) (Led by local clergy)</p> <p>DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN SACRED HEART NOVENA Daily Mass and Novena from St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast (Led by Bishop Alan McGuckian and local clergy)</p> <p>VENERATION OF RELICS & NATIONAL NOVENA MASS The Relics of St.s Margaret Mary Alacoque & Claude la Colombiere visit St. Peter's Cathedral (Led by Bishop Alan McGuckian & local clergy)</p> <p>RE-CONSECRATION OF IRELAND TO THE SACRED HEART Statue goes to Knock Shrine for 22nd & returns D&C on 23rd (Led by Archbishop Eamon Martin)</p>
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SAUL SUNDAY: PILGRIMS OF HOPE 2025

Celebrating the 1500th anniversary of St Patrick's arrival here in 432AD, the Most Rev Dr Mageean, Bishop of Down & Connor cut the first sod for the monumental statue on Slieve Patrick in Saul. The works took 6 years and the first Pilgrimage took place on Sunday 12th June 1938 when people travelled from all over Ireland to attend. So, began the traditional annual pilgrimage, known as "Saul Sunday". **This year Bishop McGuckian will return to celebrate Mass at 3pm on 1st June.** He encourages us all to be 'Pilgrims of Hope', joining him at Saul to reflect on Patrick's legacy and welcome the 'Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue' blessed by Pope Francis to our diocese.