



Downpatrick Family of Parishes

Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 3rd August 2025



Your prayers are requested for

Recently Deceased: Pam Perry, Damian Feenan, Sheila McKee, Frank Hanna (Crossgar),

Months Mind: Patricia Reid, Evelyn Trainor,

Anniversaries: Saide Shields, Sheila Foley, Lily Quinn, Rose Feenan, Jackie Walsh, James Henedy, Patrick Taggart, Patrick Joseph Taggart, Harry Craig, Oliver O'Hare, Kathleen Trainor, Ester Rhodes, Nan McStay, Frank & Sheila McPoland,

Weekly Collections: Offertory £860, DD £2020, Loose Plate £400.

Mass Intentions – St. Patrick's 7.30pm

Mon 4th Aug: Anniv: Deceased members of McConvery Family, Patricia Josephine Rooney,

Wednesday 6th Month's Mind: Patricia Reid,
Anniv: Nan McStay,

Friday 8st Month's Mind: Paddy Haughian,

Please Note: 9:30am Morning Mass on Friday has resumed. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament has also resumed on Friday, from 1pm to 4pm.

Mass Schedule August 2025		
Date	Church	Time
Sat 2 nd Aug	St Patrick's	5.30pm
Sat 2 nd Aug	St Brigid's	7.00pm
Sun 3 rd	St Patrick's	10.30am
Sun 3 rd	St Colmcilles	10.00am
Sat 9 th	St Patricks	5.30pm
Sun 10 th	St Patrick's	10.30am
Sun 10 th	St Malachy's	10.00am
Thursday 14 th Aug (Vigil of the Assumption)	St Patricks	7.30pm
Fri 15 th Aug	St Patricks	9.30am
Fri 15 th Aug	St Brigid's	10.00am
Fri 15 th Aug	St Patricks	7.30pm
Sat 16 th	St Patrick's	5.30pm
Sat 16 th	St Brigid's	7.00pm
Sun 17 th	St Patricks	10.30am
Sun 17 th	St Colmcille's	10.00am

Downpatrick Parish Adoration 15th August:

Jesus called and sent out the seventy-two disciples in pairs and they came back amazed at what God had done (Luke 10:1-23). Now he calls each of us to join others in pairs and in larger groups to come together in prayerful adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. Starting after 9.30 Mass on Friday 15 August (Feast of the Assumption) in St Patrick's Church and ending with Benediction at 4pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3 pm and the Rosary said at 3.30 pm.

There are three main prayer intentions for the 24-Hour Adoration: For Peace in the world and specifically the Middle East and Ukraine. For Parish Renewal and for our upcoming Discovering Christ Course. For an increase in vocations to the Priesthood and to Religious Life. Adoration for the Summer ends after this Adoration session. We encourage as many Parishioners & Friends as possible to join us. Click on the Link below to register your commitment

<https://signup.zone/a7NW9y5GEMF3NrtYp>

Or contact the Parish Office 02844612084 and indicate your preferred time.

YI Summer Schemes: Youth Initiatives Summer Schemes are happening again this summer at two great locations here in Downpatrick for anyone 10-14 years old FREE of charge (except for trips). Message YI (dpk@youthinitiatives.com) . Week 1 was at Our Lady and St Patrick's - 21st -25th of July Week 2 is going to be at St. Colmcille's, 11-15th of August.

Parish Webcams: Downpatrick, Saul and Ballee, Strangford - The Webcams for these Parishes are Managed by Mary Cullen, at Downpatrick Parish Office, Families who would like a Requiem Mass or other event recorded should contact Mary directly, or for Funerals, speak to the undertaker, who will organise this for you. Itech Church Media supply the system, but are not responsible for arranging recordings etc - these requests **MUST** come through Mary @ 02844612084 or Amanda @ 02844612525.

Safeguarding: Our parish safeguarding information is on the posters at the back of every church, in Patrick's Place and in the Parochial House. If you have any concerns, suspicions or wish to make an allegation of child abuse contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Office Philip O'Hara, designated liaison person, 02890492798, Mob 07534992124 or email Philip.ohara@soddc.org

CAN YOU HELP US? We are currently looking for volunteers to help with the Parish Count. We would welcome anyone interested, whether you have been on a count team in the past or are new to the idea, we would really like to hear from you. The Count is carried out on a Rota basis, commitment is one count each fortnight and usually only for a couple of hours on a given morning. Interested? Contact Mary by email: downpatrick@downandconnor.org

Volunteer Driver Required: We have some older individuals who try to attend 9.30am Mass on a daily basis, however, transport can sometimes be an issue. If you attend the 9.30am Mass and would be interested in offering a lift to individuals who wish to attend Mass, please contact Mary Cullen on 02844612084 or email downpatrick@downandconnor.org

Legion of Mary: Annual Trip to Knock will take place on Sunday 28th September. The cost is £30, making the usual stops for breaks. First pick up is at the back of the Church in Newcastle at 6.15am, followed by Castlewellsan at 6.30am, Downpatrick at 6.45am, Crossgar 7:00am and Saintfield 7:15am. All pick ups will be at churches. Money to be put in envelope with name and telephone number and put in the priest's house. Or ring Colette on 07732610247.

Parish of Downpatrick: Quotes are invited for the Maintenance of Parish Grounds located at: 54 St Patrick's Avenue (Church & House Grounds) 23 Rathkeltair Road (Church & House grounds) 29 Killough Road (Church & House Grounds) St Malachy's Church, Ballykilbeg Road, Parish Cemetery, Killough Road. Quotes should include: Schedule and cost for Grass Cutting at each location Schedule and cost for weed control at each location Schedule and cost for hedge maintenance

Notes: Successful quotes will be asked to provide a copy of Public Liability insurance before any works can commence. Maintenance will run from March to October Annually and invoices will be paid on a monthly basis. Individuals wishing to submit a quote may do so by email - or in person to the Parish Office downpatrick@downandconnor.org for the attention of Mary Cullen Closing date for receipt of quotes is September 15 2025 at 2pm. We cannot accept communication via private message or Facebook Strictly email or by hand delivery/Post queries can be answered by contacting 02844612084

Light the Fire
August 3rd 2025 Hill of Slane

Dana **Archbishop Eamon Martin** **Deacon John Taaffe**

12pm - 1pm Gathering
1pm Welcome by Fr. Richard Matthews PP
1.15 Rosary
1.45pm Michael Murphy on Ven. Matt Talbot
2pm Holy Mass
3pm Eucharist Healing
4.30pm Depart for home

Website: lightthefire.ie
Email: info@lightthefire.ie

• Please bring a fold up stool • Come back holy boy