



Downpatrick Family of Parishes

Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 28th September 2025



Parish Priest: Fr. Eugene O'Neill P.P., V.F.,

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Your prayers are requested for:

Recently Deceased: Margaret Curran, Alfie Williamson, Andy Collier (Glasgow),

Anniversaries: Tom Connor, Mary Magorrian, Michelle Sheppard, William Quinn, Peter Tumelty,

Weekly Collections: Offertory £1110, Monthly DD £2020,

Confessions: The sacrament of confession will be available in St. Patrick's Church on Saturdays from 4:30pm to 5:15pm.

Mass Intentions weekday's – St. Patrick's 7:30pm

Mon 29th Sept: Anniv: Barney McCreanor, Joseph- (Joe) Smyth (Lenadoon), Mary & James Magorrian, Cyril Murray, Peter Tumelty,

Wed: 1st Oct: Anniv: Month's Mind: Gerard Denvir, Anniv: Paddy Coyle, Mary & Charles McGrady, Albert Sage,

Sat 4th Oct 5:30pm Month's Mind: Marie Tweedie, Anniv: Mae & Johnnie Smyth,

Sun 5th Oct 10:30am: 1st Anniv: Rosena Quinn,

Weekend Mass Times		
Sat 27 th Sept	St. Patrick's	5:30pm
Sun 28 th Sept	St. Colmcille's	10am
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Annual Rosary procession 12th October from St. John's Parish to St. Peter's Cathedral at 2:30pm, followed by a catholic organisation fair in the church hall. Bus leaving St. Patrick's Church car park, Downpatrick, at 1:20pm sharp – cost £12 return. To book a place, contact Mary or James at the Parish Office.

Fr Maurice Henry: After a long life of generous service as a Priest of the Diocese, Fr Maurice Henry has now retired from Downpatrick Parish. We thank Fr Henry sincerely for his 11 years of fruitful ministry amongst us and wish him God's Blessings for a long and happy retirement.

Fr John Murray: Fr John has now moved from the Downe Hospital for the next stage of his recovery. He is hugely appreciative of all the prayers, cards, texts and emails. He respectfully asks that only Immediate Family and Clerical Colleagues visit for now. Please continue to keep Fr. In your prayers in the days and weeks ahead.

Lectio Divina resumed in Patrick's Place on Tuesday 16th September at 11am. New member's welcome.

Children's Liturgy resumed in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday 21st September. All P1 to P5 children welcome.

Mother's Prayers resumed in Patrick's Place on Wednesday 24th September from 9:45am. All welcome.

Confessions – will be heard in the Confessional boxes or in the Church – this will be determined by the Parish Priest at a later date. We are very appreciative of your co-operation at this time.

Thinking about becoming Catholic or want to deepen your understanding of the faith? The Diocesan RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a journey of faith, formation, and community for adults who wish to explore the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. It is open to those who are not baptised, those baptised in another Christian tradition, or Catholics who wish to reconnect with their faith. The 2025–2026 programme begins on Wednesday 1st October and runs weekly from 6.30–8.00 pm at St Mary's Hall, Chapel Lane, Belfast. Sessions include prayer, teaching, discussion, and time for questions. Spouses, fiancés or friends are welcome to attend alongside participants. All are welcome, whether you are exploring faith for the first time or returning after some time away. To register or find out more, please email rcia@downandconnor.org or scan the QR code.

