



Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 16 November 2025

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Eugene O'Neill

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You can contact us by telephone or email. Since Downpatrick is a very busy Parish Office; we can't always answer the phone immediately. Please leave a message with your telephone number and we will call you back.

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Downpatrick Parish Mass Schedule:

Weekend Masses

Vigils

St. Patrick's 5pm

St Brigid's 6.30pm

Sunday

St Patrick's 10.30am

St Malachy's 9am (1st Sunday of the month)



Recently Deceased: Alan McCullough, Sally Liggett, John McNally, Alan Hunt,

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 22 Nov

St Patrick's 5pm : Anniv: Bridie O'Neill, Perpetual McAloon, Anna Denvir, Agatha Smyth, Patsy Kearney, Patrick & Maureen Magee, Billy & Ginny McKinney, Angela Dunn,

St Brigid's 6.30pm: Anniv Margaret McCartan

Sun 23 Nov 10.30am: Month's Mind: Kevin 'Chipper' Connolly, Rosemary Wallace,

Anniv: Mary Taggart

Mon 24 Nov: 7.30pm: Anniv James Stranney

Anniv: James Rooney, Patricia Smyth, Pat Crowe, Brigid Skeffington, Sean McCashin, Patrick Grangt, Thomas Reynolds, Michael, Agnes & Francis McAleenan,

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

8 Nov: Offertory: £1807,

If you wish to donate directly via Bank Transfer the parish bank details are:

Account Name: Parish of Downpatrick

Account Number: 80146471

Sort Code: 95-06-79

(please add an identifying name to your transaction) or you can contact the Parish Office for a Standing Order Form.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



St. Vincent De Paul would like to thank Parishioners for their continued generous support, including some exceptionally large donations, which, as the cold weather sets in, enables us to give comfort and support to those in need.

Christmas Party: SVP are holding their party for Senior Citizens on Sunday 30th November in Murphy's Bar & Restaurant. The meal starts at 2pm. If you would like to attend, please phone the helpline on 07569672093. (Please let us know if you have any food allergies)

Fr. Liam Toland:

After many years of generous service in the parish, Fr. Liam Toland has now retired on health grounds. We wish Fr. Liam all God's blessings for a happy and healthy retirement.

Knock Trip: All Night Vigil – Sunday 07 December – stopping at (Downpatrick 12:30pm), Crossgar and Saintfield. Cost £50. To book, contact 07762211658.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

*Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing away:
God never changes,
Patience obtains all things,
Whoever has God, lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.*

St Teresa of Avila



Belfast Jesuit Centre Events:

Waiting in Wonder - Lectio & Visio Divina for Advent.

Join us in the Belfast Jesuit Centre for a gentle, contemplative journey through Advent over four Tuesday evenings of prayer, poetry and art. Each session will centre on the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday, paired with a carefully chosen poem and a piece of visual art to guide our reflection. Through the practices of Lectio and Visio Divina, we'll enter into a sacred stillness, quiet listening and shared conversation – awakening our hearts to the beauty and mystery of Christ's coming.

Starting at Tuesday 25th November 7pm – 9pm.

Faith & Film:

Join us to close out the Jubilee Year of Hope with a screening of Romero, which explores faith, courage and the cost of prophetic witness in a world hungry for peace.

Thursday 27 November, 7pm – 9.30pm

Interested? Contact us on 07955282371 or visit www.belfastjesuitcentre.org

The Magic of Christmas Concert: In St. Patrick's Church, Downpatrick on December 22 at 7.30pm.

Join Fr Eugene O'Hagan, Fr Martin O'Hagan and Margaret Keys in concert, featuring Scala String Orchestra & Ulster Orchestra Musicians – Guest Choirs, and Pianist Trevor Burnside.

Tickets available from the Parish Office or via www.eventbrite.ie

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'Work hard in silence, let success be your noise'

Stella Maris a Catholic seafaring charity is looking for volunteers across Northern Ireland. Volunteering comes in many forms at Stella Maris but in the first instance we are looking for anyone who can knit woolly hats, an essential and welcome piece of clothing for seafarers. We also need parish contacts who could speak at the Mass or simply lay out information in regard to the charity in the church. Further to this, ship visitors are also required to assist the port chaplain.

For further information or if you are interested, please contact

peter.mullen@stellamarismail.org

Thank you

Aid to the Church in Need
ACN IRELAND

RED WEDNESDAY

19 November 2025

More Christians have been killed because of their faith in Christ in the last century than the previous 1,900 years of Christian history

Join us in standing with them in prayerful solidarity

This Red Wednesday, Aid to the Church in Need invites you to wear something red, light a red candle in your window and pray for their welfare

acnireland.org

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/abide-in-his-love-womens-conference-2025-tickets-1283997654549?aff=ebdssbcategorybrowse>

Abide in His Love Women's Conference

THE GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL,
BUNDORAN, CO. DONEGAL

21-23
November
2025
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