



Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 18 January 2026

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A



PARISH PRIEST: Fr Eugene O'Neill, **Curate:** Fr. Jim Conway

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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.

Parish email: downpatrick@downandconnor.org

Website: www.stpatrickdownpatrick.com



Sign of Peace:

As a precaution, and to protect our more vulnerable parishioners, the Sign of Peace has been suspended during this current cold/flu season

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 – First Sunday of Each Month at 9am

Daily Masses

St. Patrick's

Monday 7.30pm

Tues – Friday 10am

St. Colmcille's

Wednesdays 7.30pm

Sacrament of Baptism: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month

Confession available in St Patrick's, Saturdays 4.15pm – 4.45pm

Your Prayers are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Raymond Martin

Month's Mind: Darryl Walker, Martin Fitzsimons,

Anniv: Claire O'Hare, Bernie Sharvin,

Patricia McComiskey, Mary Kelly, Hugh Linehan, Colette Murphy, James Digney, Angela McGarry, Mairead Vance-Shields, Peggy Fairfield,

Steven Wallace, Angela Wallace, Joe Gordon Jnr.,

Susan Laverty, John & Mary Turley, Caoimhe Mathers,

Cyril Denvir, Frank McCrissican, Carmel Hayes, James Mullan, Alexis Mullan,

May They Rest In Peace



MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 17 January 5pm, St. Patrick's

Month's Mind: Daryll Walker & Martin Fitzsimons,

Anniv: Maria Lannin, Margaret Robinson,

St. Brigid's, 6.30pm

Anniv: 1st Anniv: Caoimhe Mathers,

Anniv: John & Mary Turley, Dolores Bohill,

Sunday 18 January, 10.30am, St. Patrick's

1st Anniv: Claire O'Hare,

Monday 19 January, 7.30pm, St Patrick's

Anniv: Sean McGarry, Robert Hanna, Mary McGrady, Charles McGrady, Patricia McComiskey, Mary Anne & Pat Kelly, Jim Thompson, Willie Shields,

Wednesday 21 January St. Colmcille's

Anniv: Malachy & Colette McGrady,

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

11 January Offertory £2459

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. We are moving rapidly towards a cashless society. It is believed that within five years, notes and coins may start to become obsolete as more and more of us turn to cards and phones to make payments.

Conscious of this change, the Diocese has asked us to introduce a card payment terminal into the parish, which will help support the parish by making electronic payments easier. In the few weeks that it has been in place we have been please that more and more parishioners and visitors are using this as a way of contributing.

Lectio Divina: will resume in Patrick's Place on Tuesday 20 January at 11am. New Members always Welcome!

Patrick's Place: Those wishing to use Patrick's Place for 2026 are asked to contact Mary at the Parish Office to confirm their booking for the year.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have a concern, suspicion, or wish to make an allegation of child abuse, or abuse in relation to an adult at risk, please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Office: Philip O'Hara, Designated Liaison Person, 120, Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. Mobile: 07534 992124 or Telephone: 028 90 492798.

Email: philip.ohara@soddc.org or

visit <https://downandconnorsafeguarding.com>



Thought for The Week;

'In This New Year, why not keep things sweet, no bitter word ever lightened a burden or made a rough road smooth'