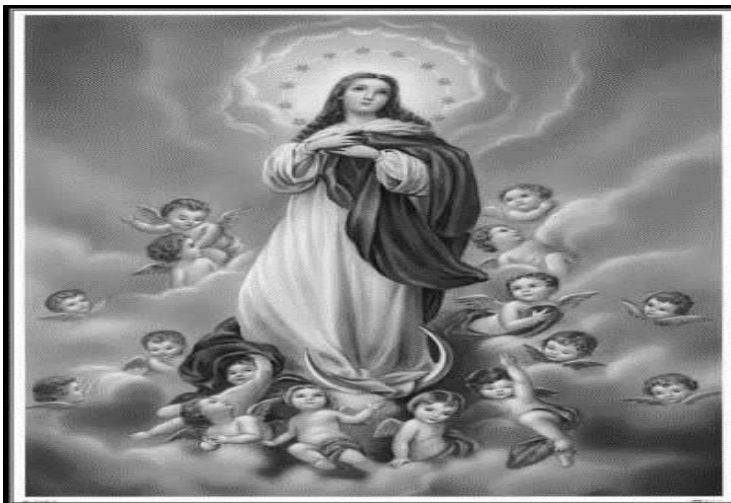




Parish of Downpatrick

Sunday 16 August 2026

20th, Sunday in Ordinary Time



PARISH PRIEST: Fr Eugene O'Neill,

Curate: Fr. Jim Conway

Contacts:

Parish Office: 07337 485743 (TEMPORARY PARISH OFFICE NUMBER)

Temporary Address until further notice: Patrician Youth Centre, John Street, BT30 6HS

New Office hours 10.00am – 2.00pm Monday & Thursday
New office hours 10.00am – 1.00pm Tuesday & Wednesday

Parish Support Officer: Tel: 07337 485743

For emergencies please ring: 07841101678

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.stpatricksdowndpatrick.com

 [downpatrickfamilyofparishes](https://www.facebook.com/downpatrickfamilyofparishes)

ADVANCE NOTICE

The Parish Office will be closed on the following days in August: Fridays 21st & 28th and Thursday 20th.

The office can still be reached by phone or email on these days. Please note the new temporary Parish Office number-
07337 485743

Mass Schedule:

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 – 1st Sunday of the Month – 9am –

Daily Masses

Monday 7.30pm **St. Patrick's**

Tues – Friday 10am **St. Patrick's**

St. Colmcille's

Wednesday 7:30pm

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

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

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

09 August 2026

Offertory £1256, **Loose Plate:** £490

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) please contact your bank to arrange.

Dona Card Machine is available for convenience at Our Lady's Shrine.

Thank You for your ongoing support.

The Novena prayer to Our Lady of Knock will be recited after the rosary, before 10am Mass, from 14 to 22 August at St. Patrick's Church. Everyone welcome.

MEDICAL MISSIONARIES OF MARY: The Medical Missionaries of Mary have been invited to visit us this year and will be in Downpatrick Parish on the weekend of 22nd and 23rd August 2026. They will speak of their work, mainly in Africa and South America, and their mission to bring Christ's healing love to those most in need. Our parish and our diocese have supported MMM generously in the past, both in finance and in prayer, and MMM wishes to express gratitude for that support and to emphasise that we here at home are the body of mission, and those who are sent to far away places are the hands and the feet. When they speak to us and share their story they serve as a connection between us and those whom they serve.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 15 August, St. Patrick's, 5pm:

Month's Mind: Maud McNeill,

Sunday 16 August, St. Patrick's, 5pm:

Anniv: Roisin Rice,

Monday 17 August, St. Patrick's, 7:30pm:

Anniv: Terence Cunningham, David Lobb, Barrie Beswick, McConvey Family, Geraldine Gordon,

Wednesday 19 August, St. Colmcille's, 7:30pm:

1st Anniv: Mary Carter,

Saturday 22 August, St. Patrick's, 5pm:

1st Anniv: Maeve Hanna, **Anniv:** Ivan Hanna,

Monday 24 August, St. Patrick's, 7:30pm:

Anniv: Francis Savage, Noel & Bill Kearney, Brian Kearney, John Whinnery, Noreen Lannin,

Wednesday 26 August, St. Colmcille's, 7:30pm:

Anniv: Siobhan Smyth,

If you would like a Mass booking, please drop into the sacristy and make the booking directly with the priest.

Your Prayers are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Dermot MacNabb, Michael Miller, Padraig Jeffers, Adrian Higgins (Saul),

Anniv: Neill Donnelly, Agnes McKeown, Margaret Hynds, Barrie Beswick, McConvey Family, Roisin Rice, John Brady, Lottie Fitzsimons, James Magorrian, Edward John O'Hare, Maura Williams, Thomas (Tommy) Creaney,

NAME CHANGE

You will have noticed that the new title "PARISH SUPPORT OFFICER" is being used in the bulletin information section and in the job advertisements in this weeks parish bulletin. This is simply the new term for parish secretary being used across the diocese.



DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST

DOWNPATRICK PARISH

VACANCY

PARISH SUPPORT OFFICER

We are seeking to recruit into the role of Parish Support Officer within Downpatrick Parish.

The post holder will be required to:

- ❖ The Parish Support Officer will provide confidential, efficient, and effective administration support to the Parish Priest, and assistance to visitors and parishioners who visit or make contact with the Parish office.
- ❖ Ensuring the effective day-to-day running of the Parish Offices by supporting parish life, communications, and the parish leadership structure. This role is parish-facing, office-based, and operational. The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 16 hours per week. Work pattern: Monday to Thursday from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

Rate of Pay - £14.04 gross per hour

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: **JOB VACANCIES** and on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. Application packs can also be obtained from Downpatrick Parish Office.

We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing an active part in the Parish.

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 20 August 2026

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DOWNPATRICK PARISH

VACANCY

PARISH FINANCE OFFICER

We are seeking to recruit into the role of Parish Finance Officer within Downpatrick Parish.

The post holder will be required to:

- ❖ The Parish Finance Officer will provide accurate, efficient, and confidential financial support to the Parish Priest and Parish Finance Committee.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 8 hours per week. Work pattern: Thursday and Friday from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

Rate of Pay - £14.04 gross per hour

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