PARISH of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Confirmation Retreat Day: All children preparing for confirmation in the parish this year will be attending a special retreat day in the Community Centre on Tuesday 10th November. Please keep them in your prayers.

Shoebox Appeal – Romania: One of the Day Centres who told us they were sourcing presents locally this year changed their minds and have asked us for help. In addition to the 100 shoeboxes for adult males already requested, we now need an extra:
10 boxes for girls (aged under 10), 10 boxes for boys (aged under 12)
30 boxes for women , 50 boxes for men.
Please pick up one of the information leaflets in the porch which are now marked adult male/female or young girl/boy to ensure we only send what is needed, and return your shoebox to the porch of St Patrick's Church, Aghagallon before Monday 16th November 2026. If you would prefer to make a cash donation to support the projects, envelopes are available in the porch.

Sleeping Bag Appeal: We are collecting sleeping bags for the Capuchin Day Centre for Homeless People in Dublin. If you want to donate a sleeping bag, please leave it in the church porch no later than Monday 16th November 2026. If you would like to donate £5 towards the cost of a sleeping bag, please put it in the envelopes provided and leave in the collection basket during Mass.

Annual Mass for the Dead: Thursday 19th November 2026 at 7pm. During the Mass we will pray for loved ones who have died during the past year. Family members will be invited to remember each person in a special way. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the Community Centre.

Aghagallon Preschool's Christmas Experience: Sunday 6th December 2pm – 6pm. Riverdale Barn, Aghagallon. £5 entry per person and under 1 free.

Saturday evening Choir: The Choir urgently needs new members of all ages. If you enjoy singing and would like to be part of this very special ministry, please speak to Chris after Mass.

Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) programme We would like to welcome Year 9's to the Community Centre on Monday 9th Nov 2026 from 7.30-9pm for the start of GIFT 2.

WEEKLY BULLETIN
8th November 2026

Weekly Collection

Weekly Collection
£1,130.00
Online
£306.91
Total: £1,436.91

Monthly Stipend
£1,370.00

Thank you for your continued support

Weekly Mass Schedule
8th – 15th Nov. 2026

Mass
Monday: 10.00am
Tuesday: 7.00pm
Wednesday: 10.00am
Thursday: 10.00am
Saturday: 7.00pm
(Vigil)
Sunday: 9am & 11am

Liturgy of the Word
Friday: 10am

Adoration
Wednesday 10am-10pm

Confessions
Saturday before Mass

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome baby Noah, who was baptised recently.

Booking Masses, Baptisms and Weddings As parish office opening hours have been reduced slightly, we are returning to our previous practice of booking Masses, baptisms and weddings in person, in the sacristy after Masses.

Masses can be booked well in advance to ensure your preferred dates are available.

Baptisms can only be booked by the child's parent or legal guardian. At least one month's notice is required. To book a baptism parents must present the child's long birth certificate, complete the baptism request form, meet with one of our Baptism team and attend weekly Mass during the month prior to the date of the Baptism

Weddings can be booked by the couple themselves. Couples are required to give at least six months' notice of marriage to ensure the preferred date is available and that there is adequate time to complete all Civil and Church paperwork.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Amanda Livingstone
Pauline Downing
Joe Mallon — Month's Mind Mass Sat 7th Nov at 7pm

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Christopher O'Neill	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 8th November at 9 am
Peter Lavery	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 8th November at 11 am
Tommy Douglas	
Winifred Polland(8)	
Patricia McCrory	Gerard Brankin
Mary Maguire	Jack Connolly
Michael Polland(1)	Mollie Murray
Aine Nelson	Joe Mulholland (33)
Patricia McCrory	Tommy Douglas
Mary Maguire	Rose McDowell
Roseanna McBrinn	May Tallon

St. Patrick's Girl Guide Unit would like to express our sincere appreciation to everyone who joined us for our Celebration Mass on Sunday, 18th October. A special word of thanks to Fr Declan for celebrating the Mass, and to Catherine and Angela for their help, support and dedication in preparing for the service. We would also like to thank our wonderful community for returning to the community centre and sharing in this special occasion with us as we celebrated **10 years of Girl Guiding in Aghagallon**. It was lovely to come together, reflect on our journey so far and celebrate this important milestone. Thank you all for your continued support and for helping make the occasion so memorable

Parish Priest: Fr Declan Mulligan
02892651214
Parish Office Mobile:
Catherine 07485605252

EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS
07831 934 756
(In the event you are unable to reach Fr Declan on the emergency number)
02894 422278

St Vincent De Paul
Contact number:
07598 076585
www.svp.ie

Lifeline Freephone 0808 808 8000
The Knights of St Columbanus
028 92 528 916
Diocesan Safeguarding Office
028 9049 2798

Parish Office Tel: 02892 651214
Email: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk
Parish Office Open Tue, Wed & Fri 11am-3pm
All insertions for the bulletin – please leave in the Parochial house red post box, email or phone the parish office before 4pm on Tuesday.

PARISH SCHEDULE

DATE	ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA	ST JOSEPH
Mon 14	10am-7pm: Private Prayer	10am-7pm: Private Prayer
Tue 15	10am-7pm: Private Prayer 7pm: NOVENA MASS: Mother of Perpetual Help	10am-7pm: Private Prayer
Wed 16	10am-7pm: Private Prayer	10.30am-7pm: ADORATION (Evening Prayer at 6:45pm)
Thu 17	10am-7pm: Private Prayer	10am-7pm: Private Prayer
Fri 18	10am-7pm: Private Prayer	10am-7pm: Private Prayer
Sat 19	4.15pm: Confessions 5.00pm: VIGIL MASS	10.00am: MASS & Confessions 10am-7pm: Private Prayer
Sun 20	10am-7pm: Private Prayer	10am MASS 11am-7pm: Private Prayer

NOTE: There will be no Mass Monday and Wednesday this week due to a Diocesan Clergy Retreat.

MASS INTENTIONS



Tue 15: Priest's Intention
Sat 19 (10am): For the Parish
Sat 19 (5pm): Albert Rotherham, Claire Matchett, John P Arthurs, Mary & Jim Wright
Sun 20: Seamus Denvir, Elaine McVeigh (1st Ann)

Mass Intention Envelopes are available in the Churches and can be left in Offertory baskets during Mass, the Parish Office or directly with Fr Robert.

REST IN PEACE



MONTHS MIND: Brendan Braniff, Joe Bailie
ANNIVESARIES: Samuel Doherty, Sean Masterson, Peekie Kearney, Helen Caldwell, Fr Eamon Fitzgerald, Micky McMullan, Teresa Gilmore, Phyllis & Harry Reid, Millie Gilmore

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!



This week's Sanctuary Candle will burn for:

St Joseph's: *Sean Masterson & Peekie Kearney RIP*
St Mary Star of the Sea: *Frederick Johnston - Birthday Memories*

Sanctuary candle intentions are requested through the Office. A suggested offering of £5.



SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 14: EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
Tue 15: Our Lady of Sorrows
Wed 16: Ss Cornelius & Cyprian, Martyrs
Thu 17: St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor

"From Mary we learn to surrender to God's will in all things. From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope is gone"

-St John Paul II



Mater Dolorosa - Our Lady of Sorrows

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

WEEKLY OFFERING: The Weekly Offering on last Sunday amounted to £1,350. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Thank you for your continuing support of the work of SVP. Last week's collection amounted to £228. If you require assistance then please call our confidential helpline number: 07895835215.

ST MARY'S LITTLE STARS Parent/Grandparent, Baby and Toddler Group, a new parish initiative, will hold an information morning on Thursday 17th September from 10.30am-12.30pm at the Nunsquarter Room, St Mary Star of the Sea Church. It aims to create a warm and welcoming space to meet, chat, play and make new friends. All parents, grandparents with their babies and toddlers welcome. See posters or webpage for more info.

FAITH, HERITAGE & COMMUNITY DAY OUT for Ballygalget, Portaferry & Ardkeen Parishes: A fully guided tour of the shepherd's life at Glenshane Country Farm, the Gorta Experience at Friels, with a 3-course Dinner at Friels Bar & Restaurant, Swatragh. **Thursday 24 September, 9am-6pm**, £60 pp all included. Contact Seamus Dorrian 07813968171. All welcome. See webpage and posters for more information.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT Coffee Morning at the Nunsquarter Room on **Saturday 26th September from 10.30am**. As part of our pastoral support and "joyful service to the boarder community", our Parish Pastoral Council have organised this coffee morning. Some icons donated by the Adoration Sisters will also be on sale. All proceeds raised will go to support Macmillan Cancer Support. All welcome.

24HRS FOR THE LORD: during our week of celebrations for 150th Anniversary of St Joseph's there will be a 24hr period of adoration in thanksgiving **Wednesday 7th at 7pm to Thursday 8th at 7pm**. Parishioners are kindly requested to sign up for an hour or more during the 24hr period. Sign up sheets are available at the back of the Church.

PORTAFERRY CHURCHES HARVEST SERVICE, Portaferry Methodist Church, **Sunday 27th September at 7 pm**. Join with people from all four Portaferry Churches in celebrating the Harvest, followed by refreshments. Only shelf stable food contributions please for delivery to the Food Bank. You can also join via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/96840709549

BALLYCRAN GAA LOTTO RESULTS 6th September: No jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot is £3,100. Draw winners: Joe Clint, Caitlain Savage, Rhea Conway



ALTAR SERVERS: There will be a meeting of Altar Servers on **Monday 28th September at 7.00 pm** in the Nunsquarter Room at St Mary Star of the Sea. Anyone interested in becoming an altar server should contact the Parish Office or Grainne McNamara for an Application Form. It is open to children who have made their First Holy Communion. Training will be provided, and new teams will be established.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED!



We extend a warm parish welcome to **Sophia Josephine Lily Hughes** who was baptised recently in St Joseph's Church. May she grow in the knowledge and love of God supported by her parents, godparents and the whole parish.

Upcoming Parish Committee Meetings



Celebrations Committee: 21st September at 7.30pm
Pastoral Council: 22nd September at 7.30pm
Finance Committee: 29th September at 7.30pm
Liturgy Committee: 6th October at 7.30pm

Parish Priest: Very Rev Robert Sloan PP VF
Parish Office Tel: 028 42738294 (Parish Support Officer: Mairead)
Parish Office Hours: Monday 9am-4pm, Tuesday 1.30-4pm, Wednesday 9.am-3pm, Thursday 9am-4pm, Friday Closed.
Address: 46 Blackstaff Road, Ballycranbeg, Kircubbin, BT22 1AG

PARISH OF ARDKEEN
St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's & St. Mary Star of the Sea

Our Vision:
A vibrant and welcoming Catholic Parish witnessing Christian prayerfulness and joyful service in the broader Community.

For more information please see:

Website: www.parishofardkeen.co.uk

Facebook: Parish of Ardkeen

ANNUAL MASSES FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF DOWN AND CONNOR
Will be celebrated on **Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Ballymena** AND Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish), Ormeau Road, Belfast.
Please forward by Friday 6th November 2026 the name and school of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to Rev Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA Tele: 028 9049 1886 or Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org
Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre and Holy Rosary Parish Centre. Anyone unable to attend can join online at: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams for the Mass in Ballymena and www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for the Belfast Mass.

MASS TO REMEMBER DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE PIONEER ASSOCIATION A Mass to remember all deceased members of the Pioneer Association will take place on Friday 20 November in St Agnes' Church, Andersonstown Road, Belfast at 7 pm. Light refreshments afterwards. All Pioneers welcome.

RECHARGE YOUNG ADULT GROUP Aged 18-35? Join us in St Colmcille's Church, Belfast on the following date. Holy Hour 17th November at 7.30pm - Group Study

WEEK OF WITNESS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18. More information is available at www.acnireland.org

SHRINES OF FRANCE PILGRIMAGE Fully escorted tour LISIEUX, RUE DU BAC, NEVERS, PARIS, ROCAMADOUR and LOURDES 11th – 18th June 2027 7 Nights flying from Dublin to Paris/Lourdes to Dublin. Including visits to the home of the Miraculous Medal, and see the incorrupt bodies of St Catherine Laboure and St Bernadette. In Paris visit Sacre-Coeur. Visit the Lourdes, plus much more. Comprehensive Travel insurance is EXTRA £35.00 COST £1,200 PER PERSON SHARING SEATS ARE LIMITED Single room supplement is £345.00 EXTRA. Spiritual Director: Fr Joe McGuigan£250.00 deposit secures a seat! For further info contact: Jean Reynolds 07729 402311 or email: jeanreynolds@hotmail.co.uk

PIPS Suicide Prevention Charity : Weekend Crisis Hopeline are as follows:
Friday: 9pm - 10am Saturday and Sunday: 9pm - 9am Monday 028 9080 5850
Freephone 0800 088 6042

SVP.Helpline 07349983363

Parish of Loughguile

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8th November 2026

Very Rev. Canon Colm McBride PP :
Parochial House 44 Lough Road Loughguile BT44 9JN
Tel: 028 276 41206
Email: loughguile@downandconnor.org
Facebook: St Patrick's and St MacNissi's
Parish Office Hours:
Mon Wed Thurs 10 a.m.- 2.30 p.m. Tues 10-4.30. p.m.

Pope Leo's intention for November: For the proper use of wealth.
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

The lamp is the light of love and hope, and at its centre is the light of Christ. The light is given to us in many ways in our lives - it shines within as an eternal joy, and outwards to many others. Jesus often advises, *'keep your lamps burning' and 'Let you lights shine*.
Like when the bulb goes out when the electricity fails, the lamp can go out without oil. The people of the gospel felt foolish that they had not brought oil with them to light their way. The oil is prayer and our relationship with Jesus. This is the essence of the Christian life. Our Christian life is following a real, loving person: it is an invitation to get to know Jesus, and to find ourselves drawn from our hearts to follow him. Without this living relationship with Christ, words sound empty. We sometimes hear someone speaking of their Christian faith and cannot help wondering if it comes from the inside or is just a list of things to be believed and read.
Ignatius of Loyola's famous prayer is the prayer of the follower of Jesus; *'Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life.'* (Spiritual Exercises).
The more indicates that this is never a finished product: like love and friendship it grows in our lives. It is exciting that Jesus is never gone from us.: risen from the dead he is always alive, always new. Our reading of the gospel, our sharing at Mass and the sacraments and our personal prayer keep this relationship always alive, always new

Ministers of the Word

We are currently appealing for additional volunteers to join our current Ministers of the Word rota. Please consider offering your help as we all gather in prayer to honour God. To register your interest please contact the Parish Office or speak with Canon McBride after any of the Masses.

PARISH FARM LETTING The land is open for offers for the period from 1st November 2026 to 31st October 2027. Offers will **be finalised by close of business on FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2026**. Offers must be made directly to the offices of P J McIlroy & Son in person or by telephone, successful bidders will be notified as soon as possible after closing of offers and consultation with the Parish Committee.

DUNLOY & CLOUGHMILLS PARISH are seeking to recruit a part-time Caretaker. 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 website, Application packs can also be obtained from Dunloy & Cloughmills 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 12.00 noon on Tuesday 17th November 2026

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

LOUGHGIEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BUS DRIVER REQUIRED We are seeking a Bus Driver to join our team. Requirements: Full, valid driving licence for 2+ years and aged 25+ A valid PCV/PSV driving licence and up to date Driver CPC. Reliable, professional and safety-conscious approach Good communication and customer service skills Full Job Description available on Job Apply NI. . Please contact us on 028 276 41389 for more information.

Parish Sacramental Dates 2027

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Sat 24th April 2027 CONFIRMATION Thurs 6th May 2027.

BAPTISMS The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on the **1st and 3rd Sunday** of the month **only** . To book please contact the Parish Office. A copy of the child's long birth certificate is required within a week of booking. On the day please bring a Baptism Candle and a white Shawl.

ANNIVERSARY/MONTH MIND MASS Please now book through the office, these can be booked for any scheduled Mass **excluding Sunday 9.00 a.m.**

WEDDING BOOKING Please ring the office for initial bookings.

Parish Bulletin Notices by Thursday 12 noon please.

Sat 7th Nov	6 -6.20p.m.	St Patrick's	First Saturday Confessions
	6.30 p.m.	St Patrick's	Ministers of the Word Ministers of the Eucharist E. Traynor A McNaughton & M McMullan *First Anniversary Mass Marie O'Hagan*
Sunday 8th Nov	9.00 a.m.	St Patrick's	Roisin McKillop G McMillan
	10.30 a.m.	St MacNissi's	Pat McAuley M McKinley & J McCarry
Mon 9th Nov	7.30 p.m.	St MacNissi's	Healing Mass and Novena *First Anniversary Mass Malachy Connolly*
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St MacNissi's	Mass
Wed 11th Nov	7 – 7.20 p.m.	St Patrick's	Confessions before Mass
	7.30 p.m.	St Patrick's	Mass and Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Anniversary Mass Stanley Johnston
	8.00 p.m.	St Patrick's	Holy Hour
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St Patrick's	Mass followed by Adoration 10.00 . -12 noon.
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St Patrick's	Mass
Sat 14th Nov	6.30 p.m.	St Patrick's	Ministers of the Word Ministers of the Eucharist *Sean McIntyre Tony & Bronagh Marron* *Anniversary Mass Dan & Rae Watt*
Sun 15th Nov	9.00 a.m.	St Patrick's	Leisa Gillan T McIntyre
	10.30 a.m.	St MacNissi's	Majella Murray D McGarry & V McDonnell

RECENTLY DECEASED Mary Waide

ANNIVERSARIES Malachy Connolly (1st Anniversary) Eileen Arthurs Bernie Boyle William and Matilda Douthart Josephine Gorman James Kearns Patrick Laverty Eileen Mullan Patrick McAleese Jim McAllister Nuala McAuley Ellen McBride Elizabeth McCarry Dannie McCloskey Mary McCollum Josephine McCormick Lizzie McGowan Tillie McGuckian Cora McMahon John McMichael Veronica McQuillan

Monthly Healing Mass will be celebrated in St MacNissi's this Monday evening 9th November at 7.30 p.m.

Chaplet for the Holy Souls will be prayed before Wednesday evening Mass for the month of November(from 7.10 p.m. approx.)

WEEKLY COLLECTION £1215.00.00 plus £625.00 by Bank payments in November **Thank you for your support.** Bishop's Commission will be taken up **next** weekend

The Parish of Ballyclare & Ballygowan

Notice Board

The Parish of Ballyclare & Ballygowan

8 November 2026

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The Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Dolores Donnelly

Anniversaries: Bridie Devlin, James Agnew, Mary Anne Hughes, Thomas Miskelly, Mary English, Vera McKenna, Teresa McAuley, Frank McCloskey, Mary McWilliams, Annie Agnew, Annie McKenna, Patrick McErlain, John McReynolds, Patsy McCudden, Mary Dolores Murray, Trevor Copeland, Margaret Pyper, Grace Earl

Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Masses this week: Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am

Offerings: Thank you for your recent offerings.
1 November - Weekly Offering £462.10 Monthly Offering £407.00

Annual Masses for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor *will be celebrated on Monday, 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena, and Tuesday, 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road, Belfast. Light refreshments will be served.*



Mass for Seafarers and Fishers: Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11.00am at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, celebrant Bishop Alan McGuckian. This special Mass is an opportunity to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, remembering especially those who have lost their lives at sea. All are warmly welcome.

Pioneer Association November Mass: Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11.00am at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, celebrant Bishop Alan McGuckian. This special Mass is an opportunity to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, remembering especially those who have lost their lives at sea. All are warmly welcome.

'Who is Mary in God's Plan of Salvation?' An evening of reflection from the perspective of six different Christian traditions. Organised by the Diocesan Ecumenical Commission. An opportunity to listen and understand other perspectives with time for audience questions. **Wednesday, 2 December 2026 at 7.00pm in Corr's Corner Hotel, Newtownabbey.** Refreshments will be served. To aid in planning please rsvp to ecumenical@downandconnor.org

Pilgrimage to Knock for All-Night Vigil: departing Clonard Monastery Monday, 7 December 1pm, returning Tuesday, 8 December 12 noon. Price £75 including dinner and breakfast. For more details or to book please contact Brendan 9066 5211 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)

Vocations Ambassador: would you like to help support the work of promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in the parish? We are looking for someone who will support the work of the Diocesan Vocations Team locally, raising awareness and encouraging prayer. Please

speak to Fr Gerard for more information.

This Week's Hymns			
Entrance	395	Communion	630/69
Offertory	183	Recessional	442

DONATE

Please click on the button if you wish to make an online donatation to the Parish of Ballyclare and Ballygowan. Thank you.

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Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

CAUSEWAY FAMILY OF PARISHES

8th November 2026
Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

THREE WARNINGS FROM JESUS



In the Gospel this Sunday, the Lord tells a parable about what sounds like a very strange wedding. In fact, this story is an accurate description of how marriages took place in the Holy Land at that time. But that's not why Jesus tells this tale. He wants us to give us three warnings we need to know if we're serious about going to heaven when we die.

Firstly, we do not know the day or the hour when Jesus will come for us. That's because God doesn't want us to be scared of the future but to focus on being the best people we can be right now. Secondly, when our time comes we will be held accountable. It will be too late to change then! Thirdly, there are some things that others can't supply for us - like our faith, love, or a good character. We are personally responsible for the way we live our lives, and one day we will be judged for it too.

THIS WEEK

Parish webcam can be viewed on our YouTube channel (search for Ballymoney Parish)

SUNDAY 8th	9.30am Mass
MONDAY 9th	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 11th	10am Mass 7pm Rosary
FRIDAY 13th	6pm Adoration & Confessions **7pm Parish Requiem Mass**
SATURDAY 14th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Mass

Our Lady & St Patrick's church is open every day for private prayer - usually from 10am to 5pm.

Other Sunday Masses in the Causeway Family of Parishes

Saturday 4.30pm	-	Portstewart
Sunday 10am	-	Portstewart
Sunday 11.30am	-	St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 12noon	-	Portrush
Sunday 5pm	-	St Malachy's, Coleraine

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased
Frankie McBride

Anniversaries
Elizabeth Fleming, Angela McDaid, Eileen O'Kane, Bertie Rodgers, John Scullin
and all the names on our November Dead Lists

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

PARISH FINANCES

Thank you to everyone who supports the parish through our collections. If you want to request a box of envelopes there is a purple form at the back of the church. Remember that you can also support the parish through a regular standing order or by making a one off payment through your bank or online. Our account details are:

Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan
Sort code: 95-06-79
Account No: 10020192.

If you want to give by cheque please make payable to: **Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan**.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This Sunday is Remembrance Day and we pray for all victims of war and conflict through the years. Fr Damian has been invited to take part in the Remembrance Service at Dervock war memorial at 11am to represent our parish community.

OLD & NEW@No.5

Can you spare a few hours a week to volunteer in our parish shop? Shifts are 3 or 3½ hours and we currently need cover for alternate Saturdays. For more information please call in to the shop and speak to one of our volunteers or contact Gerard on 07860474956.

Visit us at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney, open **Wednesday to Saturday**, **10am - 4.30pm**. To keep in touch with our offers and to see pictures of our stock don't forget our Facebook page **@oldandnewatno5**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Our parish SVP conference is here to support our local community, and we do this in the strictest confidence. If you are in need and would like our help please do not hesitate to get in touch on **07860 455 549**

DO THIS IN MEMORY

Our next *Do This In Memory* Mass will be at **9.30am next Sunday** (15th November). After Mass we invite all primary school aged children and their parents to join us in the parish hall for craft activities (and a cup of coffee for the parents!)

CAUSEWAY CHURCHES FORUM

Founded in 1998, the Causeway Churches Forum is built on a foundation of dialogue and friendship for people of all Christian denominations across the Causeway Coast.

To hear more about what we do and our plans for the future, we warmly invite you to our open evening on **Wednesday 11th November** at **7pm** in the CRUN building at the top of Brook Street, Coleraine.

ST BRIGID'S PS OPEN DAY

Is your child due to start P1 in September 2027? If so, please accept our warm invitation to the St Brigid's Primary School Open Day on **Monday 30th November** at **10am**. It's a great opportunity for you and your child to come along and find out about the excellent education, pastoral care and wide variety of activities on offer.

Alternatively, please ring or email us to make an appointment to visit at another time. Contact us at **02827662664** or through our website **www.stbrigidspsballymoney.com**

SUPPORTING PREGNANCIES

Stanton Pregnancy Care NI are holding an Information Evening on **Thursday 19th November** at **7.30pm** in the **All Saints Parish Centre**, **Ballymena**. You are warmly invited to come along and hear about the amazing work of Stanton, providing women facing unexpected pregnancy with quality care and practical assistance. For more information, contact **028 9033 2882.**

November

The Month of the Holy Souls

November Dead Lists
Lists and envelopes are now available. Please take them home and write down the names of your deceased family and friends who you wish to pray for. Envelopes can be left back in the church at Mass times or posted through the door of the parochial house. The names are placed before the altar throughout the month of November and prayed for at all Masses and devotions. You may wish to include an offering in your envelope and these are very gratefully received.

Parish Annual Requiem Mass
A requiem Mass for all deceased parishioners and priests of Ballymoney and Derrykeighan takes place on **Friday (13th)** at **7pm**. We will pray in a special way for those who have died in our parish in the last twelve months. Our November dead lists will also be blessed at the end of this Mass.

November Pledge
Why not go off alcohol (or another treat) this month as a penance for the Holy Souls? Think of it as a little Lent in November! You can make it a pledge by offering the Pioneer prayer:

I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November.

Mass for Deceased Teachers
The annual Mass for the deceased teachers of Down and Connor will be celebrated on **Monday** (**9th**) at **7.30pm** in **All Saints' Church**, Broughshane Road, **Ballymena**. Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre. The Mass will be available to watch online as well.

PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN
Diocese of Down & Connor
Causeway Family of Parishes

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HYMNS FOR MASS

O Jesus Christ, remember,
When Thou shalt come again,
Upon the clouds of heaven
With all Thy shining train;
When ev'ry eye shall see Thee,
In Deity revealed,
Who now upon this altar
In silence art concealed.

Accept, divine Redeemer,
The homage of my praise,
Be Thou the light, and honour,
And glory of my days—
Be Thou my consolation
When death is drawing nigh;
Be Thou my only Treasure,
Through all eternity.

Abide with me;
fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens;
Lord, with me abide;
When other helpers
fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless,
oh, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross
before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom
and point me to the skies;
Heav'n's morning breaks,
and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord,
abide with me.

PARISH OF BANGOR, ARDS PENINSULA FAMILY OF PARISHES
Parish Priest: Very Rev Joseph Gunn St Comgall's Presbytery, 27 Brunswick Road, Bangor, Co Down, BT20 3DS
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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A – 08 November 2026

Your prayers are requested for:
Recently Deceased:
Elizabeth (Lily) O'Halloran
Eileen Hughes
Month's Mind:
Peter Harvey
Margaret Reilly Millington
Anniversaries:
Anne Duffin
Anne & Frank Harrington
Frank Rice
Willem Kane
Michael Caville
Freda Devlin
Veronica Arthurs
Mary Coulter
Agnes Kane
Catherine, Patrick & Maureen Reilly
John & Rita Finlay

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK

DAILY MASS:

Monday 09 – Friday 13 November2026 @ 9.30am

ST COMGALL'S CHURCH DONAGHADEE
Sunday 15 November 2026 @ 9am

ST COMGALL'S CHURCH BRUNSWICK ROAD
Saturday 14 November @ 6.30pm
Sunday 15 November @ 10am & 12noon

BAPTISMS

Please register online SIDE BAR under Baptism registration
Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays @ 1.15pm



The Society of St Vincent De Paul

Annual Christmas Lunch for the pensioners of the Parish

is to be held in

St Comgall's Parish Centre

On

Sunday 6th of December 2026 at 2pm

Should you wish to attend please contact:

The SVP Helpline **07703 679384** or
Ann 07969 555925
by 15th November 2026
There is no charge and lifts to and from the lunch can be provided if required



Service of Remembrance



Sunday 15 November 2026
St Comgall's Church Bangor
5pm

PARISH CENTRE – PARISH GROUPS 2026

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
BRIDGE CLUB at 7.15pm until 9.45pm [Minor Hall] **LECTIO DIVINA GROUP** 7.30pm – 8.30pm [St Dympna's Room] **BADMINTON** NOW WEEKLY at 8 to 9pm [Main Hall]	**FRIENDSHIP CLUB** at 10.30am [Minor Hall] **IRISH DANCING CLASSES** at 6.00pm to 8.30pm [Main Hall] **SVP** at 7.30pm to 9.30pm [St Dympna's Room]	**MEDITATION GROUP** at 12pm to 1.30pm [St Dympna's Room] **FOLK GROUP** AT 6.30 -7.30pm [St Dympna's Room] **SENIOR CHOIR** At 7.30pm [St Dympna's Room] **YOUTH CLUB** AT 6.30 -8.30pm [Main Hall]	**St Comgall's Guide Unit** (Girls aged 6-18) at 6.15pm to 8pm [Main/Minor Hall] **IRISH LANGUAGE CLASS** At 7pm to 8pm [St Dympna's Room] **CEILI DANCING** at 8.15pm to 9.30pm [Minor Hall]	**Ju-Jitsu Club** (Juniors 5-15yrs) 6-7pm [Main Hall] **Discussion Group** At 7.30pm – 9pm [St. Dympna's Room]

Cuppa & Connect

Cuppa & Connect will take place right after 10am Mass on Sunday 08 November.
All welcome.
We welcome volunteers to assist at Cuppa & Connect

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St Comgall's Men's Friendship Group

We had a great response at the information meeting for the new Men's Group - 24 men attended plus 4 others are interested but couldn't be there due to various reasons.
*The meeting was very positive. Going forward Wednesday mornings will be the preferred meeting day and we have agreed to meet again on the **18th of November**. There is a very definite need for the Men's Friendship Group. It was heart-warming to see the level of very genuine interest in getting the group up and running.*
So watch this space for more information!

Discussion Group

The next meeting of the Discussion Group is on **Friday 13 November at 7.30pm** in St Dympna's Room.
The topic for discussion is: *JESUS THE BRIDEGROOM***.**
If you would like to deepen your understanding of the Faith, why not come along for a friendly discussion.
All are welcome

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Columbanus Festival

The Columbanus Festival will take place in Bangor on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd November 2026.
The Columbanus Ecumenical Service on Sunday 22nd November will be held in St Comgall's Church, Brunswick Road, Bangor. We are delighted that Sister Ann Gray from the Columban Missionaries will be our guest speaker. People attending are encouraged to bring a Christmas food gift or other grocery item which will be donated to a local food bank for those who are in need.

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History of St Comgall's Catholic Parish & School, Bangor

There are still copies available in Thomas' Shop, the Presbytery and North Down Museum. The book would make a good Christmas present for anyone interested in local and parish history.
Profits donated to St Vincent de Paul.

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Bangor Conference 07703679384
(covering Bangor West, Clandeboye/Newtownards Road area, Kilcooley, Helens Bay and Crawfordsburn)
Ballyholme/Donaghadee Conference 07703679389. (covering Bangor city centre, Bangor East/Ballyholme, Balloo/Bloomfield Road area, Groomsport, Donaghadee and Millisle

PRAYERS AT HOLY COMMUNION

Spiritual Holy Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present
in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love you above all things and
I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you have already come,
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.
composed by Saint Alphonsus Liguori

ANIMA CHRISTI
Prayer to the Most Holy Redeemer

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
From the evil enemy defend me.
At the hour of my death call me
and bid me to come to you,
that with your Saints I may praise you
for age upon age. Amen

Prayer Online: Come and join us at… www.soulparemission.com Who are we? We are a new interactive prayer website created by Jacinta Crockford DipTH, Spiritual Director living in Down and Connor. What's on offer? A variety of PDF meditations on Scripture, Mother Teresa, Ignatius Spirituality to name but a few. Lots of content to Dive into! There you will find - Podcasts on Faith, Friendship & Knowledge; Rosaries, Prayers and Marian Consecration, Videos of Reflective Prayers during Adoration. Come and join us and be part of the local prayer movement online!

CALENDAR OF SAINTS DAYS

JANUARY 2024	

Parish of Bright Bulletin
Sunday 8th November 2026

Parish Priest: Fr Peter O'Kane, 16 Rossglass Road, Killough, BT30 7QN
Tel: 028 4484 1221
Email: parishofbright@downandconnor.org
Website: parishofbright.net

Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 9th November

St Patrick's, Legamaddy
9th November Monday 10am
13th November Friday7.30pm
15th November Sunday 10am

St Joseph's, Killough
10th November Tuesday 10am
11th November Wednesday 7.30pm
14th November Saturday 10am
14th November Sat Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass
12th November Thursday 10.00am

Faithful Departed
Anniversaries: Pat Conway, Barney Laverty, Marie George, Fred Laird

Weekly Confessions
Sacrament of Reconciliation: after all weekday Masses; and in St Joseph's every Wednesday 8.00pm-8.45pm and at 6.00pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration
St Joseph's, Killough every Wed: 3.30pm -7.30pm & after Mass 8pm-9pm.
St Patrick's, Legamaddy every Friday: 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Sunday Collections 25th October
Weekly £577-65. Monthly £607-04. Thank you for your generous contributions.

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 www.downandconnorsafeguarding.com

November Mass for our Deceased Family Members and Friends
Will take place on Monday 9th November in St Joseph's Church, Killough at 7.30pm. May their souls rest in God's Eternal Peace.

Why November is the month to recall the Four Last Things

"The month of November has always been a time of the year to reflect on the Four Last Things: death, judgement, Heaven, and Hell.

It may not be a topic we would want to meditate on, but it is a topic that the Church repeatedly brings to mind during this traditionally dark and gloomy month in the Northern Hemisphere. Many priests will begin to preach on this topic during the month of November, dedicating each Sunday to one of the Four Last Things.

Why did the Church choose November as a month to focus on such a theological theme? Here are a few reasons why the Catholic Church chose November for this topic.

1. In the Northern Hemisphere, November is a time of the year when many people watch as trees lose their leaves, and when many plants die due to the lack of sunlight. It is a time when the natural world "dies" and lays dormant until spring.

2. November begins with the feast of All Saints and the commemoration of All Souls, starting the month out with a very obvious reflection on death and our final destination. These celebrations often continue throughout the rest of the month with various "All Saints" day feasts for various religious orders.

3. An indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray for the departed in November. The indulgence is plenary each day from the 1st to the 8th of November; on other days of the year it is partial. Death is continually brought-up in the mind of Catholics.

4. The Roman Catholic liturgical year ends in November after the Solemnity of Christ the King. The year ends immediately before the beginning of Advent, which ushers in a new liturgical year.

For these reasons, November is a perfect time to recall the Four Last Things."
(By Philip Kosloski)

Mass Timings for the weekdays and weekends
(17th August onwards)

Mass Times

Monday - 7pm St Nicholas
Tuesday - 10am St Nicholas
Thursday - 7pm Our Lady of Lourdes
Friday - 10am Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday - 9.30 Our Lady of Lourdes
- 11.30 St Nicholas

Confessions

Monday - 6.15 to 6.50 - St Nicholas
Thursday - 6.15 to 6.50 - Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday - 9am to 9.20am - Our Lady of Lourdes
Sunday - 11am to 11.20am - St Nicholas

Mary, Mother of the Church
Saintfield
Open Sun. Tues. Wed. Thurs.10 am – 4 pm
Mon. Fri. Sat. 10 am – 8 pm

MASS
Saturday 6:30 pm
Sunday 11:00 am
Monday & Friday 7:30 pm
Holy Rosary 6:45 pm on Monday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday 7.00 pm

St Joseph's Church, Carrickmannon
Open Sat & Sun 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

MASS
Sunday 9:00 am
Tuesday 10:00 am

Mass is offered on Wednesday and Thursday at 9:30 am in the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Carryduff.

CONFESSIONS
Before Vigil Mass

ALTAR SOCIETY
Saintfield – Group 1
Carrickmannon – Team 4

READERS 14/15 November
Vigil: Katrina Godfrey
9am: Angela Miskelly
11am: Marie Murray

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS 14/15 November
Vigil: Gemma Magennis, John Weston
9 am: Eileen P Murray
11 am: Patricia McMahon
Ann Schollhammer, Donna Murray

Weekly Collection 1 Nov £1561

For you my soul is thirsting, O God, My God.

Please remember in your prayers:
Monsignor Gerard McSorley, Olive Casement and Robert Flynn, recently deceased.
Anniversaries: Una Mageean, Colm Flanagan, Nan McIlwaine, Brigid McMullan, Joan McCallion, Rosie Lenaghan, Cissie Boyle, Brendan Spence, Adrian Donnelly, Elizabeth Wade, Jean Connolly and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.
Months Mind Mass for Robert Flynn will be offered on Monday 16th November at 7:30 pm in Saintfield Church.

Feast Days
Monday: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Tuesday: St Leo the Great
Wednesday: St Martin of Tours
Thursday: St Josaphat
Saturday: St Laurence O'Toole

November lists for the deceased are available in both churches. Complete one for your family and friends and they will be remembered at all Masses throughout November.

St Vincent de Paul
Contact: 07521463667
stmochai.saintfield@svpni.co.uk



Children's Liturgy 11am Mass
Hello children! In today's liturgy, Jesus tells us a story about how it is important to be ready and prepared for whatever will happen. Jesus also asks us to be ready and prepared to be kind and loving to others whenever we have the chance. Let's try our best to be prepared in this coming week to be loving, kind and generous. Let's do our best to be ready to help others at home, at school, in the local community and around the world.

God of all, help us to be ready to share what we have, to treat others as we would wish to be treated and to try to make the world a fairer place. Amen

Worksheets and the Kids Bulletin to support this week's Gospel are available in both churches. Pick up copies for your children/grandchildren.

Mass for Seafarers and Fishers - Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11:00 am in St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, to be presided over by Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop of Down and Connor. All are warmly welcome.

A Mass to remember all deceased members of the Pioneer Association Friday 20 November in St Agnes' Church, Andersonstown Road, Belfast at 7 pm. All Pioneers welcome.

November Pioneer Pledge
"I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November."

Monday Social Club
Next meeting
16th November 2026
12:30 – 2:00 pm

Crois Dharach CLG Club
Lotto Numbers: **8 18 20 23** No jackpot winner. Consolation prize winners: Michael Cleary, Maureen McMechan and Gary O'Sullivan **New Jackpot £12100.** Tickets are available from Klubfunder page, Oaks Bar, Chestnut Bar, Vivo Shop, Dufferin, International and Central Bars Killyleagh. **Dinner Dance** – Saturday 21st Nov. Millbrook Lodge Hotel – Tickets £50 each on sale on Klubfunder Page.

Killinchy Senior Citizens - Coffee Morning and Sale Killinchy Community Hall, Beechvale Road on **Tuesday 17th November, 10:30am -12 noon.** Please come along and support our Tuesday Club.

Join us in the **Belfast Jesuit Centre on Thursday 12th November at 7.00pm,** for a fascinating illustrated talk by Damien Burke, Archivist of the Irish Jesuit Province and co-editor of ***The Second World War through Jesuit Archives***: All are welcome. Light refreshments provided. Small donation suggested.

NEW OFFERTORY ENVLOPES
Final opportunity to pick up your box
Gift Aid declaration forms are also available.
Anyone wishing to make contributions by standing order please email saintfield@downandconnor.org for details.

The Bridegroom in today's Gospel, is the Lord, and the time of waiting for his arrival is the time he gives to us, to all of us, before his Final Coming with mercy and patience; it is a time of watchfulness; a time in which we must keep alight the lamps of faith, hope and charity, a time in which to keep our heart open to goodness, beauty and truth. It is a time to live in accordance with God, because we do not know either the day or the hour of Christ's return. What he asks of us is to be ready for the encounter — ready for an encounter, for a beautiful encounter, the encounter with Jesus, which means being able to see the signs of his presence, keeping our faith alive with prayer, with the sacraments, and taking care not to fall asleep so as to not forget about God. The life of slumbering Christians is a sad life, it is not a happy life. Christians must be happy, with the joy of Jesus. Let us not fall asleep!

Pope Francis

Week of Witness for Persecuted Christians One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18. More information is available at **www.acnireland.org**

Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Carryduff
St Mochumma Room
Welcome to all new parishioners – We are glad to have you join the
Family of Parishes of Drumbo, Carryduff, Saintfield and Carrickmannon
Join us for a cuppa, a scone and a chat on Sunday 22nd November after 11am Mass

KNOCK ALL NIGHT VIGIL – Monday 7th December – Tuesday 8th December
Vigil starts at 1pm – Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Benediction and Mass at 4am.
Price £75 - To book contact Brendan 02890 665211

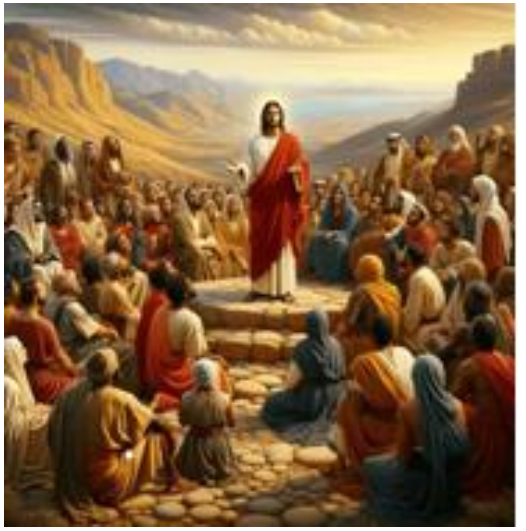
Bookings for Mass, Month Minds, Anniversaries, Baptisms and Weddings are to be made through the Parish Office **02897510237** or Parish email address at: saintfield@downandconnor.org. Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 11.00am - 1.30pm. Thursday 12 – 1pm. Please use the Parish email outside of Office Hours.

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the hour of battle.
Be thou our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God restrain him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God, thrust down to Hell,
Satan and with him all the evil spirits
who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Saintfield & Carrickmannon

Parish Bulletin

8th November 2026



32nd Sunday of the Year

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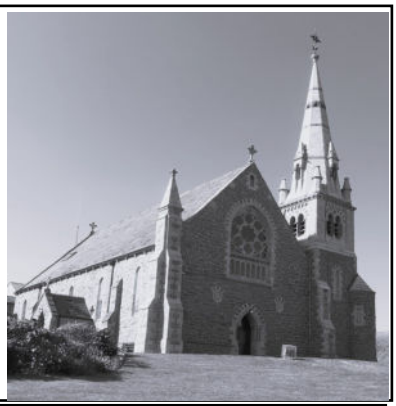
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Dundrum Tyrella Parish Weekly Bulletin

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Times

8th November 2026



Parish Information

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St. Joseph's Primary, Ballykinlar
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Office Hours: Tuesday 6pm pm to 8pm, Thursday 6pm to 8pm and Saturday noon to 3pm.
Email for bulletin notices: *dundrum@downandconnor.org*
Visit our Facebook page: Dundrum Tyrella Parish
Mass is live streamed in both churches—visit www.mcnmedia.tv

PARISH SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE:
Our Chairperson is Maurice Redmond , supported by Mary Graham, Geraldine Vaughan, Loretta Killen , and Canon Robert Fleck.
If you have a concern about a child or vulnerable adult's welfare, please contact any of the following:
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person,
Philip O'Hara: 07534 992 124 Email: Philip.ohara@soddc.org
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ALL SERVICES IN BOTH CHURCHES DUNDRUM & BALLYKINLAR ARE BROADCAST ON THE INTERNET. Social Services: 02890 507000; PSNI: 101; NSPCC Helpline: 0808 800 5000.

Remembering the faithful departed
7th November to 13th November

Isa Laverty	Gary Penton
Peter Dalton	Vincent Fusco
James Kelly	Pat Hynds
Sarah Murray	Malachy Clendenning
Frank Marnier	Harry Doherty
Damien Carr	Malachy Smith
Thomas Sharvin	Anthony Burns
Kathleen Magorrian	Mary Magorrian
Vera McCormack	Kevin Fitzpatrick
Mick Hillen	Howell (Paddy) Bradley
John McKeating	John Doherty
Jim McClean	Joseph Byrne
Patrick Fisher	Sr. Mary Anthony Finnegan
Joseph Smyth	Christine Carr
Mary Lennon	Patrick Ruddy
May Heenan	Paul McKibben
Rosetta Kielty	Yvonne McKibben
John Walsh	William Burns
Eoin Hurley	

Mass Intentions
Sat, 7th Nov 6pm Ballykinlar
Anniversary Mass for Damien Carr



May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

What's On in Our Parish:

Parish Surgery—will be this Monday 9th November from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

Adoration—will be weekly on Monday evenings from 7pm to 7.30pm in Dundrum. Canon Robert & Deacon James are pleased to see an increase attending—in quiet prayer and resting in the presence of God.

Mary Polland along with Canon Robert & Deacon James express sincere "Thank you" to all the children for coming to the Altar during 11am Mass to recite the **Our Father** and receive a **handshake** of peace from Deacon James. This will **cease** now. Parents are also **thanked** for encouraging their children.

Yearly deceased Mass—will be in Ballykinlar on Wednesday 18th November 2026 at 7.30pm. Each family will receive a candle in memory of the deceased after Mass.

This year's faithful departed

"Grace and mercy await the chosen of the Lord" (Wis 4:15)

Damien Carrr	Joan Venghaus
Howell (Paddy) Bradley	Seamus Rodgers
Charles (Charlie) Hillen	Norah Clarke
Kathleen McVeigh	Pasty (Patrick) Forsythe
Rhona McKeating	Annie Curran
Billy Madden	Bernie Earley
Thomas Part	Margaret Magee
Dympna Smyth	Margaret Fitzsimons

This week's mass times from 9th to 15th Nov 2026:

Monday	9.30am	Dundrum
Tuesday	9.30am	Dundrum
Wednesday	9.30am	Dundrum
Thursday	9.30am	Dundrum
Friday	9.30am	Ballykinlar
Saturday	6.00pm	Ballykinlar
Sunday	11:00 am	Dundrum

All masses in Dundrum and Ballykinlar can be viewed via church webcams on www.mcnlive.tv.

Recent Collections:
Weekly collection 1st Nov 2026—£703.80
Monthly collection 1st Nov 2026—£457.00



Lifeline. If you're in distress or despair call free on 0808 808 8000. Lines are open 24/7.

Entrance Hymn

Give me joy in my heart,
Keep me praising,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray.
Give me joy in my heart,
keep me praising,
Keep me praising till
the end of day.

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the
King of kings!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King!

Give me peace in my heart,
keep me resting,
Give me peace in my heart,
I pray.
Give me peace in my heart,
keep me resting,
Keep me resting
till the end of day.

Sing hosanna! Sing …….

Give me love in my heart,
Keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart,
I pray.
Give me love in my heart,
keep me serving,
Keep me serving till
the end of day.

Sing hosanna! Sing ……..

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Preparation of the Gifts

I am the bread of life.
You who come to me
shall not hunger;
and who believe in me
shall not thirst.
No on can come to me
unless the Father beckons.

And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
on the last day.

The bread that I will give
Is my flesh for the
life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live for ever,
you shall live for ever.

And I will raise you up….

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die,
you shall live for ever.

And I will raise you up….

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Recessional Hymn

You shall cross the barren desert,
But you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety
Though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words
in foreign lands and they
will understand
You shall see the face of God
and live.

Be not afraid,
I Go before you always.
Come follow me, and I will give
you rest.

If you pass through
raging waters in the
Sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid
the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r
of hell and
Death is at your side,
Know that I am with you
through it all.

Be not afraid ……..

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Magnificat prayer group – retreat on Saturday 14th November from 10am to 5pm at Kilmegan Centre, Castlewellan. The cost is £30, lunch and refreshments provided. Inspiring talk by guest speaker Anto Crossey. Holy mass, adoration, confessions, healing service lead by Michael McLaughlin, vessel of the Holy Spirit. Book via Eventbrite or contact Jennifer on 07988062489.

Parish Contributions for Dundrum and Tyrella Parish—you can pay by Standing Order—to donate directly via bank transfer the parish bank details are:
Account name—Parish of Dundrum & Tyrella
Sort Code—938351
Account number—03 71 11 87
(please add an identifying name to your transaction)
Many thanks

Mass to remember deceased members of the Pioneer Association—A Mass to remember all deceased members of the Pioneer Association will take place on Friday 20 November in St Agnes' Church, Andersonstown Road, Belfast at 7pm. Light refreshments afterwards. All Pioneers welcome.

Eternal Father,
anoint us with your
Holy Spirit, as we read your Word,
let us hear your voice speaking
to us from within.
Give us wisdom to understand
your message to us.
Let your word be the joy of our
heart and a lamp for our steps.
May we rejoice in the blessedness
of those who hear your Word
and keep it. Speak Lord your
servants are listening.

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 November 2026

Very Rev. Rory Sheehan P.P.: St Joseph's
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Parish Support Officer: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278
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Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Jesus always new

The lamp is the light of love and hope, and at its centre is the light of Christ. The light is given to us in many ways in our lives - it shines within as an eternal joy, and outwards to many others. Jesus often advises, *'keep your lamps burning' and 'Let you lights shine.*
Like when the bulb goes out when the electricity fails, the lamp can go out without oil. The people of the gospel felt foolish that they had not brought oil with them to light their way. The oil is prayer and our relationship with Jesus. This is the essence of the Christian life. Our Christian life is following a real, loving person: it is an invitation to get to know Jesus, and to find ourselves drawn from our hearts to follow him. Without this living relationship with Christ, words sound empty. We sometimes hear someone speaking of their Christian faith and cannot help wondering if it comes from the inside or is just a list of things to be believed and read.
Ignatius of Loyola's famous prayer is the prayer of the follower of Jesus; *'Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life.'* (Spiritual Exercises). The more indicates that this is never a finished product: like love and friendship it grows in our lives. It is exciting that Jesus is never gone from us.: risen from the dead he is always alive, always new. Our reading of the gospel, our sharing at Mass and the sacraments and our personal prayer keep this relationship always alive, always new.
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Masses During the Week 9 – 15 November 2026

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James	Feumore
Mon	**9.30am Communion Service**		**Adoration 7pm-8pm**	**Adoration 11am 12pm**
Tues		**7pm St James GAA**		
Wed		**9.30am Holy Souls Special Intention Adoration 10am – 12noon**		
Thurs	**7pm Mass for Families of the Deceased**			
Fri	**9.30am P.I.**			
Sat	**12pm Wedding**	**5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Charlotte Reid (Anniv)**		
Sun	**9.30am P.P. 12pm Patricia Cormican (1st Anniv)**	**10.45am Mary Kane (Anniv) Brendan Skelton (Anniv)**		**Adoration 6.30 – 7.30pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary**

Weddings Congratulations to Tierna Kennedy & Joseph Evans and Katrina Moore & Stephen Bunting who were married in Christ.
Months Mind Mary Fitzpatrick
Anniversaries Patrick Cleary, Baby Eunan Owens, Elizabeth McNeice, Anna & Harry Connon, Jarlath Ignatius Maguire, Matthew Bradley, Phelim Cormican, Marie O'Neill, Jim McGarry, Sarah McGarry, Denis Campbell, Fr Frank Quinn (1st), Vera McGarry, Billy Brazier. Alice McGarry, Frank Quinn.
Sanctuary Lamps Jim & Sarah McGarry, Special Intention B.G.

Collections 1 November 2026

Weekly Offering £2,828 Monthly Offering £2,134

Change in Mass times effective from 1st Weekend in Advent (28 & 29 November)

Day	Mater Dei	St Josephs	St James
Saturday	Vigil 6pm		
Sunday	11.30am	10.00am	
Holy Days		7pm	9.30am

Changes to Baptism Times. All Baptisms must be booked in advance through the Parish Office.

Day	Mater Dei	St Josephs
Saturday	5pm	
Sunday		9.15am

Parish Draw 2026 – 27 (Week 27)

Winner £100 M & M McDonnell (Crumlin)
Winner £50 The Mulholland Children (Moira Road)

The Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work are holding their Annual Christmas sale in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 22 November 2026 after Mass. Cakes, Tombola, Ballot, Bric a Brac, stalls, tea and coffee available. A Church door collection will be taken up at all Masses in the parish that weekend. Gift Aid envelopes for taxpayer donors are available at the back of Mater Dei and St Joseph's churches. Please complete all sections of the form and return envelopes at the door collection or Parish office.

November Short-Term Pledge The month of November offers a special opportunity to make a small sacrifice in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We invite parishioners and friends to consider taking a **Short-Term Pledge** throughout November. **Pioneer Offering -** *"I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November."* Please consider joining with others in prayer, sacrifice and support for those affected by addiction.

GH Tyres and Auto Services 40A Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures, repairs, wheel balancing, wheel alignment, batteries, general services and repairs. Tel 028 9442 3113

Care Assistant available Monday – Friday 25 Years experience. Tel 07870 697727

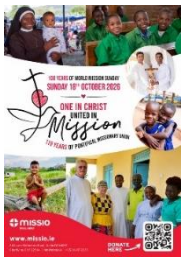
ST CLARE'S HALL, WHAT'S ON? – MONDAY Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, multi-sensory baby class 10—11am, Flip Fusion 5.30pm—6.30pm, Pilates 7pm – 9pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm.
TUESDAY Brazier School of Dance 4.45PM – 7.45PM, Pickle Ball 8pm – 10pm.
WEDNESDAY Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Friendship Group 10.30am – 12.30pm, Yoga 7pm – 8pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm (Matches).
THURSDAY Pilates 10am – 11am & Judo 6pm – 7pm, Bingo 8pm – 9.30pm.
FRIDAY Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Mums & Tots 9.30am – 11.30am, Coffee Morning 10 – 11.30am.
SATURDAY Slimming World 7.45—11am, Litle Show Stoppers 9am—10am, Flip Fusion 5pm—7pm. **MONTHLY EVENTS** Book club 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm – 9pm, Traditional night 1st Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Sunday 7pm – 10pm. Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's Contact stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com or 07517779334 St Clare's Hall is a drop off point for the Hygiene Bank. You can now bring unopened toiletries to help people in our community who need them most. Donation box is in the front entrance of the hall, so items can be donated any time the hall is open. **St Clare's Bowling Club** We welcome new members, young or old on Mon days & Wednesday at 8pm. Come along and have fun! **WEEKLY WALKS IN GLENAVY** TUESDAYS - 6.30pm - Glenavy GAC, WEDNESDAYS - 12 noon - St. Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy, SATURDAYS - 9am - St. Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy. More walks starting soon. To register, go to walking forall.com **CHRISTMAS FAIR** - Sunday 15 November from 12.30pm - 3pm. Contact Cecilia to book a table on 07514 630758.

Shrines of France Pilgrimage 11 – 18 June 2027. For further information contact Jean Reymolds 07729 402311 or jeanreymolds@hotmail.co.uk

Parish Bingo

In St Clare's Community Hall
Every Thursday at 8pm sharp – 9.30pm (approx.)
Jackpot £1,000 in 52 numbers

Belfast Jesuit Centre **Talk: The Second World War through Jesuit Archives** on **Thursday 12 November** at **7pm**. All are welcome. Light refreshments provided. Small donation suggested. **The Chosen: Season 3 plus Advent Specials** on Friday 6 November beginning at **10.45am sharp**. Tea and coffee available from **10.15am**, **Mass at 12.30pm**. As part of our Advent journey, on **18 December** we will screen the special episodes **The Shepherd** and **The Messengers** All are welcome. Small donation suggested. **Church at the Crossroads – Belfast Conference 13–14 November. Assembly Buildings Conference Centre** For more details and registration, please visit: **www.churchatthecrossroads.com/belfast**
Newell Reynolds Lecture 2026 with Rev. Dr Amy Orr – Ewing. Annual Lecture in Clonard Church on Sunday 15 November @ 7pm. All welcome.



As we come to the end of the Mission Month of October, all of us at Missio Ireland thank you for your support of Mission Sunday. If you have not donated before and you wish to do so, please use the QR code on the Mission Sunday poster. Alternatively, you may either donate over the phone [(01) 497 2035] or on our website: https://missio.ie/donate/

Anniversaries: Tommy Magee, Patrick McGee, Betty Hughes, Margaret Tolan, Peggy Toal, Rose Toal, Elizabeth Monaghan, James Murray, Josephine McHugh, Tommy Magee, Fr. Myles Kavanagh CP, Alice Logan, Paul Frame, Sean McKeever, Francis & Bridie McKeating, Lorraine McCarthy, Ciara Corbett, Paul Watson, Julianna & Robbie Doyle, Hugh Kelly, Cecilia Hagans, Harry Muldoon.

Months Mind: Frankie Dornan,

Recently Deceased: Lilia Logan McFall formerly Brompton Pk. Died in Lisburn, Anne McKane, Margaret (Madge) Kane.

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Baptism Lines, Marriage Lines etc: will be copied from our register and we will telephone when they are ready. Identification is needed for all Certificates.

Funerals: If you would like your loved one's funeral recorded, please let us know when we are taking the details or let the undertaker know. We need to know beforehand if it has to be recorded.

Marriages: If you want your Marriage to be recorded please inform us when booking the wedding. It is not automatically recorded on the day.

Readers: David Wasson, Brian Lundy, Kathleen Osbourne, Arthur Kealey. Chris McMullan, Paul Currie, Michael Stevenson, Betty Magee. James Baker, Michelle McCullogh, John McParland, Wilma Lynch, Kate Lynch, Jinno Carlloe, Daniel, Rose Kilmartin, Sr. Kathleen Savage, Joseph Bennett.

Music Sunday: 7pm Vigil Tanya and Anne, 10am Mass Betty & James, 12 noon Mass Organist Mark P. Laverty & Holy Cross Choir.7pm folk Group.

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Collections October:

4th 1st Coll. £3,217.39, 2nd Coll. £470 = £3,687.39.
11th 1st Coll. £2,303.34, 2nd Coll. £420 = £2,723.34
18th 1st Coll. £2,818.43, 2nd Coll. £390 = £3,208.43
25th 1st Coll. £2,209.36, 2nd Coll. £445 = £2,654.36.

We thank everyone who contributed to our Weekly Collections.

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Weddings October: Catherine Delaney & Seán Morrison.

Baptisms October: Cohan John Lundy, Olivia Grace Stewart, Sienna Sarah Cains, Ariyah Taggart, Rose Quinn, Ruben John Quinn, Darragh Patrick Gibney.

Feast Days this Week: 9th the Dedication of The Lateran Basilica, 10th St. Leo the Great, 11th St. Martin of Tours, 12th St. Josaphat, 14th st. Laurance O'Toole.

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Mon, Tues, Wed, Thur 6 – 8 Houben
CLOSED 1-2, SUNDAYS 9.30AM -1.30.
6-8 PM, SICK CALLS 24/7



Sunday 8th November 2026
Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Passionists Community: Fr. Charles Cross CP Superior & Parish Priest, Fr. Aidan Troy CP. Assistant, 07517889434 (24/7) Bro. Conor Quinn CP

Weekday Masses: Monday – Saturday 10am.

Weekend Masses: Sat. Vigil 7pm, Sun. 10, 12, & 7pm, Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows Monday 7pm, First Friday: Healing Mass of St. Charles & Penance Service 7pm.

Confessions: 20 Minutes before each mass by the celebrant of the mass.

Sick Calls: are normally covered by the Priest on duty Tel: 90748231 pastoral care of sick in hospital is covered by The Hospital Chaplain.

Baptisms: From September onwards 2nd Saturday of the month 12noon Baptism Meeting first Sunday of the month 1pm.

Funerals: are celebrated at 10am mass (unless there is more than one funeral or because of time due at the cemetery).

Wedding Bookings: Please contact Parish office 028 90748231.

Pre Marriage-Courses: Wilma 07791148340 after 6pm.

City Hall forms www.groni.gov.uk.

Relic of St. Charles: available at Chapel of Passionist saints.

Requests for Home Blessings: Can be made with any of the priests. Please phone Parish office 028 90748231.

Children's liturgy: Sunday 12noon.

Today is the 32 Sunday in Ordinary Time: We are coming to the end of the liturgical year, the 29 November marks the beginning of Advent. The readings at Mass for the next few weeks will concentrate on the end of time and on the theme of watchfulness. The Gospel today (Matthew 25:1-13) speaks of being prepared for the second coming of Jesus. When we recite the Creed at Mass we pray: *"He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead."* We do not know when Jesus will return again. Matthew 24:36 states *"Of that day and hour (when Jesus will return) no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only*" Today we read of the ten bridesmaids waiting for the bridegroom to arrive for the feast. Five were wise and five were foolish. There is a delay in the bridegroom arriving for his feast. None are watching when the bridegroom arrives. All are asleep! They get their lamps ready. The foolish ones have no oil for the lamps and they beg for some of the oil from the wise ones who have only oil for their own lamps. Are the wise bridesmaids being terribly selfish in not sharing some of their oil with them? However we all know that there are just some things in life that are not transferable to others. The oil stands for faith and good works and we just cannot pass them on to others. You can't borrow the oil of faith. You can't borrow another's good works. **You must respond to God's call yourself**. St. Augustine and other ancient writers saw the oil as a symbol of love: a love which we cannot buy but receive as a gift, which we keep in our hearts and practise in good works. When we reawaken for the final judgement, we will be assessed on the basis of the love we have shown during our earthly lives. St. Matthew, in today's Gospel, is calling his community, and is calling us also, to responsible discipleship in the face of the delay in the return of Jesus as Judge. Discipleship is not passive waiting till the end of time – what is needed is oil – which is good deeds. It is about active engagement in the present which will determine the shape of our future. This is a tragic parable because the foolish bridesmaids failed to make adequate preparations to pursue their intentions of sharing in the wedding feast. When they got back to the entrance to the feast they found the door closed to them. All ten bridesmaids were waiting. They all had the same opportunity and same oil lamps. They all could have gathered the oils in on time. They all were preparing and waiting for the same wedding. They all had the same bridegroom coming to them… but only five of them were taking the long-term view and came fully prepared… The final words of today's Gospel – *Be Watchful, Be Prepared, Be Vigilant.* Fr. Charles CP



November Dead Lists: are available in the church and the Parish Office in The Houben Centre. They can be left in the box provided or handed in at The Parish Office. We thank you for your cooperation at this time of the year.

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S.V.D.P: Meeting Wednesday night at 7pm in the Houben Centre.
Holy Cross Choir: 7:30pm Wednesday. In the Houben Centre
AA: Wednesday 7pm – 8:00, Saturday 11 – 1pm Houben Centre
NA: Sunday 7:30 – 8:30pm in the Houben Centre
Prayer Group: 8pm Sunday in the Houben Centre
Legion of Mary: 7pm Thursday in the Houben Centre.
First Friday Film: 8pm in The Houben Centre.
Film in The Houben Centre: Friday 27th November 7:30pm Our Lady of Knock.
Old School Café: 9:30am – 1:30pm. Monday – Friday
We Welcome new volunteers
Weekly Bingo each Tuesday: From 7pm Flax Room
Christmas Craft Fayre: Sunday 6th December 10am – 2pm in Houben Centre.

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The Listening café at the Houben Centre: Do you dabble in poetry, songwriting, or storytelling? Join us for an evening of homegrown, original works in a warm, inviting space. Friday 13h November 7:30 – 9:30pm. (Registration for performers opens at 7pm). Café open for light refreshments. (No alcohol event, Donations voluntary).

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Knock All Night Vigil: Monday 7th December , Departure from Clonard Monastery 1pm returning to Belfast 8th December at noon. Price £75.
This includes Dinner & Breakfast. To book Phone Brendan on 90 665211.
9am – 5pm. Monday – Friday. £20 deposit required.

Talk: The Second World War through Jesuit Archives
Join us in the Belfast Jesuit Centre on Thursday 12th November at 7.00pm, for a fascinating illustrated talk by Damien Burke, Archivist of the Irish Jesuit Province and co-editor of *The Second World War through Jesuit Archives: The Case of Europe (1939–1945)*. Drawing on letters, diaries and archival records from across Europe, this illustrated talk explores the human experience of war through stories of faith, service and resilience. All are welcome. Light refreshments provided. Small donation suggested.

Additional Masses during Lent: **Monday Novena Mass as usual 7pm, Wednesday 7pm.**
Confessions: **15 Minutes before each mass by the celebrant of the mass.**
Music Sunday: **7pm Vigil Tanya and Anne, 10am Mass Betty & James, 12 noon Mass Organist Mark P. Laverty & Holy Cross Choir. 7pm folk Group.**
Readers: **Sr. Kathleen, Wilma Lynch, Arthur Kealey, Michelle McCullagh, Brian Lundy, Chris McMullan, John McParland**
Kate Lynch, Michael Stevenson, Kathleen Osbourne, Rose Kilmartin, Betty Magee.



Holy Family Parish

A praying, caring community, centred in Christ

Holy Family Parish is a member of a Family of Parishes, comprising the parishes of St Patrick's, Holy Family and St Gerard's.

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

Holy Family Church: 6pm Vigil & 10.30am

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: 9am & 12noon

WEEKDAYS

Holy Family Church: 9.15am Monday,Tuesday & Wednesday

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: 10.00am Thursday, Friday & Saturday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Holy Family Church: Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: Saturday after 10am Mass

BAPTISMS

(Prior booking via Parish Office)

Holy Family Church: Saturdays at 4pm

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: Sundays at 1pm

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Daily10am-10pm (St Thérèse)
Pilgrim Prayer: Tuesday 8pm on the Parish Facebook page
Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 9:15am Mass
First Saturday: 10am (Holy Family)
Taizé Prayer: last Friday of the month 8-9pm (Holy Family)

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 09: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Tue 10: St Leo the Great, Pope
Wed 11: St Martin of Tours
Thu 12: St Josaphat
Sat 14: St Laurence O'Toole



"Your true wealth is that which you spend on your neighbour"
St Leo the Great

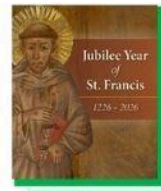
CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Clergy: Very Rev. Michael Spence PP
Rev. John O'Laverty CC & Rev. Deacon Brendan Dowd

Parish Telephone (Office hours): 90743119
Office hours: Mon-Thu 9.30am -2.30pm, Fri 9.30am-1.30pm
Address: 226-228 Limestone Road,Belfast BT15 3AP

Emergency Sick Calls only: 07928968773
Society of St Vincent de Paul (Helpline): 028 90351561

Email: holyfamily@downandconnor.org
Website & Webcam: www.holy-familyparish.com



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8TH NOVEMBER 2026

Readings: A (II) Psalter: Week IV

NOVEMBER, MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November Dead Lists

For those who wish to have their deceased loved ones prayed for at Masses in November, dead lists are available in both churches. Please return them to the wall safe in either Church, or to the parish office.



Annual Mass for the Deceased and Bereaved

Mass will be celebrated in Holy Family Church on **Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th November at 7.30pm.** Those families and friends who have lost a loved one during the past year are especially welcome.

Memoriam Cards

You are invited to place Memoriam Cards on the special notice boards in Holy Family Church and St Thérèse Church, and to take a few moments to remember and pray for all those souls who have gone into eternal life.

Annual Trócaire Remembrance Mass

Wednesday 11th November at 1pm, in St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane. You can also join online at http://www.stmarysbelfast.org/webcam/

Mass to Remember Deceased Members of the Pioneer Association.

Friday 20th November at 7pm, in St Agnes' Church. Light refreshments will be served after Mass. All Pioneers welcome.

Mass for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor.

Tuesday 10th November at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church. Please send the names and schools of recently deceased teachers to Fr Colin Grant (02890491886 / dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org). Mass will be broadcast via www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net.

Mass for the Deceased Members of St Malachy's College Old Boys' Association & Teachers. Mon 9 Nov, 7.30pm in the College Chapel. All welcome.

LAY FUNERAL MINISTRY. Our parish funeral ministers are a trained team of lay people, who assist families and the parish clergy, at the time of a death. We are seeking new volunteers for this ministry. If you are interested, and would like to find out more, please contact the parish office.

PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI
17-21 MAY 2027

Visits to shrines of St Francis, St Clare, and St Carlo Acutis

- **£935 per person sharing**
- **Flights from Belfast International Airport**
- **4 nights at Domus Pacis, Assisi, breakfast & dinner**

Group Leader:
Bernadette Cunningham
Spiritual Director: Fr John O'Laverty

Bookings and enquiries:
- 0808 1890468
- info@joewalshtours.ie
- joewalshtours.ie



The Image of Christ

"Consider, O people, in what great excellence the Lord God has placed you, for God created and formed you to the image of his beloved Son's body and to the likeness of his Spirit".

St Francis of Assisi

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

WEEKLY OFFERING. The weekly collection on Sunday 1st November came to £3,219.18, plus £1,990 in standing orders. The monthly collection, for the support of the priests, was £3,122.03, plus £650 in standing orders. Contactless donations in October amounted to £408. Thank you for your continued generosity and support. For information on standing order and contactless methods of donation, please contact the parish office.

PARISH 100 CLUB. Week 27 winners: R Logan, M Hannington, Peter Privilege & E Barbour (Promoter). Congratulations to all the winners.

YOUNG PEOPLE – SAVE THE DATE!



Are you aged 16–25? We would love to see you! Come along to the Gathering Space at Holy Family church on **Sunday 15th November at 7.00pm** for an opportunity to meet up, enjoy a little pre-Christmas activity and, most importantly, help us plan for the future of youth ministry in our parish. Whether you are already involved in parish life or simply interested in getting involved, you are very welcome. We want to hear your ideas, share some possibilities and explore how we can create more opportunities for young people in Holy Family. Come along, bring a friend and help us shape what happens next!

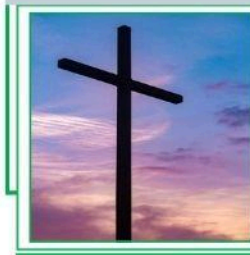


PARISH ANNUAL REPORT. The Parish Pastoral Council will present the Annual Report for 2025-2026 at Masses this weekend. It is also available online, on the parish website & Facebook.

BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE. Visit www.bjc.ie, for information on upcoming programmes and events, including a talk entitled *The Second World War through Jesuit Archives,* on 12 Nov. at 7pm. Also the *Church at the Crossroads* conference, 13-14 Nov. at the Assenbly Buildings.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR – SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER @ 2.00pm, in the Somerton Road Site of Blessed Trinity College. BALLOTS STILL AVAILABLE. PLEASE LEAVE, ASAP, YOUR STUBS AND MONEY IN THE WALL SAFE INSIDE EITHER CHURCH, OR IN THE COLLECTION, OR WITH THE PARISH OFFICE. PLEASE RETURN ANY UNUSED BALLOTS TO THE PARISH OFFICE ASAP. We would be grateful for donations:- toys new & used, bottles (shampoo to champagne), Christmas goodies for hampers, and any unwanted gifts. We would also be grateful for cakes nearer to the day of the Fair. Apologies that we are unable to accept clothes or used electrical goods. Please leave donations into the parish office, or phone the parish office to arrange collection. Sincere thanks for your support.





REST IN PEACE

Recently Deceased: Patricia O'Reilly, Doris June Murray
Month's Mind: Margaret Henry **Anniversaries:** John Ashmore, David Magill (5th), Fearghal Morgan (1st), Eilish Lowry, Tommy Marley, Tommy Devine, Rita Doherty, Marie Cooper, Mary Mullan, Patrick McKenna, Terence McManus, Gerry Megahey, Nan Blackham, Carmel Norton, Patrick Remington, Adrian Norton, William Butcher, James Quinn, Jim Rooney (1st) Maura, Brendan, Anne Marie & Richard Campbell

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!

For more information and resources: www.holy-familyparish.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 7 (6pm):	John Ashmore
Sun 8 (9am):	For the People of the Parish
Sun 8 (10.30am):	Sheila Reid
Sun 8 (12 Noon):	David Magill (5th) & Fearghal Morgan (1st)
Mon 9:	Eilish Lowry
Tue 10:	November Dead
Wed 11:	Tommy Marley
Thu 12:	November Dead
Fri 13:	Tommy Devine
Sat 14 (10am):	Peter Brennan MM & Noel Brennan



MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

St Bernadette's Parish
Vigil 6.00pm & 11am
Holy Rosary Parish
9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm

WEEKDAYS
St Bernadette's Parish:
Mon, Tues & Wed 9.30am
Holy Rosary Parish:
Thurs, Fri & Sat 10.00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Good Shepherd church Saturday **10.30am**
St. Bernadette's church Saturday **5.15pm**

BAPTISMS
(Prior booking via Parish Office)
Holy Rosary Church: Third Sunday of the month at 2p.m.
St Bernadette's Church: First Saturday of the month at 2p.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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b.hickland@downandconnor.org

Fr. Babu Panattuparambil Vareed Assistant Priest
(028) 9079 3023.
Rev. Patrick Keown (Deacon) p.keown@downandconnor.org

Kylee (Parish Support Officer) Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 9.15a.m - 1p.m. Closed Fridays

Holy Rosary Parish Office (028) 90642446 Option 2
holyrosary@downandconnor.org

Philomena (Finance Officer) p.dawson@downandconnor.org
More Information and resources:
holyrosaryparishbelfast.net and www.st.bernadettesparish.org

COME AND SING WITH US!

St. Bernadette's Parish Choir is looking for new members! We return to our musical duties on **Sunday 6th September**, singing each week at the **11.00am Sunday Mass**, with a rehearsal beforehand.
There are no auditions, and you don't need to be an experienced singer - just someone who enjoys singing and would like to be part of our choir. We warmly welcome singers of all ages, so if you've ever thought about joining us, now is the perfect time to give it a try!
For more information, speak to Marty Lavery,
our organist and choir director, or to any member of the choir.

Down and Connor Cantor Training

Adults (18+) involved in parish music are invited to take part in Cantor Training at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Dunloy. Training takes place on Saturday 3 October, 17 October and 7 November, from 10.00am to 3.00pm (registration from 9.30am). Attendance at all three days is required for commissioning as a parish cantor. To request an application form, contact your parish office.



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY
6th September
Readings: A (I) ❖ Psalter: Week 3



? LIFE AFTER ALPHA ?
INVITATION TO CONTINUE THE JOURNEY
ChristLife 'FOLLOWING CHRIST' Course

When Jesus called his first Disciples he said, "Come Follow Me." He still makes that call to us today. The 'ChristLife' series is an opportunity for you to respond to that call and continue that journey you embarked upon with Alpha. **FOLLOWING CHRIST** is a 7-week course with a one day Retreat to help you grow as a disciple of Jesus. The course will commence on **TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2026** at **7:00pm** in **HOLY ROSARY PARISH CENTRE, 503 Ormeau Road, BT7 3GR.**
Each evening will follow a format similar to the Alpha Course and include a video presentation and small group discussions each evening.
We will also have time for tea and coffee and a little something to eat!
The evening should last no more than a couple of hours.
To register for '**FOLLOWING CHRIST'** course, please send your full name, your e-mail address and preferably your mobile telephone number to
stbrigids@downandconnor.org
A short information video can be found here:
christlife.org/about/christlife-process/following-christ/

St Bernadette's Third World Group - Lima Mission

Father Coney and staff members from St Bernadette's Children's Centres in Lima will be speaking at St Bernadette's Masses **Sat 5th & Sunday 6th September**. Their aim is to thank the Sponsors for their continued support over many years, and at the same time promote the sustainability of the projects. The Third World Group is collecting annual sponsorship payments after both Masses this weekend and also on **12th &13th September**. If you would like to sponsor a child within the Centres please speak to us after Mass. We will be happy to give further details.
Many thanks to all sponsors for your continued support.

FÁILTE - WELCOME GROUP

There will be a get together of the group and new members in the coffee lounge (St Bernadette's parish centre) on the **13th September after 11am mass**. We are blessed to have 16 members and would be delighted if more parishioners came along to join us. You will find it to be a very worthwhile and enriching ministry to be part of. Beannacht Dia libh.

HLI Ireland

Fr Lawrence Carney (USA), international speaker and popular author, Provincial Tour of Ireland. Join us for the Ulster event at the Canal Court Hotel, Newry, on Tuesday 29th September at 6:45pm, with a First Class Relic of St Thérèse. Free admission.

THE WEST BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The September **Friday the 11th of September at 7.30pm** in St. Michael's Parish Centre**,** The September talk is entitled:
"The Lusitania and the U Boat Campaign 1914 -1918"
The guest speaker will be Mr Michael McConway

The Chosen – Season 2 at the Belfast Jesuit Centre

Weekly screenings of *The Chosen: Season 2* will take place each Friday at the Belfast Jesuit Centre. Tea/coffee at **10.45am**, episode at **11.00am**, followed by a reflective Examen and discussion. All are welcome; no registration required.
Episode dates: **11 Sept, 18 Sept, 25 Sept, 2 Oct,**
9 Oct, 16 Oct, 23rd October. Contact: bjc@jesuit.ie 07955 282371

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY COLLECTION: **Holy Rosary: £1997.00**
St. Bernadette's: £1065.52

Many thanks for your continued generosity and support

The Monthly Offering Collection for the support of the priests will be taken up this weekend, after Communion. The Building Fund Collection will be taken up next week, in Holy Rosary. Collection offering can be made by standing order or the Dona machines in the church porch.

St Bernadette's Parish Centre

for all bookings and enquiries please email:
stbernadettes@downandconnor.org

Holy Rosary Senior Citizens

Senior Citizens monthly meet-up returns after summer break on Monday 7th September at 8pm. New members very welcome.

St Bernadette's Retirement Group

St Vincent de Paul have invited us to join them for their trip to Mount Stewart on Thursday 17th September.
If you're interested please phone Frances 07800562398 or leave your name in the sacristy.
Welcome back after our beautiful summer.
We hope to see you at our next coffee morning on Wednesday 23rd September after Mass.
New members are welcome. £5 registration.
Our Thursday weekly walk: we meet at 10:15 in the church carpark.
All members are welcome to join in at any time.

B.I.N.G.O is back, we're hoping for a FULL HOUSE!

18th October & 15th November



REST IN PEACE

Recently Deceased:

Georgia Ann Nugent
Joesph Rollins
Michael McKinney
Philip Smith
Edward (Teddy) Dickson
Thomas (Tommy) Napier
Patrick (Pat) McCarney
Frank Maguire
Gerald (Gerry) Henvey

Anniversaries:

Raymond Glover (6pm)
Laura Heaney (9am)
Denis Carey (10.30am)
Eileen Higgins & Paul Cavana (12.30pm)
David Carville, Joesph Woods,
Francis McGinty

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Parish of Blaris

Sunday 8th November 2026
The Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

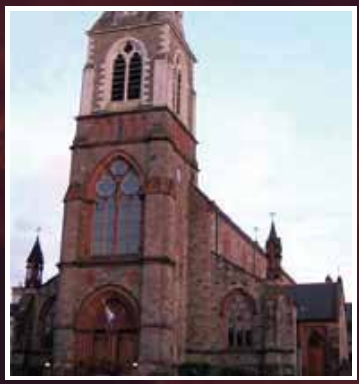
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
Masses Monday – Friday 10.00am
Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday: 10.00am & 12 noon

LIVE WEBSTREAMING OF ALL MASSES

Please note many parishes in the Diocese have webcams installed which provide live coverage of various Masses taking place daily throughout the Diocese. These can be accessed by visiting www.downandconnor.org Links to Parish Webcams. Live Church webcam links: CHURCH SERVICES. TV & MCN MEDIA CHURCH WEBCAMS

'Stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

Matthew 25:13






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Monday-Friday 10.30am-4.00pm.
Closed 1.00pm-2.00pm.

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www.parishoflisburn.org

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Congregation stands

Entrance Hymn or
Entrance Antiphon **Cf. Ps 87:3**

All: **Let my prayer come into your presence.**
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

GREETING

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: **Amen**
Priest: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
All: **And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.
All: **Amen**

GLORIA

All: **Glory to God in the highest,**
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE COLLECT

Priest: Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer

Priest: Almighty and merciful God,
graciously keep from us all adversity,
so that, unhindered in mind and body alike,
we may pursue in freedom of heart
the things that are yours.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
All: **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Congregation Sits

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord
All: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 62:2-8. R v.2

(R) **For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.**

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. **(R)**

2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. **(R)**

3. So I will bless you all my life,
into your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **(R)**

4. On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Congregation stands

ACCLAMATION **Mt 24:42. 44**

All: **Alleluia, alleluia!**
Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**
Priest: A reading from the holy
Gospel according to Matthew 25:1-13
All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
All: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Congregation sits

HOMILY

Congregation stand

THE CREED

All: **I believe in one God,**
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father; through him all things were made
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(bow your head up to the words 'and became man')

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate, he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Congregation sits

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Procession
The gifts of bread and wine which will become the Lord's body and blood are brought to the altar.
The celebrant raises the host on the paten saying:

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.

All: **Blessed be God for ever.**

The celebrant pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying quietly:

Priest: By the mystery of this water and wine
may we come to share in the divinity of Christ
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

The celebrant then raises the chalice above the altar and says:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.

All: **Blessed be God for ever.**

Bowing, the celebrant says quietly:

Priest: With humble spirit and contrite heart
may we be accepted by you, O Lord,
and may our sacrifice in your sight this day
be pleasing to you, Lord God.

Then the celebrant washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and
yours may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Priest: Look with favour, we pray, O Lord,
upon the sacrificial gifts offered here,
that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion.
Through Christ our Lord.
All: **Amen**

Congregation stands

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right and just.**

PREFACE (VI of Ordinary Time)

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For in you we live and move and have our being,
and while in this body we not only experience the daily effects of your care, but even now possess the pledge of life eternal.

For, having received the first fruits of the Spirit,
through whom you raised up Jesus from the dead,
we hope for an everlasting share in the Paschal Mystery.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise you,
as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

ACCLAMATION

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation kneels

Priest: You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us
the Body and + Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed
and entered willingly into his Passion,
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took the chalice and,
once more giving thanks,
he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Priest: The mystery of faith.

All: **My Lord and my God**

Priest: Therefore, as we celebrate
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,
we offer you, Lord,
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,
giving thanks that you have held us worthy
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,
spread throughout the world,
and bring her to the fullness of charity,
together with Leo our Pope and N. our Bishop
and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy:
welcome them into the light of your face.
Have mercy on us all, we pray,
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,
with blessed Joseph, her spouse,
with the blessed Apostles,
and all the Saints who have pleased you
throughout the ages,
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,
and may praise and glorify you
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.
All: **Amen.**

Congregation stands

THE COMMUNION RITE

Priest: At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,**
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory**
are yours now and for ever.

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
All: **Amen**.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Congregation kneels
The celebrant says quietly:
May the receiving of your Body and Blood,
Lord Jesus Christ,
not bring me to judgment and condemnation,
but through your loving mercy
be for me protection in mind and body
and a healing remedy.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: **Lord, I am not worthy**
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Priest: May the Body of Christ
keep me safe for eternal life.

Priest: May the Blood of Christ
keep me safe for eternal life.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 22:1-2

All: **The Lord is my shepherd;**
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful water he leads me.

Purifying the chalice the celebrant says quietly:
What has passed our lips as food, O Lord,
may we possess in purity of heart,
that what has been given to us in time
may be our healing for eternity.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Congregation kneels

Priest: Let us pray.
Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord,
we give thanks and beseech your mercy,
that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit,
the grace of integrity may endure
in those your heavenly power has entered.
Through Christ our Lord.
All: **Amen**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: May the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
All: **Amen**

Priest: And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.
All: **Amen**

Then the celebrant, with hands joined and facing the people, says:

Priest: Go forth, the Mass is ended.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

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We pray for our beloved dead:
RECENTLY DECEASED: Elizabeth (Lila) McFall
MONTH'S MIND: Bill McConnell: Monica Johnston: Michael Lombard
FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Liam Donnelly
ANNIVERSARIES: Kevin Boyd: Nancy Gilroy: Niamh Drayne: Dessie Turley: Tom Carroll: Peter Vayro: Thomas Maguire: Bernadette Frazer: Leo Fitzsimmons: Margaret & Joseph English: Aidan Drayne: Sean & Peggy O'Neill: Bridget McCrudden: Francis (Frank) Taggart: Mamie McReynolds: Annie Mulholland: Hugh McGrogan: Maggie & Tommy (Jun.) Muldoon.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
Monday 9 November – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Tuesday 10 November – St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday 11 November – St Martin of Tours, Bishop

ST PATRICK'S GAC
Commiserations to our U21 men's team who lost out to our neighbours, Glenavy, in last weekend's Championship match. It was great to see so many young men out in the Lisburn colours.
Saturday the 14th November is the date for our annual dinner and awards night for senior team. Sunday the 15th November is the date for the Juvenile awards. Both taking place in The Balmoral Hotel.
We also have our big draw, for a £2000 holiday voucher, generously sponsored by Oasis Travel. The draw will take place at the dinner dance. Details of all these events can be found at naomh-padraig.com

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, LISBURN
Open Evening: 6:30pm on Thursday 26th November 2026
Open Morning: 9:30am on Friday 27th November 2026

HOLY TRINITY NURSERY SCHOOL, LISBURN
OPEN MORNING
Date: Saturday 28th November **Time:** 10am - 12pm

ANNUAL MASSES FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF DOWN AND CONNOR
will be celebrated on Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena AND Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish), Ormeau Road, Belfast.
Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre and Holy Rosary Parish Centre.
Anyone unable to attend can join online at: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams for the Mass in Ballymena and www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for the Belfast Mass.

ST. PATRICK'S ACADEMY - 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS 1966 – 2026
Were you a pupil between 1966 and 1976? As part of our 60th Anniversary Celebrations, we are looking to reconnect with former pupils who attended St. Patrick's Academy during our first decade (1966-1976). We would love to hear your stories, see your photographs, and celebrate the memories that helped to shape our school community. If this is you, or someone you know, please contact us, leaving your name and contact details through our Facebook page or contact our school office directly
Email: info@stpats.lisburn.ni.sch.uk Phone: 028 92 664877
60TH ANNIVERSARY MASS IN ST. PATRICK'S ACADEMY, 2PM SUNDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2026.
More details to follow.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Volunteers from the St Vincent de Paul will launch the Annual Christmas Appeal at all Masses next weekend. Christmas Cards will be on sale in the church porch after Masses and in the Pastoral Centre throughout the week. To allow us to help as many families as possible we ask that you donate non-perishable food/toiletries and gift vouchers (see tags on Giving Tree for preferred stores). Cash donations are of course always greatly appreciated as we can then direct it where the need is greatest. We kindly ask you not to donate toys, as vouchers will give people more flexibility. Thank you for your continued support in Lisburn. It is greatly appreciated.

ST ALOYSIUS PRIMARY SCHOOL – OPEN DAY
Prospective families are warmly invited to our **Open Day on Saturday 5 December at 10.00am.**
Come along to visit our school, meet our staff and find out more about life and learning at St Aloysius.
Principal's Address: 10.15am

ABIDE Women's Conference 2026 | 20–22 November: Join hundreds of women at the Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal, in just a few weeks for our third Abide Women's Conference!
A beautiful weekend of faith, celebration, healing and joy! Register on Eventbrite: Abide in His Love.

BULLETIN NOTICES AND ANNIVERSARIES
Bulletin Notices should be with the Parish Office by 12 noon on Monday to be included in the weekend bulletin.
Please note all emails to Parish Office should be addressed to – lisburn@downandconnor.org

MASS TO REMEMBER DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE PIONEER ASSOCIATION

A Mass to remember all deceased members of the Pioneer Association will take place on Friday 20 November in St Agnes' Church, Andersonstown Road, Belfast at 7 pm. Light refreshments afterwards. All Pioneers welcome.

NOVEMBER SHORT-TERM PLEDGE

The month of November offers a special opportunity to make a small sacrifice in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We invite parishioners and friends to consider taking a **Short-Term Pledge** throughout November.

Pioneer Offering - *"I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November."*

Please consider joining with others in prayer, sacrifice and support for those affected by addiction.



TRÓCAIRE is looking for volunteers to help deliver school talks during our annual Lent Appeal during **February and March 2027!** We are particularly interested in hearing from people with public speaking experience, especially retired teachers or those who have worked with young people. Volunteers will visit local schools during school hours to share stories of hope, justice and solidarity from communities around the world.

The role involves approximately **1-2 short talks per week** during the four-month campaign period.

Full training, presentation materials and ongoing support will be provided. Please contact Fionnuala McGuinness on 028 9080 8033 or fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org by the first week of December if you are interested!

Help inspire young people to become agents of change

MASS FOR SEAFARERS AND FISHERS

Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11:00 am at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, to be presided over by Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop of Down and Connor. This special Mass is an opportunity to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, remembering especially those who have lost their lives at sea. All are warmly welcome.

THE ROAD HOME - SUNDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2026, 7.00PM, CLONARD MONASTERY, BELFAST

Join Cappella Caeciliana for The Road Home, an inspiring evening of choral music exploring themes of belonging, journey, community and hope. Directed by James Grossmith, the concert features guest artists Ruth McGinley (piano) and Thomas Isaac (cello). The performance marks St Cecilia's Day, the choir's patronal feast, and celebrates 31 years of Cappella Caeciliana. **Tickets:** £20 | Under 25s: £5 **Book:** www.caeciliana.org

If you are unable to come to the altar for **RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION** at the daily or weekend Masses please indicate clearly to the Eucharistic Minister that you wish to receive by either standing, if able, or raising your hand as the Minister approaches. If possible, please be seated at end of seat. Thank you.

Eternal rest grant unto them, whose earthly lives are past.
Perpetual light shine down on them; may they rest in peace at last.
Eternal life grant unto them, whose laughter now I've lost,
whose presence and whose smiles I miss – but never mind the cost.
Eternal joy grant unto them, whose sufferings now are through;
their pain and illness finally gone, their minds and hearts renew.
Eternal peace grant unto them, all friends and foes together,
forgive them all their trespasses, may they rest in peace forever.
Amen. The Prayer Trust.

SEAMUS HEANEY – RELIGION AS PRAISE

Join us this Thursday at 7pm as Dr Gary Wade explores Seamus Heaney's poetry and its relationship with faith in his public lecture, 'Religion as Praise'. We look forward to welcoming you to the Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's, 30–38 Elmwood Avenue, Belfast. Admission is free and all are welcome.

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St Mary's, Greencastle; St Mary, Star of the Sea, Whitehouse;
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8 November 2026 — 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS TIMES & SERVICES

SATURDAY VIGIL
5.00pm – Star of the Sea, Whitehouse
6.30pm – St Mary's, Greencastle

SUNDAY MASS:
9.30am – St Colman's, Greenisland
11.00am – St James', Whiteabbey

WEEKDAY MASSES:
Star of the Sea, Whitehouse: Tuesday 7.00pm
St Mary's, Greencastle: Wednesday 9.30am
St Colman's: Thursday 10.00am
St James': Friday 10.00am

MORNING PRAYER & COMMUNION SERVICE
St Colman's: Monday 10.00am

ST PEREGRINE'S NOVENA:
First Monday of the month at 7.00pm in St Mary's, Greencastle

NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR:
Every Tuesday at 7.00pm in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Every Wednesday in St Mary's, Greencastle 10am – 1pm

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:
After 10.00am Mass on Friday in St James'

DIVINE MERCY EVENING – Rosary, preaching, healing prayers and Eucharistic Adoration on the second Friday of the month 7.00pm – 9.30pm St James' Church.

LEGION OF MARY
The Legion of Mary is a lay association of pious, Marian Catholics, who specialise in both prayer and work. They meet at 7pm every Friday in St. Mary's Church, Greencastle.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are taking place on Saturdays in St James', Whiteabbey. Please contact the parish office for further information.

Parish Priest:
Fr. David Delargy

Parish Office:
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Tel: 0289037 0845
(open Mon – Fri 9.00am – 1.00pm)
E-mail: loughshore@downandconnor.org
website: www.loughshoreparishes.org
Links to webcam via parish website or www.churchmedia.tv

The Loughshore Parishes is a member of a Family of Parishes, comprising the parishes of St Mary's on the Hill, St Nicholas', Carrickfergus and the Loughshore Parishes (Greencastle, Whitehouse, St James' & St Colman's)

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Rosemary Fox, Anthony McKenzie, Stephen Murphy, Eddie Friel, Oonagh Tierney, John Beattie, Brigid Fennell
Months Mind: Alice Gallagher
Anniversaries: Rose McAllister (7th), David Montgomery (4th), Fearghal Morgan (1st), Sheila Daly, Paul Craig

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday
Whitehouse 5pm – Rose McAllister 7th anniversary
Greencastle 6.30pm - Alice Gallagher Months Mind & David Montgomery 4th anniversary
Sunday
St Colman's 9.30am – Fearghal Morgan 1st anniversary
Tuesday
Whitehouse 7pm – Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners

YOUTH CORNER

ADORATION & PRAISE AND WORSHIP
Every Thursday 7 - 8pm in St James'. All welcome!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - For children (P1 – P6) at the Vigil Mass in St Mary's, Greencastle each Saturday and at the 11am Mass in St James' each Sunday *except on the weekends when there are Children's Masses.

LOUGHSHORE NET TEAM/ YOUTH MINISTRY
Please follow our 🔗 Net Team on Instagram to stay up to date with events and activities.

18+ YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT
Friday evenings at Greencastle Parochial House from 7 – 9pm. Join the Loughshore Net Team to build community, faith and have some fun.

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR OCTOBER

Thank you for last month's collections which came to:
WEEKLY COLLECTION
Greencastle £1,002.80, Whitehouse £2,220.66
St James' £2,467.24, St Colman's £977.20
SECOND COLLECTION
Greencastle £367.75, Whitehouse £470.00,
St James' £281.00, St Colman's £155.50
STIPEND
Greencastle £251.00, Whitehouse £673.00,
St James' £425.00, St Colman's £252.00
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
Greencastle £150.00, Whitehouse £836.00,
St James' £296.00, St Colman's £277.00

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POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER
For the proper use of wealth.
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.
Pray with the Pope video

ST PEREGRINE NOVENA
The St Peregrine Novena will be held on **Monday 9th November** at 7pm in St Mary's, Greencastle. The Sacrament of Anointing of the sick will be given to all the sick who wish to receive it.

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS
The Annual Mass for parishioners who have died during the past year will be held on Tuesday 10th November at 7pm in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse.

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MISSIO IRELAND
As we come to the end of the Mission Month of October, all of us at Missio Ireland thank you for your support of Mission Sunday. If you have not donated before and you wish to do so, you may either donate over the phone [(01) 497 2035] or on our website: https://missio.ie/donate/

CHURCH AT THE CROSSROADS – BELFAST CONFERENCE 13–14 November 2026
Assembly Buildings Conference Centre
The Belfast Jesuit Centre and the Irish Jesuit Province are delighted to be official partners with *Church at the Crossroads*, a two-day conference hosted by Palestinian Christians for the global Church as we explore how Scripture shapes our response to the realities in the Holy Land. For more details and registration, please visit: www.churchatthecrossroads.com/belfast

CHRISTMAS AFERNOON TEA 🎄
The SVP conference of St James', Whiteabbey and Star of the Sea, Whitehouse with the St James' Parish Hall Committee invite you to a Christmas afternoon tea in St James' Parish Hall, Whiteabbey on Sunday 6th December at 2pm. All seniors welcome. Please give your name to any SVP member before 1st December.

EVENTS AT THE BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE
Talk: The Second World War through Jesuit Archives
Join us in the Belfast Jesuit Centre on Thursday 12th November at 7.00pm, for a fascinating illustrated talk by Damien Burke, Archivist of the Irish Jesuit Province and co-editor of *The Second World War through Jesuit Archives: The Case of Europe (1939–1945)*. Drawing on letters, diaries and archival records from across Europe, this illustrated talk explores the human experience of war through stories of faith, service and resilience. All are welcome. Small donation suggested.

The Chosen: Season 3 plus Advent Specials
Join us at the Belfast Jesuit Centre as we continue our journey through *The Chosen* with *Season 3* starting on Friday 6th November at 10.45am. Following each episode, there will be a short guided Examen and an opportunity for reflection and discussion. Those who wish to are also welcome to stay for Friday Mass at 12.30pm. As part of our Advent journey, on 18th December we will screen the special episodes The Shepherd and The Messengers, offering a beautiful preparation for the celebration of Christmas. All are welcome. Small donation suggested.

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SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2026
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Cycle A, Psalter Week 4

✠ MASS TIMES & LITURGIES

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH NEWCASTLE

WEEKDAY MASSES:
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri at 10am

LITURGY OF THE WORD & HOLY COMMUNION: Wed & Sat 10am

WEEKEND MASSES:
Saturday Vigil Mass at 6pm & Sunday Mass at 11.30am

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Fridays, 10.30am-5.00pm

CONFESSIONS
1st & 3rd Saturday, 3.30-4.00pm

BAPTISMS: 1st & 3rd Sat, 3-3.30pm. Book in sacristy after Mass. Bring long birth certificate

WEDDINGS: Arrange with Fr Jim after Mass. Weddings can also be arranged in St Patrick's, Bryansford.

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✠ FAMILY OF PARISHES

Parish of Dundrum & Tyrella
Mon-Thurs 9.30am; Sat 10am (Dundrum);
Fri 9.30am (Ballykinlar);
Saturday Vigil 6pm (Ballykinlar);
Sunday Mass 11am (Dundrum)

Parish of Kilmegan & Kilcoo
St. Malachy's Church, Castlewellan
Mon, Tues, Thurs , Fri 9.30am
Saturday Vigil 5pm
Sunday 10am
(Kilcoo); Sat Vigil 5pm & Sun Mass 10.00am (Kilcoo);
Mon 9.30am; Wed-Fri 9.30am
Tues 9:30am (Aughlisnafin)

✠ CONTACT DETAILS

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✠ MINISTRY OF WELCOME

RECENTLY BAPTISED
Saoirse Nuala / Darragh Patrick John / Lucy Winifred /Niall Og John / Mack Sutton

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY
Please remember in your prayers:
MONTH'S MIND: Margaret ward
ANNIVERSARY: Kay Boden / James Kelly / Kathleen McCartan / Patricia Younger / Colm Kerr

✠ MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, 7TH – 15TH SUN NOV 2026
Sat, 7th 6pm Bridie McAnulty / Peter Smith / Alwyn Trimble / Bernie & Seamus O'Higgins / George Cooney / Dessie Murray / Mary Maginn / Desmond Egan / Special Intention
Sun, 8th 11.30am Eileen Orr / Anna Leneghan / Martina Milligan / Desmond Egan / Angel Freeman /Patricia Younger / Colm Kerr
Mon, 9th 10am November Dead
Tue, 10th 10am Mary McAteer Frank Bradley
Thu, 12th 10am Margaret Ward
Fri, 13th 10am November Dead
Sat, 14th 6pm Patrick & Elizabeth Fitzpatrick / Mairead McVeigh / Pat Duggan / Teresa Smyth / Lillian Hanna / Maria Travers
Sun, 15th 11.30am Jackie McKibbin
"May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace."

✠ SANCTUARY CANDLES

This week's Sanctuary Candles will burn for: **November Dead**

✠ OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

£2401.93, Standing Order: £641.83, Total: £3043.76. Diocesan Priests Welfare: £1037.90, Standing Order: £105, Total: £1142.90. All Souls Day: £698.29. Thank you.

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8TH NOVEMBER 2026 DIVINE OFFICE PSALTER: WEEK 4

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SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

You are most welcome to come along to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession at the following times:

Tuesday 7pm+ in Comber
Friday 9am+ in St Patrick's
Saturday 5.45pm+ in St Patrick's

PRAYING OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Saturday 6-6.15pm in St Patrick's
Sunday 9.30-9.45am in Comber
Tuesday 7pm in Comber
Mass will be preceded by 15 minutes silence.

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

MONDAY
No Mass
TUESDAY
Comber 7.30pm
WEDNESDAY
Newtownards 7pm
THURSDAY
Newtownards 9.30am
FRIDAY
No Mass
SATURDAY
Vigil Mass Newtownards 6.30pm
SUNDAY
Comber 10am, Newtownards 11.30am

DIVINE OFFICE

Morning Prayer of the Church is celebrated in St. Patrick's Church on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning at 9.10am.
All welcome!

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Tuesday evening Mass in the Church of Our Lady of the Visitation, Comber is offered as a novena Mass in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. All welcome!

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

For enquiries, contact the Parish Office on 02891812137

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

-every Sunday during the 11.30am Mass in St Patrick's
Children aged 6-11yrs welcome.

PARTICIPATION IN THE HOLY MASS-- Scripture Verses.

For those who would like to prepare for Mass in advance:

This Sunday-32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year A
First Reading-Wisdom 6:12-16
Psalm 62
Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel-Matthew 25:1-13

Next Sunday 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year A
First Reading-Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Psalm 127
Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Gospel-Matthew 25:14-30

CONTINUOUS PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

During this month of November we are asked to pray for all our beloved dead.

PRAYING WITH POPE LEO XIV

During the month of November, Pope Leo invites us to join with him in prayer for the following intention:
-Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity with those who have less.

PRAYING FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased:

Leo Croan, Ciara Mageean, Ken McGaughey

Anniversaries:

Victor McKibbin, James Anderson, Emmanuel & Thresiammi Mani, Dorina Hughes, George Gibbs, John Mayberry, Joan Lambarton, John Dynes, Philomena Corcoran, Mary Coulter, Joan McNamara (1st,) Eva Dorrian, Flora Maria Cafolla.

INDULGENCES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November the Church urges us to pray fervently for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The motivation behind our prayer is to free the deceased of the effects of their sins so that the Lord will welcome them to the happiness of heaven. Through our prayer, we can also gain Plenary Indulgences for the Holy Souls, that is the remission of temporal punishment due to sin, for sins already forgiven.

1st-8th November -by those who visit a cemetery, praying for the Holy Souls and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father, including the Our Father and the Apostle's Creed.

In order to obtain the plenary indulgence for the Holy Souls, we need to be in the state of grace, that is, we must have attended the Sacrament of Confession, and received Holy Communion recently.

A PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful,
grant to the souls of Your servants departed the remission of their sins,
that, through our pious supplications,
they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired.
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

APOSTOLIC VISIT TO SOUTH AMERICA

Pope Leo XIV will visit Uruguay, Argentina, and Peru visiting ten cities within these countries from 6 to 17 November 2026, marking his seventh apostolic journey outside Italy and his first visit to the Americas since his election in May 2025. Pope Leo was a missionary priest and later bishop in Peru for many years. Let us all accompany him in our prayers during these days, and pray also for the vitality of the churches in the countries. You can follow the various stages of his trip on EWTN or www.holysee/va

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

This weekend are two collections, the ***Weekly Offering*** in support of the parish and the ***Parish Maintenance Collection.***

Thanks to those who contributed so generously to the collections of last weekend. The Weekly Offering came to £1768 ,and the Monthly Offering came to £1103.

NEWTOWNARDS & COMBER PARISH NON-STOP DRAW

Week 28 3rd November 2026

£100 no.111	Colette Black
£50 no.259	Roselies Boyle
£50 no.300	Fionnuala O'Connor

Congratulations to all the winners!

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The club meets in St Patrick's Parish Centre, Newtownards every Wednesday 2pm-4pm. Do come along to form and renew friendships. The club provides many opportunities for company, conversation and activities with many events organised throughout the year. Please spread the word-invite friends along too!

USEFUL NUMBERS

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Down & Connor Bereavement Support	07563195580
St Patrick's Funeral Catering Team	07769796997

IN SUPPORT OF HUMAN LIFE

During this week we are asked to pray for the protection of life:

- Let us pray for fathers and mothers of growing families, that their relations and friends, and the wider community, would rally around them with encouragement, support, friendliness and love.

TIDY-UP SATURDAY

Following on from the 'tidy-up' Saturday in October, for those who would like to participate in a 'follow-up, come along on Saturday 21st November 10am-12noon; you will be most welcome! Do come along to the minor hall at St Patrick's for the final 'tidy-up' before winter!

THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November Dead Lists are available after Mass this weekend. Please take a list home to record the names of your deceased loved ones, family, friends, neighbours and particularly those who have no living relatives to pray for them. Please return to the 'November Dead box' in either Church. Upon return, the envelopes will be opened, read, and placed near the altar for the celebration of Masses during this month. The offerings enclosed are used to support the priests of the diocese.

In addition to the November Dead Lists placed near the altar, parishioners may like to consider displaying memoriam cards of loved ones on the display boards in the churches. The display is an expression of our love for the deceased, helping others to remember them, and encourages prayer for the happy repose of their souls.

ANNUAL MASSES FOR THE DEAD

On the weekend of 7th/8th November we will include in the Masses those whose funerals have taken place in the churches of the parish over the last twelve months. We also welcome their family members and pray God's consolation for them as we gather in prayer as a parish community.

SHORT-TERM PLEDGE FOR THE HOLY SOULS

The month of November offers a special opportunity to make a small sacrifice in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We invite parishioners and friends to consider taking a **Short-Term Pledge** throughout November. **Pioneer Offering –**

"I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November."

Please consider joining with others in prayer, sacrifice and support for those affected by addiction.

CONTINUOUS PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

On Saturday, 7th November, we celebrate our Parish Prayer Day from midnight to midnight. You are invited to spend time in prayer for the particular intention for this month: ***We pray for our beloved dead.***

You may like to take a look at the resources for prayer for marriage and family life which are available to read on the display stands at the back of both churches.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Sincere thanks to those who regularly donate to the SVP box at weekend Mass. Your generosity helps many needy individuals and families in these challenging times. In addition, donations of non-perishable items can be deposited in the designated containers in both churches. Donations will be passed on to the local foodbank for distribution.

The SVP Christmas Appeal will take place on the weekend of the 21st/22nd November. Members of the SVP Conference will speak at Masses to provide us with an idea of their charitable work.

Christmas cards are available after Mass-minimum donation of £3

The Christmas dinner will be on Sunday the 6th of December at 3pm in St. Patrick's Parish Hall-tickets at £10 available after Mass.

WEEK OF WITNESS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

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ABIDE IN HIS LOVE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

November 20-22nd in Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran.

Speakers include: Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Nashville Dominicans, Kimberlee Wooling, Fr Barry Braum and Bishop Fintan Gavin (Cork & Ross.) Book on Eventbrite:- tickets 70 Euro, 50 Euro for students.

KNOCK ALL NIGHT VIGIL FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Departing Clonard Monastery 1pm on Monday 7th December, returning 8th December 12noon. Includes All Night Vigil at 11pm, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Benediction, concluding with Mass at 4am Price £75 includes dinner and breakfast. Tel: Brendan 90665211

Our Lady Queen of Peace KILWEE

VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE
www.ourladyqueenofpeacekilwee.com

Parish Office Contact Numbers and Email Addresses

Christ the Redeemer	02890309011	christtheredeemer@downandconnor.org
Derriaghy	028 92660073	derriaghy@downandconnor.org
Nativity	028 90625739	nativity@downandconnor.org
OLQP	028 90616300	ourladyqueenofpeace@downandconnor.org
St Luke's	028 90625739	stlukes@downandconnor.org
St Anne's	02890610112	stannes@downandconnor.org

Pope Leo's prayer intentions for October: **For mental health ministry.**
Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

MASS EACH MONDAY AT 10.00AM IN OLQP
&
Confessions will be available every Saturday after the 10am mass

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED from Monday 19th October and will open again on Tuesday 3rd November.



OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY
Praying the Rosary can bring peace and help us slow down

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY is a time for the faithful of the world to show their appreciation towards the work of overseas missionaries. Please call Missio Ireland on (01) 497 2035 or go to www.missio.ie for further information

TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE PARISH PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE
ourladyqueenofpeacekilwee.com DONATE BUTTON
If you require a box of envelopes, please contact the Parish Office 90616300



The Sacrament of Baptism in Our Lady Queen of Peace will be on the **second Saturday of each month at 2.30pm.**
All parents are required to attend a Pre Baptism meeting which is held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7pm in St Colman's.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND
If there is anyone in the parish who is sick and housebound and would like a priest to visit, please contact the parish office or email kilweeparish@gmail.com



RECENTLY DECEASED Geraldine Donnelly
We pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them

JOB VACANCY -DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST
Bishop's residence & Curia office "Assistant Housekeeper" required. Closing date 12 noon on Tuesday 27th October. See notice board for details

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS with Adoration & Confession 7-8pm
Church of the Nativity Thursday 29th October 2026
Everyone Welcome



DAY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK on Monday 2nd November for feast of All Souls, leaving St Agnes at 7.30am. Price £30 (includes tea and scone). Contact Pat 07946917354 or Harriet 07812098991

PIPS SUICIDE PREVENTION IRELAND
Weekend Crisis Hopeline, a regional overnight telephone service available Friday and Sunday nights, to anyone across Northern Ireland experiencing emotional distress, suicidal thoughts, or a mental health crisis.
The operational hours for the Weekend Crisis Hopeline are as follows.
Friday: 9pm - 10am Saturday
Sunday: 9pm - 9am Monday
028 9080 5850 | Freephone 0800 088 6042
We know that crisis doesn't wait for working hours. The Weekend Crisis Hopeline provides a confidential, non-judgemental space to talk with a trained crisis practitioner when someone is in distress, needs support or simply wants someone to talk to during a difficult time outside of usual working hours. There is no referral process for the Hopeline, and individuals can contact us directly whenever they feel in need of support.
For more information, please feel free to refer to our website where the information on the Weekend Crisis Hopeline is posted:
Weekend Crisis Hopeline - PIPS Suicide Prevention Ireland
If someone is in immediate danger or there is an emergency, call **999** immediately or attend your nearest Accident & Emergency (A&E) Department.

EUCHARISTIC HEALING & BLESSING SERVICE in St Matthews Church on Thursday 22nd October at 7pm

WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT NIGHT Are you a young women discerning God's call?
Thursday 22nd October at 7pm in St Colmcille's Church Ballyhackamore.
See church notice board for further details



ST. PATRICK'S BALLYPHILIP
THIRTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sunday 8th November 2026

Fr Feargal McGrady PP Tel: 028 427 28234 **Web: www.portaferryparish.com**
Email: portaferry@downandconnor.org **Livestream: www.churchmedia.tv**
Parish Office: 028 427 28373, Monday – Friday 9.00am – 1.00pm

Parish Bereavement Ministry
This group offers support for anyone experiencing bereavement. If you would like to talk to a member please Telephone: 07564293692

ST PATRICK'S COMMUNITY CENTRE CONTACTS:
MADELINE DYNES 07999945936 & JAMES MAGEE 07542530006
During Business Hours

	St Patrick's Portaferry	St Cooey's Oratory	St Patrick's Ballygalget
Sunday 8th November	11am Mass		9.30am Mass
Monday 9th November		7.00pm Rosary 7.30pm Novena Mass	9.30am Mass 7.30pm Mass
Tuesday 10th November **St Leo the Great**			9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
Wednesday 11th November **St Martin of Tours**	**7.30pm Mass**		9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
Thursday 12th November **St Josaphat**			9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
Friday 13th November	9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass	Eucharistic Adoration 11.00am – 6.00pm	7.00pm Rosary 7.30pm Mass
Saturday 14th November **St Laurence O'Toole**	5.45pm Adoration 6.30pm Vigil Mass		5.00pm Vigil Mass

Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the souls of Ciara Mageean, Rosemary Fox and Mary Murray recently deceased and for the following whose anniversaries occur around this time: Sadie & John Convery, Julia O'Neill, Ian & Marie Thomson, John Dynes, Bridie Curran, Tom Merron, P J Hannon, John McDermott, Mary Coulter, Nan McCullough, Sarah Jane Livingstone, Mary Waterson, Mary Anne Hinds, John & Norah Magee, William John Crangle, Charlie Crangle, Kitty Taggart, George Collins.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace, Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 7th November: **Brian McKeating (Months Mind), Sadie & John Convery, Julia O'Neill, Ian & Marie Thomson**
Sunday 8th November: **John Dynes, Bridie Curran**
Monday 9th November: **Tom Merron**
Saturday 14th November: **Martin Savage**
Sunday 15th November: **Gerry & Dolores McGlennon**



Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.
Tá Sí imithe ar Shlí na firinne. (She has gone on the way of Truth. RIP)

ROSARY IN ST. COOEY'S ORATORY: on Sunday 8th November at 7pm.
We will offer this Rosary for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



07508 549701. If you are having difficulties making ends meet as we approach Christmas, we can help. Ring our confidential helpline and ask to be put on our Christmas List.
SVP Christmas cards will be available in the local shops. Your donations will help us help others. Thank-you.

SERC is hosting a Confidence Building Course for adults, from 6th November – 11th December. It will take place in Kircubbin Community Centre. If you are interested ring 07790349241.

Weekly Offering: £1,333.00**, Weekly Standing Orders for October:** £1,617.00.
Monthly Offering (including standing orders): £1,967.50
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

The Annual Mass for the Deceased of the Parish, especially those who have died the past year (***AND WHOSE MONTHS MIND MASS HAS TAKEN PLACE),*** will be offered on Wednesday 11th November in St Patrick's Church at 7.30pm.
Ballygalget Mass for the Deceased of the Parish: Friday 13th November at 7.30pm
Portaferry GAC Deceased Members Mass: Wednesday 18th November at 7.30pm in St Cooey's Oratory.
Ballygalget Gac Deceased Members Mass: Friday 27th November at 7.30pm, followed by refreshments in the Clubhouse.

Portaferry and Ballygalget Baptism Ministry Team

Our Baptism Preparation meeting will take place on **19th November at 7pm in the Parish Office in Church Street.**
Families who have already arranged their Baptism via the Parish office will be invited via email. Any families who wish to have their child baptised before Christmas should inform the Parish Office and are invited to attend the meeting on 19th November.
We look forward to seeing you there.

Notices for the parish bulletin need to be with the parish office by Wednesday 12noon.
Anniversary notices can be left in the anniversary boxes in either church,
(Boxes beside the candle shrines), sent by email, or rang into the office.



Friday Eucharistic Adoration in St Cooey's Oratory, 11.00am - 6.00pm.
Could you try and spend some time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, believing that Jesus Christ is truly present—body, blood, soul, and divinity—under the appearance of the consecrated host.

"Every time I pass a church, I stop and make a visit, so that when I'm carried in, God won't say, "who is it?"

The monthly Saint Carlo Acutis Mass will be held in St Nicholas' Church, Ardglass next Tuesday (10th November) at 7.30pm. This mass is held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month after which everyone will have the opportunity to be blessed with the relic.

TIMETABLE OF ACTIVITIES WEEK COMMENCING 9th NOVEMBER
ST PATRICK'S COMMUNITY CENTRE, PORTAFERRY

DAY	TIME	EVENT
MONDAY	11.00-12.00	Chi Me and light lunch
	7.00-8.00	Tin Whistle
	6.15-7.15	Youth Club
	7.30-9.00	Line Dancing
TUESDAY	10.30-12.30	Portaferry Crafters
	6.30-8.00	Ukulele
	7.15-8.15	Ceili
WEDNESDAY	9.30-10.15	Fit For All
	5.00-9.00	Judo
THURSDAY	10.30-12.00	Sing For Joy
	12.30-2.30	The Hive
	6.00-7.00	Adult Netball
	7.00-8.30	Art
FRIDAY	9.30-10.15	Dance Fit
	9.00	Hearing Aid Clinic
	11.00-12.00	Walking Group
	6.00-7.00	Girls Netball
	7.00-8.00	Youth Club
SATURDAY	12.00-1.00	Flower Arranging



Please contact 07999945936 to book the Community Centre.

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Fully Escorted Pilgrimage
SHRINES OF FRANCE PILGRIMAGE
LISIEUX, RUE DU BAC, NEVERS, PARIS, ROCAMADOUR and LOURDES
11th – 18th June 2027
7 Nights flying from Dublin to Paris/Lourdes to Dublin
Including visits to the home of the Miraculous Medal and see the incorrupt body's of St Catherine Laboure and St Bernadette. In Paris visit Sacre-Coeur.
Visit the Lourdes, plus much more.
Comprehensive Travel insurance is EXTRA £35.00
COST £1,200 PER PERSON SHARING.
SEATS ARE LIMITED
Single room supplement is £345.00 EXTRA
Spiritual Director: Fr Joe McGuigan
£250.00 deposit secures a seat!
For further details contact: Jean Reynolds 07729 402311
or email: jeanreynolds@hotmail.co.uk

Talk: The Second World War through Jesuit Archives

Join us in the **Belfast Jesuit Centre** on **Thursday 12th November** at **7.00pm**, for a fascinating illustrated talk by **Damien Burke**, Archivist of the Irish Jesuit Province and co-editor of *The Second World War through Jesuit Archives: The Case of Europe (1939–1945)*. Drawing on letters, diaries and archival records from across Europe, this illustrated talk explores the human experience of war through stories of faith, service and resilience. All are welcome. Light refreshments provided. Small donation suggested.

The Chosen: Season 3 plus Advent Specials

Join us at the **Belfast Jesuit Centre** as we continue our journey through ***The Chosen*** with *Season 3* starting on Friday 6th November.
Due to the longer running time of the Season 3 episodes, we will now begin at **10.45am sharp** (rather than 11.00am). Tea and coffee will be available from **10.15am**. Following each episode, there will be a short guided Examen and an opportunity for reflection and discussion. Those who wish to are also welcome to stay for **Friday Mass at 12.30pm**. As part of our Advent journey, on **18 December** we will screen the special episodes **The Shepherd** and **The Messengers**, offering a beautiful preparation for the celebration of Christmas. All are welcome. Small donation suggested.

Church at the Crossroads –

Belfast Conference 13–14 November 2026 · Assembly Buildings Conference Centre

The Belfast Jesuit Centre and the Irish Jesuit Province are delighted to be official partners with *Church at the Crossroads*, a two-day conference hosted by Palestinian Christians for the global Church. The gathering invites us to listen and learn from Palestinian and international Christian leaders as we explore how Scripture shapes our response to the realities in the Holy Land. Other speakers include Sean Farrell (Trocaire) and Prof. Siobhan Garrigan of TCD. For more details and registration, please visit: **www.churchatthecrossroads.com/belfast**



THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS & ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE

North Connor Pastoral Community

Fr Kevin McGuckien PP Telephone: 028 7083 2534 Email: k.mcguckien@downandconnor.org

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



8th November 2026 **Sunday A / Psalter Week 4**

MASS TIMES

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

TUESDAY:	7.00pm
WEDNESDAY – FRIDAY:	9.30am
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:	4.30pm
SUNDAY MASS:	10.00am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 10.00AM MASS

CONFESSION:

SATURDAY: 4.00pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - THURSDAY 10am-5pm

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ST. MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

TUES, THURS, FRI & SAT:	10.00am
SUNDAY MASS:	11.30am & 5.00pm

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11.30AM MASS

CONFESSION:

SATURDAYS:	After 10.00am Mass
SUNDAYS:	4.30-4.50pm

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ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

MON, TUES & FRI:	10.30am
SUNDAY MASS:	12 Noon

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - FRIDAY 11am-1pm

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OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

MON & WED:	10.00am
FRIDAY:	7.00pm
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:	6.00pm
SUNDAY MASS:	9.30am

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £1530
Monthly Offering: £1221
Our account details are: Portstewart Parish
Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049

PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £546
Monthly Offering: £586
Our account details are: Portrush Parish
Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207

ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £1293
Monthly Offering: £713
Our account details are: St Malachy's Church
Sort Code: 90-48-00 Account number: 88609151

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?



We would love to hear from any young person, post-primary age who would be interested in becoming an Altar Server. Full training will be provided. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested! We look forward to hearing from you!

PORTSTEWART

Parish Support Officer: 028 7083 2534
Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org
Parish Office Hours: Mon 9.00am -1.00pm
Fri: 9.00am – 5.00pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Kathryn Flynn, Anne Marie McNeill (nee Carey), Jim Forde (Canada) RIP
ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Duffy, Eilis McCaughan, Patsy Casey, Anna Harvey, Sr. Assumpta Horner, Clare Gottschalk, Mary O'Kane, Brigid Kelly, Jane Sibley, Philip Doherty, Henry James Diamond, Elise Millar RIP

NEXT WEEKEND – 15 NOV (PORTSTEWART)
VIGIL MASS: 4.30pm
Minister of the Word: Cliodhna Rae
Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret McQuillan, Martina Murphy, Alison Rankin
SUNDAY MASS: 10.00am
Minister of the Word: Una Crowe
Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Donaghy*, Seamus O'Hara*, Pat Calvert*, Brian Lenehan

COLERAINE

Email: coleraine@downandconnor.org
During Office Hours Only: 028 7034 3156
Parish Office: Mon 2.15pm -5.00pm,
Thurs 9.00am - 5.00pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Brian Higgins, Sheila Moriarty, Simon Yin RIP
ONE YEAR AGO: Eamon Kneeland RIP
ANNIVERSARIES: Alice McIntyre, Henry James Diamond, Anna Harvey, George Orr, John Anthony Doherty, Sarah O'Kane, Dominic Casintahan RIP

PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy: 028 7082 3388
Email: portrush@downandconnor.org
PARISH OFFICE: CLOSED
NEXT SUNDAY – 15 NOV (PORTRUSH) 12.00 Noon
Minister of the Word: Marie McAuley
Eucharistic Minister: Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

REST IN PEACE

ONE YEAR AGO: Maura Holly RIP
ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Lavery, Freda Devlin, Mary Amon RIP

CAUSEWAY CHURCHES FORUM

To hear more about what we do and our plans for the future, we warmly invite you to our open evening on Wednesday 11th November at 7pm in the CRUN building at the top of Brook Street Coleraine. Hope to see you there!

NOVEMBER DEAD

'One thing only do I ask of you, that you remember me at the Altar of the Lord.' – St. Monica

All our deceased loved ones will be remembered at Masses throughout the month of November. Envelopes and lists are available in the Church. Any donations enclosed will be sent to support St Louis' Children's Hospital in Aleppo.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DEAD



Star of the Sea Church, Portstewart
on Tuesday 10th November at 7.00pm
St. Patrick's Church, Portrush
on Wednesday 18th November at 7.00pm
St. Malachy's Church, Coleraine
on Thursday 19th November at 7.00pm

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS MASS FOR DECEASED

Mon. 23rd Nov. at 7pm in St. Malachy's Church, Coleraine with refreshments after the Mass in St. Malachy's Parish Centre.

ANNUAL MASSES FOR DECEASED TEACHERS

Will be celebrated on Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena AND Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish), Ormeau Road, Belfast. Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre and Holy Rosary Parish Centre. Anyone unable to attend can join online at: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams or www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net

ST PATRICK'S CHRISTMAS WONDERLAND IS BACK!

Join us for a magical family evening of festive crafts, Santa and Mrs Claus, raffle, tombola and plenty of Christmas cheer! Enjoy tea, coffee, mince pies and mulled wine. Tickets must be booked in advance – Sunday 13th and Monday 14th December (various time slots available) visit St Patrick's Church or School Facebook pages for details. Everyone welcome!

APOSTOLIC WORK

St. Malachy's, Coleraine Apostolic group will hold its annual display, cake sale, raffle and tombola in the Parish centre after the 11.30am Mass today Sun 8th Nov. Everyone is welcome.

THE CAUSEWAY COAST PEACE GROUP

Invite you to their meeting on Tues. 10th Nov. 2026, from 10.00am-12.00 Noon (Tea/Coffee 1000-1030) in Bushmills Presbyterian Church Hall. Canon Andrew Totten will speak on the theme is 'The Army Chaplain and the Still Small Voice'. A warm welcome to all!

DUE TO INCREASE IN FLU & INFECTION, THE SIGN OF PEACE WILL BE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

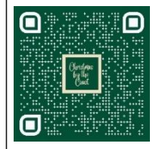
THE CHOSEN - WATCH, REFLECT, CONNECT

Due to the Annual Mass for the Dead, 'The Chosen' will not be on this week. We will be back again on Tuesday 17th November in the Marian Hall at 7.45pm -9.15pm.

PRE-LOVED TO RE-LOVED CLOTHING EVENT

Dominican College Sixth Form invites everyone to its Thrifted DCP clothing event on Monday 16th November, 6.30-8.30pm in St. Mary's, Star of the Sea Parish Centre, Portstewart (behind Buds SPAR). Browse quality pre-loved clothing and pick up a bargain! Free entry and refreshments available. Seller tables cost £15. To book, email thriftedDCP@gmail.com or call/message 07917827404. All proceeds go to the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust.

🎄 ✨ Christmas by the Coast, Eoghan Rua GAC ✨ 🎄



4–6 December 2026 🎅 A warm welcome awaits your family and friends for a magical festive experience with Santa, Mrs Claus and their magical elves (tickets required). Too old for Santa? There's still plenty to enjoy, with festive hot drinks, delicious food, traditional Irish music, local choirs and much more (no tickets required for outdoors). We warmly welcome your support through sponsoring a family in need, helping them attend share in the magic of Christmas. To sponsor a family, contact Debbie on 07725 171047.

YOUTH QUIZ NIGHT



Young people from across our Family of Parishes are invited to come together for a fun and enjoyable quiz night (finishing with pizza!). This is a great opportunity to meet others, share some laughs, and be part of a wider youth community. We would love to see you there:

Age Group: **Secondary school age (Year 8 upwards)**
Date: **Friday 20th November 2026**
Time: **6.30pm-8.30pm**
Venue: **St Malachy's Parish Centre, Coleraine**

ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL BAKE SALE

St. Patrick's PS, Portrush are organising a Bake Sale Fundraiser in their Assembly Hall from 11.00 – 11.30am on Friday 13th November in aid of Northern Ireland Disability Pool. All are very welcome!

OLIVE BRANCH COFFEE MORNING

Coffee Morning and Craft Sale in the St. Mary's, Star of the Sea Parish Centre, Portstewart on Sunday 22nd November from 10am-1pm. All proceeds will go to the Olive Branch who provide free mental health counselling in our local area. £4 admission.

PORTSTEWART PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:

Thursday 12th November at 7.00pm in the Marian Hall.

St. Anne's Parish

Fr. Martin O'Hagan, PP
Rev Pat McNeill, Deacon
Sr. Mary Murray, Parish Sister

***Parish Office**: 02890610112* ***Parish Centre**: 07762909559*
www.saintannesparish.net ***Email**:* **stannes@downandconnor.org**

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass this Week

St Anne's

***Saturday* 5pm Vigil** *(Confessions 4.30pm)*
***Sunday* 11.00 am**
Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10.00 am

St Colman's **Sunday 12.00 noon**
Tuesday – 10.00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this week:

St Anne's **Monday after 10.00 am Mass**
St Colman's **Friday 10.30am to 6pm**

Mass to Remember Deceased Parishioners



A Masses to remember parishioners who have died during the last year will take place on Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th of November in Light refreshments afterwards. **All welcome.**



Divine Mercy Devotions - Adoration & Confession 7-8pm.
Christ the Redeemer Church Thursday 12th November
Church of the Nativity Thursday 26th November
Everyone Welcome

YOUR GIVING: **This Weekend 7th & 8th November**
Weekly Offering

Weekend 31st October & 1st November: –
Weekly Offering-Envelopes £661.00 Loose £792.00
Monthly Collection for Priests £637.00

Set up a **Standing Order**. **Contact the Parish Office for forms or download the forms from our website:** www.saintannesparish.net.
…or Donate Online
to St. Anne's Parish - **A/C No. 07707787 Sort Code 93 83 00**

We Remember:

Recently Deceased: Brendan Gillen, Sean McComiskey

Anniversary:

Joan Lamberton (Née O'Hagan) Joseph McQuillan, Sarah McQuillan, John O'Hagan, Anita McKenna and Owen Smith

Anniversary Mass Bookings

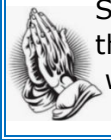
To ensure smooth continuation of Mass Requests please call, in person, to the Parish Office with full details and stipend. Telephone and email requests will no longer be accepted.
Parish Office:
Tel: 028 9061 0112 – Email: saintannes@downandconnor.org.

Foodbank Team



This time of year is the busiest for the foodbank. Winter and the extra demands of Christmas are approaching.

Please remember the Foodbank can only accept **non-perishable** foods. Also, they do not accept presents. Leaflets are available in the Church porch with full details.



Sadly it is often a time when stocks are at their lowest. As always thank you for your generous support. We would like to ask those who do not presently donate, to consider joining us.

Every little helps. Thank you

Save the date! All are invited to come and hear from representatives of 6 Christian Churches who will consider: **'Who is Mary in God's Plan of Salvation?'** Martina Purdy will present on behalf of the Roman Catholic tradition. There also will be time for audience questions, chaired by Alf McCreary (*Belfast Telegraph, BBC News)* This is an opportunity to listen and understand other perspectives. **Wednesday, 2 December 2026 at 7pm in Corr's Corner Hotel, Newtownabbey.** Refreshments will be served. To aid in planning please rsvp to ecumenical@downandconnor.org or via QR code on website

Trócaire need volunteers *to help deliver school talks during the annual Lent Appeal in* ***February & March 2027!*** They *are particularly interested in hearing from people with public speaking experience, especially retired teachers or those who have worked with young people. Volunteers will visit local schools during school hours to share stories of hope, justice, solidarity from communities around the world. The role involves approximately* ***1-2 short talks per week*** *during the campaign period. Full training, presentation materials and ongoing support will be provided. If you are interested contact Fionnuala McGuinness 028 9080 8033 or fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org by the first week of December.* ***Help inspire young people to become agents of change***

Mass for Seafarers and Fishers

Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11:00 am at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, to be presided over by Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop of Down and Connor. This special Mass is an opportunity to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, remembering especially those who have lost their lives at sea. All are warmly welcome.

Anam Cara Donegal, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold it's monthly Face to Face Parent Support Evening for bereaved parents on Thursday 12th November at 7.30pm in the Raddison Blu Hotel, Letterkenny F92 FK15. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age of their child, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. There is no need for registration, this is a walk in meeting. We also offer online support group meetings. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

Talk: The Second World War through Jesuit Archives

Belfast Jesuit Centre on **Thursday 12th November** at **7.00pm**, a fascinating illustrated talk by **Damien Burke**, Archivist of the Irish Jesuit Province and co-editor of *The Second World War through Jesuit Archives: The Case of Europe (1939–1945)*. Drawing on letters, diaries and archival records from across Europe, this illustrated talk explores the human experience of war through stories of faith, service and resilience. All are welcome. Light refreshments provided. Small donation suggested.

Church at the Crossroads – Belfast Conference 13–14 November 2026 · Assembly Buildings Conference Centre - The Belfast Jesuit Centre and the Irish Jesuit Province are delighted to be official partners with *Church at the Crossroads*, a two-day conference hosted by Palestinian Christians for the global Church. The gathering invites us to listen and learn from Palestinian and international Christian leaders as we explore how Scripture shapes our response to the realities in the Holy Land. Other speakers include Sean Farrell (Trócaire) and Prof. Siobhan Garrigan of TCD. For more details and registration, please visit: **www.churchatthecrossroads.com/belfast**

Week of Witness for Persecuted Christians

One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering. Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18. More information is available on St Anne's website and at www.acnireland.org



DIOCESAN NOTICES AND LEAFLETS are available on the parish website: www.saintannesparish.net

Mass for Seafarers and Fishers
Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11:00 am at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, to be presided over by Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop of Down and Connor. This special Mass is an opportunity to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, remembering especially those who have lost their lives at sea. All are warmly welcome.

Newell Reynolds Lecture 2026
On Clonard Church, Sunday 15th November at 7pm

Pioneer Association
- Mass to Remember Deceased Members
A Mass to remember all deceased members of the Pioneer Association will take place on Friday 20 November in St Agnes' Church, Andersonstown Road, Belfast at 7 pm. Light refreshments afterwards. All Pioneers welcome.

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DERRIAGHY & COLIN FAMILY OF PARISHES

Christ the Redeemer Parish – Fr Robert McMahon

MASS TIMES	Parish Office
Sunday Mass – **5.00pm Vigil** 11.00am **Weekday Masses:** Monday – 10.00am Friday – 6.30pm **Confessions** – Request after mass **Adoration – Wednesday 2 – 4pm**	12 Lagmore Drive, Belfast, BT17 0TG **Tel:** 028 9030 9011 – **Email:** christtheredeemer@downandconnor.org **Hours:** Monday to Thursday 9am – 2pm Friday 9am to 1pm A Sunday Eucharist Vigil at 5pm from Saturday 3rd October for a trial period.

Derriaghy Parish – Fr Martin O'Hagan

MASS TIMES – St Colman's	Parish Office
Sunday Mass – 12.00 Noon **Weekday Masses:** Tuesday – 10.00am **Confessions** after this mass	111 Queensway, Lambeg, BT27 4QS **Tel:** 028 9266 0073 - **Email:** derriaghy@downandconnor.org **Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9am to 12noon

Nativity Parish – Fr Nideesh Varghese

MASS TIMES	Parish Office – Located at St Luke's Church
Sunday Mass – 10.00am **Weekday Masses:** Thursday – 10.00am **Confessions** – After Sunday mass	Twinbrook Road, Belfast, BT17 0RP **Tel:** 028 9062 5739 **Email:** nativity@downandconnor.org **Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10.00am-1.00pm

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish – Fr Paul Fleming

MASS TIMES	Parish Office
Sunday Mass – 10.30am **Weekday Masses:** Tuesday – 6.30pm Wednesday – 10.00am Saturday 10.00 am **Confessions** – Tuesday before/after mass – or on request	130 Upper Dunmurry Lane, Belfast, BT17 0EW Tel: 028 9061 6300 **Email:** ourladyqueenofpeace@downandconnor.org **Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 9.30am to 1.00pm Mass on Saturday at 10am is proposed on the normal schedule.

St Anne's Parish – Fr Martin O'Hagan

MASS TIMES	Parish Office
Sunday Mass – 5.00pm Vigil – 11.00am **Weekday Masses:** Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10.00am **Adoration** Monday following Mass **Confessions** – Saturday 4.30pm	48 Kingsway, Belfast, BT10 0NE Tel: 028 9061 0112 **Email:** stannes@downandconnor.org **Office opening hours:** Monday to Thursday 9am – 1pm

St Luke's Parish – Fr Nideesh Varghese

MASS TIMES	Parish Office
Sunday Mass – Vigil 6.00pm **Weekday Masses:** Monday - 6.30pm Friday – 10.00am followed by Adoration **Confessions** – Monday & Friday after mass	St Luke's Church, Twinbrook Road, Belfast, BT17 0RP Tel: 028 9062 5739 **Email:** stlukes@downandconnor.org **Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10.00am-1.00pm

St. Malachy's Parish Bulletin

24 ALFRED STREET, BELFAST, BT28 EN
TEL: 028 90321713 EMAIL: stmalachys@downandconnor.org
Website: https://www.saintmalachysparish.com/

Sunday 8th November 2026

We want St. Malachy's to be a Living Community of Faith, centered on the person of Jesus Christ where all people are accepted, made welcome and called to New Life

The Parish Bereavement Ministry
If you would like to contact us please phone 07954350848

Jesus said "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full" John 10:10

Recently Deceased

Maureen Smyth - Nee Carson
Sarah Conlon - Months Mind

Anniversaries

Harry Hanna
Molly Hanna
Molly McNally
Stephen O'Kane
Patricia Duffy
Thomas Sturgeon
Rita McMurray
Theresa Curran
Justin O'Dowd
Sarah-Ann Pinkey
Joe Morgan
Belle Boylan

Frank Crawford
Sheila Morrison
The Joyce Sisters
Frankie Hawkins
Billy Harper
Carol McManus
Lily Dorrian
Eamon Maskey
Ambrose Murdock
Nuala Pinkey
Charlie Millen

Mass Times

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday & Friday 1 pm

No Mass on Wednesdays

Saturday Vigil
5 pm

Sunday 10.30 am

Baptism 2nd & 3rd Saturday of the Month
2 pm

Confession - Saturday
4.15 pm - 4.50 pm

If you would like to be added to the list of Parishioners who receive home visits please contact the parish office

Santuary Lamps

Bridget, Theresa & Davy Campbell
Patricia Walker & Family
Marie McManus & Family
The Hanna Family
The Joyce Family
Rita McMurray
Jean Hastings
Ethan Thomason
Frank & Sophia Crawford
Jim Kelly
Kathleen Quinn
Bridie Walsh
Kathleen & Frankie
Nellie Scott
Josephine Dyer
Holy Souls



Last Weeks Collection
Offertory: £755.23

Second Collection:
Monthly Offertory
£612.64

Many thanks!

The Annual Mass for those who died during the year will be on Monday 16th November at 7 pm. The Annual Mass for our murdered parishioners will be on Sunday 22nd November at 10.30 am

'Fear not November's challenge bold—
We've books and friends,
And hearths that never
can grow cold:
These make amends!'
~Alexander L. Fraser
(1870-1954), "November," c.1918

RECHARGE

NOVEMBER DATES

Holy Hour
Tuesday 3rd November @ 7.30pm

Group Study
Tuesday 17th November @ 7.30pm

St Colmcille's Church, Belfast



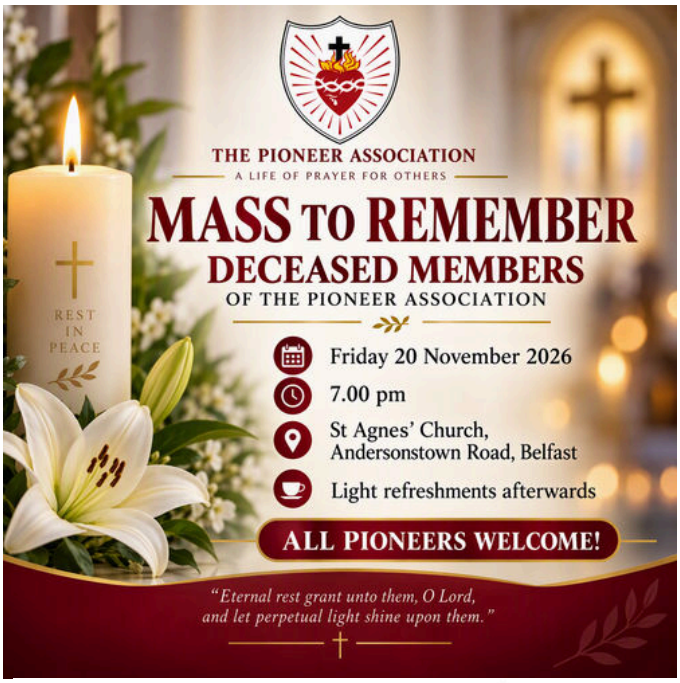
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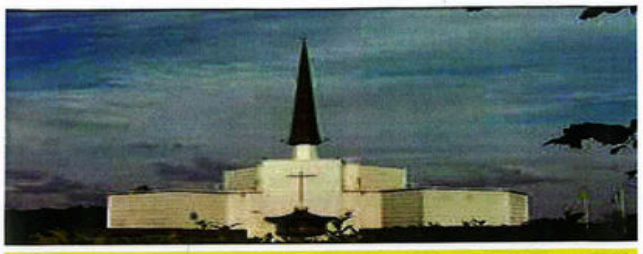
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NEWELL REYNOLDS LECTURE 2026 WITH REV. DR. AMY ORR-EWING

Join us for the second year of this annual lecture in **Clonard Church, Sunday 15th November at 7pm.** **Rev. Dr. Amy Orr-Ewing** (University of Oxford) is an internationally renowned speaker, author and theologian. She specialises in Forgiveness, Christian apologetics, public theology, and addressing difficult cultural and spiritual questions. Her most recent book Forgiveness; Reclaiming Its Power in a Culture of Outrage and Fear is a well-researched study of the Biblical idea with real life stories and deep insight. Rev. Amy will speak about Forgiveness in her lecture in Clonard. Organised by the Clonard Fitzroy Fellowship. *All are welcome!*





Knock All Night Vigil

New departure from Clonard Monastery only at 1.00pm

Monday 7th December
returning to Belfast
Tuesday 8th December at Noon

PRICE £75.00

This includes Dinner and Breakfast

To Book
Phone Brendan on 90 665211 between 9am and 5 pm Monday to Friday
£20 pound deposit required
Deposits can be paid at Shearer Butchers Andersonstown Road

Vigil Starts at 11.00pm and consist of the Rosary, Stations of the cross Benediction and finishes with Mass @ 4.00am

Downpatrick Family of Parishes
Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief

Thirty Second Sunday
Sunday 8th November 2026

Mass Schedule for the coming week:

Date	St Patrick's Saul	Stella Maris Strangford	St Joseph's Ballycruttle	St Malachy's Kilclief	St Tassach's Carlin
Sunday 8th November	9.30am			11am	12noon
Monday 9th November	10am	7.30pm			
Tues 10th November	10am				
Weds 11th November	10am				
Thurs 12th November					
Friday 13th November	7pm			9.30am	
Sat 14th November	5pm	6.30pm			
Sunday 15th November	9.30am		12noon	11am	

Masses are available to view online at www.saulandballeeparish.com and www.churchmedia.tv

Eucharistic Adoration in St Patrick's Church, Saul

Over the winter months, Eucharistic Adoration will be held in St Patrick's Church Saul from 10.00am to 3.30pm. There will also be evening Adoration each Tuesday from 7.00pm to 8.00pm to facilitate those who are working. Eucharistic Adoration is an opportunity for everyone to respond to Jesus words to his disciples "Could you not watch with Me one hour".

Our Lady of Knock Novena each Monday evening in Stella Maris, Strangford at 7.10pm.

In addition to the Masses offered during the month of November for our deceased relatives and friends, special Masses will be celebrated for all Parishioners who have died in the past year from 1st November 2025 to 31st October 2026 (those residing in our Parish at the time of death, or those interred in our Parish cemeteries).

A candle will be lit for each person by a family representative. An additional candle will be lit for family and friends from outside our Parish who have died.

Please contact the Parish office to ensure your loved ones name is included on the intentions list for these Masses.

St Patrick's, Saul – Friday 13th November at 7pm
Stella Maris, Strangford – Monday 16th November at 7.30pm

Recently Deceased: Mary Burns

Parish of Saul & Ballee

Months Mind Mass: Nora Sharvin on Saturday 21st November at 5pm

Anniversary Masses
Saturday 7th November – Eddie & Patricia McGrady, Delia Smith, Mark Laverty
Sunday 8th November – Eithne Carville (9.30am)
Tuesday 10th November – Patricia Smyth
Saturday 14th November – Joe Hynds
Saturday 21st November – Mary & Brian Hayes, Shay Hayes
Sunday 22nd November – Brian & Mena Lennon (12noon)

Parish of Kilclief

Months Mind Mass: Allan Hudson on Saturday 7th November at 6.30pm

Anniversary Masses
Saturday 7th November - Pat Hynds
Saturday 14th November – Mary & Johnny Steenson
Sunday 15th November – Maureen Gilmore, Sheila Magee, Cissie Magee
Sunday 22nd November – Oliver Sloan

	Saul & Ballee	Kilclief
Weekly Collection	£1,224.65	£9004.35
Monthly Offering	£1,594.10	£781.10

Hymns - St Patrick's, Saul
Entrance: Amazing Grace – 131 Offertory: Gifts of Bread and Wine - 273
Communion: You shall cross the barren desert – 757 Recessional: Freely Freely - 286

Hymns – St Malachy's, Kilclief
Entrance: Seek ye first – 362 v1 Offertory: All that I am – 19 v1
Communion: As the deer pants – 40 v1, 2 & 3
Recessional: Go, the Mass is ended – 142 v1

The Sanctuary Lamp in St Patrick's Church, Saul has been lit for private intentions. If you would like it lit for your intentions please contact the Parish office. The cost is £5 per week.

November Dead Lists are available in the churches. These can be returned through the collection plates or the letterbox at the Parochial house.

New design Christmas Mass Bouquets
are now available to purchase from the Parish office
priced at £2 each

The monthly Saint Carlo Acutis mass will be held in St Nicholas' Church, Ardglass next Tuesday, 10th November at 7.30pm. This mass is held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month after which everyone will have the opportunity to be blessed with the relic.

Annual Masses for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor will be celebrated on Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena AND Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish), Ormeau Road, Belfast.
Please forward by Friday 6th November 2026 the name and school of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to Rev Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA
Tele: 028 9049 1886 or Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org
Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre and Holy Rosary Parish Centre.
Anyone unable to attend can join online at: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams for the Mass in Ballymena and www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for the Belfast Mass.

Parish of Saul & Ballee 300 Club Draw for November 2026
1st Prize – Bill Smyth
2nd Prize – Peter Ramsey
Congratulation and thank you for your support

Inverbrena Community Association - November Draw
1st Prize – May Magee
2nd Prize – Pat & Pauline Magee
3rd Prize – Deirdre Hanna
Congratulation and thank you for your support

Stella Maris St Vincent de Paul annual Christmas Lunch

If you are of pension age and live in the Parish of Strangford and Kilclief, you are invited to the St Vincent de Paul annual Christmas lunch scheduled for Tuesday 8th December in the Cuan at 3pm.
Numbers are limited so if you wish to attend please register your interest as soon as possible or at least by Monday 30th November.
To book your place please ring Mary on 07709869448. If you have any dietary requirements please give details when booking. Book now to avoid disappointment as once the number limit is reached, bookings will close!

Kilclief Residents Association has installed a Memorial Seat in the Community Garden as a facility for residents to add the names of deceased family members. It's a quiet spot where one can sit and remember their loved ones. For details on how to add names please contact Maurice Denvir on 07846605729.

Annual Mass for the deceased members of Kilclief Ben Dearg GAC will be held in the Clubrooms on Wednesday 11th November 2026 at 7.30pm.

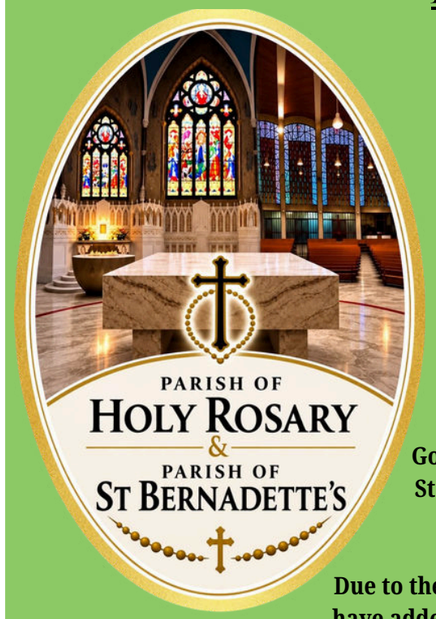
Give Blood, Save Lives - Blood Donation Session in The Great Hall, Downshire Hospital, Downpatrick on Tuesday 17th November from 12.30 to 19.30. Scan the QR code on the posters in the Churches or go to www.NIBTS.org to book your place

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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

Very Rev Fr Aidan Brankin, Parish Priest 02844 612525 (Saul) or 02844 260101 (Strangford)
Saul Office: 02844 612525, Office Hours: Mon to Fri 9.30am to 12noon 10 St Patrick's Rd, Downpatrick, BT30 7JG
Kilclief Office: 02844260101 Office Hours: Monday 1pm to 3pm 8 Shore Rd, Strangford, BT30 7NL
Website: www.saulandballeeparish.com
Email: saul@downandconnor.org strangfordandkilclief@downandconnor.org



MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

St Bernadette's Parish
Vigil 6.00pm & 11am
Holy Rosary Parish
9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm

WEEKDAYS
St Bernadette's Parish:
Mon, Tues & Wed 9.30am
Holy Rosary Parish:
Thurs, Fri & Sat 10.00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Good Shepherd church Saturday **10.30am**
St. Bernadette's church Saturday **5.15pm**

BAPTISMS
(Prior booking via Parish Office)
Due to the number of famililes requesting Baptisms we have added extra Baptism dates to our parish calendar!

Good Shepherd Church: At 2p.m on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.
St Bernadette's Church: At 2p.m on the 1st Saturday of the month
Change of Mass Time: Tuesday 10th November
Please note that morning Mass this Tuesday at St. Bernadette's will take place at 9:15 a.m. This will be a Requiem Mass for Paul Curran.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Fr. Brendan Hickland, (028) 90642446 (Option 1)
b.hickland@downandconnor.org
Fr. Babu Panattuparambil Vareed (028) 9079 3023.
b.panattuparambil@downandconnor.org
Fr.Eddie O'Donnell (028) 95734127
e.odonnell@downandconnor.org
Rev. Patrick Keown (Deacon) p.keown@downandconnor.org

Holy Rosary Parish Office (028) 90642446 Option 2
holyrosary@downandconnor.org

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Join us for the Christmas Craft Fair on **Sunday 6th December (9:30am-2:00pm)** in the Holy Rosary Parish Centre to browse a wonderful variety of craft stalls and pick up some gifts! We are also looking for donations of baked goods for our cake stall - with all cake proceeds going toward parish funds - as well as a few volunteers to help put up the Christmas trees before the fair. If you can bake or help with the setup, please contact the Parish Office with your name and phone number.

Trócaire is looking for volunteers to help deliver school talks during our annual Lent Appeal during February and March 2027!

We are particularly interested in hearing from people with public speaking experience, especially retired teachers or those who have worked with young people. Volunteers will visit local schools during school hours to share stories of hope, justice and solidarity from communities around the world. The role involves approximately 1-2 short talks per week during the four-month campaign period. Full training, presentation materials and ongoing support will be provided. Please contact **Fionnuala McGuinness on 028 9080 8033 or fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org** by the first week of December if you are interested! **Help inspire young people to become agents of change**



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8TH NOVEMBER
READINGS: A (I) ❖ PSALTER: WEEK 4



DATES FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Holy Rosary	15th/29th November	13th December
St Bernadette's	22nd November	6th /20th December

St Bernadette's Retirement Group

Would you like to join us for our Templemore Baths Heritage Tour on **Wednesday 25th November**? We will meet inside the Baths before 11 o'clock, ready for the tour to begin at **11:00am**, followed by a cuppa and a scone. The cost is £6.00. Payment can be made at our next coffee morning or to any committee member. We hope to see you at our next coffee morning on **Wednesday 18th November**, after Mass. New members are always welcome, so please come along and join us. The registration fee is £5.00.
Our weekly Thursday walk: We meet at 10:15am in the church car park. All members are very welcome to join us at any time.

St. Bernadette's SVP Christmas Lunch for Senior Citizens

Will be held in The Ivanhoe Hotel on **Wednesday 2nd December at 12.45 pm**. If you wish to attend please add your name, phone number and menu selection to the list in the sacristy or phone Frances: 07800562398. Names must be in by Monday 23rd November.

Annual Masses for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor

Will be celebrated on **Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish)**, Light refreshments will be served afterwards in Holy Rosary Parish Centre. Anyone unable to attend can join online at:
www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net

UGANDA SCHOOL TOILET BLOCK APPEAL

The Holy Rosary Uganda team would like to thank the congregation for their tremendous generosity during the collection on Sunday 25th October, with follow-up donations coming in on 1st November, and perhaps 8th November. The total donated so far is an amazing **£3750**. When added to Newtownbreda Presbyterian's funding, we have significantly exceeded our target. That leaves us in the very happy position of being able to fund additional improvements. We will be meeting with our colleagues in Newtownbreda Presbyterian, and liaising with partners in Uganda, to plan appropriate and properly validated additional expenditure over the next few weeks and will report back about this in due course.

CLONARD MONASTERY - The Road Home Sunday 22 November 7.00pm

Join Cappella Caeciliana for The Road Home, an uplifting evening of choral music celebrating belonging, community and hope. Directed by James Grossmith, with pianist Ruth McGinley and cellist Thomas Isaac. Celebrating St Cecilia's Day and the choir's 31st anniversary. Tickets: £20 | Under 25s: £5 Book: www.caeciliana.org

The Magic of Christmas Concert

Saturday 19th December Good Shepherd Church

Saturday 19th December 7pm for a wonderful evening of festive music and celebration. Tickets available via Eventbrite or **www.margaretkeys.co.uk**.

INVITATION TO BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

We are pleased to invite children who have made their First Holy Communion to train as Altar Servers. Fr. Brendan will lead a training session in the church on **Friday 13th November at 2:45pm**. The session will last approximately 45 minutes. If your child is unable to attend at this time, please contact **Mary Rose by text on 07770896610**. We look forward to welcoming the children and supporting them in this special role within our church community.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY COLLECTION:
Holy Rosary: £1716.00
St. Bernadette's: £1155.46
MONTHLY COLLECTION:
Holy Rosary: £1422.00
St. Bernadette's: £1240.17

Many thanks for your continued generosity and support

The Building Fund will be taken up this weekend after Communion.
The Bishops Commissions will be taken up next weekend.
Offering can be made by standing order or the Dona machines in the church porch.

The Lists & Envelopes for our Deceased

The Lists & Envelopes for our deceased are available at the back of the church. Please place your envelope in the box. Mass will be offered, for those included and remembered on the lists, during November.

Holy Rosary St Vincent De Paul

St Vincent de Paul volunteers will have a selection of Christmas cards available after all Masses **Sunday 8th November**.

Holy Rosary Apostolic Work

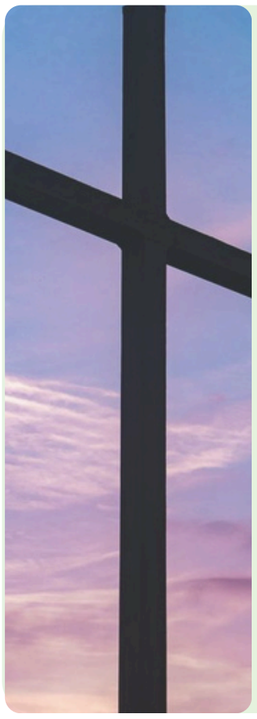
A big **THANK YOU** to all the people who so generously gave us their time to bake beautiful cakes, treats, buns and biscuits. Thank you to those who purchased, contributed and gave generous donations to our fundraising. We raised the grand total of **£2,147**, which will make a difference to many people's lives on the missions. Our missionaries assure us that you are continuously remembered in their prayers.

Holy Rosary Coffee Morning

The Holy Rosary Parish Pastoral Council invites you to a coffee morning on **Sunday 8th November after 10.30 mass**, in the parish centre. We will serve tea, coffee and some treats. It will be an opportunity to catch up, chat, and if you are new to the parish, meet fellow parishioners. **Everyone is very welcome**.

Bingo Evening – ALL WELCOME!

Come and enjoy a lively evening of Bingo on Sunday 15th November at 7.00pm. Join fellow parishioners for an enjoyable evening together, with the chance to try your luck and win a prize. Everyone is welcome. we hope to see you there!



REST IN PEACE

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Paul Curran
Maureen Smyth
Colette Bannon
Kathryn Rutherford
Sister Noeleen Bowen
Anne Mooney
Marie Therese (Terry) McCusker
John Charles Howard (Jack)
Sister Rosarie Prendergast

ANNIVERSARIES:

William McLaughlin (6pm)
Nan Kearney (11am)
Winifred O'Kane (12.30pm)
Jim and Ann McCartney, Mary Sis Turley
Frank Crawford, Paddy & Kathleen Hughes,
Jack Clarke, Nora & James Primrose

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

The Liturgy

Sunday Mass
Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am
12.00 noon

Weekday Mass Times

Monday:	7.00 pm
Tuesday:	9.30 am
Wednesday:	9.30 am
Thursday:	9.30 am
Friday:	7.00 pm
Saturday:	12 noon

Confession
Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm
Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm
Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Baptisms
1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm
Please contact the Parish Office to book

Marriages
At least 6 months' notice required prior to date of Marriage.
Please contact Fr Sheehan

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

(Total includes Basket Collections, Standing Orders and Dona Donations)

Weekly Collection 25th Oct: £5722.50
Monthly Collection 1st Nov: £5997.18
Weekly Collection 1st Nov: £8116.80

Mass Intentions for week ahead

Mon 9th Nov 7pm: *Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed*
Tues 10th Nov 9.30am: *Offered for Holy Souls*
Wed 11th Nov 9.30am: *Offered for Holy Souls*
Thurs 12th Nov 9.30am: *Offered for Holy Souls*
Fri 13th Nov 7pm: *James & Agatha Smyth (A)*
Sat 14th Nov 12 Noon: *Olive Finnegan (A)*
Sat 14th Nov 6pm: *Elizabeth Thompson (A)*

St Bride's Primary School 125 year Gala Ball

It's time to celebrate 125 years of St Bride's, from our proud history to the fantastic school community we have today and the generations still to come. Gala Tickets Available at: https://hub.klubfunder.com/StBridesPTA/payit/eventregistration/st-bride-s-ps-125th-anniversary-gala-ball/detail

Saint Brigid's Parish

32nd Sunday in O T
8th November 2026, Year A

Parish Priest: Fr Michael Sheehan **Tel:** 028 9066 5409
Parish Office: 028 9066 5409; (9 am - 1 pm Weekdays)
Address: 40 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP
Email: stbrigids@downandconnor.org **Website**: stbrigidsparishbelfast.org
Livestream/Webcam: youtube.com/@stbrigidsparishbelfast

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Reading from the book of Wisdom Wis 6:12-16
Wisdom is found by those who look for her.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62:2-8
For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

Second Reading: Reading from the St Paul to the Thessalonians 1 Thess 4:13-18
God will bring with him those who have died in Jesus.

Gospel: According to Matthew Mt 25:1-13
The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Denis Nichol and Martin Obidiegwu recently deceased, and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Mary Dynan, Anne Marie Doherty, Eileen Green, Olive Finnegan, Jack Campbell, Rosana Chilaka, Elisha Samual, Noel Eastwood, John Eastwood, Hugh O'Neill, Donal McGettigan, Michael Molloy, Marie Shearer, Jack and Grace Whiteman, Edward McShane, Matt Salters, Sheila Toner, Rosemary McAnulty, Ann Murray, Sylvia Vieira de Souza, James and Agatha Smyth and we pray also for the parents and family of Baby Nathanael John Goudy; and all those whose names are remembered on the November lists.

May they rest in peace

Annual Mass for Recently Departed Parishioners

(November 2025 – November 2026)

Monday 9th November at 7.00 pm



Relatives and friends of those who have died since 1st November 2025 are particularly invited to this Mass. Also remembered are all the departed Priests and parishioners of the parish, as well as relatives of parishioners who have died in other parishes during the year. Candles will be available for those who wish to bring a lighted candle to the altar in memory of a loved one.

November - Month of the Holy Souls

During November, Masses will be offered for those whose names are included in the November lists of the dead. Envelopes and lists will be available in the porch from this weekend. Please leave completed envelopes in the box provided.

Memorial Notice Board

There will also be a Memorial Notice Board in the entrance hall of the church for the month of November for parishioners to add memoriam cards.



GIFT – Growing in Faith Together

GIFT 2 programme (Year 9) will start back on **Sunday 15th November, from 6.30pm – 8.00pm in the Parish Hall**. The programme will run for 4 consecutive weeks finishing on Sunday 6th December.

The first week will be an opportunity for our wonderful young people to reconnect with each other. We have a fun-filled evening planned, playing games and enjoying delicious pizza.

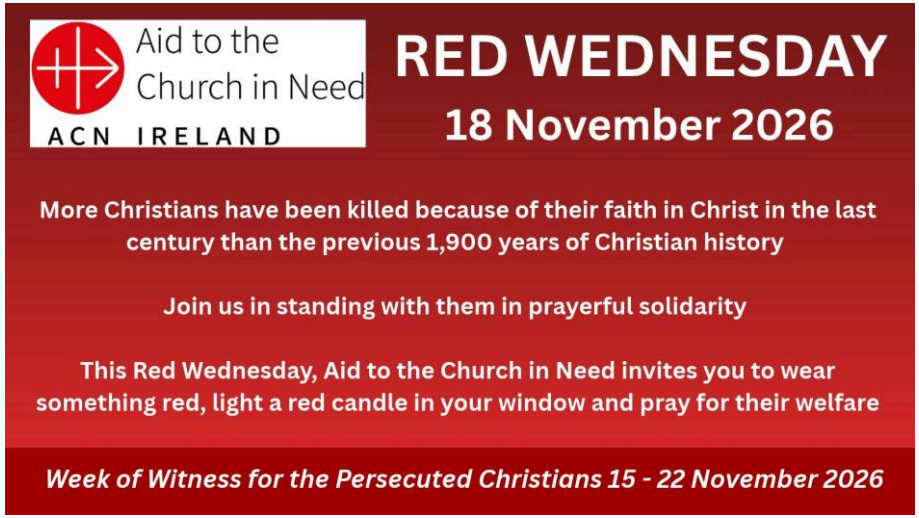
If you have not been involved in the GIFT programme and would like to join, please get in touch with the Parish Office. We look forward to welcoming all our young people back and meeting our new GIFT members.



CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

You are warmly invited to join us as we pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy in St Brigid's church every FRIDAY at 3pm. It's a beautiful way to start the weekend!

Jesus said to Sister Faustina: **At 3 O'clock, implore my mercy especially for sinners….This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. In this hour I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of me in virtue of my passion.**





Parish Open Morning

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent Parish Open Morning. To our parish groups and volunteers, thank you for your planning and wonderful table presentations. It was such a successful event we hope to repeat it again in the future.

PARISH OF ST COLMCILLE'S BALLYHACKAMORE

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - A

7 NOV 2026
Missal Pg 684

you can HELP

Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading: **Wisdom 6:12-16**

Responsorial Psalm:
For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God

Second Reading: **Thessalonians 4:13-18**

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Stay awake and stand ready because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel: **Matthew 25:1-13**

HOW CAN I HELP?

Could you play a part in the life of our parish? Our Parish Engagement Group is launching a new campaign, "How Can I Help?", inviting more parishioners to become involved in the life and liturgy of St Colmcille's.
Our parish is blessed with so many people who generously give their time and talents, but there is always room for more!

We would particularly love to welcome:
New Readers, New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion New Choir Members New Welcomers New Altar Servers. This ministry is open to all young people from Confirmation age up to 18 years old. We would especially love to see some girls getting involved, as we currently have no female altar servers.

You don't need any previous experience. All that's needed is a willingness to give a little of your time. Guidance and support will be provided.
Our parish isn't simply somewhere we come to Mass. It's a community to which we all belong, and each of us has something to offer.
So perhaps the question to ask yourself is: "How can I help?"
Please take a moment this week to fill out one of the short forms and return it either to a member of the Parish Engagement Group or place it in the box at the back of the church.
Every offer of help, no matter how small, can make a real difference to the life of our parish.

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

ANNIVERSARIES

Patrick & James O'Hare
Jim McConnell
Peter Loder
Susan Elias

RECENTLY DECEASED

Anne Marie O'Hara

DONATIONS

Weekly collection- £1,214.85
The Bishops' Commission Collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend

https://donate.mydona.com/st-colmcilles-parish-belfast

THIS WEEK AT ST COLMCILLE'S

SUN	Mass: 9.30am & 11.30am
MON	Morning Prayer: 9.00am
TUE	Hourly Hour and Confessions: 6.00pm-7.00pm Mass: 7.00pm
WED	Mass: 9.30am
THU	Mass: 9.30am
FRI	Morning Prayer: 9.00am, Mass: 9.30am
SAT	Confession: 5.00pm –5.20pm, Mass: 5.30pm
	Rosary Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday after Mass and before the Saturday night Vigil Mass
	The Divine Mercy Chaplet Fridays @ 3pm

APOSTOLIC WORK

would like to invite you to a Fundraising Coffee Morning on **Sunday 29th November** after the 9.30 and 11.30 Masses. There will be a church door collection at the 5.30 Vigil Mass. Unlike the Parish monthly Coffee Morning this occasion is to raise much needed money for the Missions. Unfortunately, we are no longer able to have cakes for sale but we will have a great display of bedding plants and tubs for sale, a Christmas themed range of small gifts and a ballot.
We look forward to your support.

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

Talk: The Second World War through Jesuit Archives
Join us in the Belfast Jesuit Centre on Thursday 12th November at 7.00pm, for a fascinating illustrated talk by Damien Burke, Archivist of the Irish Jesuit Province and co-editor of The Second World War through Jesuit Archives: The Case of Europe (1939–1945). Drawing on letters, diaries and archival records from across Europe, this illustrated talk explores the human experience of war through stories of faith, service and resilience. All are welcome. Light refreshments provided. Small donation suggested.

The Chosen: Season 3 plus Advent Specials
Join us at the Belfast Jesuit Centre as we continue our journey through The Chosen with Season 3 starting on Friday 6th November. Due to the longer running time of the Season 3 episodes, we will now begin at 10.45am sharp (rather than 11.00am). Tea and coffee will be available from 10.15am.Following each episode, there will be a short guided Examen and an opportunity for reflection and discussion. Those who wish to are also welcome to stay for Friday Mass at 12.30pm. As part of our Advent journey, on 18 December we will screen the special episodes The Shepherd and The Messengers, offering a beautiful preparation for the celebration of Christmas. All are welcome. Small donation suggested.

Church at the Crossroads – Belfast Conference 13–14 November 2026 · Assembly Buildings Conference C
The Belfast Jesuit Centre and the Irish Jesuit Province are delighted to be official partners with Church at the Crossroads, a two-day conference hosted by Palestinian Christians for the global Church. The gathering invites us to listen and learn from Palestinian and international Christian leaders as we explore how Scripture shapes our response to the realities in the Holy Land. Other speakers include Sean Farrell (Trocaire) and Prof. Siobhan Garrigan of TCD. For more details and registration, please visit: www.churchatthecrossroads.com/belfast

Week of Witness for Persecuted Christians
One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18. More information is available at www.acnireland.org

MASS FOR SEAFARERS AND FISHERS
Sunday, 15 November 2026, at 11:00 am at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast, to be presided over by Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop of Down and Connor.
This special Mass is an opportunity to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, remembering especially those who have lost their lives at sea.
All are warmly welcome.

PARISH ANNUAL PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY 🎄

Our Annual Parish Christmas Party will take place on Sunday 30th November at 3.00pm in Shandon Park Golf Club : ● Doors open: 2.30pm - 6.30pm - ● Strictly over 18s only.

Final numbers and meal choices to be confirmed no later than Sunday 23rd November. If you wish to attend, please complete the form at the back of the church

Trócaire is looking for volunteers to help deliver school talks during our annual Lent Appeal during ***February and March 2027!***

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The role involves approximately ***1-2 short talks per week*** *during the four-month campaign period.*

Full training, presentation materials and ongoing support will be provided. Please contact Fionnuala McGuinness on 028 9080 8033 or fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org by the first week of December if you are interested! ***Help inspire young people to become agents of change***

THE WEST BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The November meeting will take place on Friday the 13th of November at 7.30pm in St. Michael's Parish Centre, Finaghy Road North (Access via Church Gateway on Finaghy Road North, just past the garage opposite the Church at the junction with Andersonstown Road).

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Refreshments will be provided.



St Columba's Church, Knock
27 King's Road, Knock, BT5 6JG
LUNCHTIME RECITAL
Saturday 14th November 2026 at 12.30pm
Matthew Jeffrey – Baritone
Jude Kingston – Violin
Amber Dixon – Soprano
Michael Harrison – Piano
Admission (at the door): £10
Students / Children – Free admission
Please feel free to come and go (quietly) as you need.

Church of St. MacNissi

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME
7th & 8th NOVEMBER 2026

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tues 7.pm Wednesday - Friday 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Mon – Fri 10am – 12 Tues - 5:30pm-7pm

CONTINUOUS PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE, FAMILY LIFE & VOCATIONS FRI 13th NOV

Divine Mercy Friday 3pm

WEEKEND MASSES Sat 6pm Sun 10am

CONFESSIONS: On request after all Masses

THE ROSARY GROUP each Thurs at 6pm in the church and is '**live'** online MCN media.

MONTHS MIND:
John Maher Sat 7th November 6.00pm

INTENTIONS:
Valerie Maher Sat 7th November 6.00pm

ANNIVERSARIES: Jeannie McDermott, Declan McKay, Seamus Bradley, John Hurrell Mairead Marrion, Teresa Savage, Mary Barrett, Seamus McCann, Marie McGuigan, Len Tiernan, Jenny Bennet, Mary Gildea, Gerry McGuigan, Fiona McGuigan, Wilma McFarland, John Callaghan Loughran, Joseph Graham, Brendan Leonard, Gerard O'Hara, Joseph Butler, Thomas Magill, Molly Lydon, Brian Bateson, Susan McAteer, Joseph O'Neill, Patsy McMullan, Martin McVeigh, James O'Neill, Katheleen O'Boyle

Our priests are obligated to offer **Sunday Mass** on behalf of **ALL** the people *(pro populo)* in the Parish. The deceased are remembered in our *Prayers of the Faithful.*

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tue	10th Nov	St Leo
Wed	11th Nov	St Martin
Thur	12th Nov	St Josaphat
Sat	14th Nov	St Laurence

PARISH CENTRE LEGION OF MARY Tuesday evening after Mass. To have the statue in your home, or intentions; ☎07798 865887

PRAYER MEETING Wednesday 7:45pm

PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION £1,459.00
Thank you for your support of our parish.
To set up a standing order please call or email the parish office to arrange.
Collection augmented by Monthly Direct Debits

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

14/11/26	Caroline McGale	Michelle McElhone

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

14/11/26	Vincent O'Connell	Gerard McBride
	Brian Fitzsimon	John Heffron
	David Skelly	Gerard Dougan
	Ciara McIlwee	Fiona McKeown
	Anne Rooney	
	Lucy Donnelly	

Consecration of new graveyard will be held on Sunday 8th Nov after 10.00am Mass.

CLEANING TEAM 3 commences Mon 9th Nov We appreciate your help

SVP Help Line is 0750 854 9606

OFFICE OPEN Monday–Friday 9- 1.pm
CONTACT; Phone 028 9447 2103
MOBILE 07734 570890
Or EMAIL randalstown@downandconnor.org

EMERGENCY CONTACT ONLY 07834 383314

PARISH WEBSITE To watch Mass online Select WEBCAM from the parish website menu or go to mcn.live/cameras/st-macnissis. . Funerals/weddings recorded at the specific request of the immediate family to MCN
To book Baptism, Wedding or arrange a Funeral anniversary please contact the parish office.

SPIRIT & TRUTH is our weekly group where we come together to learn more about our faith every Wednesday in St MacNissis church Randalstown from ***7pm - 8pm***

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Help inspire young people to become agents of change

Do you want to go deeper in your faith and discover the **hidden treasures of the Mass?** Join us for three special Faith Formation sessions designed to help every parishioner young and old, lifelong Catholic and newcomer.
St. Comgall's – Mon 9th,16th 23rd Nov 7.00pm-8.15pm.

Creggan Local Heritage Group shall launch a townland map of the *FEEVAGH* - showing the townlands of Creggan, Cargin and most of Moneyglass including the Irish and English forms and their meanings.
Toome House Tues 17th Nov @ 7.30
Creggan Pavilion Thursday 26th Nov @7.30
Ideal Christmas present at £15

ADVENT WREATH MAKING DAY
Save the date Sat
28th NOVEMBER



Ardán Theatre Group presents ***ANNIE*** *The Musical* in St MacNissis Parish Centre Randalstown. Friday 4th & Saturday 5th December at 7.30pm. Adults £10.50. Concessions OAPs (over 65s) and U16s £6.50. Order your tickets now at www.ardantheatre.co.uk.

COMMUNITY ADVICE Antrim and N'Abbey (Formerly Citizens Advice) Monday from 1.30 to 4.30, in Arches. No appointment needed as this is a *drop-in* service

PARISH CENTRE:

MONDAY 8th NOVEMBER
SPRED Mon 7.00 – 9.00pm.
New members very welcome.

MAINE INDOOR BOWLING CLUB 7.30pm
New members welcome.

Monday 7th December
COMMUNITY LUNCHEON CLUB 12.30pm

TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER - Parent and Toddler Group 9.30-11.30 am. New parents/ carers and children (yrs 4 or under) are ***warmly*** welcomed

THURSDAY 11th NOVEMBER
WALKING CLUB 10.30am meets Parish Centre. Welcome Tea & Coffee on return.

CHAIR AEROBICS (Keep Fit) FOR SENIORS
2.30pm–3.30pm new members welcome to enjoy some companionship and gentle exercise
Contact Una @ 07749 636589

TÍR NA NÓG LOTTO Tues 03/11/2026
WINNING NUMBERS: 3,13,14,16
£25 WINNERS:
Shaun McCoy, Michael McAtamney,
Peter Shannon, Conor Cregan
Jackpot £5000 Next week Tues 10/11/2026

KICKHAM'S GAC Wed 04/11/2026
WINNING NUMBERS: 2,14,26,27
£30 WINNERS: Sean McCoy & Erin O'Boyle
Next week's draw is on Wednesday 11/11/2026 at 8.30pm. Tickets must be bought by 7.30pm.
Jackpot £7,600. Tickets are available online or from outlets in town or your usual ticket sellers.

Let's Lunch – Tír na nÓg
Tír na nÓg is delighted to invite our past and present members, and the local community aged 65+, to join us for 'Let's Lunch'. It's a lovely opportunity to catch up, enjoy a warm meal, and connect with neighbours old and new.
Venue: Tír na nÓg Clubrooms, Barnish Road
Date: Saturday 14th November
Time: 12.30pm – 2.30pm.
To book your place please contact Bronagh (07762731620) or Sinead (07545238986) between 7–9pm.

Ardán Coffee and Cabaret Morning.
Sunday 15th November 11am - 1pm.
St MacNissis Parish Centre Randalstown.
Great craic, a few songs, games and cake.
Come along and join us for a fun filled family morning. Everyone welcome.

Parish of St MARY'S *on the* HILL 16th Aug 2026

Churches: St Mary's on the Hill & St Bernard's

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH
Fr Pat Sheehan & Fr Aidan Kerr
PARISH OFFICE 028 90832979
Lorraine Carlin & Patricia Gillespie
Opens Mon – Friday 9am – 1pm
165 Antrim Road. BT36 7QR
e-mail: stmarysoth@downandconnor.org
website: www.stmarysonthehill.online

RECENTLY DECEASED
Liz Dearlove, Harmin Pk
Alicia Devine, Tobar Glen Crescent
Catherine Mooney, Moyola Manor
MONTH'S MIND
Raymond Hassan, Michael McCorry
ANNIVERSARIES
Patrick Hughes, Martin Brogan, Billy Moran, William McCotter, Angela McClelland, Jim Curran, Veroncia Mulholland, Sarah Convery, William Burns, Baby Michael McKee, May O'Toole, Charlotte Fletcher, Patrick O'Neill, Kathleen McAuley, Rita Smyth, Mary Horan, Mathai Mani.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 15th	6.00pm	Billy Moran M/M Michael McCorry
Sun 16th	9.00am	Angela McClelland & Jim Curran
	11.00am	Martin Brogan M/Mind Raymond Hassan
Mon 17th	9.45am	William Burns
Tues 18th	9.45am	Mary Horan
Wed 19th	9.45am	Patrick Hughes
Thur 20th	9.45am	Veronica Mulholland
Fri 21st	9.45am	Baby Michael McKee
Sat 22nd	9.45am	William McCotter

We welcome
Alivia O'Neill
recently baptised in the parish.



NO Divine Mercy in JULY & AUGUST
Back to normal for September.
Baptisms on a Sunday will be at 12.30pm.

ST BERNARD'S SITE RE-OPENS

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION Mass on the 15TH August at **12.00 noon in St. Bernard's Church**

Sunday masses will resume in St Bernard's Church Saturday 15th August vigil 6pm, Sunday 16th August 9am & 11am and baptisms at 12.30pm. No 12.30pm mass as we are still in the Summer Schedule. **However, there will be only limited parking in the top carpark at St Bernard's**. While the tarmac will be finished the lining of the top carpark will not take place until Tuesday 19th August. Some of the top carpark will not be available for parking; **the area nearest the steps leading to the Church will NOT BE OPEN and the GREEN GATES WILL REMAIN CLOSED.** The rest of the top carpark is usable but will not be lined.

To help with parking we have permission to use the school carpark, on the right of the laneway leading to the church, until the lining in the top carpark is completed.

Weekday masses will remain in St Marys on the Hill Monday 17th & Tuesday 18th August and resume in St Bernard's on Wednesday 19th August 9.45am.

SUMMER SCHEDULE JULY & AUGUST

St Bernard's Vigil	**6.00pm**
St Bernard's	**9.00am**
~~St Mary's on the Hill~~	~~10.00am~~
St Bernard's	**11.00am**
~~St Bernard's~~	~~12.30pm~~

Mass Times This Week



Monday 10.00am Eucharistic Prayer Service

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am Mass

Wednesday 7.00pm Novena Mass

Saturday 5.00pm Vigil

Sunday 11.00am Mass



Adoration will take place this Wednesday & Friday following the 10 O'clock Mass



Sunday evenings from 6.00-7.30pm, a time of intercession for vocations, with a special hour of prayer and reflection. Special prayers will be offered for the Holy Souls in purgatory throughout November. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout.

All are very welcome.



8th November 2026

Sunday Cycle A, Weekday Cycle 2 Psalter Week 4

Parish Contact Options

Call 02895 904304 To connect and choose the option for the assistance you require.

The Parish Office will be open Monday - Thursday 9.30am-12.00pm

In the event of an emergency please call the Vicariate Mobile on 07549209775

WEBSITE

Scan our QR code

Webcam: Churchmedia.tv **or** stmichaelsbelfast.co.uk

Facebook Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

Twitter/X @St-MichaelArch

Email: stmichaels@downandconnor.org



We pray for all our deceased relatives and friends and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Anniversaries: James & Theresa Armstrong, Carley, Kathleen & Mary Jane Press, Helen Kelly, Martha Shevlin, Eamon McCrea, Michael McCullough, Mairead Dunlop, Peter Wilson

Months Mind: Veronica Rogan

Recently Deceased: Greta Kennedy, Leanne O'Halloran

You can book an anniversary Mass or give an anniversary intention for this section of the bulletin by calling or e-mailing the parish office 02895 904304 (Option 1)

Email: stmichaels@downandconnor.org



We faithfully confess, that before the consecration it is bread and wine, the product of nature; but after consecration it is the Body and Blood of Christ, consecrated by the blessing.

- St Austine of Hippo

Sweet Heart of my Jesus, grant that I may ever love thee more!

The Offertory Collection for the 1st November amounted to £1196.50, The Monthly Collection was £1280.00

Thank you

TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE PARISH PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

stmichaelsbelfast.co.uk and click on the

DONATE BUTTON

Thank you for your continuous support and Generosity

Take the November Pledge

This November why not make a simple sacrifice by taking a short-term pledge?

Pray: "I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November"

Rise and Shine Group

would like to thank the very generous parishioners of St Michael The Archangel who contributed £3,176 towards bringing children who are terminally ill and those with life limiting illnesses to Lourdes at Easter. We are extremely grateful for your support.

Sisters of the Cross & Passion Glen Road

Urgently require Care Assistant (Waking night shift) 3 nights per week 8pm-8am.Experience desirable but not essential. Apply online @ cpvilla95@gmail.com or call 02890 621766



West Belfast Historical Society

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St Michael's Parish Shop



Why not call into the parish shop, we have some beautiful candles from the Benedictine Monks and lots of new products which would make lovely gifts.

Northern Ireland Hospice

Northern Ireland Hospice is seeking local people to help establish a new Hospice Fundraising Support Group in the West Belfast area.

If you would like to learn more about becoming part of the new West Belfast Support Group, or would simply like an informal conversation about what is involved, we would be delighted to hear from you.

https://www.nihospice.org/get-involved/volunteer-with-us/support-groups/

Kieran Buchanan will be speaking at Masses this weekend

Parish Draw 2026/27

The draws for October and November will both take place in November to allow all members and promoters to finalise their returns.

If you've not yet done so, there is still time to enter the parish draw.

Annual Masses for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor

Will be celebrated on Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena AND Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish), Ormeau Road, Belfast.

Please forward by **Friday 6th November 2026** the name and school of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to Rev Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA

Tele: 028 9049 1886 or Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org

Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre and Holy Rosary Parish Centre.

Anyone unable to attend can join online at: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams for the Mass in Ballymena and www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for the Belfast Mass.

WHO IS MARY IN GODS PLAN OF SALVATION

Save the date! All are invited to come and hear from representatives of 6 Christian Churches who will consider:

'Who is Mary in God's Plan of Salvation?'

Martina Purdy will present on behalf of the Roman Catholic tradition.

There also will be time for audience questions, chaired by Alf McCreary (Belfast Telegraph, BBC News This is an opportunity to listen and understand other perspectives.

Wednesday, 2 December 2026 at 7pm in Corr's Corner Hotel, Newtownabbey.

Refreshments will be served. To aid in planning please rsvp to ecumenical@downandconnor.org or via QR code.

Fully Escorted Pilgrimage

SHRINES OF FRANCE PILGRIMAGE

LISIEUX, RUE DU BAC, NEVERS, PARIS, ROCAMADOUR and LOURDES

11th – 18th June 2027

7 Nights flying from Dublin to Paris/Lourdes to Dublin

Including visits to the home of the Miraculous Medal, and see the incorrupt body's of St Catherine Laboure and St Bernadette. In Paris visit Sacre-Coeur. Visit the Lourdes, plus much more. Comprehensive Travel insurance £35.00

£1,200 PER PERSON SHARING

SEATS ARE LIMITED £345 Single room suppliment

Spiritual Director: Fr Joe McGuigan

£250.00 deposit secures a seat!

For further details contact:

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ABIDE Women's Conference 2026 | 20–22 November: Join hundreds of women at the **Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal**, in just a few weeks for our third Abide Women's Conference!

Speakers include Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Kimberlee Woo Ling, Fr Oisín Martin CFR, Fr Barry Braum, the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr David Nugent and Fr Mark Wharton, with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin.

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Manresa Jesuit Centre of Spirituality (426 Clontarf Road, D03 FP52) – Advent 2026 Retreat Offerings

- **Advent Triduum Retreat**

Mon-Fri, 30 Nov-4 Dec / Mon-Fri 14-18 Dec
This guided silent retreat offers an opportunity to step away from the busyness of the season and spend time with the themes of Advent – a time of waiting, watching and preparing for the mystery of Christ's coming.

- **Advent Weekend Retreat**

Fri-Sun, 4-6 Dec
Themed around the core themes of Advent, the weekend includes time for personal prayer and reflection, prayer with others, and the opportunity to meet with a spiritual director. It is a chance to step away from the many demands of the season and make space to notice where God's Spirit may be moving.

For more information, check our website: manresa.ie or contact us at reception@manresa.ie / 01 5529 448.



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Parish of Downpatrick

08 November 2026

32nd, Sunday in Ordinary Time



PRIESTS: Fr Eugene O'Neill PP**,** Fr. Jim Conway CC

Contacts:

Parish Office: **07337 485743** (TEMPORARY PARISH OFFICE NUMBER)

For emergencies please ring (for example- an urgent sick call or a sudden death): 07841101678

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

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.stpatricksdownpatrick.com

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Mass Schedule:

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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

Please note: There will be no 7:30pm Mass in St. Colmcille's Church on Wednesday 11 November. The Mass will be in St. Patrick's at 7:30pm where the Annual Bereavement Mass will take place.

Annual Bereavement Mass:

You are warmly invited to join in our annual Mass for those who have died in the parish in the last year. This is a very important moment of solidarity and healing for our many bereaved families. Coming as it does in November – the Month of Holy Souls – it reminds us that our departed beloved are not gone. They are intimately with us though just beyond us. They are never forgotten by our families or the Church.

Please pass on word of this Mass to anyone who might not regularly see the bulletin. The date of the Mass will be 11 November at 7:30pm in St. Patrick's.

November Dead Lists are available in the Church Porch, Once completed, lists and any donation should be placed in the envelope provided and returned to the Church. All envelopes are opened, and lists are placed before the altar. Those on the lists are remembered during the Masses for the month of November.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 07 November, St. Patrick's, 5pm:
1st Anniv: Brian Trainor,
Anniv: Pamela McDowell, Dickie McDowell,

Saturday 07 November, St. Brigid's, 6:30pm
Anniv: Rosaleen Burns, Rita O'Callaghan, Brian Quinn,

Sunday 08 November, St. Patrick's, 10:30am:
Month's Mind: John Patrick Gough,
Anniv: Peter Vaughan, Cecelia Vaughan,

Monday 09 November, St. Patrick's, 7:30pm:
1st Anniv: Alan McCullough,
Anniv: David Lobb, Margaret Magorrian, Agatha Smith, Patsy Kearney, Perpetual McAbon, Anna Denvir,

Wednesday 11 November, St. Patrick's, 7:30pm:
1st Anniv: Sally Liggett
All of the deceased parishioners between 1 Nov 25 to 31 Oct 26.

Saturday 14 November, St. Patrick's, 5pm:
1st Anniv: Richard Starkey, Marina Annals, Alan Hunt,
Anniv: Patricia & Robert Hunt,

Your Prayers are Requested for:
Recently Deceased: Francis (Frank) Frew,

Anniv: David Lobb, Dennis Halpin, Eileen Halpin, Mary Halpin, Hugh Fitzsimons, Josie Fitzsimons, Gerry Burke, Jim Mageean, Michael Crossen, Michael McMullan, JP Marks, Hilda Smyth, Josephine McKinney, Margaret Connolly, Rosaleen Hallaran, Clara Annett,

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

01 November 2026

Offertory £2625 **Monthly Offertory** £2031

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.

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

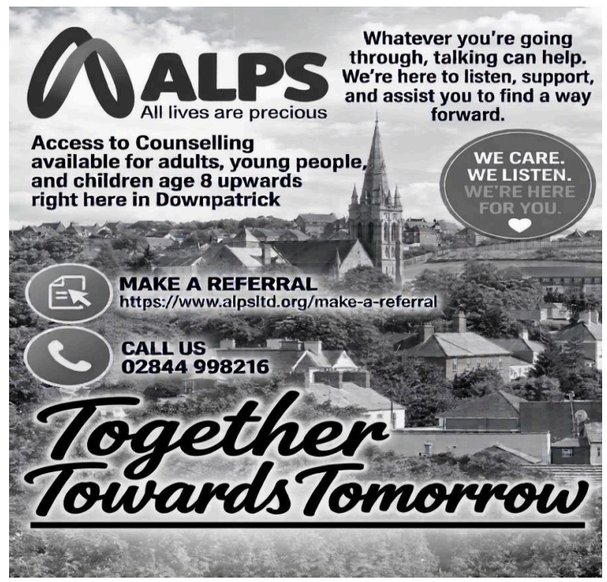
St. Patrick's Parish Podcast: This week Fr. Murray has posted a piece on Antoni Gaudi, the architect of the Sagrada Familia (Holy Family) cathedral in Barcelona which was blessed in June by Pope Leo XIV. You can find this podcast on the parish Facebook page or also go to the web app PODBEAN and type in 'St. Patrick's Parish Podcast' and you will locate it there.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

The Coffee Morning on Sunday 25 October raised £555.14 for the St Vincent de Paul in Downpatrick. Sincere thanks to the organisers and to the parishioners and their friends that so generously supported it. This finance will enable the Society to continue to help those in need in our community.

Trócaire volunteers: Trócaire is looking for volunteers to help deliver school talks during our annual Lent Appeal during February and March 2027! We are particularly interested in hearing from people with public speaking experience, especially retired teachers or those who have worked with young people. Volunteers will visit local schools during school hours to share stories of hope, justice and solidarity from communities around the world. The role involves approximately 1-2 short talks per week during the four-month campaign period. Full training, presentation materials and ongoing support will be provided. Please contact Fionnuala McGuinness on 028 9080 8033 or fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org by the first week of December if you are interested!
Help inspire young people to become agents of change

MYMY is an accredited counselling service for adults based in Newcastle. If you or someone you know could benefit from counselling please give us call on 028 4372 7549, email hello@mymy.org.uk or self-refer via our website. www.mymy.org.uk



ANNUAL MASSES FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF DOWN AND CONNOR
Will be celebrated on **Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Ballymena** AND Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish), Ormeau Road, Belfast.
Please forward by Friday 6th November 2026 the name and school of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to Rev Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA Tele: 028 9049 1886 or Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org
Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre and Holy Rosary Parish Centre. Anyone unable to attend can join online at: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams for the Mass in Ballymena and www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for the Belfast Mass.

MASS TO REMEMBER DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE PIONEER ASSOCIATION A Mass to remember all deceased members of the Pioneer Association will take place on Friday 20 November in St Agnes' Church, Andersonstown Road, Belfast at 7 pm. Light refreshments afterwards. All Pioneers welcome.

RECHARGE YOUNG ADULT GROUP Aged 18-35? Join us in St Colmcille's Church, Belfast on the following date. Holy Hour 17th November at 7.30pm - Group Study

WEEK OF WITNESS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18. More information is available at www.acnireland.org

SHRINES OF FRANCE PILGRIMAGE Fully escorted tour LISIEUX, RUE DU BAC, NEVERS, PARIS, ROCAMADOUR and LOURDES 11th – 18th June 2027 7 Nights flying from Dublin to Paris/Lourdes to Dublin. Including visits to the home of the Miraculous Medal, and see the incorrupt bodies of St Catherine Laboure and St Bernadette. In Paris visit Sacre-Coeur. Visit the Lourdes, plus much more. Comprehensive Travel insurance is EXTRA £35.00 COST £1,200 PER PERSON SHARING SEATS ARE LIMITED Single room supplement is £345.00 EXTRA. Spiritual Director: Fr Joe McGuigan£250.00 deposit secures a seat! For further info contact: Jean Reynolds 07729 402311 or email: jeanreynolds@hotmail.co.uk

PIPS Suicide Prevention Charity : Weekend Crisis Hopeline are as follows:
Friday: 9pm - 10am Saturday and Sunday: 9pm - 9am Monday 028 9080 5850
Freephone 0800 088 6042

SVP.Helpline 07349983363

Parish of Loughguile

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8th November 2026

Very Rev. Canon Colm McBride PP :
Parochial House 44 Lough Road Loughguile BT44 9JN
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Parish Office Hours:
Mon Wed Thurs 10 a.m.- 2.30 p.m. Tues 10-4.30. p.m.

Pope Leo's intention for November: For the proper use of wealth.
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

The lamp is the light of love and hope, and at its centre is the light of Christ. The light is given to us in many ways in our lives - it shines within as an eternal joy, and outwards to many others. Jesus often advises, *'keep your lamps burning' and 'Let you lights shine.*
Like when the bulb goes out when the electricity fails, the lamp can go out without oil. The people of the gospel felt foolish that they had not brought oil with them to light their way. The oil is prayer and our relationship with Jesus. This is the essence of the Christian life. Our Christian life is following a real, loving person: it is an invitation to get to know Jesus, and to find ourselves drawn from our hearts to follow him. Without this living relationship with Christ, words sound empty. We sometimes hear someone speaking of their Christian faith and cannot help wondering if it comes from the inside or is just a list of things to be believed and read.
Ignatius of Loyola's famous prayer is the prayer of the follower of Jesus; *'Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life.'* (Spiritual Exercises).
The more indicates that this is never a finished product: like love and friendship it grows in our lives. It is exciting that Jesus is never gone from us.: risen from the dead he is always alive, always new. Our reading of the gospel, our sharing at Mass and the sacraments and our personal prayer keep this relationship always alive, always new

Ministers of the Word

We are currently appealing for additional volunteers to join our current Ministers of the Word rota. Please consider offering your help as we all gather in prayer to honour God. To register your interest please contact the Parish Office or speak with Canon McBride after any of the Masses.

PARISH FARM LETTING The land is open for offers for the period from 1st November 2026 to 31st October 2027. Offers will **be finalised by close of business on FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2026**. Offers must be made directly to the offices of P J McIlroy & Son in person or by telephone, successful bidders will be notified as soon as possible after closing of offers and consultation with the Parish Committee.

DUNLOY & CLOUGHMILLS PARISH are seeking to recruit a part-time Caretaker. 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 website, Application packs can also be obtained from Dunloy & Cloughmills 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 12.00 noon on Tuesday 17th November 2026

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

LOUGHGIEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BUS DRIVER REQUIRED We are seeking a Bus Driver to join our team. Requirements: Full, valid driving licence for 2+ years and aged 25+ A valid PCV/PSV driving licence and up to date Driver CPC. Reliable, professional and safety-conscious approach Good communication and customer service skills Full Job Description available on Job Apply NI. . Please contact us on 028 276 41389 for more information.

Parish Sacramental Dates 2027

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Sat 24th April 2027 CONFIRMATION Thurs 6th May 2027.

BAPTISMS The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on the **1st and 3rd Sunday** of the month **only** . To book please contact the Parish Office. A copy of the child's long birth certificate is required within a week of booking. On the day please bring a Baptism Candle and a white Shawl.

ANNIVERSARY/MONTH MIND MASS Please now book through the office, these can be booked for any scheduled Mass **excluding Sunday 9.00 a.m.**

WEDDING BOOKING Please ring the office for initial bookings.

Parish Bulletin Notices by Thursday 12 noon please.

Sat 7th Nov	6 -6.20p.m.	St Patrick's	First Saturday Confessions
	6.30 p.m.	St Patrick's	Ministers of the Word Ministers of the Eucharist E. Traynor A McNaughton & M McMullan *First Anniversary Mass Marie O'Hagan*
Sunday 8th Nov	9.00 a.m.	St Patrick's	Roisin McKillop G McMillan
	10.30 a.m.	St MacNissi's	Pat McAuley M McKinley & J McCarry
Mon 9th Nov	7.30 p.m.	St MacNissi's	Healing Mass and Novena *First Anniversary Mass Malachy Connolly*
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St MacNissi's	Mass
Wed 11th Nov	7 – 7.20 p.m.	St Patrick's	Confessions before Mass
	7.30 p.m.	St Patrick's	Mass and Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Anniversary Mass Stanley Johnston
	8.00 p.m.	St Patrick's	Holy Hour
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St Patrick's	Mass followed by Adoration 10.00 . -12 noon.
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St Patrick's	Mass
Sat 14th Nov	6.30 p.m.	St Patrick's	Ministers of the Word Ministers of the Eucharist *Sean McIntyre Tony & Bronagh Marron* *Anniversary Mass Dan & Rae Watt*
Sun 15th Nov	9.00 a.m.	St Patrick's	Leisa Gillan T McIntyre
	10.30 a.m.	St MacNissi's	Majella Murray D McGarry & V McDonnell

RECENTLY DECEASED Mary Waide

ANNIVERSARIES Malachy Connolly (1st Anniversary) Eileen Arthurs Bernie Boyle William and Matilda Douthart Josephine Gorman James Kearns Patrick Laverty Eileen Mullan Patrick McAleese Jim McAllister Nuala McAuley Ellen McBride Elizabeth McCarry Dannie McCloskey Mary McCollum Josephine McCormick Lizzie McGowan Tillie McGuckian Cora McMahon John McMichael Veronica McQuillan

Monthly Healing Mass will be celebrated in St MacNissi's this Monday evening 9th November at 7.30 p.m.

Chaplet for the Holy Souls will be prayed before Wednesday evening Mass for the month of November(from 7.10 p.m. approx.)

WEEKLY COLLECTION £1215.00.00 plus £625.00 by Bank payments in November **Thank you for your support.** Bishop's Commission will be taken up **next** weekend

PARISH OF ST TERESA OF ÁVILA

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Parish Office Open **Thursday** 9am to 3pm.

8 November 2026 Thirty Second Sunday, Year A.

Sunday Gospel *What does Jesus wish to teach us with this parable? He reminds us that we must be ready to meet Him. Many times, in the Gospel, Jesus urges us to keep watch, and He also does so at the end of this narrative. He says: "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (v. 13). But with this parable He tells us that keeping watch does not only mean not to sleep, but to be ready; in fact all the virgins fall asleep before the bridegroom's arrival, but upon waking some are ready and others are not. Thus, here is the meaning of being wise and prudent: it is a matter of not waiting until the last minute of our lives to cooperate with the grace of God, but to do so as of now. (Pope Francis).*

Sunday Masses Church of the Holy Spirit (Sat.) Vigil **5pm,** St Matthias' **10am,** St Teresa's **12noon.**

Weekday Masses St Teresa's Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday **10am.**

St Matthias Monday **7pm** Wednesday **9am**, Friday **7am** & Saturday **10am**.

Confessions Saturday **4 30pm** in Church of the Holy Spirit, after any Mass and on request.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday in St Matthias' Church from **11am** to **4pm.**

To book an Anniversary Mass, Baptism or Wedding Ceremony please email the Parish Office.

November Dead Lists are available in the church porch. Masses celebrated during the month of November are for those who have died.

A word of thanks to those who organised and took part in this year's Mass for deceased parishioners.

Please note, that in accordance with Bishop Alan McGuckian's recommendation, eulogies will not take place at Funeral Masses.

The handshake of peace is suspended for the winter months. At Mass you are welcome to smile, nod, wave if you wish.

Anniversaries: Joanne McDonnell, Betty McCaffrey, Jackie Power, Billy Sinclair, Patrick and Sheila O'Hare, Michael Bunting, Eva Maguire, Geraldine Kane, Bobby Crawford, Mary and Jimmy McAleavey, Margaret Guiney, Billy Hamilton, James Molloy, Bernard McCourt, Monsignor Tom Toner.

Weekly Collection: £1 379. **Monthly Collection:** £1 290. *Thank you for your continued support.*

Parish Grand Christmas Draw 2026, Tickets are available for the draw. There are many prizes including £500 cash, shop vouchers and food hampers. £1 each or 6 for £5.