

Parish of Newtownards & Comber

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CANDLES In the interests of their own safety, children are not permitted to light candles at the shrine. Parents please note: All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Weekend of 29th/30th July 2023



MASS TIMES

Weekday Masses in St. Patrick's on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30am. (2m distancing in place).

Mass in Comber on Tuesday evening at 7.30pm with the Rosary at 7pm.

Sunday Masses:

Vigil at 6.30pm in St. Patrick's Church

Sunday at 11.30am in St. Patrick's Church

Sunday at 10.00am in Our Lady of the Visitation. Mask wearing is required at all Masses to protect one another as advised by the Diocese of Down and Connor.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



BAPTISMS 1st SUNDAY OF MONTH

Anyone wanting to arrange a baptism must speak to Father Martin only after the baby is born.

O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus, keeping your faith firm. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Pope Francis

PRAYER TO ST ROCH

O blessed saint Roch, Patron of the sick, have pity on those who lie on a bed of suffering. Your power was so great when you were in this world, that by the sign of the Cross, many were healed of their diseases. Now that you are in heaven, your power is not less. Offer, then, to God our sighs and tears and obtain for us that health we seek through Christ our Lord. Amen. Saint Roch, pray for us, that we may be preserved from all diseases of body and soul.

Matthew 26:38

"Stay here and keep watch with me". Please remain with Christ and as a community of faith until the final blessing.

Parish News & Announcements:



DEATHS

Anniversaries: Marie Henderson (nee Bennett), Michael O'Neill, Josephine Brown, Mary Ann Busby, Philomena Busby, Mick Moloney, Evarard Cairns, Sr. Mary Assunta Croan, Eugene Coney, Fr. Joseph Magee.

BELFAST PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

There are six remaining places for special Belfast Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023 ex Dublin taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day. Contact James Treacy on 0035361921470 or jamestreacy-photography@gmail.com.

BUS PASSES

Please check our Parish website for feed back on the 60+ Bus passes.

LOURDES HOSPITALITE

The Lourdes Hospitalite door collection will be taken up after all Masses this weekend.

VOCATIONS

There is a 24 hour Vigil beginning on 3rd August at 6pm through to and finishing with Mass on the 4th August at 6pm the Feast of St John Vianney, with the celebration of Mass. The Vigil will take place in St Colmcille's, Ballyhackamore. Hospitality will be provided throughout.

BULLETIN

ALL notices for the bulletin, including Anniversaries, must only be left to the Parish Office in one of four ways:

- By calling to the Parochial House during Office Hours i.e. Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 1.00pm.
 - By telephoning the Parochial House on 028 91812137 again during Office Hours
 - By email to the Parish's Diocesan email address: newtownards@downandconnor.org or
 - By post
- Other means of correspondence e.g. Social Media or texts will not be accepted.

July Intention: The success of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and for all the sick of the Diocese.

SVP Helpline for Newtownards and Comber: **07738837984**

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am to 1.30pm.

Bethany Bereavement Service: **07563195580**

WEBCAM

I wish to advise that Masses will be broadcast over the internet. We will be broadcasting 24/7. Anyone experiencing difficulties with the parish Webcam should contact Church Media directly by phoning 028 87738494.

SUNDAY MASSES

Mass at 6.30pm Saturday in St. Patrick's

10.00am Mass in Our Lady of the Visitation

11.30am Sunday in St. Patrick's

St. Patrick's Cleaning Team: Team C: 4th August

CHURCH CLEANING

Can you spare a couple of hours once a month to help keep St. Patrick's Church clean and tidy? We urgently need 6 additional Volunteers to join the existing teams.

Please give this some thought.

If you can help, contact Aine on 07706076850.

Thank you.

WEEKDAY MASSES

All as normal

PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE PRAYER

God of Love,

You are with us in every transition and change.

As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love.

We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work.

Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another.

We ask this in your Holy Name.

AMEN

32 HOURS OF ADORATION

32 hours of Adoration in this year which is dedicated to the Diocesan Priesthood the Legion of Mary will hold 32 hours of Eucharistic Adoration in St. Agnes' Church beginning on Friday 4th August (Feast day of St John Vianney Patron Saint of Parish Priests) after 10am Mass and finishing on Saturday 5th August at 6.15pm (before vigil Mass which is at 6.30pm). Please come along and pray in thanksgiving for our Priests and for our future Priests.

FINANCE CORNER

WEEKLY OFFERING:
Weekly Offering: £1,616

PARISH 2000 CLUB DRAW - 13

£100 - Deborah Carvill 32

£50 - Brendan McGuigan 111

£50 - Scarlett Kozlowski 254

Collector's Prize: Brian McDonald