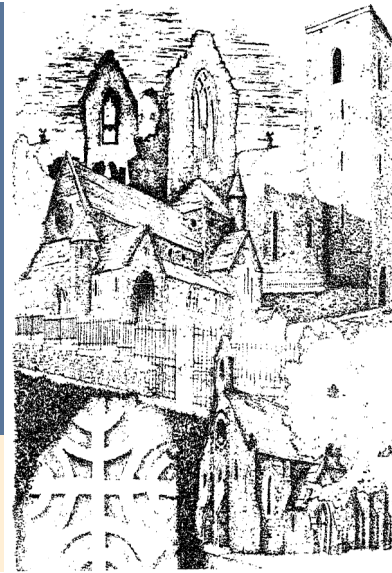


# Parish of Newtownards & Comber

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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 11th/12th November 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:**



**November Intention:** The souls of the faithful departed.  
**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 A: 11th November

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Funeral Mass on Monday at 10.00am  
The rest of the week as normal  
Mass for the Deceased of the Parish 25th/26th November  
Mass of the Angels on Tuesday 28th November in St. Patrick's  
Contact Aine Murray with the name (s) to be included

### **CAKE SALE**

Cake Sale in the market on **Saturday 18th November**. Donations for the cake sale will be gratefully received in the parish centre on **Friday 17th November** between 6.00 and 7.30pm. Thank you

### **ST. COLUMBANUS COLLEGE CANCER FUND FOR CHILDREN**

There will be a **Legends Night** in the College on **Thursday 23rd November** at 7.30pm. Price: £10. Nicola McCarthy (BBC Sport) will be compere. To purchase tickets, please contact the following email address: [kblaney724@c2kni.net](mailto:kblaney724@c2kni.net)

### **SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**

The **Christmas Dinner** will take place on **Sunday 3rd December** in the Parish Centre. Tickets £5 from members. The SVP Christmas cards will be on sale from this weekend. **The Foodbank are having a big push this weekend. Your help is greatly appreciated.**

### **PLEA FOR WOOL**

The women in Hydebank along with Sr Oonagh will be knitting hats and scarves for the homeless community in the run up to Christmas. **If any parishioners had any spare balls of wool it would be greatly appreciated** if they would leave them in to the Parish and Deacon James will pass them on. **Thank you.**

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Eucharistic Adoration will take place in St. Patrick's on **Wednesday 15th November** from 10am to 4pm. Please sign your name on the sheet provided so that we know the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended at any time.

### **FINANCE CORNER**

**WEEKLY OFFERING:**  
Weekly Offering: £1,314  
Priest's Stipend: £1460

**PARISH 2000 CLUB DRAW - 28**  
£100 - Michaela McGimpsey 17  
£50 - Marie McGarvey 34  
£50 - Michael Hutchinson 324

## **DEATHS**



**Recently Deceased:** Margaret Murray, Kircubbin, Eva Dorrian.

**Anniversaries:** John Mayberry, James & Christina Anderson, Eddie West Snr., Pat Colgan, Michael Dorrian, Celeste & Maria Alisandrina Magliocco, Eileen & Eugene McGarity, Bernard Croan, Patrick Heverin.

## **STRICTLY**

Strictly tickets are available after all Masses, via the Parish Office or by contacting **Sharon Fields** on 07702810338.

Call out for Fire Marshalls, First Aiders and Car Park attendants for Dec. 1st and 2nd. Please contact Sharon Fields if you can help.

## **TAIZE EVENING**

Deacon James invites you to a candlelit hour of adoration, quiet prayer and reflection with Taize chant in **St. Colmeille's Church, Holywood** on **Thursday 16th November** from 7.30pm to 8.30pm

## **PIONEER PLEDGE**

A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. **Further information from the Pioneers** on 01 80-54226 or via [www.pioneers.ie/pray](http://www.pioneers.ie/pray).

## **BULLETIN**

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

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