

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 03rd/ 04th August 2024

MASS TIMES

Weekday Masses in St. Patrick's on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30am. 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.

HALL BOOKINGS

ALL bookings for the Parish Hall must go through Brian McDonald. Telephone on 02891815051.

Lourdes Hospitalite: date for the collection to support the travelling of the sick to Lourdes from the Diocese of Down and Connor. 3/4th August.

Marie Curie's Twilight Walk on the 27th September at Barnett Demesne, Belfast. Please sign up by the 4th August for 50% off registration. www.mariecurie.org.uk/twilightwalk

Clergy Health and Wellbeing Officer post, contact www.downandconnor.org click on job vacancies.

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: Maureen Henderson (nee Ennis), Donal Dorrian, Rebecca Munroe, Hamilton Cowan, William Dynes, John Bennett, Julius Dorrian, (Snr), Harry Creighton, Terry O'Neill, Sr. Mary Assunta Croan,

PAIGE'S CAFE

Paige's Cafe continues the first Sunday of each month. Everyone welcome., the next being the 4th August.

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.

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 or
4. By post

Other means of correspondence e.g. Social Media or texts will not be accepted.

August Intention: For Peace across the whole world..
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: 26th July

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mass on Monday and Tuesday in St. Patrick's at 9.30am only.

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. Cleaning Team B, for this coming week.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Music Through The Decades Night Saturday 3rd August
Bring your own bottle. Doors open at 8pm. Supper included. Tickets £15 available by calling the Parochial House on 02891812137 or after all Masses next week. Why don't you dress up in your favourite decade's clothes. (Not compulsory but it might add to your enjoyment!!) Looking forward to seeing you all!

SUMMER SINGING COURSE 2024

5th to 9th August 2024. St. Dominic's Grammar School. 135, Falls Road Belfast BT12 6AE. This is a fantastic opportunity for young singers to up-skill their singing technique, as well as make new friends! We offer junior and senior classes for boys and girls (aged 8-17), as well as opportunities for mixed group singing. The week concludes with a final showcase in S. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. Email: cathedralmusic@downandconnor.org for further information. Full fee £35 including refreshments. Scholarships available on request.

FINANCE CORNER

WEEKLY OFFERING: PARISH CLUB DRAW WEEK 14

Weekly Offering £1177.

£100 Mary Mc Crory 160
£50 Mrs A Pinnance 65
£50 Ian Falls 374