



Parish of Newtownards & Comber

Sunday 7th September 2025

24th week of Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 6th September Confession 5.45 6.20
Vigil Mass Newtownards 6.30pm

SUNDAY 7th September 10am Comber
11.30am Newtownards

MONDAY 8th September 9.30am Mass Newtownards

TUESDAY 9th September Confessions 7pm 7.25pm
7.30pm Mass Comber

WEDNESDAY 10th September 9.30am Mass
Newtownards

THURSDAY 11th September 9.30am Mass
Newtownards

FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER Confessions 9AM 9.20AM
9.30am Mass Newtownards

WE PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

Mary Doohan, Harry Steele,
Princess Diana, Peter Eagleson
Albert Fuscuardi, Desmond Sheals,
Brendan Cardy, Rosaleen Meredith,
Hugh Murray, Hugh Lowry
Fr Gordon Mc Kinstry,

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Offering £11534
Family Fast £77.88

Non-stop Draw Week 19

£100 Brian Mc Donald
£50 Mrs C Magill
£50 Kurt Lightbody
Hearty congratulations to the winners

ST PATRICK'S PARISH HALL

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for all enquiries.

PARISH PRIEST

Very Rev. Brian Mc Cann PP

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CHILDRENS LITURGY Will be restarting on Sunday 7th September at the 11.30am Mass. All children between P3 and P7 are all welcome. Parents and guardians are asked to complete a registration form for each child, unless this has already been completed last year.

ORDINATION By the grace of God, we look forward to the Ordination to the Diaconate of Derek Mahieu on Saturday the 4th October in St Peters Cathedral. Derek continues his Pastoral placement in the Parish of Newtownards and Comber. Please keep Derek in your prayers in these coming weeks.

ST PATRICKS IRISH DANCING CLUB Classes Resume at 10am on Saturday 30th August in St Patricks Parish centre. Beginners welcome from 3 years up. No experience necessary. For more information contact Gemma and Angela at stpatricksidc@gmail.com.

CONTINUOUS PRAYER Continuous prayer day is Sunday 7th September. This month we pray for Marriage and family life and Divorce. The call to healing and forgiveness.

BISHOPS PASTORAL MESSAGE Why Sundays matter. Bishop Denis Nulty will formally launch Why Sundays matter at 10.30am Mass this Sunday, in the Cathedral Of The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Carlow. There is an introductory video and a 4 part video series titled Sunday Mass Digging Deeper. Available at CatholicBishops.ie.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART On the first Friday of every month, Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after 9.30am Mass.

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MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Wednesday 17th September St Patrick's Church ,Newtownards 10am 4pm . Please sign up for an hour of Adoration . Sign up sheet available at the back of the Church.

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL We welcome the children and young people back to school. We pray for them that the Holy Spirit will help them grow in Faith, Wisdom and Knowledge

CARE OF THE SICK IN HOSPITAL Each Hospital has an appointed Chaplin , whose Ministry to the sick includes visiting patients in the hospital, administering the Sacrament of the sick, celebrating the Sacrament of confession, and attending emergencies within the hospital, Fr Henry Mc Cann and Sister Ann are the appointed Chaplin's at the Ulster hospital. Fr Conor Mc Grath and Fr Brian Mc Cann also provide cover for emergency sick calls at certain times each week. When requiring a Priest to visit sick at the hospital staff can call for the Priest through the **SWITCHBOARD ONLY**. The staff will contact the Priest that is on duty.

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS This weekend ,September 7th, Pope Leo XIV will canonize Blessed Carlo Acutis in St Peters square in Rome. Blessed Carlo lived a very short life, born on the 3rd of May 1991 in London died on 12th October 2006 in London at the age of 15. In his teenage years, he was a gamer and computer coder who loved the Eucharist. He was diagnosed with leukemia as a teenager. In 2006 he offered his sufferings to the Lord for the Pope and for the Church in order not to go to Purgatory but to go straight to Heaven. Of the Mass he wrote The more Eucharist we receive , the more we become like Jesus and the more we get a foretaste of Heaven. Here in St Patrick's Church we have an etching of Carlo Acutis in the recently restored side Chapel. Blessed Carlo, or Saint Carlo as he will be known The Patron Saint of young people. We pray that they may be encouraged by the example of Saint Carlo and be helped by his prayers. Saint Carlo, pray for us today.