

Sunday 21st January 2024

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass
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O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £479.00, Loose plate £574.00, Direct Debits £55.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 5.00pm Vigil Saturday
 11.30am Sunday

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday

WEEKDAY SERVICES:

ARDGLASS: Mass: Tues, Wed. & Fri. 10am
 Monday 12 Noon: Funeral of Elizabeth Pullen RIP

DUNSFORD: Thurs.10.00am Novena Mass.

CONFESSIONS: Sat Ardglass: 4.30 - 4.55pm (or upon request)

ANNIVERSARIES: Very Rev. Conleth Bryne, Kate Fitzpatrick, Frank McVickers, Teresa Woods, Roisin Keogh, John F Cunningham, Carmel Hayes, Dermot Beattie, Donall Gibson, Connor Bogus, Sean Gracey, James Crangle, Hugh Linehan, Thomas Prior, Gerald Sharvin, Gerard McGreevy, Joe Kane, James McGreevy, Leo Forward, Mary Agnes Teggart, Patrick Curran, Colette McMullan.

ANNIVERSARIES MASS BOOKINGS: The best way to make these is in person in either Sacristy after any of the Masses. Please do not phone the parish to make bookings as we are not in a position to deal with them by phone. If you send a letter, please be patient and please include your phone number. If you want it done and dusted quickly go to the sacristy after Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are on first Sunday of every Month in Ardglass and the third Sunday of the month in Dunsford. For further details, please phone the parish on Monday mornings.

ADORATION: ARDGLASS TUESDAY 11am to 11pm,
DUNSFORD THURSDAY 11am to 11pm

Catholic Schools Week 2024 January 22-26

The theme this year is 'Catholic Schools: Communities of Service'.

In our Catholic Schools, children are given the opportunity to grow in their faith and to come to a greater understanding of the depth of Christian service. We are all called by faith to go into the world to share the love of God with all those we meet and to serve every person with a humble and generous heart. Let us thank God for our two Parish Schools, and pray God's blessing upon the principals, their staffs, the Boards of Governors, and the children they serve so generously.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024

"You shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour as yourself."

Luke 10:27

The theme, taken from the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke, reflects the connection between love of God and love of neighbour.

"We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as You are One. In Your community of complete Unity, we have our beginning and our end. To You we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in Your Christ. As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by Your Word that all human beings are our neighbours and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love You. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against Your will. Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim Your good news to all of creation. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God, for ever and ever. Amen."

The life and times of St. Bernadette of Lourdes:

6pm Sunday 4th February 2024 St Nicholas Church Ardglass

Morgan Sharpe, who over the past number of years has been visiting Churches and Halls around the country, giving talks on the Life and times of this special Saint, including a report on each of the 18 Apparitions she had with the Blessed Virgin Mary will give a short talk followed by a blessing with a first-class relic of St Bernadette. All are welcome.

St Brigid's Day Lecture:

Date: Thursday 1st February at 7.30pm

Venue: St Bride's Parish Centre (38 Derryvolgie Avenue BT9 6FP Belfast)

Guest Speaker: Fr Gerry O'Hanlon S.J.

Theme: "Why Synodality? Progress and Challenges on The Synodal Pathway of the Catholic Church"