

SUNDAY 25th MAY 2025
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass
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Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his People, alleluia..

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £473.00 Loose plate £671.00, Diocesan Student Collection came to £336.00, Loose Plate £170.00, Direct Debits £110.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 5.00pm Vigil Saturday
 11.30am Sunday.

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday.

WEEKDAY SERVICES:

ARDGLASS: Mass: Mon, Tues, & Wed 10.00am.

DUNSFORD: Thurs.10.00am Novena Mass.

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

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

PARISH 1 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE:

1ST July, to book a seat phone 07895098189.

ANNIVERSARIES: Isobel Kearney, Marie Lou Mullan, Mary Ross, John O'Hare, Maggy Holmes, Patrick John Curran, Mary Fleming, Les Willis, John McVeigh, Patrick Fitzsimons, Patrica Lundy, Ernest Fleming.

ANNIVERSARY 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 morning

CEMETERY SUNDAY: ARDGLASS 1ST JUNE AT 3pm, DUNSFORD 1STJUNE at 5pm.

Parish Mission June 8th June 14th

Preparations continue for our Mission to mark our Jubilee Year of Hope. Please keep the success of the Mission in your prayers. Promotional leaflets are available; we need volunteers to deliver a flyer to every house in the Parish. There will be a volunteer meeting this **Wednesday evening, 28th May, at 7:30 in St Nicholas Church Meeting Room**, all welcome to attend.

The Closing Mass of our Mission is a Healing Mass where the Sacrament of the Sick will be offered to those who are sick as well as to those who are housebound. Carers are also asked to come and receive a special blessing. At the end of the Mass, a blessing with the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be available.

We need volunteers for this Mass who have a car and who are willing to collect sick or housebound parishioners and bring them to and from the church for the 11.00am Mass.

We also would be very grateful for any baking that parishioners can do for a cup of tea after this Mass in the hall. Please sign the list at the back of either Church if you are willing to offer any help either in driving or in helping with the catering. and thank you in anticipation

Saul Sunday:

Sunday 1st June - Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine to St Patrick and **Reception of Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue (blessed by Pope Francis in Jan of this year)** will take place on Slieve Patrick at the Mass @3pm led by Bishop Alan McGuckian

On Monday 2nd June - We gather at 5.00 in St Patrick's Church Saul & process the Pilgrim Statue to St Patrick's Church Downpatrick for 7.30 Mass. A prayerful evening stroll of 2.5miles (Led by local clergy)

The Pilgrim Statue will travel throughout the diocese and will arrive in our Parish during the mission on Thursday 12th of June.

DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN SACRED HEART NOVENA:

Thursday 19th June to Fri 27th June - Daily Mass and Novena from St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast (Led by Bishop Alan McGuckian and local clergy)

Veneration of the relics Mass

Friday 20th June - The Relics of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque & Claude la Colombière visit St. Peter's Cathedral for 7.30pm Mass (Led by Bishop Alan McGuckian & local clergy)

St Patrick's Way Pilgrimage

In this **Jubilee Year of Hope**, come on an authentic ST PATRICK'S WAY pilgrimage experience in Downpatrick **on 7 June, or 5 July or 9 August**, led by pilgrim guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly.

Visit The Saint Patrick Centre & see the **fabulous** IMAX film, receive your pilgrim passport on a 6 mile walk with guides to Inch Abbey and Saul Church & St Patrick's grave. Pilgrim Lunch @ Saul Barn and bus transfers included £50 pp. (9am-3pm approx) More info contact the Centre 028 4461 9000 or book online www.saintpatrickcentre.com/experiences/