

SUNDAY 18th MAY 2025

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass

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O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders: in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance. Alleluia.

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £680.50 Loose plate £661.50, 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.

RECENTLY DECEASED: TERESA LYNCH,

ANNIVERSARIES: Harry Bell, Alan Vogt, Yvonne McMullan, Stefan Zeit, Freda Moore, Billy Joe Murphy, Tom Burke, Jack Holmes, Nan Rice, Evelyn Murphy, Elizabeth Curran.

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

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY: Takes place 7th June, to book a seat on the bus Phone Sean McAlea 07504041526.

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

Readers course June 7th - Now cancelled due to Canon Murray's unavailability due to illness.

Offertory Promise Envelopes – Now available for collection in the porches of either church.

Parochial House Dunsford - The Diocese recommended that the Parochial House be put up for sale on the open market. Their request was put to the Parish Finance Committee who agreed by a majority vote with the Diocesan proposal. All monies raised from the sale will be retained by the Parish.

Trocaire - So far, the parish has contributed £2,500. That is a most generous amount. Please leave your boxes back so that our total amount can be forwarded to Trocaire as soon as possible

Pathways to The Future Office - In this Jubilee Year of Hope join us on the 8th June to the Down and Connor Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ will celebrate the Eucharist at 3.00pm. The price £44 per person includes luxury coach and refreshments. Early booking is advised. Bus Departs at 7.30am, Living Church Office, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA.

To book contact Claire Tel: [028 90690920](tel:02890690920). Email: pathwaystothefuture@downandconnor.org

Parish Mission June 8th June 14th - Preparations continue for our Mission for the jubilee year. Please keep the success of the Mission in your prayers. Promotional leaflets will be available early in the week; we need volunteers to deliver a flyer to every house in the Parish

Diocesan Devotions June 2025

NATIONAL NOVENA OF MASSES: Friday 2nd May to Friday 27th June - Fridays in May & June, in Cathedrals & churches across Ireland & on Shalom World Prayer Channel Live stream on www.sacredheartcrusade.ie (Led each Friday by Irish Bishops)

SAUL SUNDAY: Sunday 1st June - Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine to St Patrick. Reception of Pope Francis' Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue (Mass @3pm led by Bishop Alan McGuckian)

SACRED HEART PROCESSION: 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)

PILGRIM STATUE DOWN & CONNOR PARISH VISITS: Tues 3rd June to Wed 18th June and Sat 28th June to Mon 30th June - The Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue will travel through the diocese, preparing and promoting devotion (Mass, Prayer, Holy hours) (Led by local clergy). The pilgrim statue 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 RELICS & NATIONAL NOVENA MAS: Friday 20th June - The Relics of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque & Claude la Colombière visit St. Peter's Cathedral (Led by Bishop Alan McGuckian & local clergy)

RE-CONSECRATION OF IRELAND TO THE SACRED HEART: Sunday 22nd June - Statue goes to Knock Shrine for 22nd & returns D&C on 23rd (Led by Archbishop Eamon Martin)