

SUNDAY 10th AUGUST 2025

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick

Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass

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Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

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.Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £595.00 loose plate £452.00, Monthly collection £592.00 Loose plate Direct Debits £110.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY and WEEK DAYS:

ARDGLASS

5.00pm Vigil Saturday

11.30am Sunday.

10.00am Mass: Mon. & Wed.

7.30pm Tues. Mass Novena to Blessed Carlo

DUNSFORD

10.00am Sunday.

10.00am Thurs. Novena Mass.

CONFESSIONS:

4.30 - 4.55pm (or upon request) Ardglass, Saturday

ADORATION: ARDGLASS TUESDAY 11am to 11pm,

DUNSFORD THURSDAY 11am to 11pm.

RECENTLY DECEASED: COILIN REID.

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev Father Dan O'Neill, Rev Father Liam McSorley, John Starkey, Otto Ross, Harry O'Prey, John McGarry, Gerald Mulhall, Emily Smyth, Isobel McConvey, John Bryce, Lily Sharvin.

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.

The Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: One day annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Sunday the 28th September 2025, to book a seat phone Sean on **07504041526**.

Invitation to Bishop Noel Treanor's 1st Anniversary Mass

You are warmly invited to attend the 1st Anniversary Mass for Bishop Noel Treanor, which will be celebrated on: **Tuesday, August 12th at 7:30pm, St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast.**

Fr Dan O'Neill's first anniversary Mass: will be celebrated this **Wednesday at 10am, 13th August, in Ardglass**

Three Day Pilgrimages in Louth Derg continue until 15th August. (Last day to begin the pilgrimage 13th August). Admission **€85**. Concessions for Seniors, Students and Groups. **One Day Retreats** - Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection - places available on **August 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and September 3rd, 6th, 7th, 13th, 20th, 21st**

RECRUITMENT - HOUSEKEEPER - DOWNPATRICK PARISH

We are seeking to recruit into the role of Housekeeper within Downpatrick Parish, based within the Parochial House, 54 St Patrick's Avenue, Downpatrick, BT30 6DN. The post holder will be required to: Ensure the provision of a reliable and efficient cleaning service and providing a quality service in the delivery of food and beverages to the Parish Priest. Whilst ensuring a pleasant, welcoming and clean Presbytery for members of the parish team, volunteers and parish visitors. The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring **20 hours per week - Monday to Thursday from 9.30am to 2.30pm daily**. Rate of Pay - **£12.21 gross per hour**. Closing date for applications will be **12.00 noon Tuesday 19 August**.

Hours of Prayer for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood

All are warmly invited to St Colmcille's, Ballyhackamore on Thursday 22nd August, beginning with Mass at 9:30am, for a 24-hour vigil of prayer for vocations to the diocesan priesthood. Come for any part of the day or night. Adoration, Confession, and refreshments available throughout. Our Diocesan Seminarians will be present, and parish groups are encouraged to attend. To sign up or for more info, contact Fr Conor McGrath at c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org

Sacramental Enrolment Service

Children and parents of P3, P4 and P7 are asked to attend an Enrolment Service for 1st Penance, 1st Communion and Confirmation. St Nicholas P.S service will be held on **Wednesday 10th September at 7:30pm in St Nicholas' Church, Ardglass** and St Mary's P.S service will be held on **Thursday 11th September at 7:30pm in St Mary's Church, Dunsford**.

Men's Jubilee Camino

Men's hike - Sat Sept 13th 20kms, on greenway, from Dominican abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St Catherine's) via Newry Cathedral (Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions & Fraternity. Registration & details on www.dominicans.ie/events /<<http://www.dominicans.ie/events>> . €70 (Lunch, dinner & bus), over 18's male event. Enquiries to op.evangelisation@gmail.com<<mailto:op.evangelisation@gmail.com>> .evangelisation@gmail.com>k<<mailto:Sean@CatholicMinute.co.uk>> for more information.

“Broken Open: Adversity, Resilience & Healing” – Dates: Friday 5 – Sunday 7 September 2025 - Explore how personal adversity can become a source of spiritual and emotional growth.

“When It Is Darkest: Understanding Suicide” - Date: Saturday 18 October 2025 - A compassionate and hopeful day exploring suicide, support, and Christian response.

“A Day at a Time: Strength & Comfort After Loss” - Dates: Friday 31 October – Sunday 2 November 2025 - A reflective and supportive retreat for those journeying through bereavement.

All workshops are held at Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre, Newry.

To Book: email: admin@dromantineconference.com. Tel: +44 28 3082 1964 | ROI: 048 3082 1964. You can also find full on our website: www.dromantineconference.com