

Sunday 22nd January 2023

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass

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 £427.00, Loose plate £333.00, Direct Debits £55.00. Down and Connor Living Youth £243.00 Loose plate £168.00

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 6.30pm Vigil Saturday
 11.30am Sunday

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday

Weekday Masses

ARDGLASS: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 10.00 am

DUNSFORD: Thursday 10.00 am

CONFESSIONS: Sat: 6.00-6.25pm (or upon request)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mary Semple, Sarah Louise Young, and Terry Young.

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev Fr. Conleth Bryne, Roisin Keogh, Dermot Beattie, James Crangle, Gerard Sharvin, Donal Gibson, Connor Bagues, Sean Gracey, Patrick Curran, Ellen Milligan, George Milligan, Leo Forward, Manus Murphy, Sue Doran, Susan Braniff, John Mullan.

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Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are on the 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.

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.

Could you not watch one hour with Me?

Adorers needed in St Nicholas Tuesdays 1-2pm... Please phone Christine Prior if you are willing to undertake this: 07763248606

Living Church – Faith Development Conference: This will be held in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Shaw's Bridge, Belfast, on Saturday 28th January 2023. This course will equip you with the skills and resources to lead faith development programmes in your parish, with your prayer group or organisation. Five excellent Programmes are being showcased and there will be an opportunity to meet with the developers and presenters of the programmes in taster sessions that they will run. Our keynote speaker will be Mr David Wells. Each delegate will receive lunch and will take home resources to support the delivery of five programmes that can be delivered in the Parish. For more information, or to book online, go to:

www.livingchurchevents.com. Or to request an application form, contact Claire at the Living Church Office, 02890690920 or livingchurch@downandconnor.org

Appointment of Bishop Donal McKeown as Apostolic Administrator:

While we await the appointment of a new Bishop of Down and Connor, the Holy Father Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry, as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Down and Connor with immediate effect. We warmly welcome the appointment, thanking Bishop Donal for agreeing to undertake this responsibility alongside his ministry as Bishop of Derry.

Catholic Schools Week:

This week the children from both of our primary schools will celebrate Catholic Schools week with a Mass in each church. The children of St Nicholas' will have theirs on Monday 23rd at 10 am in Ardglass and the children of St Mary's will have theirs on Thursday 26th at 10am in Dunsford

Foster Care Services and Support

There are children in crisis today in our local communities – children of all ages and all abilities. Can you spare an hour a day, an overnight or a weekend or more to make a difference in a child's life. If you can, then contact the Regional Fostering Team at www.adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net or on 0800 0720 137.....remember, every child is just one caring adult away from success'.