

Sunday 17th September 2023

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass

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Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £956.50. Loose plate £547.50, Direct Debits £55.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 5.00pm Vigil Saturday
 11.30am Sunday

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

DUNSFORD: Mass Thurs 10.00am, Novena Mass.

CONFESSIONS Sat 4.30-4.45pm (or upon request)

ANNIVERSARIES: Eamon Sharvin, Brian Magee, Allan Feenan, Vera Marron, Maria O'Neill, Frances Fitzsimons, Johnny Rooney, George Thirkettle, Robert Connolly, Winnie Bryce, Brian Kearney, Joan Murphy, Robin Black, Margaret Dignam, Gearldine Connor, Sean Madine.

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.

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.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Sunday 24th September £20 secures seat
Contact Sean McAlea 07504041526.

ADORATION: ARDGLASS TUESDAY 11am to 11pm, DUNSFORD THURSDAY 11am to 11pm
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible.

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Beginning: **Monday 18th September for 8 weeks.** Online Via Zoom Facilitators: Aishling Steen & Fr Paul Byrne from the Living Church Office. For further information or to book your place please contact livingchurch@downandconnor.org or Tel: 028 90690920

Vigil Choir We practice every Monday evening at 7.30pm in St Nicholas' Church. Please come along and bring a friend with you! Anyone who can play a musical instrument is most welcome!

Peace Day 2023 - Thursday 21 September 7-8.30pm in St Anne's Cathedral. To mark the global celebration of UN Peace Day, and Good Relations Week. The evening will be hosted by Jude Hill-Mitchell, formerly of UTV. Light refreshments after. Everyone is welcome!

Forthcoming Synod

TOGETHER: Gathering of the People of God

As the synod in Rome begins in October, we encourage people to pray for the Synod and in particular for the delegates from the Irish Church, Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ and Bishop Brendan Leahy.

St Patrick's Donegall St, Belfast will host a prayer service to pray for the Synod on Saturday 30th September at 7pm.

Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

*" The next **Youth 2000 Ulster retreat** will be taking place in the beautiful and tranquil surroundings of Lough Derg, Co. Donegal between 29th of September to the 1st of October.*

This retreat is for anyone aged 16-35. The retreat is donation only however if you are staying over there is a cost £35/€40 which goes to Lough Derg. Register now on www.youth2000.ie"

