Sunday 24th September 2023 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

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I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever..

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £526.50, Loose plate £678.50, Direct Debits £55.00. . Autumn Collection £416.50, Loose plate £262.50.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 5.00pm Vigil Saturday

11.30am Sunday

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

DUNSFORD: Mass Thurs 10.00am, Novena Mass.

CONFESSIONS Sat: 4.30-4.45pm (or upon request)

RECENTLY DECEASED: ROSEMARY CUNNINGHAM & JOHN MILLIGAN.

ANNIVERSARIES: Anna Curran, Sarah Kearney, John Gilchrist, Nellie McLaughlin, Bernie Teggart, Charlie Reid, John Connor, Margaret Fitzsimons, Margaret Caplin.

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.

ADORATION: ARDGLASS TUESDAY 11am to 11pm,
DUNSFORD THURSDAY 3pm to 11pm

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"

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!

OUR LADY' ROSARY FESTIVAL

From the 30th of September until the 8th of October. With 7 events in different venues. Details can be found at legionofmarydc.co.uk or at 07955386288. The festival ends with the 20th Rosary procession from Saint Johns Church to Saint Peter's Cathedral commencing at 230pm. Shuttle bus available to transport people from Saint Peter's to Saint Johns from 1230pm to 215pm before the procession

First Saturday Devotion in honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Saturday 7th October St Nicholas' Ardglass. This begins at 9.15 and ends with Mass at 10am