Sunday 12th November 2023 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

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Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £525.50, Loose plate £542.00, Direct Debits £55.00. Monthly Collection £630.50, Loose Plate £290.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 5.00pm Vigil Saturday

11.30am Sunday

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday

WEEKDAY SERVICES:

ARDGLASS: 10am Mass: Mon, Tue, Wed. & Fri.

Mass for Deceased Parishioners Tue 7.30pm

DUNSFORD: Thurs.10.00am Novena Mass.

CONFESSIONS: Sat Ardglass 4.30 - 4.55pm (or upon request)

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr. Harry McBride, Hilda Smyth, Irene Doyle, Ellie Connolly, Susan Murphy, Gerry Casey, Nuala Foster, Robert Howland, Roisin Wylie, Eddie Fleming, Paddy O'Shea, Dominic O'Hare, Lucinda Fitzsimons, Eileen Teggart, Comgall Casey, Tom Cross.

ANNIVERSARIES 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 11am to 11pm

Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners:

Tuesday 14th November at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

In his Pastoral Letter "Voices of Hope", our Apostolic Administrator, Bishop Donal McKeown said that "this is an exciting time to be Church in Down and Connor and in the world". This is an exciting time because this is a time of change and of opportunity when Jesus is calling us to renew and rebuild His Church. Like the wise bridesmaids in today's Gospel, we must stand ready to respond to that call. God will send His Spirit to prompt and to guide us. His Spirit is the oil to light our lamps of faith and service so that they may shine brightly for all to see. Lamps of faith that burn brightly, drawing others to the warmth and comfort of God's love, guiding them to a personal relationship with Christ. We each have a part to play, we each have a lamp to light the way.

Respond to Christ's call to renew His Church in Down and Connor and in our parishes. Play your part in building our new Families of Parishes and communities of faith. Let the lamp of your faith and your love of God and neighbour shine brightly as we journey on our Pathways to the Future, guiding others along the paths with us with hearts on fire and feet on the move.

"Wisdom is bright and does not grow dim ... be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you." Wisdom 6:12,15

If any parishioner is still interesting in attending the Pathways to the Future Launch event this Thursday 16th, there are still places available. Let us know.

Book Launch and Signing Event:

For the recently published *Ardglass and Dunsford, County Down - Biographies* by Kevin Crangle.

This will take place in Ardglass Community Centre on 25 November, 12 noon to 4 PM.

The book contains much information on the past clerics, vocations and numerous occupants of the parish.

TOTUS TUUS SCRIPTURE CONFERENCE 2023 IS LIVE ON RADIO MARIA IRELAND ON SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER FROM 2PM

Speakers include:

FR. JOHN RYAN (CLOYNE DIOCESE),

FR. LUKE DEMASI (HOME OF THE MOTHER),

FR. JOHN MCENEANEY (WATERFORD & LISMORE DIOCESE),

FRANCES HOGAN (SCRIPTURE SCHOLAR).

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