Sunday 7th January 2024 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass Father Gerard McCloskey PP. Tel: 02844841208

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirt descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £617.00, Loose plate £458.00, Direct Debits £55.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS	5.00pm Vigil Saturday 11.30am Sunday
DUNSFORD	10.00am Sunday
WEEKDAY SERVICES:	
ARDGLASS:	Mass: Mon, Wed.& Fri.
DUNSFORD:	Thurs.10.00am Novena Mass.
CONFESSIONS	Sat Ardglass 4.30 - 4.55pm (or upon request)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Pat Connor R.I.P.

ANNIVERSARIES: Sarah Louise Young, Terry Young, Peter Brogan, Judy Howland, Mary Gracey,

Ian Brown, Sean Convery, Kathleen Turner, William Connor, Martin Ross, Sean Smyth, Stanislaus

Gilchrist, Nora Feenan, Jim Murphy, Agnes Halpin, Senan Sharvin, Elizabeth Loughlin, Tommy Bryce, William Irvine, Matt Lenaghan, George Loughlin, Frances Smyth, William James Savage.

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.

Children's Mass

The next children's Mass will take place on January 14th in St Mary's Chapeltown. Meeting for anyone who wishes to participate will take place on Monday 8th in St Mary's Church at 6.30pm.

Sincere Thanks

Fr McCloskey wishes to sincerely thank you for your generosity to him at Christmas and throughout the year.

Thanks are also due to our Volunteers: Cleaners, Sacristans, Altar Society, Altar Servers, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers, Collectors & Counters, Pastoral Council, Safeguarding, Legion of Mary. Come Follow Me, Bethany Bereavement, Children's Mass and Finance teams and many more besides who have contribute to the smooth running of our Parish, not only at Christmas time, but throughout the year.

Easter Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:

7 nights from Saturday the 30th of March to Saturday the 6th of April, Pilgrimage includes Flights to and from Dublin to Split

Bus transfers Half board accommodation Local guide for the week Travel insurance.

Extra excursions of surrounding areas such as the Kravica Waterfalls and Mostar with it's world-famous bridge, these are optional and will incur a small fee. Priced at £695 pps Contact Jerome Lynch on 07739092399

Fountain Foodbank Support

Are most grateful to you for your wonderful support to them in the non perishable items that you donated to them in the run up to Christmas

Down and Connor Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima 2024

Spiritual Directors Fr G McCloskey, Fr M Graham, Canon S Gilmore

20 Aug 2024. 7 Nights £799 per person sharing (£100 off per person if paid in full by 8th December 2023) direct return flights from Dublin to Lisbon afternoon flights.

20KG bags included. Return airport transfers in Fatima. 7 Nights Hotel Avenida. Full board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day. Guided tour of the Sanctuary & Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary. Optional: Travel Insurance & Single Supplement.

For further information please contact: Joe Catney 07776 425 631/02890714001