

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday 19th May

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass
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The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £526.00, Loose plate £604.00, Direct Debits £55.00.

MASSES for SUNDAY:

ARDGLASS 5.00pm Vigil Saturday
 11.30am Sunday

DUNSFORD 10.00am Sunday

WEEKDAY SERVICES:

ARDGLASS Masses: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri

DUNSFORD Thursday 7.30pm Novena Mass.

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

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

Anniversaries: Harry Bell, Evelyn Murphy, Tom Burke, Jack Holmes, Nan Rice, Bernadette Kinney, Elizabeth Curran, Raymond Burke, Yvonne McMullan.

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Cemetery Sunday:

Dunsford date change Please note the new date and time!

Both cemetery Sundays will now be on the same day **June 2nd**

Ardglass beginning at **3pm** and

Dunsford beginning at **5pm**.

Please let your family members know.

Enrichment programme for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Beginning on **Thursday 13th June 7-8:30pm** online via zoom and finishing on **Saturday 15th June** in person in Old Dunsford School **10:00am – 3:30pm**.

Neighbouring parishes will join us for this day, Numbers will be limited. Early booking is advisable. The programme will be delivered by Fr Paul Byrne and Aisling Steen. To book, please email Aisling: a.steen@downandconnor.org

Visit of Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis:

The visit will go down in the annals of our parish and be talked about for years to come. There are so many things we could reflect upon: many have remarked upon the welcome they received from the volunteers. Special thanks are due to them for their commitment and endurance especially in the pouring rain.

Thanks are due as well to Bishop McGuckian and Monsignor Figuerdo for their wonderful homilies, to the principals and teachers of the schools who came with their pupils, and finally to the 1000's who turned up and who so patiently waited, despite the rain and the queues to venerate the relic...

There was such an aura of goodness that descended upon our parish during these days...for the elderly, anxious about the faith of our fathers, great consolation; for the youth, amidst so many pressures, great inspiration and encouragement...Blessed Carlo's visit has brought us countless blessings which we will never forget. He has won himself a place in our hearts for ever.

Finally, thanks are due to those who gave donations towards the costs of the visit. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Parish Conversations:

7.30pm 28th May Patrick's Place (crypt of St Patrick's Church DPK)

As we set out on a new journey of 'Families of Parishes' working together, you are invited to discuss how best we can sustain a vibrant and welcoming community, reaching out to young people and their families and listening to and responding to the real needs of parishioners.

Down & Connor Diocesan Novena to The Sacred Heart:

Renew Our Hearts May 30th to June 7th, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

As Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ begins his time as Bishop of the Diocese, he would love everyone in the diocese to join him in nine days of prayer, asking Jesus to give us a new heart. Many people among us are weary or wounded, hurting in one way or another. He wants us to make a novena for each other, aware that we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

The prayers will be available in a booklet you can pick up at Mass or read online; it will also include a piece of scripture and a reflection for each day for those who wish to go a little deeper. Bishop Alan's hope is that this novena will be prayed either individually or together by parishes, groups, schools or families. Even young children can join in with the short prayers!