



St Patrick's Belfast

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**North Belfast Pastoral Community
(Holy Cross, Holy Family, Sacred Heart, St.
Patrick's & St. Vincent de Paul)**

PARISH BULLETIN

Sunday 1 May 2022

3rd Sunday of Easter

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We are still operating with reduced hours. You can contact us by telephone or email. Since St Patrick's is a very busy Parish Office, we can't always answer the phone immediately. Please leave a message with your telephone number and we will call you back.

Office hours 10.30am – 2.00pm Monday-Thursday, closes 1pm on Friday.

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Holy Cross - Fr John Craven CP (028 90 748231)

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St. Vincent de Paul – Fr Patrick Devlin (028 90 713401)

Holy Family – Fr Paul Strain (028 90 743119)

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm. Sunday Morning 9am & 11am.

Sunday Evening 6pm Candlelit Mass.

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday to Friday 1pm

CONFESSION

Monday to Friday after 1pm Mass.

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Philip Gallagher

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 6pm: Michael Reeves Month's Mind, Patsy McEvoy 6th Anniversary

Sunday 6pm: Joseph Smyth 4th Anniversary

Monday 1pm: Tommy McCann 1st Anniversary, Isabell Campbell Month's Mind

Tuesday 1pm: Catherine Horne Month's Mind

Thursday 1pm: Jole Dokoza 9th Anniversary

Friday 1pm: Gerry Mahon Anniversary, Seamus and Eilish Scott 4th Anniversaries, Frankie Campbell 4th Anniversary

BAPTISMS IN ST PATRICKS

We welcomed to the Family of God this week.....Lennon Quinn.

As a Parish we pray that the Lord protects him, strengthens him and helps him continue shining his light.

PARISH COLLECTION

The Weekly Parish Collection came to **£1,310.**

Thank you for your continued support.

UKRAINE COLLECTION

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent Special Collection for Ukraine. Nationally, this collection has raised to date over €3.25 million. The war in Ukraine, and the terrible suffering which has resulted, has seen a tremendous outpouring of compassion and generosity from our parish communities. Your contributions will bring much-needed relief to those in the region whose lives and livelihoods have been devastated. The funds raised will be used by the international Catholic Church agency, Caritas Internationalis, which is currently operating on the ground in Ukraine and its surrounding areas. We continue to keep the people of Ukraine in our thoughts, praying for peace and an end to this appalling humanitarian crisis

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR PARISH ENVELOPES

Parish envelopes are now available for collection in the church. If there is not a box for you and you wish to receive some, please contact the Parish Office on **028 90 324597** or stpatricks@downandconnor.org

Thank you for your continued support.

SAINTS DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 2 May

St Athanasius

Born at Alexandria around 295, he fought ceaselessly against the Arian heresy, defending the true and equal divinity of Christ. As a result, he had to endure much tribulation and he was several times sent into exile.

Tuesday 3 May

St Philip asks to see and, having seen, he tells the good news to others. He was born at Bethsaida. Formerly a disciple of John the Baptist, he became a follower of Christ. **St James**, the son of Alphaeus and a cousin of the Lord, ruled the Church at Jerusalem, wrote an Epistle, and led a life of penance. He converted many of the people of Jerusalem to the faith and was martyred in the year 62.

OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY/HOLIDAY MASS

With the easing of Covid-19 restrictions, it is encouraging to see a return to a fuller liturgical life in our parishes. Thankful that we can once again gather as communities of faith, the Irish Bishops have announced that attending Mass on Sunday and Holydays of Obligation will, from Easter Sunday (17th April 2022), once again be deemed an essential expression of faith. **As always, those whose health is vulnerable or who are unwell will not be under any obligation to attend Mass.**

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022

13-18 July 2022, 5 nights full board £685. Contact the Parish Office, or Pilgrimage Office: **028 90 770162**
lourdes@downandconnor.org

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE WEEKEND 2022

11 - 12 June 2022

Overnight stay in Knock House Hotel. Bus leaves St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street. Total cost £140.00. For further details telephone: **028 90 24758**

NI ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS Thursday 5 May

The freedom to vote is a hard won and precious freedom. We are all encouraged to make our voices heard, by voting on Thursday. To help you think about why you should vote you can pick up a copy of **Make Your Voices Heard - A pastoral reflection by the Catholic Bishops of Northern Ireland on the forthcoming NI Assembly Election** at the back of the Church.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

PARISH WEBCAM

Live streaming of all Masses takes place in St Patrick's. To access the Parish Webcam, use the following link
www.churchservices.tv/stpatricksbelfast or download the Church Services TV App to your iPad or Smartphone.

DIOCESAN PRIVACY POLICY

The Privacy Policy for the Diocese of Down and Connor, including St Patrick's Parish, is available in the Safeguarding section of the Parish website.

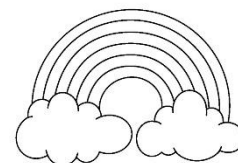
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Tuesday Evening 7-8pm
Saturday Morning 8-9am
St Patrick's Old School House
(Rear Entrance, Donegall Lane)

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud.

Maya Angelou



PRAYER OF THE MONTH

An Act of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Mary, Mother of God and Virgin, I choose you this day for my queen, patron and advocate, and firmly resolve and purpose never to abandon thee, never to say or do anything against thee, nor to permit that aught be done by others to dishonour thee. Receive me, then, I conjure thee, as thy perpetual servant; assist me in all my actions and do not abandon me at the hour of my death.

Amen

St John Berchmans



