

Downpatrick Pastoral Community Area

Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief

Sunday 22nd January 2023
Third Sunday, Year A, Psalter Week 4



Catholic Schools Week
“Walking Together in
Faith and Love”
22nd January to 29th January

Monday – Walking together in faith
Tuesday – Walking together in love
Wednesday – Walking together to celebrate (Grandparents Day)
Thursday – Walking together to transform our world
Friday – Walking together in hope

Grandparents Prayer

Dear grandparents,
May our Lord, Jesus Christ be always close to you.
We thank you for all you have contributed to life
and for the gifts you continue to give to your families and to our community.
We pray that your closeness to God will bring you
the health and the strength you need to continue
your journey on the road of life.
May you continue to enjoy your life, your work, and your prayers.
May your memories always be happy
and may you achieve your dreams for the future.
One day we will all be united in God’s kingdom,
through Christ Our Lord.
Amen

Mass Schedule for the coming week

Date	St Patrick's, Saul	St Joseph's Ballycruttle	St Tassach's, Carlin	Stella Maris, Strangford	St Malachy's Kilclief	St Patrick's, Cargagh
Sunday 22 nd Jan	9.30am		12noon		11am	
Monday 23 rd Jan	10am			7.30pm		
Tuesday 24 th Jan	10am				10am	
Wednesday 25 th Jan	10am			7.30pm		
Thursday 26 th Jan					10am	
Friday 27 th Jan	7pm			9am		
Saturday 28 th Jan	10am					10am
Saturday 28 th Jan (Vigil Mass)	5pm			6.30pm		
Sunday 29 th Jan	9.30am				11am	

Private Prayer is available in the Churches as follows:-

St Patrick's, Saul every day, from 10.30am to 3.30pm

Stella Maris, Strangford every day

St Malachys, Kilclief on Tuesday and Thursday.

When Sacraments are being celebrated the Church will not be available for private prayer at that time.



Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday – St Patrick's, Saul from 10am to 8pm. Holy Hour from 3-4pm

Thursday – St Malachy's, Kilclief 10.30am to 11.30am

Friday – Stella Maris, Strangford 9.30am to 10.30am

The Sanctuary Lamp in St Patrick's Church, Saul has been lit for private intentions. If you would like it lit for your intentions please contact the Parish office. The cost is £5 per week.

Anniversary Masses – Saul & Ballee

Saturday 21st January – Dónall Gibson (5pm)

Sunday 22nd January – Michael Murphy, Rosie & Venny Blaney (9.30am)

Saturday 28th January – Sharon Deegan, Sonia Kinsella (5pm)

Anniversaries – Kilclief

Kathleen Murphy

Mary Agnes Kearney

Roisin Kennedy

	Saul	Kilclief
Weekly Collection	£1,597.90	£668.92
Living Youth	£648.00	£300.50
We thank those who have contributed, your support is much appreciated in these difficult times	Please make cheques payable to “Parish of Saul & Ballee”	Please make cheques payable to “Parish of Kilclief”

Church Liturgy Week 18th to 25th January - An Ecumenical Liturgy will take place in Stella Maris Church on Wednesday 25th January at 7.30pm. Mass on this day will take place at 9am in Stella Maris

Living Church – Faith Development Conference in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Shaw’s Bridge, Belfast, on Saturday 28th January 2023. This course will equip you with the skills and resources to lead faith development programmes in your parish, with your prayer group or organisation. Five excellent Programmes are being showcased and there will be an opportunity to meet with the developers and presenters of the programmes in taster sessions that they will run.

Our keynote speaker will be Mr David Wells. David is an international speaker and author and has worked with Dioceses internationally encouraging and inspiring people to be leaders and sharing the Joy of the Gospel in their local parish communities.

Each delegate will receive lunch and will take home resources to support the delivery of five programmes that can be delivered in the Parish. Cost is £40 per person. For more information, or to book online, go to: www.livingchurchevents.com. Or to request an application form, contact Claire at the Living Church Office, 02890690920 or livingchurch@downandconnor.org

We are seeking volunteers for the St Vincent de Paul Shops in Downpatrick (Irish St and Ballymote). Morning and afternoon shifts are available. If you can spare a few hours please contact Laurence on 07713286646.

Stella Maris St Vincent de Paul Senior Citizens dinner will be held on Tuesday 21st February in The Cuan at 6pm. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Mary Kearney (President) 07709 869448 on or before 31st January 2023.



We will beat
leprosy together

Over 7 million people are currently affected by leprosy across the world.

Evidence shows **over 3 million** people are living with undiagnosed leprosy

Over 4 million people are living with a life-changing disability caused by leprosy

Although curable, many people are unable to access treatment, even though the cure is free.

Lepra works to find, treat and rehabilitate these hidden people and promote their rights in India and Bangladesh.

Due to misunderstanding, lack of information and incorrect beliefs, people affected by leprosy can experience severe discrimination and prejudice when they show symptoms, or when a diagnosis is confirmed. The consequences can be devastating; people are often shunned by their community or even their own family, they may lose their livelihoods and they can even experience thoughts of suicide. They are left to endure a lifetime of abuse, isolation and shame.

During the difficult times of the Covid-19 crisis, so many of us in the UK could resonate with such feelings of isolation with the social distancing measures we experienced; though this was a relatively short-term restriction compared to that of a leprosy sufferer for whom isolation may last a lifetime.

Our mission is to beat leprosy – so that all cases are easily diagnosed and treated and leave no disability or discrimination. We are working towards a day when leprosy no longer destroys lives; with your support we can achieve this sooner.

Please help us beat leprosy – even the smallest contribution can help treat and rehabilitate people trapped by this disease.

Lepra will be making an appeal in all Churches on the weekend of 28th and 29th January for World Leprosy Day.

“Jesus Christ found a way by which He could ascend into Heaven and yet remain on earth. He instituted the adorable Sacrament of the Eucharist so that He might stay with us and be the Food of our souls; that He might stay with us and be our companion.”

St Jean Baptiste Marie Vianney

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