

Downpatrick Family of Parishes
Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday 27th July 2025

Mass Schedule for the coming week:

Date	St Patrick's Saul	Stella Maris Strangford	St Joseph's Ballycruttle	St Malachy's Kilclief	St Tassach's Carlin
Sunday 27 th July	9.30am			11am	12noon
Mon 28 th July	10am	7.30pm			
Tuesday 29 th July	10am				
Weds 30 th July	10am				
Thurs 31 st July					
Friday 1 st August	7pm			9.30am	
Saturday 2 nd August	5pm	6.30pm			
Sunday 3 rd August	9.30am		12noon	11am	

Masses are available to view online at www.saulandballeeparish.com and www.churchmedia.tv

Our Lady of Knock Novena each Monday evening in Stella Maris, Strangford at 7.10pm
Please note the new later starting time

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.

Eucharistic Adoration in St Patrick's Church, Saul this Tuesday from 10am to 8pm.



Holy Hour from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. We invite all parishioners to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament each Tuesday to pray for their own needs and the needs of the Parish - we particularly need someone who can commit to attend from 12.00 to 1.00pm or from 1.00 to 2.00pm each week.

PARISH CEMETERIES

Our cemeteries and grounds are maintained on a regular basis by approved contractors. We ask that you do not bring in your own lawnmower or strimmer to cut around your family or another grave(s).

All floral arrangements and ornamental items should be placed on the headstone base and not on the grass area of the graves. This is to enable cutting of the grass.

Recently Deceased: Dick Cull, Eleanor McGurnaghan

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Months Mind Mass: Frank McAleenan on Friday 8th August at 7pm
Geraldine Curran on Sunday 10th August at 9.30am

Anniversary: Dermot Magee

Anniversary Masses

Saturday 2nd August – John Starkey, Ann McCabe

Sunday 10th August – Agnes Killen

Friday 15th August – Joe Curran, Mary Cully Kellett, Leonard, Alicia & Desmond Curran

Saturday 16th August – Margaret Curran, Patrick & Rose Ann Sloan

Sunday 17th August – Bill Kearney, Allie Dobbin, Siobhan Smyth (12noon)

Parish of Kilclief

Months Mind Mass: Lisa Magee Lawlor on Sunday 27th July at 11am

Anniversary Masses

Saturday 26th July – Tommy, Norah & Alan Reid, Margaret Hynds

Sunday 27th July – Marie McMullan

Saturday 2nd August – John, Eileen and Kevin Hanna

Sunday 3rd August – Margaret Magee

Sunday 10th August – Richard Murphy

Hymns – Saul

Entrance	131	Offertory	641
Communion	286	Recessional	219

	Saul & Ballee	Kilclief
Weekly Collection	£1,744.80	£645.65

Cemetery Sunday in St Patrick's Cemetery, Saul on Sunday 3rd August at 3pm

August edition of My Day by Day is now available for collection from the Parish office.



Blood donation Sessions in Bright Community Centre on Thursday 7th August from 12.30pm to 7pm. Appointment only session – to book scan the QR code on the posters or go to www.NIBTS.org. Northern Ireland needs 1200 blood donations a week – that's 1 every 8 minutes.

PLEASE NOTE - WEBCAMS/LIVE STREAMS

Online cameras in St Patrick's, Saul and Stella Maris, Strangford are managed by the Parish offices in Saul and Downpatrick..

We attempt, where possible, to broadcast Requiem Masses from each Church via our Downpatrick Family of Parishes Facebook page. If we are unable to broadcast live, we will provide a direct link to the webcam on our Facebook page.

Families who wish to have events recorded, should contact either Mary in Downpatrick Parish office (02844 612084) or Amanda in Saul Parish office (02844 612525) or speak to their undertaker to arrange a recording.

Please note – Itech Media are our service providers and are not responsible for any aspect of scheduling livestreams or recordings.

Important Notice

Music in Churches for Weddings, Funerals etc

The Diocese of Down & Connor state that ALL music used in a church must be licensed – the license provided **ONLY** covers liturgical music. Pop Music, Irish folk Music, Football anthems etc should **not be used at any event** in the church, as these are covered by a separate copyright and may leave the Parish/Diocese open to legal repercussions.

Using a song or music in a church service or act of worship, even if its a non profit event - wedding, funeral etc, is considered a public performance and reproduction which requires permission under our license. Furthermore - to legally use a copyrighted song, you need the permission of the copyright holder. There is a minimum fine of £5000.

Parish of Saul & Ballee 300 Club - The next draw will take place on Tuesday 5th August

*“Prayer is not asking.
Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God,
at this disposition and listening to His voice
in the depths of our hearts.”
St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)*



River of Roses 2025

Our annual River of Roses floral display in memory of our deceased loved ones will take place in the days preceding Cemetery Sunday on Sunday 3rd August.

Roses are now available to purchase from the Parish office or any member of the flower group priced at £1.50 each (same price as the last 2 years).

Due to the limited number of roses available we would recommend your purchase as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Payment can be made by cash or via Paypal to saul@downandconnor.org – **PLEASE USE PAYING FRIENDS/FAMILY** as this avoids Paypal deducting fees and the incorrect amount of money being received for your rose(s).

All names included in the River of Roses Intention book will be remembered at a special Mass on Saturday 9th August at 5pm in St Patrick's Church, Saul.
Attached image is of the 2024 display

Pilgrimage to Fatima - flying direct from Belfast International, 7 Nights F/B Avenida Hotel 6th August. Spiritual Director Fr Martin Graham Adm St Peter's Cathedral Belfast. £885pps. Convenient flight times. For further information contact Joe Catney 07776425631

Come and celebrate our Catholic faith on Slane - the hill where St Patrick lit the first Paschal fire in 433AD. This is a divine invitation to witness the Archbishop of Armagh symbolically light the fire of faith, hope and love, first kindled by our patron saint. Eurovision's Dana will sing her song for St Patrick, Light the Fire. Gathering begins at noon and includes mass, Eucharistic healing, praise and worship and Rosary. St Patrick's guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly to lead the bus trip which departs St Michael the Archangel 10am sharp Sunday August 3 and returns between 7-7:30pm. Cost £17pp for bus and children go free. Bring packed lunch. Please contact Catherine at parish office on 02895 904304 or email stmichaels@downandconor.org

Very Rev Fr Aidan Brankin, Parish Priest 02844 612525 (Saul) or 02844 260101 (Strangford)

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