Downpatrick Family of Parishes Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sunday 23rd November 2025

Mass Schedule for the coming week:

| Date | St Patrick's | Stella Maris | St Joseph's | St Malachy's | St Tassach's |
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| | Saul | Strangford | Ballycruttle | Kilclief | Carlin |
| Sunday 23 rd Nov | 9.30am | | | 11am | 12noon |
| Monday 24th Nov | 10am | 7.30pm | | | |
| Tuesday 25 th Nov | 10am | | | | |
| Weds 26th Nov | 10am | | | | |
| Thurs 27th Nov | | | | | |
| Friday 28th Nov | 7pm | | | 9.30am | |
| Saturday 29th Nov | 5pm | 6.30pm | | | |
| Sunday 30th Nov | 9.30am | | | 11am | |

Masses are available to view online at www.saulandballeeparish.com and <a href="

Our Lady of Knock Novena each Monday evening in Stella Maris, Strangford at 7.10pm

PLEASE NOTE – CHANGE OF TIMES FOR ADORATION COMMENCING NEXT WEEK

Eucharistic Adoration in St Patrick's Church, Saul each Tuesday from 10am to 3.30pm and 7pm 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.

Advent issue of My Day by Day is available for collection from the Parish office.

Parish of Saul & Ballee 300 Club – The next draw will take place on Monday 8th December. This will include special Christmas Draw prizes totalling £500

Parish Christmas Cards are now available to purchase from the Parish office priced at £2 each.

Strangford St Vincent de Paul Conference Christmas cards will be on sale at both Churches from this weekend.

Parish of Saul & Ballee

Months Mind Mass: Delia Smyth on Friday 5th December at 7pm

Anniversary Masses

Saturday 22nd November – Mary & Brian Hayes, Shay Hayes, Rosie & Benny Higgins Sunday 23rd November – John McMullan (9.30am), Brian & Mena Lennon (12noon) Monday 24th November – Moira Quail

Friday 28th November – Frank Mullan, Bobby & Teasie Feenan, Philomena McKermitt Saturday 29th November – Gerry Newton, Peter McKenny, Brian Connolly Friday 5th December – Katy Duffy

Sunday 7th December - Patrick Burns (9.30am), Rita Galloway (12noon)

Parish of Kilclief

Months Mind Mass: Brian Thomas on Saturday 6th December at 6.30pm

Anniversary Masses

Sunday 23rd November – Oliver Sloan Monday 24th November – Teresa McMorrow Saturday 29th November – Joe & Marie Magee, Gerald & Julie Hynds Sunday 30th November – Thomas & Martha Fitzsimons Sunday 7th December – Josie & Bridget Curran

Hymns - Saul

Entrance: 154 Awake from your slumber Offertory: 256 Fill my House Communion: The Lords my Shepherd Recessional: Jesus Remember Me

| | Saul & Ballee | Kilclief |
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| Weekly Collection | £1,539.10 | £726.44 |
| Bishops Commissions | £814.92 | £444.36 |

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.

<u>Strangford</u> St Vincent de Paul Conference would like to invite all 65+ parishioners to the annual Christmas lunch. It will be held in the Lobster Pot on 3rd December at 3pm. It you are interested, please contact Mary Kearney on: 07709 869 448. Numbers are limited so attendance will be determined on a first come basis. <u>Please note – this lunch is only available to the parishioners of the Parish of Kilclief (Strangford) ONLY</u>



St Malachy's P.S. Kilclief, Grandparents, Parent & Toddler session on Monday 1st December from 10:30am- 12noon in School Hall. There will be tea/coffee, social and playtime. Everyone welcome, bring a friend.

Christmas Craft Fair on Thursday 4th December from 6pm to 8pm. Come see Santa arrive in his sleigh at 6pm. Then join Santa, Mrs Claus and the elves in his grotto. £5 per child (includes present). There will be tea, coffee, mulled wine, mince pies, hot chocolate, hot dogs, craft stalls, Christmas movie and plenty more. Everyone welcome.

St Malachy's PS, Kilclief open evening on Tuesday 9th December 2025, 4pm - 6pm and **open morning** Thursday 8th January 2026 from 9am - 11am. Or by appointment tel: 02844881477

St Joseph's PS, Strangford PTFA are hosting a Christmas Wreath workshop with Natalie Kennedy from Nat's Bloom Room on Thursday 4th December 7-9pm in the Church Hall, Strangford. Doors open at 6.45pm for a prompt starts at 7pm. Tickets are £45 each. Price includes materials, festive food and drink. All proceeds towards School projects.

St Joseph's PS, Strangford Open Night on Tuesday 6th January from 9.30pm to 8pm



Fountain Foodbank Advent Appeal

Once again this Christmas, Fountain Foodbank is asking for your support and generosity for those in need in our community.

On each of the coming four weekends of Advent you are asked to please consider bringing an item or items of NON-PERISHABLE

food for use in food parcels to be distributed before Christmas to those in need in our parish and wider local community.

Items of non perishable food that are sought include tins of beans, soup, tuna, fruit, spaghetti, ham, corned beef, meals/pies, peas, carrots, sweetcorn and sauces.

In addition boxes of cereal, teabags, coffee as well as packets of biscuits, pasta and rice are very welcome. Toiletries and cleaning products are also sought by the Foodbank.

Throughout Advent a large marked donation box will be available in Strangford and Kilclief churches.

Donations in Saul can be left on the table at the bell tower in St Patrick's or into the Parish office.

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity!

Knock All Night Vigil leaving Clonard Monastery on Sunday 7th December at 1.45pm returning to Belfast on Monday 8th December at 12noon. Price is £75 per person which includes dinner and breakfast. To book please contact Brendan on 02890 665211 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday. £20 deposit required to secure your place. Vigil starts at 11pm and consists of the Rosary, Station of the Cross, Benediction and finishes with Mass at 4am.

Diocese of Down & Connor are seeking to appoint an Assistant Housekeeper (Job Share) for the Bishops residence and Curia office. Further details are available form www.downandconnor.org and click on "job vacancies" or www.nijobs.com. Closing date for applications is 12noon on Tuesday 2nd December 2025

Iubilee for Choirs



Bishop Alan McGuckian is inviting Choir and Music Ministry representatives from the Parishes of our Diocese to a Jubilee Year Celebration. The event will be on Saturday, 29th November 2025, in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP.

Please book via the QR code below.

The timetable is as follows:

10.00am. Morning Coffee

10.15am Bishop's Welcome and Introductory remarks

10.45am Input from Fr Pat Sheehan & questions or comments

11.30am Preparation for Jubilee Mass and short break

12 noon Jubilee Mass

1.00pm Finger Buffet Lunch

Car parking is accessible from both Derryvolgie Avenue and Windsor Avenue. Perhaps you might consider carsharing where possible?

Due to the number expected to attend, and to enable catering arrangements, numbers are limited to two members from <u>each Choir and Music Ministry</u> in the parish (one being the leader, if possible).

<u>Please reply before 14th November</u> confirming that you are ATTENDING and, for catering reasons, the number accompanying you, using the QR code provided,



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