

**Downpatrick Family of Parishes  
Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief**

**Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

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 12 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am			11am	12noon
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	7.30pm			
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	10am				
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10am				
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr					
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Apr	7pm			9.30am	
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Apr	5pm	6.30pm			
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Apr	9.30am		12noon	11am	

Masses are available to view online at [www.saulandballeeparish.com](http://www.saulandballeeparish.com) and [www.churchmedia.tv](http://www.churchmedia.tv)

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

**Eucharistic Adoration in St Patrick's, Saul**, each Tuesday after 10am Mass until 3.30pm. Holy Hour from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Adoration recommences from 7pm to 8pm. All are welcome and we hope those who have committed to spending an hour in Adoration will be able to attend at their chosen time.

There will be no Holy Hour on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

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.

**Cemetery Sunday Dates**

**Ballycruttle** – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July Mass at 12noon and Blessing of the graves immediately afterwards

**Kilclief** – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm

**Saul** – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 3pm

## Parish of Saul & Ballee

**Months Mind Mass:** Sheena McKermitt on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm

### **Anniversary Masses**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Carmel & Tommy Fitzsimons, Bibianna Black, Sean Denvir, Brendan McMullan

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Denis & Christopher Keenan

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Betty O’Hara, Annette Murphy

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Brian Gibson

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Fergus O’Neill (9.30am), Emily Blaney (12noon)

## Parish of Kilclief

**Months Mind Mass:** Marian Teggart on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm

### **Anniversary Masses**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Damian Shields

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Malachy & Patricia Sharvin, Tony & Catherine King

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Winnie Beattie

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Dessie Craig

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Margaret Rooney

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Joseph McIlmail

	<b>Saul &amp; Ballee</b>
Weekly Collection	£2,233.70
Easter Offering	£2,708.90
Catholics in the Holy Land	£410.50

**The Monthly Offering collection will be taken up this weekend**

### **Hymns – St Malachy’s, Kilclief**

Entrance: 39 v 1 – As I Kneel Before You

Offertory: 19 v 1 – All That I Am

Communion: 186 v 1&2 - I the Lord of Sea & Sky

Recessional: 362 v 1 – Seek Ye First

### **Hymns - St Patrick’s, Saul**

Entrance: Cead Mile Failte

192 – Christ Be Beside Me

557 - O the love of my Lord

308 - Hail Glorious St Patrick

### **Inverbrena Draw – April 2026**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Martina McGeough

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Pat Hynds

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Emma Savage

Congratulations and thank you for your support

### **Parish of Saul & Ballee 300 Club**

We are pleased to announce the draw will continue for another year with the first draw in May. This draw will cover both April and May.

If you wish to renew your membership please speak to your promotor or contact the Parish office as soon as possible.

If you are not a member and would like to join please contact the Parish office for details. Membership remains at £60 for the year.

Monthly prizes of £250 and £100, with special additional prizes at Christmas and the final draw.

**Promotors will be at the Masses on 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> April for anyone wishing to join the draw.**

### **Collection envelopes – Saul & Ballee**

If you do not have a box of envelopes and would like to get one please contact the Parish office.

You can also pay via standing order. Please contact the Parish office for further details.

Are you a UK tax payer? If so, have you signed a Gift Aid Declaration? These can be picked up from the Parish office and allow us to reclaim 25% of your contribution (for envelope and SO payees only) from HMRC. If you contribute £5 per week, which is £260 per year, we can claim back £65 at no extra cost to you. This makes your contribution worth £325 to us.

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** Would you like your soul to be as pure as on the day you were baptised? If the answer is yes, read on. St Pope John Paul II canonized a Polish mystic, Sister Faustina (1905 – 1938) on the Sunday after Easter in 2000 and declared that from then on, the second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. In a revelation to Sister Faustina (recorded in her Diary 1109) Jesus told her, ‘I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to confessions and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy’ (Divine Mercy Sunday). The conditions for receiving this great grace, including going to confessions, can be fulfilled by attending any of the following Churches on Divine Mercy Sunday, 12 April this year. St Peter’s Cathedral @ 2pm, Mater Dei, Crumlin @ 2pm, Sacred Heart, Oldpark Rd @ 2pm and All Saints Ballymena @ 3pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration - Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament** in Down & Connor Diocese. National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 19th April (weekend after Divine Mercy) details on [www.eucharisticadoration.ie](http://www.eucharisticadoration.ie)  
Ring Una for bus leaving Toome, at 077 4357 5969 Patricia (Belfast bus) 07972 103  
130 Patrick (Belfast bus) 07963 581 543

ENCOUNTER WEEKEND DONEGAL, Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. 6.00pm - 10.30pm Friday 5th June. 9.00am - 10.30pm. Saturday 6th June. Expect to experience the presence of God through the celebration of the Sacraments, Spirit-led worship, inspiring talks, healing service, and fellowship. Come and be refreshed and empowered by the Holy Spirit and learn from the Saints how to live the lifestyle God intended you to live. Keynote Speakers: Patrick Reis: co-founder and Executive Director of Encounter Ministries USA & Fr. Patrick Gonyeau who serves with the U.S. Province of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood in Ohio. Bookings at <https://encounterschoolofministrydoneg.regfox.com/encounter-conference-donegal> For more info, email [donegal@encounterschool.org](mailto:donegal@encounterschool.org).



Join us for our 1-day retreat at Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre, Crossgar on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June from 10am to 4pm. Let go, let God, “surrender to Jesus”. Further information will be available in the coming weeks.

SAFEGUARDING - If you have a concern, suspicion, or wish to make an allegation of child abuse, or abuse in relation to an adult at risk, please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Office: Philip O'Hara, Designated Liaison Person, 120, Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. Mobile: 07534 992124 or Telephone: 028 90 492798. Email: [philip.ohara@soddc.org](mailto:philip.ohara@soddc.org) or visit <https://downandconnorsafeguarding.com>

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