

Downpatrick Family of Parishes
Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief

Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday 4th October 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 4 th October	9.30am		12noon	11am	
Monday 5 th October	10am	7.30pm			
Tuesday 6 th October	10am				
Weds 7 th October	10am				
Thursday 8 th October					
Friday 9 th October	7pm			9.30am	
Saturday 10 th October	5pm	6.30pm			
Sunday 11 th October	9.30am			11am	12noon

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

Eucharistic Adoration in St Patrick's Church, Saul each Tuesday after 10am
 Mass concluding at 8pm. ***There will be no Holy Hour this Tuesday.***

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

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.

Laudato Si "Closing Mass for the Season of Creation" will be held in St Peter's Cathedral on Sunday October 4th at 11am, Chancellor Eugene O' Hagan will be celebrating the Mass.

Pause for Hope – bringing together in prayer those who have cancer, have had cancer, their loved ones, and those who are for them. Come together for an afternoon of prayer, reflection and support on Sunday 25th October at 3.30pm in Clonard Monastery

Recently Deceased: Allan Hudson
Fr Aidan O’Kane CP

Parish of Saul & Ballee

Anniversary Masses

Saturday 3rd October – Pat McCormick
Sunday 4th October – Eileen McMullan (9.30am) Anita Cunningham, Cissie Hudson,
Dermot Smyth (12noon)
Saturday 10th October – Denis Hamill, Isobella & James Carpenter, Nicola Burns
Saturday 17th October – Colette McWhinney

Parish of Kilclief

Anniversary Masses

Saturday 3rd October – Anna Braniff
Sunday 4th October – Darren Beattie
Sunday 11th October – Paddy Beattie, William (Willie) Kerr
Monday 12th October – Sally Fitzsimons
Friday 16th October – Rose Ward

	Saul & Ballee	Kilclief
Weekly Collection	£1,590.40	£812.22

Hymns - St Patrick’s, Saul

Entrance: Longing for light – 439 Offertory: The Last Supper
Communion: Lay your hands – 413 Recessional: Go the Mass is ended - 303.

Hymns – St Malachy’s, Kilclief

Entrance: Praise to the Lord – 348 v1 Offertory: All that I am – 19 v1
Communion: Let all that is within me – 230 v1,4 & 5
Recessional: Go, the Mass is ended – 142 v1



Kilclief Ben Dearg GAC – If anyone is interested in going to the Kilclief Ben Dearg 125 Dinner Dance in Millbrook Hotel, Ballynahinch on Saturday 24th October 2026 please contact the Club Secretary, Karol Shields, on 07841661203 to book a ticket.

Kilclief Residents Association has installed a Memorial Seat in the Community Garden as a facility for residents to add the names of deceased family members. It's a quiet spot where one can sit and remember their loved ones. For details on how to add names please contact Maurice Denvir on 07846605729.



St Malachy's PS, Kilclief Pumpkin Patch on Saturday 17th October from 11am to 2pm. There will be pony rides, haunted house, Halloween games, crepes/hot chocolate/hotdogs/tea/coffee plus a few more spooky surprises. Pumpkin Patch is £5 per child. Everyone welcome

Ballyculter Parish Church Harvest Thanksgiving Service n Sunday 11th October at 10am

Our Lady's Rosary Festival will take place from 12th to 18th October 2026. Join us for a week of events to honour Our Blessed Lady, ending with the annual Belfast Rosary Procession. The procession will leave St Malachy's Church, Belfast City Centre, at 2.30pm on Sunday 18th October, and finish at St Peter's Cathedral. A full list of events can be found on the poster at the back of the Church and online at belfastrosaryfestival.com

PATHWAYS ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Pathways Adult Faith Development programme for 2026-2027 begins on Saturday, 10th October at Drumalis, Larne. The programme takes place one Saturday a month from 10am – 4pm between October and June and is offered in-house at Drumalis. All are welcome. Past participants may also be interested in the new programme on offer for this coming year. It is also possible to attend for individual days only. To find out more about the programme and the themes for each day, please contact Drumalis during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9am – 5pm) – 028 28276455/28272196 or email drumalis@btconnect.com Information is also available on the Drumalis website: <http://www.drumalis.org>

*“Like the Good Samaritan,
may we not be ashamed of tending the wounds of those who suffer,
but try to heal them with concrete acts of love.”*

Pope Francis

Sacramental Dates in our Parish Schools

St Malachy's PS, Kilclief

First Confession on Tuesday 2nd March time to be confirmed

First Holy Communion on Saturday 8th May at 10.30am

Confirmation on Thursday 27th May at 11am

St Joseph's PS, Strangford

First Confession on Tuesday 9th March at 7pm

First Holy Communion on Saturday 22nd May at 11am

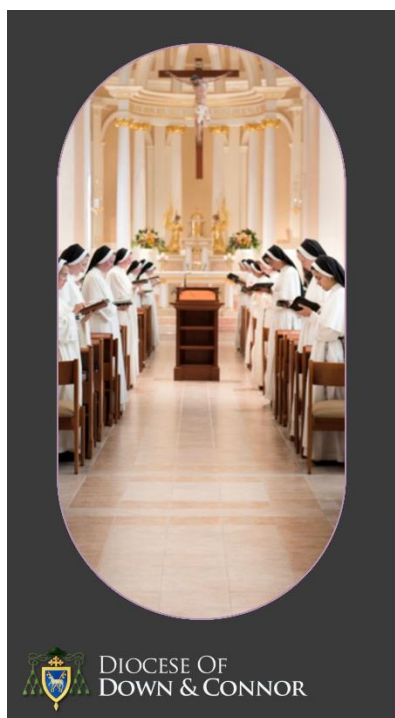
Confirmation on Thursday 27th May at 11am

St Patrick's PS, Saul

First Confession on Wednesday 10th March time to be confirmed

First Holy Communion on Saturday 15th May at 11am

Confirmation on Friday 26th February at 11am



DIocese OF
DOWN & CONNOR

WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT NIGHT

Are you a young woman discerning God's call? Join us for an evening of prayer, reflection, and fellowship with the Nashville Dominican Sisters as we explore God's call in our lives. Whether you're just beginning to ask the question or have been discerning for some time, all women throughout the Diocese aged 18-40 are welcome. Stay afterwards for refreshments and the chance to continue the conversation in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Our guest speaker is Sr Mary Sheila Maksim OP, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Limerick.

THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 7PM

ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, BALLYHACKAMORE

RSVP TO DAVID: D.GOODWIN@DOWNANDCONNOR.ORG

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 or visit <https://downandconnorsafeguarding.com>

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