

SACRED HEART PARISH

Sunday 11th May 2025 4th Sunday of Easter



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~Mass Times~

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm: John & Sarah McGranaghan, Anniversary Mass

9:30am Jean Corrigan, Anniversary Mass Sunday Masses:

11:30am: Patrick Burns, 1st Anniversary Mass

Weekday Masses: Monday 10:00am: Kathleen & Frank Lyons, Anniversary Mass

Tuesday 7:00pm: Novena Jim Boyle, Month's Mind Mass Wednesday 10:00am:

NO 10AM MASS Thursday 12noon Geraldine Hamilton RIP, Funeral Mass

> Friday 10:00am: First Holy Communion, Cliftonville Integrated Friday 12:30pm: First Holy Communion, Deanby Special School

Confessions & Adoration: Saturday: 5:00pm - 5.45pm.

Divine Mercy: Friday 2:15pm, Exposition, Prayer and Confessions

~Sacrament of Baptism~

Baptisms are held on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month at 12.30pm. Please contact the parish office to arrange a baptism.

~Recently Deceased~ ~Upcoming Feast Days~ Geraldine Hamilton Kevin Taylor 13th May, Our Lady of Fatima 14th May, St Matthias, Apostle 16th May, St Brendan

Agnes Corner Jim Boyle Jim Taggart Robert McAleenan

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Cemetery Sunday will take place at the following locations:

~Anniversaries~

Lily Haughey

The City Cemetery on Sunday 18th May at 3.00pm. Hannahstown Cemetery on Sunday 25 May at 3pm there will be no road works on Hannahstown Hill that day The Rock Cemetery on Sunday 8th June at 3pm Tullyrusk Cemetery on Sunday 15th June at 3pm

Thanks You For Your Generosity

~Weekly Collection~

£993.82

~Monthly Offering~

£352.00

~A Spiritual Communion~

Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, I embrace You as if you are already there, and I unite myself wholly to You.

The Lord asks of you only this, that you act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)

A statement issued by Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ upon the election of Pope Leo XIV.

With joy and gratitude, I welcome the news of the election of Pope Leo XIV as the Bishop of Rome and successor to Saint Peter. On behalf of the Diocese of Down and Connor, I pledge our prayer and heartfelt support for this 'Son of St. Augustine' entrusted with the apostolic mission to shepherd and serve the Church.

Addressing the crowds gathered in Rome earlier this evening, Pope Leo XIV reminded everyone of the universality of the Church and that "God loves us, all of us". In a world torn apart by conflict, war and confusion, he encourages us to be heralds of peace and unity.

I invite all the clergy, religious and laity across the Diocese of Down and Connor to offer prayers of

thanksgiving. May God's blessing be upon Pope Leo XIV that he may bring the light of faith to those who are searching and be an instrument of God's peace in the world.

> +Alan McGuckian SJ Bishop of Down and Connor

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE CHILDREN FROM BUNSCOIL BHEANN MHADAGAIN WHO MADE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON FRIDAY. May the blessing of Christ be upon you always.

A Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Canonization of St Thérése of Lisieux 1925-2025. Thursday 22nd May 2025, at 7pm in Holy Family Church, Limestone Road, Belfast. Renowned speaker and spiritual director of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Fr Paul Murray, OP. Blessing with the Relic of Saint Thérése of Lisieux.

Join us for the Down and Connor Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. Sunday 8th June 2025. Cost £45.00pp. Bus departs 7.30am, from Living Church Office, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ will celebrate the Eucharist at 3.00pm.Includes luxury coach and refreshments. Early booking is advised. To book contact Claire Tel: 028 90690920 Email: pathwaystothefuture@downandconnor.org

Vocations Sunday - World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This weekend, the Church marks the 62nd World Day of Prayer for Vocations. In his final message before his death on Easter Monday, Pope Francis spoke of vocation as the gift of life—a call from God to live generously in love and service. Whether in marriage, priesthood, religious life, or committed lay witness, every vocation is a sign of hope for our world. To explore a possible vocation or for more information, please contact our diocesan vocations director: Fr Conor McGrath: c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org

Annual Novena To Our Lady Of Perpetual Help. Theme: 'Pilgrims of Hope'. St Gerard's Parish Church, 722 Antrim Rd. Monday 12th -Tuesday 20th May 2025. Mon-Fri 9.30am & 7.30pm. Saturday 9.30am & 6.30pm. Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am & 7pm. Everyone welcome.

The Jubilee Year of Hope is a time for pilgrimage and renewal. Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ and Jim Deeds will lead the Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg. Date: 4th – 6th July 2025. The bus will depart from St Patrick's Church Donegall Street. Cost £100. Places are limited early booking advised. To book contact Claire on 02890690920 or email pathwaystothefuture@downandconnor.org

Summer Singing Course. 7-11 July 2025. 5-day singing course for young people who want to improve their singing voice and musical skills. For young people aged 8-18. Venue: St Paul's Parish Centre, Belfast. End of week showcase: St Peter's Cathedral. Optional extra sessions for singers studying GSCE and A Level Music. £75 for 5-day course. Scholarships available on request. For more information or to apply, please contact cathedralmusic@downandconnor.org

Chatty Café. Open Monday to Friday 10.30am to 12.30pm. Come and join us for a cuppa & a chat.

AA Meeting upstairs in the Parish Centre every Monday & Friday, 6.30pm-7.30pm, Thursday at 7pm.(Ladies Group)

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) meeting upstairs in the Parish Centre on Wednesday's at 7pm-8pm.

Cocaine Anonymous (CA) meet every Tuesday at 7pm upstairs in the Parish Centre.

The Spred Group meet every second Monday in the Parish Hall at 7pm.

Ladies Pensioners Group meets every Thursday in the Parish Hall at 1pm. All welcome

The Stitch and Crocheting Group meet Thursday evenings,7pm in the Parish centre. Come along and learn a new skill.

Lifeline-24hr 7 days a week 0808 808 8000 **Samaritans** anytime night or day 116 123 St Vincent De Paul 028 90351561 Cancer Lifeline 028 90 351999 **AA** 02890351222

Al-Anon Family Groups 028 9068 2368 PIPS 0800 088 6042 Youth Education Health Advise 02890 757 809 Diocesan Safeguarding Officer Philip O'Hara 07534 992 124

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in Thee