

Downpatrick Family of Parishes Parishes of Saul & Ballee and Kilclief

Fourth Sunday of Advent, Sunday 22nd December 2024

Mass Schedule for the coming weeks:

Date	St Patrick's Saul	Stella Maris Strangford	St Joseph's Ballycruttle	St Malachy's Kilclief	St Tassach's Carlin
Sunday 22 nd December	9.30am			11am	12noon
Mon 23 rd December	10am	7.30pm			
Tuesday 24 th December Vigil Mass	5pm	9pm	7pm	7pm	
Weds 25 th December	9.30am			11am	12noon
Thurs 26 th December					
Friday 27 th December	NO MASS			NO MASS	
Sat 28 th December	5pm	6.30pm			
Sunday 29 th December	9.30am			11am	
Monday 30 th December	10am	7.30pm			
Tuesday 31 st December	10am				
Wednesday 1 st January	10am				
Thursday 2 nd January					
Friday 3 rd January				9.30am	
Saturday 4 th January	5pm	6.30pm			
Sunday 5 th January	9.30am		12noon	11am	

Masses from St Patrick's, Saul and Stella Maris, Strangford will be live-streamed via their webcams at www.churchmedia.tv

Bambinelli Sunday – Please bring your Baby Jesus figurine from your crib to Mass for a blessing. When you go home wrap the figurine up in wrapping paper and let this be the first present you open at Christmas. St Tassach's, Carlin – Sunday 22nd December

Anniversary: Joan Cully

Saul & Ballee Months Mind Masses:

Gerry Newton on Sunday 29th December at 9.30am in St Patrick's, Saul
Rita Galloway on Sunday 5th January at 12noon in St Joseph's, Ballycruttle

Saul & Ballee Anniversary Masses:

Saturday 21st December – Lily Daly
Sunday 22nd December – Laurie Ritchie, Phil & Dessie Stratton (9.30am), Gerard Hannity, Joe Brennan (12noon)
Saturday 28th December – Thomas & Elizabeth McCormick
Sunday 29th December – Brendan & Molly Rodgers (9.30am)
Monday 30th December – Margaret B McGrady, Genevieve Walsh (10am)
Tuesday 31st January – Louis & Josephine McMullan
Wednesday 1st January – Peter Craig
Friday 3rd January – Kevin & Sarah Polly, James McKervey
Sunday 5th January – Willy & Pat Connor (9.30am)
Friday 10th January – Mary McGreevy

Kilclief Anniversary Masses:

Saturday 21st December – Kieran Hynds
Sunday 22nd December – Pat Curran
Monday 23rd December – James Crangle, Patricia Kelly
Sunday 29th December – Teresa Curran, Cyril & Margaret Kearney, Una O'Boyle, Hugh O'Boyle Jnr
Saturday 4th January – Liam Blaney

	Saul	Kilclief
Weekly Collection	£1,574.20	£854.23
We thank those who have contributed, your support is much appreciated in these difficult times	Please make cheques payable to "Parish of Saul & Ballee"	Please make cheques payable to "Parish of Kilclief"

Hymns for Advent – Saul

O Come Emanuel 503
Eat this bread 865
Our God reigns 346
O Little Town of Bethlehem 526.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE GATEWAY TO THE BACK OF THE PAROCHIAL HOUSE IN SAUL. PLEASE ONLY USE DESIGNATED PARKING BAYS/AREAS AS YOU ARE CAUSING AN OBSTRUCTION. THIS ACCESS IS IN CONSTANT USE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION

Carol Service in Ballyculter Church on Sunday 22nd December at 7pm. Everyone welcome.

Legion of Mary Fatima statue is available for any parishioners who would like to have it in their house for a short period of time. Please call Geraldine on 07845422723 (Saul) or Angela Woods, Nuala Colhoun (Kilclief).

St Vincent de Paul, Saul Conference, Annual Senior Citizens Dinner will take place on Sunday 26th January 2025 in Currans, Chapeltown at 4.30pm. To secure your place please call Marie on 07801 896229 or Caroline on 07928 346114 before 21st January.

300 Club – The next draw will take place on Monday 6th January 2025

We are seeking tenders for the Grounds Maintenance contract for the Parish of Saul & Ballee for the 12 month period starting 1st March 2025. A copy of the Schedule of Works is available by emailing saul@downandconnor.org. Please note the Parish office is closed until Monday 6th January. Tenders should be submitted to the Parish office in Saul before 12noon on Friday 31st January 2025. A copy of your current Public Liability Insurance certificate should accompany your tender.

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

Sanctuary Lamp – St Patrick’s, Saul has been lit for private intentions this week. If you would like the lamp lit for your intentions please call into the Parish office. The cost is £5 per week

Eucharistic Adoration, St Patrick’s Church, Saul - There will be no Adoration on Christmas Eve or New Years Eve. Adoration will resume on Tuesday 7th January.

Sick and housebound parishioners will be visited the week commencing Monday 30th December

Parish Schools Open Nights and P1 Admissions information

St Malachy’s PS, Kilclief – Open Morning on Thursday 9th January 2025 from 9am to 11am. For further details please call 02844 881477 or email info@stmalachyspskilclief.downpatrick.ni.sch.uk

St Patrick’s PS, Saul - Open Morning on Thursday 9th January 2025 from 9.30am to 10.30am. for prospective P1 children For further information please call 02844 614145 or email: info@stpatrickspssaul.downpatrick.ni.sch.uk

Applications for places in Primary One for September 2025 should be completed online through the Education Authority’s admissions portal at www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions.

During the admissions procedure when applying the criteria punctual applications will be considered before late applications are considered. The application procedure opens on **Friday 10 January 2025 at 12noon** and an application submitted by the **closing date of 24 January 2025 at 12noon** will be treated as a punctual application. An application received after 12noon on 24 January 2025 will be treated as a late application.

Downpatrick Family of Parishes Christmas Arrangements 2024

Parish of Saul, Ballee & Kilclief

Christmas Vigil Masses: St Patrick's, Saul at 5pm, St Malachy's, Kilclief at 7pm, St Joseph's, Ballycruttle at 7pm, Stella Maris, Strangford at 9pm

Christmas Day Masses: St Patrick's, Saul at 9.30am, St Malachy's, Kilclief at 11am, St Tassach's, Carlin at 12noon

Confessions

St Patrick's, Saul – Saturday 20th before 5pm Mass

Parish office is now closed and will re-open on Monday 6th January at 9.30am (Saul) and 1pm (Strangford).

Parish of Downpatrick

Christmas Vigil Masses: St. Patrick's at 6.30pm and 9:30pm, St. Brigid's at 7:30pm

Christmas Day Masses: St. Patrick's at 10:30am, St. Malachy's at 10am, St. Colmcille's at 12noon

Confessions available in St Patrick's Church, Downpatrick:

Monday 23rd December 6.45pm -7.20pm

Feast of the Holy Innocents, Saturday 28th December: Mass in St Patrick's Downpatrick at 10am, Parents, Guardians and Friends who have lost a child, (regardless of age) are invited to bring a flower to remember their child, there will be a period during Mass for those flowers to be laid at the Crib.

Parish Office will be closed from Monday 23rd December, re-opening Tuesday 7th January 2025

Parish of Bright

Christmas Vigil Masses: St Patrick's, Legamaddy at 7pm, St Joseph's, Killough at 9pm

Christmas Day Masses: St Patrick's, Legamaddy at 10am

Confessions

Tuesday 24th December in St Joseph's, Killough from 10.30am-11.30am

**Fr Aidan and Deacon Jackie would like to wish you all
a very happy, holy and peaceful Christmas and New Year**

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

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Kilclief Parish Office: 02844260101, Office Hours: Monday 1pm to 3pm 8 Shore Rd, Strangford, BT30 7NL

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