

## Mass Times This Week



Saturday 5.00pm Vigil Mass

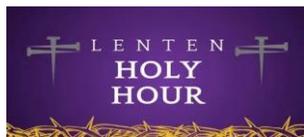
Sunday 11.00am Mass

Monday– Friday 7.00am Mass & 10.00am  
Mass

Please note 7.00pm Wednesday Mass will be  
celebrated in St Matthias' Church on the Glen  
Road



This year our Family of Parishes will be offering  
evening Mass, Monday–Friday at 7.00pm in St  
Matthias' Church, Glen Road.



Sunday evenings from 6.00–7.30pm, a time  
of intercession for vocations, with a special  
Lenten Holy hour of prayer and reflection.  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
throughout. All are very welcome.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes  
place every Wednesday & Friday following the  
10 o'clock Mass



## St Michael the Archangel Parish

### Bulletin

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday Cycle A, Psalter week 1



## Parish Contact Options

CALL 02895 904304 To connect  
and choose the option for the assistance you  
require

PARISH OFFICE Option 1

IN THE CASE OF A SICK CALL Option 2

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS Option 3

MASS TIMES AND INFORMATION Option 4

FOR FATHER CIARAN FEENEY Option 5

The Parish Office will be open this Wednesday  
& Thursday 9.30 am until 12.00pm

In the event of an emergency please call  
the Vicariate Mobile on 07549209775

Webcam: [Churchmedia.tv](http://Churchmedia.tv) or

[saintmichaelthearchangel.godaddysites.com](http://saintmichaelthearchangel.godaddysites.com)

Facebook [Saint Michael the Archangel Parish](https://www.facebook.com/SaintMichaeltheArchangelParish)

Twitter/X @St-MichaelArch

Email: [stmichaels@downandconnor.org](mailto:stmichaels@downandconnor.org)



We pray for all our deceased relatives and  
friends and for those whose  
anniversaries occur at this time

Anniversaries: Eileen Wallis, Joe Hodgkinson,  
Niall, Eileen, Pat & Annette McAteer, Tony  
McKee, Teresa Donnelly, Marie Forrester,  
Hugh Rogan, Maureen Randles, Maureen  
Aldridge, Maureen Marlow.

Months mind: Bronagh McCourt

Recently Deceased: Chris O'Loan, Tommy  
McCoy, Elsie Cooney

You can book an anniversary Mass or give an  
anniversary intention for this section of the  
bulletin by calling or e-mailing the parish office  
02895 904304 (Option 1)

Email: [stmichaels@downandconnor.org](mailto:stmichaels@downandconnor.org)



The Offertory Collection for the 15<sup>th</sup>  
March amounted to £2357.40, Needy  
Parishes £833.80 Thank you  
TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE PARISH PLEASE  
VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
[stmichaelsbelfast.co.uk](http://stmichaelsbelfast.co.uk) and click on the  
**DONATE BUTTON**

Thank you for your continuous support and  
generosity



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in  
loving memory of Tony McKee



**Congratulations to all our winners for**

**March 2026**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize £500.00** Bridin Captain

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £100.00** Edna Coyle

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £100.00** Mary Devine

**4<sup>th</sup> Prize £100.00** Marcus Donnelly

**5<sup>th</sup> Prize £100.00** Kate McKeever

**Promoters Prize £50.00** Bill Gribbin

**Thank you to all who contribute to the parish draw.**



**0800 0720 137**  
adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net  
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This March, HSC NI Foster Care are hosting two special child specific virtual information events, featuring 8 children from across Northern Ireland who urgently need foster homes. At the virtual events, you can hear directly from the people who know the children personally and learn about their individual personalities, interests and needs. Read their profiles on: <https://adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net/our-community/childrenwaiting/> To register for either event, please provide your contact details (including postcode) and which child you are interested in hearing about: 📞 0800 0720 137 📧 [hello@adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net](mailto:hello@adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net)



**Monday** 7.00am & 10.00am Mass  
**Tuesday** 7.00am & 10.00am Mass  
7.00pm Black Mountain Family of Parishes Penitential Service here in St Michael's  
**Wednesday** 7.00am Mass  
10.00am Mass with St John the Baptist PS  
Easter Pageant  
**Holy Thursday** 7.00pm Mass of the Lords Supper  
**Good Friday** 3.00pm Celebration of The Passion of The Lord  
7.00pm Stations of the Cross  
**Holy Saturday** 7.00pm Easter Vigil  
**Easter Sunday** 11.00am Mass



**2026/27 Offertory Envelopes**

Are now available from the committee room. Please contact Catherine if you have any queries or would like a box of envelopes.



**Always the Same and Always New: Holy Week Through Poets' Eyes**

**Belfast Jesuit Centre | Monday 30 March 2026 | 7:00–9:00 pm**

Join us for a reflective exploration of Holy Week through selected poems that engage with its central themes. Drawing on the first line of the Elizabeth Jennings' poem *Crucifixion*, "Always the same and always new," will consider how poetry can illuminate the spiritual significance of Holy Week. Participants will be invited into guided reflection and thoughtful conversation. Everyone welcome. Small donation suggested. To register, visit: <https://belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk/always-the-same-and-always-new-holy-week-through-poets-eyes/>

**Good Friday Falls/Shankill Annual Inter-Church Prayer Walk –**

will take place on Good Friday 3rd April, beginning at 4.45pm in front of Clonard Church, stopping midway at Shankill Methodist for a brief prayer, and returning to Clonard by 6pm. At this precarious time in our world, we commit ourselves once again – in the footsteps of Jesus – to His ministry of reconciliation and peace. All are welcome.



## ACCORD NEEDS YOU!

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG/NI is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive free professional training during seven in person workshops at venues around the country and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes in your local area. The closing date for receipt of application forms to be included in Selections for this year is Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

For more information contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie)  
[www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)



This Lent the Black Mountain Family of Parishes is holding a series of presentations for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. Wednesdays throughout Lent at 7pm. All are welcome to St Teresa's Parish Centre

## Pope Leo's prayer intentions for 2026

**March: For disarmament and peace.**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

## Forms of Friday Penance

Lent is the perfect opportunity to consider fulfilling Friday penance. The following are suggested ways of doing so.

Abstaining from meat. Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking. Visiting the Blessed Sacrament. Making the Stations of the Cross. Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely. Participating in family prayer. Participating in Friday Mass.

## Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026

8th/9th – 14th/15th July. 5 & 7 Night options available. Please visit [www.downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/lourdes) for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or email [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org) Youth Team (10-17th July): applications now open (see website for details) Application for the Youth Team is online only: The link for application form is <https://forms.office.com/e/OP2U1Ku3c8>

## Fully Escorted Pilgrimage

POLAND and DIVINE MERCY SANCTUARY, CZESTOCHOWA, WIELICA SALT MINES, KRAKOW

9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026

5 Nights flying from Belfast to Krakow. Ever wanted to be in the Lagiewniki Divine Mercy Shrine on Divine Mercy Sunday, well this year you can. Guide tour of the old town of Krakow, Join us on as we visit Czestochowa to see the Icon of the Black Madonna. Witness the wonders of the Wieliczka Salt Mines that has captivated pilgrims for centuries. Visit Wadowice, the hometown of St John Paul II Comprehensive Travel insurance is EXTRA. £1,045.00 PER PERSON SHARING Single room supplement is £250.00 EXTRA

SEATS ARE LIMITED

Spiritual Director: FR TONY DEVLIN

£400.00 deposit secures a seat!

For further details contact:

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