

## Mass Times This Week



Saturday 5.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 11.00am Mass

Monday 7.00am Mass & 10.00am Mass

& 7.00pm Vigil

☘ Tuesday 10.00 Mass ☘

Wednesday–Friday 7.00am Mass & 10.00am

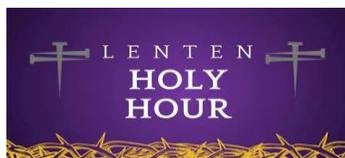
Mass

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.



## St Michael the Archangel Parish

### Bulletin

15<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday Cycle A, Psalter week 4



### 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: David Burton, Teresa Morgan, Paddy Heatley, Sean Hamill, Elizabeth Brennan, John McCann, Patricia McGarry, Joseph Mitchell, John Smyth

Months mind: Sally Kearns, Patsy Kavanagh

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 8<sup>th</sup> March amounted to £2151.60. 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



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

### **Saint Patrick's Dawn Prayer Gatherings**



Christians from all denominations will gather at Saint Patrick's grave in Downpatrick at 5:45 am, 17th March, to pray The Our Father/ Lord's Prayer, one hundred times for peace and unity in Christ. Everyone welcome.

Please spread the word and consider organising a Saint Patrick's Dawn Prayer Gathering in your own area - For a straightforward guide

contact [legacyofsaintpatrick@gmail.com](mailto:legacyofsaintpatrick@gmail.com)



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



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of John McCann

☘ Don't miss a DIVINE invitation to come on St Patrick's Way Pilgrim Walk in Downpatrick with guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly on Saturday March 14 in honour of Ireland's patron saint and the 25th Anniversary of The Saint Patrick Centre. Includes the fabulous 180° IMAX film of St Patrick, with internal bus transfers, pilgrimage lunch, an authentic Camino passport and a 6 mile pilgrimage walk finishing at St Patrick's grave. A special 25% discount price is on offer of £40 (normally £55) To book ring 02844 619000 or go to [www.saintpatrickcentre.com](http://www.saintpatrickcentre.com) ☘

### **Confirmation Congratulations**



We would like to extend our very best wishes to all the children from St John the Baptist & Cranmore Primary Schools who received the Sacrament of Confirmation here on Thursday. Please keep them in your prayers.

### **One day Pilgrimage to Knock on the Solemnity of St Joseph**

19<sup>th</sup> March leaving St Agnes' at 7.30am Contact Pat on 07946917354 or Harriet on 07812098991



HSC Northern Ireland Foster Care

0800 0720 137

[adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net](http://adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net)



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)

### **Catholic Men's Retreat - Standing in the Breach**

A morning retreat for Catholic men will take place at Portglenone Monastery on Saturday 14 March from 9am to 1pm. The theme will focus on spiritual warfare and remaining steadfast in faith during Lent, with a talk by Fr Martin Graham, along with testimonies from Catholic laity. The morning includes the Rosary, Holy Mass, and refreshments.

To register or learn more, visit:

<https://catholicminute.co.uk/mens-retreat/> or call Thomas on 07967620435.



## **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)

## **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>h</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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