



PARISH BULLETIN

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St. Patrick's Parish

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Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

10am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm

Friday through Sunday Closed

Parish Team

Fr Eugene O'Neill Adm

Fr Dominic McGrattan CC

Fr Brendan McGee (Retired)

Sr Mary Carlin CP

Parish Schedule

Weekday Masses: (Monday through Saturday) 1pm

Sunday Masses: 5.30pm (vigil), 8am, 10am, 12 noon, 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 12 noon to 1pm

Confessions: Saturday 12 noon to 1pm and 6.15pm to 7pm

Baptisms: First and Third Sundays of the Month

(parents should contact the Parish Office at least four weeks in advance
and bring with them their child's long birth certificate)

Marriages: To arrange a wedding please contact the Parish office at least 6 months
before the propose date of marriage.

COLLECTIONS

Offertory Collection: £ 2291

Immaculate Conception: £438

Rathmore Carol Service: £930

Thank you for your generous contribution
and support

PARISH DRAW – WEEK 50

£1000 Eileen Murray

£100 Mary Branney

£50 Mrs McAtamney

£50 Liz Sloan

Promoter's Prize: Kathleen Steele

COLUMBARIUM: Our columbarium is now opened. Niches are not reserved for parishioners only and can be bought by anyone at anytime. If you would like to know more about it please contact the Parish Office or Ian the Sacristan. An information booklet is available.

REMEMBER NEW SATURDAY VIGIL MASS TIME IS 5.30PM

CONFESSIONS: 4.45PM -5.30PM

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

CHRISTMAS EVE: Children's Mass 6pm, 9pm Vigil Mass (choir)

9pm Vigil Mass (Mater Hospital)

CONFESSIONS: 24th December 11am- 1pm

CHRISTMAS DAY: 8am, 8.10am (Mater), 10am & 12noon (choir)

Please Note: there will be **NO** 1pm Mass on Saturday 24th December

and **NO** 7pm Mass on Christmas Day

Weekday Masses in Christmas Week 11am

SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S EVE Mass at 11pm Candlelight, music and refreshment to follow

LITTLE FLOWER'S ANNUAL CAROL SERVICE: The Staff and Pupils of Little Flower Girls' School would like to invite you to join them for their annual Carol Service in the school assembly hall on Thursday 22nd December at 10.30am. This will be a great opportunity to take some time out from the hustle and bustle of preparations and focus our minds on the real meaning of Christmas. Refreshments will be served from 10.15am. Please come along and celebrate with us. Laganside Sinfonia 'American Classics' Charity Concert for Welcome Organisation (Help the Homeless)

LAGANSIDE SINFONIA 'AMERICAN CLASSICS' CHARITY CONCERT FOR WELCOME ORGANISATION: Come along to see Laganside Sinfonia perform an 'American Classics' concert in Girdwood Community Hub on 28th December 2016 at 7:45pm with music by Gershwin, Bernstein and more! Admission is free but a retiring collection will be taken up at the end of the concert with all profits going to the Welcome Organisation (Help the Homeless). Post concert refreshments will also be served. For more information visit www.lagansidesinfonia.co.uk.

ST MALACHY'S COLLEGE: will host two open nights for prospective **pupils on Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 January 2017. Principal's address 7pm in the College Hall. Pupils in primary six are welcome to attend. Parking should be accessed via Lincoln Street.**

YOUTH CHOIR: To coincide with the launch of our new 5.30pm Vigil Mass, we are forming a youth choir under the direction of parishioner, Aisling Kerr. We encourage younger members of our parish (and beyond) to consider joining the choir as singers or musicians. Young people of secondary school age and upwards, no matter how much or how little singing or musical experience you may have, are welcome to get in touch with Aisling. Her email is aislingkerr14@gmail.com

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO NORTHERN ITALY

The Parish Pilgrimage to Northern Italy will take place from 6th to 13th September 2017 costing €995 per person sharing. Following the success of recent pilgrimages to Rome and Krakow, St. Patrick's will lead a pilgrimage to the sacred sites of Northern Italy. Pilgrims will visit St Anthony's Basilica in Padua and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice. There will be leisurely boat trips on Lake Garda, wine tasting in Trentino and a visit to romantic Verona. Pilgrims will stay in good quality hotels with breakfast and dinner included. All tours and excursions will be guided by Kieran Troy of Cultural Connections. This promises to be a trip of a lifetime. If you would like more information and a booking form, please contact the parish office on 02890324597 or email stpatricks@downandconnor.org

The Emerald Ball at Titanic, Belfast

The Emerald Ball will take place at Titanic, Belfast on the eve of St. Patrick's Day, 16th March. The evening will commence with drinks at 7pm, to be followed by a sumptuous four course dinner at 8pm. There will be a high-end luxury ballot and dancing to a live band. Dress is formal and monies raised will support the Down and Connor Lourdes Pilgrimage for the sick and the young people who support them. Tickets are £60 each and available from the pilgrimage secretary, Sinead on 02890610477 or the Drumbo Parish office on 02890812238 . The Emerald Ball promises to be a highlight of the social calendar so be sure to reserve your tickets early.