



Mary, Mother of the Church Saintfield

Open Sun. Tues. Wed. Thurs. 10 am – 4 pm
Mon. Fri. Sat. 10 am – 8 pm

MASS

Saturday 6:30 pm

Sunday 11:00 am

Monday & Friday 7:30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 7.00 pm

Saturday 12:00 – 6:30 pm

St Joseph's Church, Carrickmannon

Open Sat & Sun 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

MASS

Sunday 9:00 am

Tuesday 10:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Before Vigil Mass

ALTAR SOCIETY

Saintfield – Group 4

Carrickmannon – Team 1

READERS 1/2 August

Vigil: Katrina Godfrey

9am: Eoghan O'Conraoi

11am: Marie Murray

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

1/2 August

Vigil: John Weston, Lizzie Jones

9 am: Margaret Bennett

11 am: Donna Murray, Cecilia Magill

St Vincent de Paul

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Feast Days

Monday: St Titus Brandsma

Tuesday: St Victor I, Pope

Wednesday: Ss Martha, Mary, Lazarus

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Mary, Mother of the Church
Saturday 1st August
12 noon – 6:30pm

**“Come to me, all you who are weary
and heavy burdened
and I will give you rest.”**

Please sign your name on the time sheet
provided if you can spend some quiet
time in adoration.

Please remember in your prayers:

Garridne Schollhammer, Annie Murray,
Anna Clarke, Christine Ward and Gerard
McCormick recently deceased.

Anniversaries: Enda McAteer, Cissie
Mageean, Malachy McHugh, Francis
McHugh, Margaret Murray, Pauline
Nesbitt, Bridie Cummings, William P
Martin, Mary Hanvey, Jack Walsh,
Richard Newell and all the Holy Souls.

LOUGH DERG ONE-DAY RETREAT

Saturday 5th September 2026

Please sign your name in the booklet in
Saintfield Church if you wish to go.

Admission including bus £57

**National Grandparents Pilgrimage to
Knock Shrine, today, Sunday 26th July
2026** Celebrant Archbishop Eamon
Martin, Anointing of the Sick 2:30 pm,
Mass 3pm. Visit: knockshrine.ie

Weekly Collection 19th July £1080



Hello children! In today's gospel, Jesus
tells us some more about what the
Kingdom of heaven looks like. He talks
about treasure and that's a good
reminder to us to look around and count
all the treasures that God has given us.
This week, let's all try to do at least one
thing to show our care for God's world
and the treasure that is in it.

**God of all, we give you thanks for all
that you have given us. Help us to
share what we have so all people may
have enough. We ask this through
Christ our Lord, Amen.**

Worksheets and the Kids Bulletin to
support this week's Gospel are available
in both churches. Pick up copies for your
children/grandchildren.

WORDS OF SPIRIT AND LIFE

An evening with Jeff Cavins

Sunday 26th July 2026, 7pm

Voco Hotel Belfast

Whether you're a catechist, a young
adult, or simply drawn to Scripture,
come to meet others who love the Word,
share in a time of prayer led by Fr Conor
McGrath, and be reminded that the
words of Jesus are Spirit and they are
life. Register Online:

<https://tinyurl.com/5h483c83>

Crois Dharach CLG Club

Lotto Numbers 13 19 25 30

No Jackpot winner. Consolation prize
winners: Janet McElroy, Wilbert George
and Jim Murray. **New Jackpot £10600.**
Tickets are available on the Klubfunder
page and usual outlets.



Monday Social Club

Next meeting

3rd August 2026

Away Day!

24 Hours of Prayer for Vocations 3–4 August.

On the Feast of St John
Vianney, the patron saint of parish
priests, we warmly invite the faithful
from across the Diocese to join us for **24
Hours of Prayer for Vocations to the
Diocesan Priesthood in the Parish of St
Colmcille**, 191a Upper Newtownards
Road, Belfast BT4 3JB Beginning with
Holy Mass at 7pm on Monday, 3 August,
and conclude with Holy Mass at 7pm on
Tuesday, 4 August. St John Vianney
once said, “The priesthood is the love of
the Heart of Jesus.” Join us for an hour,
for Mass, or simply drop in to pray. Your
presence & prayers will make a real
difference. Email Fr Conor -
c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org

"Youth 2000 Summer Festival 13th– 16th August

Calling all young people
aged 16–35 to join us in Newbridge
College, Co. Kildare. Donation-only
event, with free buses available across
the country and all meals included.
Expect inspiring talks and workshops,
Mass, music & prayer. To register or find
out more, visit youth2000.ie

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust are
seeking to recruit into this exciting new
role of ‘Youth Minister’, to work
within St Colmcille's Parish, 191
Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast
BT4 3JB. Full details can be found at:

<http://www.downandconnor.org>

Closing date Tuesday 28 July

The celebration of the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to rediscover that the Church is called to be a mother to all and that at any age it is always possible to recognize ourselves as sons and daughters of God. May this day, therefore, be an inspiration for everyone, especially the young, to revive the beautiful custom of visiting their grandparents, the elderly members of the family and even those who have no one to visit them. Bring them, through this message and your presence, the closeness and affection of the Pope. Ensure that the words of the prophet, **“But I will never forget you,”** take the form of a tender and affectionate encounter. “In an era that favours speed and fragmentation, the human person still yearns to receive care and recognition from attentive minds, kind words and hands capable of tenderness. The digital culture multiplies connections and offers new opportunities for interaction; yet the human heart retains an irrevocable need for genuine closeness”.

The Church understands the suffering of her elderly members; she knows full well that they are all too often viewed through the lens of stereotypes and considered a burden; she is aware that a profit-driven economy weakens family ties; she knows that many elderly people are left behind by children who are forced to migrate or, in some cases, to fight in wars. For each of these reasons, she joyfully proclaims the Lord’s promise: **“But I will never forget you!”** Dear elderly brothers and sisters, I thank you for supporting me every day with your prayers, especially when you recite the Holy Rosary. I return this gratitude from the bottom of my heart and leave you with this prayer: **May the Lord always renew us in faith, hope and love — He who never forgets us!**
Pope Leo XIV

Experience the soul of Ireland with **Fuaimlaoi in Concert** on **Thursday 6th August 7:00pm St Peter’s Cathedral** A captivating ensemble that blends ancient Irish tradition with powerful sacred music by renowned Irish liturgical composer Ronan McDonagh. This unforgettable performance is sure to be one of the highlights of the Fleadh Belfast Fringe programme. Booking: <https://fleadhfringe.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173683951>

The Rowallane and Slieve Croob Community Twinning Group is organising a **Full-day Coach Tour to the Ulster Folk Museum at Cultra, Belfast on Friday, 7 August 2026**. Price of the trip is £15 and children under 5 will travel free of charge. A guided tour of the Folk Village is included along with light refreshments. Please contact Karen on 07979 304479 by Text or Phone or email RSCCTG@icloud.com

Human Life International - Ireland 32 County Mission Night with relics of St Thérèse & The Holy Face. Wednesday 12th August, Newry Conference Centre, 39-41 The Mall, BT34 1AT, from 7pm-8:45pm. All are welcome.

Bookings for Mass, Month Minds, Anniversaries, Baptisms and Weddings are to be made through the Parish Office **02897510237** or Parish email address at: saintfield@downandconnor.org. Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 11.00am - 1.30pm. Thursday 12 – 1pm. Please use the Parish Email outside of Office Hours.

Saintfield & Carrickmannon

Parish Bulletin

26th July 2026



“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field.” Matthew 13:44-52

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly

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New Parish Family Website
www.carryduffsaintfield.co.uk