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THE

# BEACONS

ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS 16 MARCH 2024



## BISHOP DAVID INVITES YOU TO JOIN HIM AT DOWN CATHEDRAL ON SATURDAY 16 MARCH 2024 FOR THE ANNUAL ST PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY A COMPLIMENTARY 'PICNIC IN THE PEWS'.

You are also welcome to attend the Holy Communion Service at Saul and to join the pilgrimage from Saul to Down Cathedral.

### PROGRAMME

**9.15am**

Holy Communion at Saul

*Preacher: Revd Canon Bill Press, Rector of Knockbreda*

**10.15am**

Prayer Pilgrimage from Saul to Downpatrick

**11.45am**

Festival Service in Down Cathedral

*Preacher: The Rt Revd Dr Jill Duff, Bishop of Lancaster*

Lighting of symbolic beacon and wreath laying ceremony at St Patrick's grave

**1.00pm**

Complimentary 'Picnic in the Pews'

The special guest at this year's Festival Service will be **The Rt Revd Dr Jill Duff, Bishop of Lancaster** and author of *Lighting the Beacons: Kindling the Flame of Faith in our Hearts*.



Bishop David says: "Bishop Jill's scholarly and yet deeply spiritual insights into the lives of the saints including St Patrick mean she is the ideal person to encourage us to pray as a diocese for a rekindling of the fire of faith that Patrick lit in Ireland almost 1600 years ago."

### TRANSPORT TO SAUL

*Please park along the Mall leading to the Cathedral in Downpatrick and board one of the private buses.*

*Buses to the communion service depart between 8.15am and 8.45am. The last bus for the pilgrimage leaves at 9.45am. The last bus from Saul to the Cathedral leaves at 10.40am.*