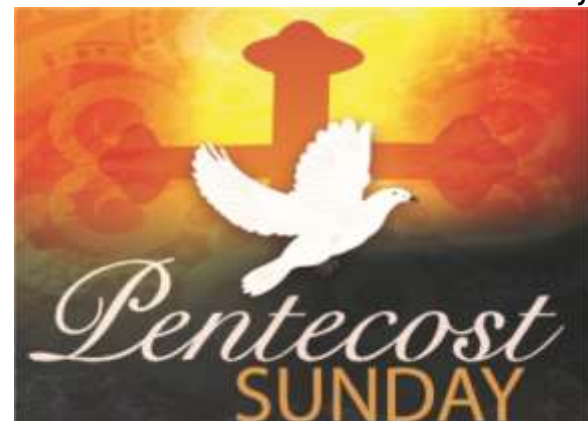


# PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



23 May 2021  
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Pentecost Sunday  
Psalter week 4

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Star of the Sea Portstewart

portstewartparish.website

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

Sunday: Vigil 5.00pm, Sunday 10.00am & 7.00pm

Monday: No Mass in Star of the Sea

Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

Please book for all weekend Masses,

either by phoning Emer 07709 043921

or online at EVENTBRITE

No booking is required for weekdays.

All Masses are streamed online on the parish website: [portstewartparish.website](http://portstewartparish.website) ‘Watch Live’ and on YouTube. Masses are recorded and can be watched on the website 45 minutes after Mass has ended. You can also listen on our parish radio.

The church is open for private prayer from 10am-12 noon on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday mornings and from 10am-9pm on Thursday

## MASSES IN PORTRUSH

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon

Monday 9am, Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 7pm,

Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am

## REST IN PEACE

ANNIVERSARIES: Aidan Clancy (23), Jim Donaghy, John Ferris, Monica Horner (24), Seamus Loughrey (25), Teresa Stanley (26), Bridie Crilly, Pauline O’Kane (27), John Joe Kelly (29), Bridie Hollywood, Aine Lynch (30)

## THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY

**The world of finance:** Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

## WELCOME BACK

We are delighted to be welcoming more people back to Mass and look forward to many more returning in the coming months. **Please be aware that when we are busy you may be asked to sit in the gallery.**

**If you are unable to do so please let us know in advance or arrive early to ensure a seat downstairs.**

Please enter by the main door.

**We remember the intentions of all who cannot yet be with us.**



Eucharistic Adoration will commence again in the church **next Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May**. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered. All those who have signed up for regular slots will receive a copy of the rota before next Thursday. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the Church between 10am and 9pm; everyone is invited to visit for whatever time they can. For more information ☎ Helen 07765 014681



## JESSE TREE

We remember in our prayers those who are sitting exams, taking tests, making career decisions and applying for jobs and courses.

You are invited to name those you wish to pray for on the Jesse Tree in the sanctuary of the Church.

## ALPHA COURSE ONLINE

You are invited to Alpha online on **Thursday evenings at 8pm**. The course is an opportunity to explore questions around faith, life and meaning. Use this link to join: <https://CFC.alpha.online> For more information, please ring Ernestine ☎ 7083 1000

## PARISH HYMN REQUESTS

If you have any particular favourites you would like to hear Bernard sing following the Sunday 10am Mass, please contact him: ☎ 07866 281826

## LANGUAGE CAFÉ



Would you like to learn about the culture, traditions and language of your European neighbours?

The Causeway Multicultural Forum is hosting **free** Zoom classes for beginners in Polish, Spanish and Italian. **Polish:**

Tuesdays starting 18th May. **Spanish:** Wednesdays starting

19th May. **Italian:** Thursdays starting 20th May. All classes

run from 7.30-8.30pm. ☎ 07867 690820 or email:

[causewaymcf2019@gmail.com](mailto:causewaymcf2019@gmail.com) for more information

## IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS’ CONFERENCE - SYNOD



The Irish Catholic

Bishops’

Conference are

mindful of the

challenges and

opportunities that

provide a context

for a pathway leading to a National Synod at this pivotal time for the Church on our island:

- **Solidarity, Outreach to the Peripheries and the Promise of a New Pentecost**

Speaking at the end of the World Meeting of Families in Phoenix Park, Dublin 2018, Pope Francis encouraged the people of Ireland to be open to the work of the Holy Spirit “who constantly breathes new life into our world, into our hearts, into our families, into our homes and parishes. Each new day in the life of our families, and each new generation, brings the promise of a new Pentecost, a domestic Pentecost, a fresh outpouring of the Spirit, the Paraclete, whom Jesus sends as our Advocate, our Consoler and indeed our Encourager. How much our world needs this encouragement that is God’s gift and promise!”

- **Listening to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church in an Ireland faced with rapid transformation**

**Thank you to those who have responded to the call for submissions.** For more information, please visit:

[www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/](http://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/)

As we embark on the synodal pathway, Bishops ask for prayers that this may be a time of renewal, reform and new hope for all the People of God in Ireland.

## SCHOOL PLACEMENTS ABROAD

Placement opportunities are available to qualified teachers and young men aged 16-25 at St Peter’s International College, France (a private Catholic boarding school). Contact the school using the contact details provided.

**September 2021:** Teachers in Maths, English, EFL, Science, History and MFL. Pastoral support (not necessarily a teacher but a younger person to help with sports and the pastoral side) [www.stpetersfr.com](http://www.stpetersfr.com)

Email : [enquiries@stpetersfr.com](mailto:enquiries@stpetersfr.com)

Phone : 00 33 6 41 80 53 01



Portstewart Parish Confirmation:  
**Wednesday 26th May at 5pm**

First Holy Communion:  
**Sunday 13th June at 12.30pm**

**We remember in our prayers all our children who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion at this time**

**CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION**  
Gifts and cards are available during office hours from the Parochial House.



**CEMETERY SUNDAY**  
**Sunday 20th June at 3.00pm**  
**in Agherton Cemetery**

## PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, email: [secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk](mailto:secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk) or contact the parish office ☎ 7083 2534 **by 5pm on Thursday please.**