

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



25 July 2021

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday B/Weekdays 1

Psalter week 1

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 5pm, Sunday at 10am

Monday: No Mass in Star of the Sea

Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

The church is open for private prayer

from 10am-12 noon

on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday
between 10am and 9pm.

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 12 noon

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

Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am

MASS IN ST MALACHY’S, COLERAINE

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Lorraine Kelly, Noel Duddy

ONE MONTH AGO: Bryan Rooney – Month’s Mind Mass
Tuesday 27th July at 7pm

ANNIVERSARIES: Paddy Mooney (22), James McElhill (25), Leo Marshall, Louis Holmes, Owen McMahon, Pam Ramsay (26), Maureen McCann, Hugh O’Kane (27), Hugh & Susan Brown, Joseph Brown (28), Kathleen French, Mary Floyd (30), Annie Kerr, Kevin Killen, Lisa Proctor (31)

Please book for all weekend Masses,
either by phoning Emer 07709 043921
or online at EVENTBRITE

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.

All Masses are streamed online on the parish website:
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 POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY

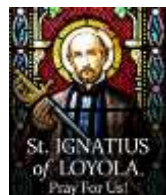
Social friendship: We pray that, in social, economic
and political situations of conflict, we may be
courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and
friendship.

SPECIAL DAYS IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK



Monday 26th July:
Saints Joachim and Anne

Thursday 29th July:
St Martha



Saturday 31st July:
St Ignatius of Loyola



GUAPINOL 8: WATER DEFENDERS

Join Trócaire at the Féile an Phobail
to find out about the case of the ‘Guapinol 8’, who
were detained in Honduras for peacefully resisting the
exploitation of their community’s river by a mining
company. Almost two years later, they remain in
pretrial detention. Saturday 7th August at 6.30pm
online at feilebelfast.com

DIPLOMA IN PASTORAL THEOLOGY



Applications are invited for this two-
year, part-time, intensive course
which begins in September 2021.
Further information available by
emailing maura@drumalis.co.uk

or ☎ 28272196/28276455.



The LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH on the
lough shore is now open daily. The full route
is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option.
A guided walk experience will be offered on
Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors,
weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks
will follow for late August and early September. For
bookings and further information email
info@loughderg.org or ☎ 00353 71 9861518.
Lough Derg Pilgrim Path, Pettigo, Co Donegal F94 N2



Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith?

Have you not yet received all the Sacraments?

Do you want to become Catholic?

If any of these questions apply to you, contact Fionnuala
for more information on the Rite of Christian Initiation of
Adults programme ☎ 07702 073895
email: rcia@downandconnor.org



ALZHEIMER’S SOCIETY ZOOM PROGRAMME

An online series of free talks and information
sessions for anyone who has questions about
dementia

Friday 20th August: What is Dementia?

27th August: Legal and Financial Issues

3rd September: Dementia and Changes in Behaviour

10th September: NHSCT Memory Service and the Role of
the Dementia Navigator

To book or to find out more ☎ 07710 379947 or email:
aofe.mcmaster@alzheimers.org.uk



Parish Facebook page and website

Star of the Sea Portstewart
portstewartparish.website

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PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish
weekend bulletin, email:

secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk

or contact the parish office ☎ 7083 2534

by 5pm on Thursday please.



PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord,
for the comfort of Your presence:
even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!
I thank You for having given me a family
and for having blessed me with a long life.
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,
for the dreams that have already come true in my life
and for those that are still ahead of me.
I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness
to which You call me.
Increase, O Lord, my faith,
make me a channel of your peace,
teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me,
to never stop dreaming
and to tell of your wonders to new generations.
Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church,
that the light of the Gospel
might reach the ends of the earth.
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world,
that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed,
the poor consoled and wars ended.
Sustain me in weakness
and help me to live life to the full
in each moment that You give me,
in the certainty that you are with me every day,
even until the end of the age.
Amen.

<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2021/07/06/resources-for-the-world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly/>