

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



15 August 2021

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday B/Weekdays 1 Psalter week 4

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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

This weekend 14-15 August (Feast of the Assumption)

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon

Extra Mass Sunday at 10am in Bushmills

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Mae Gilmore, Cassie Murray, Breedh Roughan (15), Hugh Kelly, Paddy Trolan (16), Jim Loughrey (17), John McConnell, Mary McKenna, Josephine Henry, Laura Ritchie (19), Lillie Donaghy, Evelyn McCullough, Vincent Roughan (20), David Murray (21)

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.

FACE MASKS IN STAR OF THE SEA

Though the legal obligation to wear a mask
throughout Mass is no longer in place, **it will remain
mandatory for anyone attending Mass in our
Church to wear a mask at all times.** We have taken
this decision in line with the strong recommendation
of the Diocese and in consultation with our great
team of volunteers who facilitate our Masses. We
appreciate your continuing cooperation with this act
of kindness and love to our fellow parishioners.

THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST

For Evangelisation – The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from
the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform
herself in the light of the Gospel.



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. Further dates for guided walks
will follow for late August and early

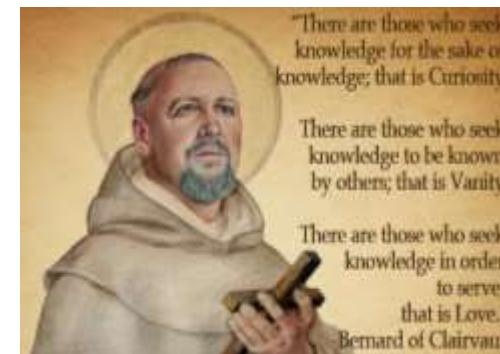
September. For bookings and further information
email info@loughderg.org or ☎ 00353 71 9861518.
Lough Derg Pilgrim Path, Pettigo, Co Donegal F94 N2

SPECIAL DAYS IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

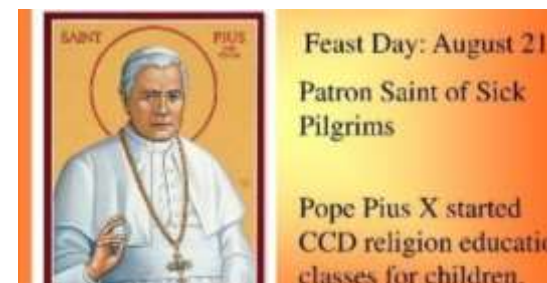
Tuesday 17th August: Our Lady of Knock



Friday 20th August: St Bernard



Saturday 21st August: St Pius X



FORTHCOMING COURSES AT DRUMALIS

• Diploma in Pastoral Theology •

2 year part-time course, now enrolling for 2021-2023 intake

Drumalis Retreat Centre, in association with St Patrick’s Pontifical College, Maynooth, invite applications for this two-year, part-time intensive course which begins in September 2021. The closing date for receipt of applications has been extended to 22 August.

• Pathways – Adult Faith Development Programme •

2 year part-time course, now enrolling for 2021-2023 intake

Have you ever thought about exploring your faith... or wished that you could broaden your understanding of your faith? Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to life? If the answer is “yes”, then Pathways may be for you. The course runs one Saturday per month (10 am – 4:30 pm) from October to June, either in-house at Drumalis or online via Zoom.

• Certificate in Christian Thought •

2 year, part-time course commencing October 2021

The Certificate in Christian Thought aims to offer a space where adults can explore, reflect upon, discuss and study faith and how it relates to life in today’s world, both at a personal and community level. It is possible to do the course for validation by St Mary’s University College or for personal development only. The course is offered either in-house at Drumalis, Larne or online via Zoom.

• Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living •

Commencing Monday, 20 September

Living out faith isn’t easy against the backdrop of our fast-paced, noisy and instantaneous culture. This course will give you the tools and space to become attuned to God’s voice in the midst of the clamour. The course will take place over 21 Monday evening sessions from 7 – 9.30pm via Zoom.

For further information on all these courses, or to register, please contact Drumalis ☎ 28276455/28272196 or email maura@drumalis.co.uk Details also available on Drumalis website: <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>



Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith?
Have you not yet received all the Sacraments?

Do you want to become Catholic?

Contact Fionnuala for more information on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults programme ☎ 07702 073895 email: rcia@downandconnor.org



THANK YOU

The family of Bryan Rooney thank all those parishioners who called, sent Mass cards and offered their sympathy at the time of their recent bereavement. Your kindness is much appreciated. A Mass will be offered for your intentions.



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.