

# PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday B/Weekdays 1 Psalter week 2

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 5pm, Sunday at 10am

Monday: Requiem Mass at 11.00am

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.

## 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.

## MASS IN PORTRUSH

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 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: Gareth Moore

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Marley (28), Denis McGowan (29), Fr Paddy Campbell, Margaret Campbell, Brigid Mullan (30), Katherine Tohill (31), Justin Murray, James Sweeney, Owen Sweeney (1), John Campbell, John & Tess Conlon, Bridget Conway, Donal Eustace (2), Eamon Forbes, Peter Kerr, Phoebe O’Hara (3)

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](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 POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

Universal: An environmentally sustainable lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

## SEASON OF CREATION: Restoring our common home

The Season of Creation begins on Wednesday 1st

September. Pope Francis has invited the faithful to participate in this annual season “to renew their faith in the God of creation and join in prayer and work for the care of our common home.” As a Diocese we will mark the opening of the Season of Creation with a service on Wednesday 1st September at 7pm in St Peter’s Cathedral. Join us online:

[www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral](http://www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral)

We are all encouraged in this season to read Pope Francis’ encyclical Laudato Sí: On Care of our Common Home. In this week we pray for greater attention to the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor and that we may commit ourselves to living according to the vision and values of Laudato Sí.



Monday 6th September at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Use this link to join:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/82589559411?pwd=emZPeTZSbHhlcigqUU9mRVFiRW1qdzo9>

## SPECIAL DAYS IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK



Wednesday 1st September:

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

‘This World Day of Prayer offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that he has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live.’ Pope Francis



Friday 3rd September:

St Gregory the Great

## LEGION OF MARY



Tuesday 7th September is the 100th birthday of the parish Praesidium of the Legion of Mary. Following the 9.30am Mass on Wednesday 8th September, the Rosary will be recited at the Grotto. All welcome.

## INDEPENDENT MONITORING BOARD MEMBERS

The Department of Justice is seeking to appoint new members to The Independent Monitoring Board (IMB) for Northern Ireland to monitor the treatment of prisoners and the conditions of their imprisonment. The IMB is made up of unpaid volunteers who carry out their duties by making regular visits to either Maghaberry Prison, Magilligan Prison or Hydebank Wood College and Women’s Prison. You can find out more, including period of appointment and how to apply, at this link: <https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/publications/recruitment-imb-members> Completed applications must be returned to the Department by 12 noon on Thursday 9th September.

## TASTE THE WORLD

Causeway Coast & Glens Good Relations Team are presenting a 4-week online cultural cookery course. Go on a food journey across the globe. Learn from others, understand different cultures, and eat well!

Tuesdays from 7-8pm

21st September: Indian

28th September: Chinese

5th October: Polish

12th October: Iranian



Open to all from the CCG Borough Council area.

To register: ☎ 07714 393918 or email:

[Bebhinn.mckinley@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk](mailto:Bebhinn.mckinley@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk)

## FORTHCOMING COURSES AT DRUMALIS

• Pathways – Adult Faith Development Programme •

2 year part-time course, now enrolling for 2021-2023 intake  
Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to life? 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

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. The course is offered either in-house at Drumalis 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. Monday evenings from 7 – 9.30pm via Zoom.

• Is that you, God? – Ignatian Discernment for our Day

Commencing 8 September 2021

Learn to recognise God’s loving presence in your daily life, engage in making more Spirit-led decisions and find more purpose and meaning in life. This series will take place over five Wednesday evenings from 7.15 pm – 8.30pm via Zoom

For enquiries and reservations, please contact Drumalis ☎ 2827 6455 or email [maura@drumalis.co.uk](mailto:maura@drumalis.co.uk) Details also available on Drumalis website: <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

## DROMANTINE RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTRE

• Called by a New Name: Refocus, Recharge and Reconnect in a Post-Pandemic World

Sunday 3 – Friday 8 October: £420

As the world slowly emerges out of its prolonged isolation and looks to the future with hope, this preached retreat will create a sacred space in which participants can slow down, pause, and reflect on the pilgrim journey they have walked with God over the past months.

• Hello You: Finding the Joy, Purpose and Happiness you deserve Monday 18 – Thursday 21 October: £280

This workshop will provide the tools to gain deeper self-awareness, self-understanding and self-acceptance.

• Broken Open: How Difficult Times can Help us Grow

Friday 19 – Sunday 21 November: £200

Participants will learn how to navigate loss, bereavement and trauma so as to foster greater resilience, allow woundedness to awaken compassion and reconnect with life through the gifts of acceptance, healing and hope.

Enquiries and Reservations for all courses: ☎ 3082 1964 or email: [admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)

## 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.