

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



31st October 2021

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Psalter week 3

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 5pm, Sunday at 10am and 7.00pm

Monday – Tuesday: see below

Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

Confessions on Saturday from 12.00 – 1.00pm

Please call at the Parochial House

The church is open for private prayer

on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday

from 10am – 12 noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

on Thursday between 10.00am and 5.00pm



FEAST OF ALL SAINTS MONDAY 1st NOVEMBER

Monday: Mass at 9.30am & 7.00pm

ALL SOULS’ DAY TUESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

Mass at 9.30am & 7.00pm

Please book for all these Masses

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Leonard Davis, Marian O’Reilly

ANNIVERSARIES: Jonathan Cunning (28), Anna Harvey, Daniel Davies, Matthew Kilfeather, Jane Sibley (1), Elizabeth Armstrong, Maureen Kilfeather, Willie McLaughlin, Louis Sweeney (2), Tom McCurdy, Micheal O’Connor (2), Clare Gottschalk, John Madden (3), John McCaughan, Mary McGlade (4), Thomas McGlade, William Begley, Roy Loughrey (5), Eilis McCaughan, Grainne McConnell, Ann Smyth (6)

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon

Monday 9am and 7pm

Tuesday 9am and 10am in Bushmills

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

Mass will be held in St Malachy’s Parish Centre during church renovations

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.

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.

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.

INDULGENCES FOR PRAYING FOR THE DEAD

The Apostolic Penitentiary “confirms and extends for the entire month of November 2021 all the spiritual benefits already granted on 22 October 2020” – that is, it allows the faithful to gain plenary indulgences for the souls in purgatory by visiting a cemetery on every day in November and praying for those who have died; normally, the indulgence is limited to the first eight days of the month. A second plenary indulgence is also established for the day of the commemoration of the faithful departed, All Souls’ Day, November 2. The current decree allows the faithful to obtain that indulgence for the benefit of the deceased on any day of November, at their choice.

THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Universal: People who suffer from depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer up their sacrifice for their deceased family members and friends. You can do likewise. Please consider taking the Short-Term Pledge for November and say the Prayer daily:

"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November".

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS

Please pick up a list from the back of the church and return your envelope to the parochial house. All names will be included in Masses during the month of November.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DEAD

Our Parish November Mass will be held on

Tuesday 16th November at 7pm.

The Mass will be celebrated for all our deceased parishioners, recent or long ago, and special remembrance will be made for those who have died in the past year.



ALL SOULS’ DAY PRAYER

Lord God, whose days are without end and whose mercies beyond counting, keep us mindful that life is short and the hour of death unknown. Let your Spirit guide our days on earth in the ways of holiness and justice, that we may serve you in union with the whole Church, sure in faith, strong in hope, perfect in love. And when our earthly journey is ended, lead us rejoicing into your kingdom, where you live for ever and ever. Amen

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

5th – 7th November 2021. Restore Communication, Renew Commitment and Rekindle Romance. This is an online experience (using Zoom), starting on Friday evening at 8pm and ending on Sunday afternoon at 2:30pm. Details: <https://www.marriageencounter.ie>

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

In this Year of St Joseph Pope Francis asks us to reflect on St Joseph as our model, our support and our intercessor. We invite you to join our **PARISH NOVENA** of prayer, meditation and Benediction which continues on **Wednesday evenings at**



7.00pm. There is a Jesse tree in the Sanctuary of the Church where you can name your novena intentions if you wish. The liturgy will be accessible on parish radio and via webcam for those unable to come to the Church.

You are warmly invited to a **PARISH EVENT FOR MEN**

on Saturday 27th November from 9.30 to 11.30am.

Speaker: Jim Deeds, Diocesan Living Church Office

Topic: **St Joseph, a Man for Our Times**

Venue: Anchor Bar, Portstewart

A cooked breakfast and coffee will be provided.

PLACES LIMITED: BOOK EARLY!

Further information & to book a place: please contact

Paul Gilmore ☎ 078 9986 4524

or Brian Taylor email: bj.taylor@ulster.ac.uk

CELEBRATION OF MASS FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF THE DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR

On Tuesday 2nd November at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish) Ormeau Road, Belfast

and Wednesday 3rd November at 7.30pm in All Saints Church, Ballymena

For the benefit of those unable to attend, the Masses will be streamed live on 2nd November at: Holy Rosary Parish Live Webcam Stream | iTech Media Live Streaming Belfast (churchmedia.tv) and on 3rd November at: www.facebook.com/ballymenacatholic/

Please forward by Friday 29th October the name and school of any teacher of the diocese who has died during the past twelve months to: Fr Edward McGee

☎ 9049 1886 dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org

IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK



Wednesday 3rd November: St Malachy



Saturday 6th November: All the Saints of Ireland

PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, email: secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk or ☎ 7083 2534 by 5pm on Thursday please.