### PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



7th November 2021 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday B/Weekdays 1 Psalter week 4

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#### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

Saturday Vigil at 5pm, Sunday at 10am and 7.00pm Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm 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

#### **MASS IN PORTRUSH**

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon Monday 9am, Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 7pm, Thursday 9am

No Mass in St Patrick's Friday 12th November

#### 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

#### **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.

#### **REST IN PEACE**

**ONE MONTH AGO:** Eileen Mullan – Month's Mind Mass Sunday 14th November at 10am

ANNIVERSARIES: Gerard McGeough (4), Joyce Cunning, Patsy Casey, Anne Duffy, Sean Loughran, Jack & May Laverty, Margaret & Chris McCaughan, Frank Prior (8), Michael Joseph Henry, Rose Edwards, Mary O'Kane (11), Larry Conway, Francis Anthony Prior (12), Eileen Bradley, Sadie Conaghan, Kitty Gibson (13)

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 it 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.

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.

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED LEGIONARIES Wednesday 10th November at 9.30am in Star of the Sea





## The Bishops of Ireland have called for a national CHURCH COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

13-14 November to support Trócaire in providing lifesaving aid to vulnerable communities in East Africa and DRC, where millions of people are being pushed to the edge of starvation. Already affecting over 30 million vulnerable babies, children, women, and men, the scale of this hunger crisis is unprecedented. Yet with the world's focus on local issues and concerns, and resources for humanitarian response more thinly spread than ever, the plight of those in East Africa remains largely hidden. Trócaire teams are responding and on the ground ready to provide more life-saving assistance in East Africa and in other countries similarly affected. Any support the Parish can give to this Emergency Appeal will help the urgent work of Trócaire and their hardworking local partners. For more information see www.trocaire.org

#### 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.

#### **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".

#### 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 7078 9986 4524 or Brian Taylor email: bj.taylor@ulster.ac.uk

# ADVENT RETREAT AT DRUMALIS, LARNE "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" Friday 10 - Sunday 12 December

During this residential weekend we will reflect on the various ways that God comes to us, speaks to us, invites us and remains with us, especially during these days of pandemic. For further information or to book:

2827 2196 or email: <a href="mailto:drumalis@btconnect.com">drumalis@btconnect.com</a>

http://www.drumalis.co.uk

## IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK Tuesday 9th November

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica** 



Wednesday 10th November
St Leo the Great

Thursday 11th November
St Martin of Tours



Friday 12th November St Josaphat

#### **KARATE CLUB**

The club continues to train as usual on Monday evenings in the Parish Centre. New (and old) members are always welcome. Juniors 6.45 - 7.30. Seniors 7.30 - 8.45.

PARISH CENTRE		7-13 November
Sun:	Innova Irish Dance	1430 - 1830
Mon:	Art Class	1030 - 1230
	Karate	1845 – 2045
Tues:	U <sub>3</sub> A Pilates	0800 - 1130
	Innova Irish Dance	1530 - 1845
	Bowling Club	1900 – 2100
Wed:	Luna Yoga	0930 - 1030
	Innova Irish Dance	1530 - 1845
	Art Class	1930 – 2130
Thur:	U3A Beginners Bridge	1300 - 1500 1530
	Innova Irish Dance	- 1845
	Bowling Club	1900 – 2200
Fri:	Luna Yoga	0930 - 1130
	Zumba	1115 – 1215
	Luna Yoga	1900 – 2000
Sat:	Innova Irish Dance	1000 – 1700



ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DEAD
Our Parish November Mass will be held on
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

Please book for this Mass.

#### **PARISH BULLETIN**

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, email: <a href="mailto:secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk">secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:secretary@portstewartpar