

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

14th November 2021

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Psalter week 1

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Star of the Sea Portstewart

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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, 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

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Ray Ahmad

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Eilis McCaughan, Mary Devlin, Ellen Gallagher, William & Susan McCafferty, Kathleen McGuinness, Maura Tiña (14), Noel McQuillan (16), Kay Brankin, Matthew Doone (18), Jenny Wych (19), Eugene Campbell, Catherine Crawford, James Gray (20), Sean Loughran

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.

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.



Saint John Chrysostom: “Those who are generous should not ask for an account of the poor’s conduct, but only improve their condition of poverty and satisfy their need.”

Heavenly Father we acknowledge today that many of our brothers and sisters are in need. We remember especially all those who have died through poverty – the absence of a home, the lack of accessible healthcare, unable to access clean water, no food to sustain life.

May all our brothers and sisters experience a loving community who will recognise the needs of the poor living among us and across the globe. May we have hearts like the Good Samaritan and be moved to all the poor and their needs.

TROCAIRE

Working for a Just World

The Bishops of Ireland have called for a national **CHURCH COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

13-14 November to support Trócaire in providing life-saving 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

FOODBANK WEEKEND

Thursday 18 – Saturday 20 November

Christmas should be a time for joy and celebration.

However, for many people it is becoming increasingly difficult, especially following the impact of the pandemic. Customers in Tesco Portstewart are invited to donate items for the local Food Bank which will be distributed to support families in crisis. Tesco have pledged to top up by 20% all donations made during this weekend appeal.

Causeway Food Bank ☎ 028 70220005



TABLE QUIZ FOR TEARFUND

You are invited to take part in a Table Quiz in the Methodist Hall on the

Prom on Saturday 27th November at 4.30pm.

All proceeds to TearFund.

NEXT WEEK – SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

Sunday 21st November 2021

This year, as Bishop of the Diocese, I have designated Sunday 21st November as ‘Safeguarding Sunday’. This is an opportunity for all the parishes to come together and acknowledge the dedication of hundreds of parish volunteers who serve in the ministry of Safeguarding across the Diocese. During the celebration of the Sunday liturgy, we will renew our commitment to the pastoral care of victims of sexual abuse as well as children, young people, and adults in our parishes.

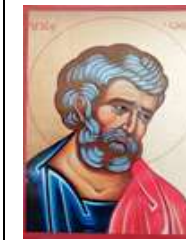
On Sunday 21 November at 3pm, I will lead a Prayer Service from St Peter’s Cathedral. Everyone is welcome to join online with me and diocesan representatives of Safeguarding for this Prayer Service via Church Services TV. Follow the links to the Cathedral webcam:

<http://www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral>

+ Noel Treanor Bishop of Down and Connor

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Our **PARISH NOVENA** of prayer, meditation and Benediction continues on **Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm**. The liturgy is 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**. Jim Deeds, Diocesan Living Church Office, will speak on **St Joseph, a Man for Our Times** at the Anchor Bar.

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

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: drumalis@btconnect.com

<http://www.drumalis.co.uk>



HABITAT CHRISTMAS CARDS

On sale now from the Repository **£4 for pack of 10**. All proceeds will help build houses, community, and hope in Ethiopia. Please support the work of Habitat for Humanity in Ethiopia at this critical time.

DUNLOY STRONGER TOGETHER: FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Phil Coulter & Guest – Friday 7th January 2022

Tickets are on available online.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/phil-coulter-returning-to-tranquility-tour-tickets-191745023527>

(Booking fee applies online)



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.

Please book for this Mass.

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.**