

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



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Sunday C/Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 1

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Star of the Sea Portstewart
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MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 5.00 pm, Sunday at 10.00am & 7.00pm

Tuesday at 7.00pm

Wednesday – Saturday : Mass at 9.30am

**Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday
from 10.00am – 5.00pm**



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

You are welcome to join us in the church at 3.00pm every Friday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross. You can also watch online or listen on Parish radio.

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon

Monday & Tuesday 9am

Wednesday 7pm, Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am

MASS IN ST MALACHY’S, COLERAINE

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am

Monday – Thursday at 10am

Friday: Mass 10am, Confession 6.30pm,

Adoration, reflection and prayer 7pm

THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

For health care workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Kerry O’Hanlon

ANNIVERSARIES: Joseph McKenna, Teresa Dempsey (2), Catherine Laverty, Hugh McGarry, JP McMullan (3), Michael Harvey, Winnie McFaul (4), John Diamond, Jim Loughrey (5), Dympna Farrelly, Jimmy McDonnell, Ignatius Carson (6), Bernard and Alice Loughrey (7), Martha McGonigle, Jim and Kathleen O’Boyle (9)

SAFETY REGULATIONS IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

From this weekend, 2/3 April you’re going to find some changes as we move forward to normality and still live with the pandemic. When you enter, the body of pews on the left will be un-roped. If you choose to sit there, please observe social distance of one metre unless you attend as a family or a couple. On the right, the pews will be roped as usual. A similar situation will be in the Lady Chapel.

Please continue to wear a mask in the church and we ask that you continue to protect yourself and others around you by not attending Mass if you have a cough or are feeling unwell.

Booking is still required for weekend Masses either by phoning Emer 07709 043921 or online at EVENTBRITE

All Masses in Star of the Sea are streamed online on the parish website: portstewartparish.website ‘Watch Live’ and on YouTube.



The Irish Bishops’ Conference SPECIAL CHURCH COLLECTION FOR UKRAINE

Thank you to those who contributed so generously to this special appeal which raised £3410 for humanitarian needs in Ukraine.

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC COLLECTION



The collection last weekend in aid of the Dominican Order in Bangui raised £1675. All the money donated will go towards building a new school promoting peace and reconciliation. Thanks to all who contributed.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Envelopes for 2022-23 are available now for collection from the Parish Office. The first date on the new envelope year is this Sunday! Please pick your box up as soon as possible.

If you haven’t used envelopes before and would like to start contributing to the parish in this way, please leave your name and contact details in the parish office.

CUL CAMP JULY 2022

The Cul Camp at Eoghan Rua GAA will run from 18th - 22nd July. Bookings for this are now open and can be accessed at <https://www.kelloggsulcamps.gaa.ie/> This always proves to be a very popular event so early booking is encouraged to ensure your child gets to enjoy this fun filled week.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES 2022



LOURDES 13 – 18 July 2022

Booking forms and information are available from the Parish Office.



FATIMA 8 - 15 September

Full board in hotel: from £689 per person sharing. Led by Bishop Noel Treanor. For further enquiries and bookings contact Joe Catney ☎ 9071 4001/07776 425631

ACCORD VOLUNTEER FACILITATORS



Accord is recruiting interested people to assist in the provision of Marriage Preparation Programmes. Application

forms are available by contacting info@accordni.com Selections will take place in June of this year with training commencing in September. This year Accord is celebrating 60 years supporting couples and families.



GIVE HOPE A HOME

HSC NI Foster Care is urgently appealing for more foster carers and supported lodgings hosts who can

provide homes to young refugees who arrive in Northern Ireland without a parent or carer. For more information: HSC NI Foster Care ☎ 0800 0720 137 or visit adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net/young-refugees/

FACILITATION SKILLS TRAINING: THEORY AND PRACTICE

New Course at Drumalis led by Laurie Randall and Sean O’Baioill over six days (May – Oct 2022)

Would you like to increase your understanding, skill and confidence in group facilitation? This course gives you an opportunity to explore the theory and practice of facilitation – with space to consider how the learning can be applied in a faith context. On successful completion of the course you will gain an Open College Network qualification at level 3. Email: maura@drumalis.co.uk



BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience, based within the Family Ministry of the Diocese of Down and Connor, is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride’s Hall, Belfast on three Saturdays (April 30, May 28 & June 25.) Booking essential. ☎ Phil: 9020 7645 or Marie 07896 119669.

SACRAMENTS IN STAR OF THE SEA



First Communion Sunday 22nd May at 12 noon

Confirmation Sunday 8th May at 12 noon

Easter Sunday 17th April

Coleraine Area Churches Forum invites you to their

Easter Sunrise Service

at 7.00am
by the river

in Christie Park, Waterside, Coleraine

Everyone is welcome to this short service and to share breakfast at McDonald’s immediately afterwards



DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST SAFEGUARDING OFFICE SUPPORT PERSON

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust are seeking to establish a Panel of individuals who will be engaged in the role of ‘Support Person’ attached to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. As a Panel Member you will be required to provide emotional and practical support for a victim and survivor during the period after their disclosure and to keep them informed of the progress of the case. It is envisaged that the structure of this work will be on a sessional basis.

We are keen to attract individuals with previous experience of providing support to vulnerable adults at point of crisis, and who can demonstrate an understanding of current Safeguarding issues and the dynamics, impact, and scale of abuse.

As a Support Person you will not be an employee of the Diocesan Trust but will be engaged on a Service Provider arrangement. Remuneration for hours of engagement will be on an hourly rate basis.

If interested in exploring this opportunity further, details, to include Registration of Interest form, Role Profile and General information document, are available at:

<https://www.downandconnor.org/job-vacancies/>

Closing date for Registration of Interest will be 12.00 noon on **Friday 29th April 2022**

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.