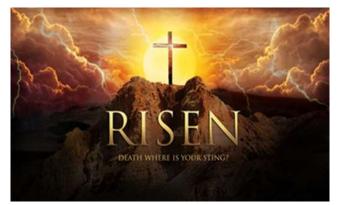
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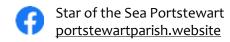
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17th April 2022 EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION Sunday C/Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 1

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All Masses in Star of the Sea are streamed online on the parish website 'Watch Live' and on YouTube.

MASSES THIS WEEK



EASTER MASSES Vigil: Saturday at 9.00pm Easter Day: Sunday at 10.00am

Mass on Easter Monday at 9.30am No other weekday Masses this week. No Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday 21st April. Next weekend: Vigil at 5.00pm, Sunday at 10.00am

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Easter Vigil: Saturday 9pm Easter Sunday: 10am Bushmills & 12 noon Portrush Monday – Thursday 10am Friday 9am Saturday 6pm, Sunday 12 noon

MASS IN ST MALACHY'S, COLERAINE

Easter Vigil 9pm, Sunday 11am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am Saturday 6pm, Sunday 11am

REST IN PEACE

ONE YEAR AGO: Valerie Wilton (20) ANNIVERSARIES: Jean Brolly (15), Annie Moore, Rosanna McMullan (16), Neil Sweeney (17), Sarah McCann, Colum McKenna, Harry McLaughlin (19), Pat Doherty, John Doyle, Francis McCrory (20), Thomas Ferris, Rose Mullan (21), Sr Margaret Eustace, Johnnie Martin (22)

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.

SAFETY REGULATIONS IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH When you enter the church, the body of pews on the left is now un-roped and access there is unrestricted. On the right, the pews will be roped as usual. A similar situation will be in the Lady Chapel.

If you need to sit in the socially distanced areas in the Church, you will still have to book, either by phoning Emer 07709 043921 or online at EVENTBRITE

No booking is necessary for the open areas.

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.

OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY/HOLYDAY MASS:

With the easing of Covid-19 restrictions, it is encouraging to see a return to a fuller liturgical life in our parishes. Thankful that we can once again gather as communities of faith, the Irish Bishops have announced that attending Mass on Sunday and Holydays of Obligation will from Easter Sunday (17th April 2022) once again be deemed an essential expression of faith. As always, those whose health is vulnerable or who are unwell will not be under any obligation to attend Mass.

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

CARA RETREAT "Come Away and Rest Awhile"

Are you a parent of a young person with a disability? Would you like to take some time out to pray, reflect and meet other parents? If the answer is yes we would love you to join us for a parents retreat at: Drumalis Retreat Centre beginning Friday 24th June, 6pm until Saturday 25th June, 4pm. For information or to register interest contact: Louise McQuillan 🕿 07922 437679 Email: I.mcquillan@downandconnor.org



A BIBLICAL WALK WITH THE BLESSED MOTHER Online Course & Retreat Day

A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will take us through the Scriptures leading us into a deeper understanding of Mary's life. Although Mary is mentioned in only a few chapters of the entire Bible, these are

filled with rich insight which will help us to understand Mary's humanity and the extraordinary mission to which she was called by God. The programme will begin on Monday 2nd May at 7pm for 5 weeks meeting online and then concluding with a Retreat day on **Saturday 4th June** from 10am - 4.30pm. Venue: Parish centre, Parish of Maghera, Newcastle. The cost, including study materials and lunch is £35. Email: livingchurch@downandconnor.org



The Cul Camp at Eoghan Rua GAA will run from 18th - 22nd July. Bookings for this are now open at https://www.kelloggsculcamps.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.



September.

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

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'Baoill over six days (May – Oct 2022) 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 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.

TRÓCAIRE LENT 2022

Climate shocks. Poverty. Covid. Conflict. For vulnerable people suffering far from the media spotlight this Lent, you can let them know they are not forgotten. Please fill and return your Trócaire box to help families grow food for their future and allow their children to thrive and survive.

SACRAMENTS IN STAR OF THE SEA



Sunday 22nd May at 12 noon

Sunday 8th May at 12 noon

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.

May the risen Christ fill your heart with joy, bring you new hope, and bless you with peace. Amen.

Happy Easter!

