

# PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



1st May 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday C/Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 3

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Star of the Sea Portstewart  
portstewartparish.website

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

## MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 5.00 pm

Sunday at 10.00am and 7.00pm

Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday – Saturday : Mass at 9.30am

**Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday**

**from 10.00am until 3.00pm on 5th May**

## MASS IN PORTRUSH

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon

Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 7pm,

Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am

## MASS IN ST MALACHY’S, COLERAINE

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am

Tuesday & Thursday at 10am

## REST IN PEACE

**RECENTLY:** Hannah Kane, Peter Dawson, Johny Varghese, Conor Gilmore

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Colette Gaile, Seoirse McKinney (30), Olaf Bond (1), Hannah Martin, Pam McCorry (3), John Robinson (4), Barney Fitzpatrick, Jim and Kathleen McKeown (5), Ann Davies, Jean Flynn (6), Sammy Crerand (7)

## THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY

*For faith-filled young people*

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary’s life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

## 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.**

**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**

## 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 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. Please continue to wear a mask in the church to protect yourself and others.**



## TRÓCAIRE LENT 2022

Please fill and return your Trócaire box as soon as possible.

Thank you to those who have already returned their donations.

Total amount received so far  
£3232.00

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES 2022



### LOURDES 13 – 18 July 2022

Booking forms and information are available from the Parish Office. For further information contact the Pilgrimage Office ☎ 9077 0162

or email: [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org)



### FATIMA 8 - 15 September 2022

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

## THE OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

Exhibition and historical talk by Mr Gerry McAleese in St Patrick’s Hall, Portrush on Thursday and Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm to 10 pm, and Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 5 pm. All donations at event to St Patrick’s Hall Fund. Pay and display Car Park at East Strand Portrush.



## THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT

In line with Pope Francis’ request in Laudato Sí, an Ecology Group is being formed in our Cluster parishes, and we would love you to join us. We are Anam Glas (Green Soul). We plan to start by joining this year’s Big Plastic Count, organised by Greepeace and Everyday Plastic. We need as many households as possible to take part by tracking how much plastic they use in one week. Tally sheets and a guide will be available at upcoming Masses. Let’s uncover the truth about plastic waste – and compare results!

If you would like to know more about Anam Glas or get involved in our environmental projects, contact John:

☎ 07756 955287 or email: [johnboyle2503@gmail.com](mailto:johnboyle2503@gmail.com)



## CUL CAMP JULY 2022

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/>

Early booking is encouraged to ensure your child gets to enjoy this fun filled week.

## 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? 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: [l.mcquillan@downandconnor.org](mailto:l.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. 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](mailto:livingchurch@downandconnor.org)



## THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS

**Centenary Anniversary Event** to celebrate the Anniversary of the death of its founder, local clergyman Canon James O’Neill at the Marine Hotel, Ballycastle. Guest speakers:

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm:** Bishop Noel Treanor, followed by Dr. Eamon Phoenix on the social, political and economic times in Ireland of Canon O’Neill 100 years ago.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2pm:** Mickey Harte, All Ireland Winning Manager on ‘My Faith Journey.’

Please do come along to either event that are free to drop in and attend. <https://knightsofsaintcolumbanus.ie>



## GALA CONCERT AT CLONARD

Trócaire will be hosting a special Spring Gala Concert at Clonard Monastery, Belfast at 7.30pm on

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May**, with performances from Margaret Keys, The Priests and St Dominic’s Girls’ School Choir. Tickets are free of charge but donations will be gratefully received on the night of the concert with all donations matched by the UK government in support of the 2022 Lent Appeal. To reserve tickets, visit [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) and search ‘Clonard Concert Belfast’, email [infoni@trocaire.org](mailto:infoni@trocaire.org) or call 028 9080 8030.



## LOUGH DERG RE-OPENS

Lough Derg welcomes Pilgrims again with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer.

**Three Day Pilgrimage:** 1st June - 15th August.  
**One Day Retreats and guided Pilgrim Path**

**experience:** dates in May and late August - September. To book or for information email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or ☎ 00353 71 9861518. Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.

## 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](mailto:info@accordni.com) Selections will take place in June of this year with training commencing in September.

## SACRAMENTS IN STAR OF THE SEA



**First Communion Sunday 22nd May at 12 noon**

**Confirmation Sunday 8th May at 12 noon**



‘Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent Special Collection for Ukraine. Nationally, this collection has raised to date over €3.25 million. The war in Ukraine, and the terrible suffering which has resulted, has seen a tremendous outpouring of compassion and generosity from our parish communities. Your contributions will

bring much-needed relief to those in the region whose lives and livelihoods have been devastated. The funds raised will be used by the international Catholic Church agency, Caritas Internationalis, which is currently operating on the ground in Ukraine and its surrounding areas. We continue to keep the people of Ukraine in our thoughts, praying for peace and an end to this appalling humanitarian crisis.’  
*Irish Episcopal Conference*

## PARISH BULLETIN

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