PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



22nd May 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter LAUDATO SÍ SUNDAY 2022 Sunday C/Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 2

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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 Saturday Vigil at 5.00 pm Sunday at 10.00am and 7.00pm Next Sunday 29th May will be the last 7.00pm Sunday Mass this term Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm Wednesday - Saturday : Mass at 9.30am **Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday** from 10.00am until 5.00pm



We remember in our prayers all our children who are receiving their First Holy Communion in Star of the Sea Church today.

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, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am

REST IN PEACE

ONE MONTH AGO: Hannah Kane – Month's Mind Mass at 7pm on Sunday 22nd May **ONE YEAR AGO:** Marie-Lou Mullan (22) ANNIVERSARIES: Aidan Clancy (23), Jim Donaghy, Monica Horner (24), John Ferris, Seamus Loughrey (25), Teresa Stanley (26), Bridie Crilly, Pauline O'Kane (27)

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 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.

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.



Join us in the Marian Hall for the final session of Meditating with Mary this Wednesday morning after Mass, where we will come together to share prayer and contemplate Mary's life through inspiring artwork, Gospel passages and quiet reflection. Everybody welcome.

Tea and coffee will be provided and for anyone with mobility issues our stairlift is in full working order!

THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT Today is Laudato Sí Sunday.



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Continuing our goal to meet Pope Francis' request in Laudato Sí, we hope you are still counting your plastic usage for the Big Plastic Count. Our Anam Glas group looks forward to receiving your tally sheet by the end of this month. If you need more sheets or information, please contact Cliodhna: 🕿 07826 315543 or email: cliodhna@gardener.com



THE JESSE TREE for examinations, interviews and decision-making..

We remember in our prayers all those who are currently sitting exams or

assessments, preparing for interviews or making important decisions about their future. We have placed a Jesse Tree in the Church and we invite you to write the names of anyone you would like to remember especially at this time. Individual prayer cards are available under the tree.

May the Holy Spirit guide them and may they be assured of God's love for them regardless of how they perform.

May we as a parish community support them by our prayers and actions so that they come to know God's love more fully.



We invite any children who have already made their First Holy Communion to become part of our Altar Server team who play a really special part in our Masses. If you are interested there will be a short meeting (half an hour) in the church at 3.30pm next Wednesday 25th May. If you would like to find out more please contact Fr Austin or get in touch with Emer 🕿 07709 043921 portstewartpastoralcouncil@gmail.com

REPOSITORY



The Repository Shop is now open again for half an hour after each Mass so please come in and browse when you are passing. Sheila Conway has been very committed in

running the shop virtually single-handedly for a number of years and is now ready for a well-deserved retirement. It would be good to have a few volunteers to share the load and not have just one person committed to being available every day. Please consider if you could spare an hour or two a week to help keep this service going. Contact Bernadette 🕿 07941 733502 if you would like more information.



Our next meeting will be on APOSTOLIC WORK Monday 6th June at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. New members are very welcome.

AGE CONCERN CAUSEWAY 45th Anniversary Celebration FRIDAY 27th MAY 2 – 4pm Dancing. Live Music by



'Driftwood'. Refreshments & Buffet. Vintage Car Display. £10 per ticket. Join us for a memorable afternoon in Cloonavin (Council HQ), 66 Portstewart Rd, Coleraine. Everyone Welcome

Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament in DOWN & CONNOR National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 18th June (Corpus Christi weekend) leaving Belfast City Centre at 6.15 am. Cost £22, bring a packed lunch. Contact Harriet 07812 098991 or Maureen 07745 093530 to inquire or book a seat. More information at: www.eucharisticadoration.ie









"THE MORNING STAR SHINES ON US"

Four Reflective Wednesday afternoon sessions with Sr Magdalen Lawler SND hosted by Drumalis via Zoom in June (8, 15, 22 & 29 June from 2 – 3:30 pm) Sr Magdalen Lawler invites us to join her as she reflects on the paintings of Sieger Koder. The suggested offering to attend the series is £40. To register, 🕿 2827 2196 or email: katrina@drumalis.co.uk

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 or 🕿 00353 71 9861518. Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.

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



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



CEMETERY SUNDAY

Sunday 19th June at 3pm in Agherton Cemetery

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.