PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



24th July 2022 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday C/Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 1

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 5.00 pm Sunday at 10.00am Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm Wednesday – Saturday : Mass at 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday from 10am – 5pm

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

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Sunday at noon Wednesday at 10.30am

MASS IN ST MALACHY'S, COLERAINE

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am

SAFETY REGULATIONS IN STAR OF THE SEA

The main body of the church is now open.

If you are still unhappy about attending Mass without social distancing, we will try to seat you in the Baptistry, which remains roped.

Please Emer 07709 043921 if you wish to sit here.

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.



REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Eileen Connolly

ANNIVERSARIES: Ronnie O'Regan, Mary Breschi (23), James McElhill (25), Leo Marshall, Louis Holmes, Owen McMahon, Pam Ramsay (26), Jack Hickey, Maureen McCann, Hugh O'Kane (27), Hugh & Susan Brown, Joseph Brown (28)

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY
We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



THIS WEEKEND

We welcome Fr Brendan Carr from the Holy Ghost (Spiritan) Missions to our Parish this weekend. He will speak to us about his own mission experiences and the works of the Holy Ghost Congregation around the world.



APOSTOLIC WORK – THANKS Thank you to all who contributed so

Thank you to all who contributed so generously to our recent Church Door collection which raised £1510 to date.

The aim of Apostolic Work is the relief of poverty, the preservation of health and

the advance of education in the poorest areas of the world. We support priests, sisters and brothers in their spiritual and pastoral work in these countries. All your donations will go to help those most in need. You can still donate if you wish by contacting Teresa Fitzpatrick or the Parish Office. Thank you.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK



The Legion of Mary are hoping to organise a one-day pilgrimage to Knock in September. We need to know how many people would be interested in joining the trip before booking a bus. If you would like to know more, or put your name down on the list, please contact Alice: 70,7851,749547



YOUTH 2000

Join over 1000 young people between 16 and 35 this August at the

Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from Thursday 11th August to Sunday 14th August 2022. For more information and to book your place go to: www.youth2000.ie



DOWN & CONNOR SINGING FOR BOYS SUMMER MUSIC COURSE 2022 Monday 8 August – Friday 12 August

St Dominic's Grammar School 135 Falls Road, Belfast BT12 6AE

This 5-day course is aimed at boys aged 8-16 who want to improve their singing voice and musical skills. For more information, or to apply: please email

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schola@downandconnor.org

MOBILITY SCOOTER

SVP have a mobility scooter available. If you could use one, and have garage storage space, please contact SVP

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DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST

JOB VACANCY IN THE LIVING CHURCH OFFICE

SUPPORT OFFICER / PERSONAL ASSISTANT

An opportunity has arisen within our Living Church Office, where we seek to recruit a Support Officer/Personal Assistant. The successful candidate will provide a comprehensive and professional support to the Director of the Living Church Office, and administration and co-ordination support to the wider team. We see this as an exciting and challenging opportunity in the life and mission of the Church. The successful candidate will be key to efficient office organisation and deadline compliance.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment, 35 hours per week, 9.00am – 5.00pm Monday – Friday. Salary: Will be considered within the range of £24,000 to £27,000 gross per annum – commensurate upon experience.

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 28th July 2022

Full details can be found on the Diocesan website at: http://www.downandconnor.org by clicking on the tab: job vacancies and on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites, where terms and conditions relating to the roles can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form.

We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria as presented and are interested in playing an active role within the Diocese of Down and Connor.

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PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, please email: secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk or secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk or secretary@portstewartparish.co.uk



PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Lord Jesus,

you were born of the Virgin Mary,
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment
for families, for the Church and for all of society.
Support them! As they grow older,
may they continue to be for all families
strong pillars of Gospel faith,
guardians of noble domestic ideals,
living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
that they may pass on to future generations the fruits
of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,

help families and society to value
the presence and roles of grandparents.
May they never be ignored or excluded,
but always encounter respect and love.
Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed
in all the years of life which you give them.
Mary, Mother of all the living,
keep grandparents constantly in your care,
accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,
and by your prayers, grant that all families
may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,
where you await all humanity for the great
embrace of life without end.

Amen
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

