

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



11th September 2022

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday C/Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 3

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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

Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday – Saturday : Mass at 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday
from 10am – 5pm

Confessions in the Church
on Saturday at 10am and 4pm
and at 10am on the first Friday of the month

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

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Sunday at 12 noon

Monday at 10.30am

MASS IN ST MALACHY'S, COLERAINE

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Deirdre McAuley, Seamus McLaughlin (Bellarena)

ONE YEAR AGO: Elizabeth Watton

ANNIVERSARIES: Andrew Diamond, Sarah Brown, Margaret McCrory (10), John Devine, Peter Doherty, Dorothy Ellis, Fearghal Devlin, Patrick McGarry (11), Mary Ann McCrory (12), Susan McGarry (14), Patrick Campbell, Nan McCorrison, Patricia McElhill (15), Jackie McCloskey, Joseph McGarry (16)

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER



We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

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, please sit in the Baptistry, which remains roped.

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



EOGHAN RUA GAC

Eoghan Rua are expanding their facilities to include a new pitch to satisfy the growing needs of the club. To help finance this project the Friends of Eoghan Rua are

holding a **GRAND DEVELOPMENT DRAW** with a £10,000 first prize. Friends of Eoghan Rua are asking you to invest in the future of children in Coleraine, Portstewart and Portrush. A second pitch means we will ensure a bright future in a welcoming social and sporting environment. **Tickets costing £20 will be on sale after Masses this weekend**

Cash and card payments accepted.



DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

The parishes of Ballymoney, Coleraine, Portstewart, Portrush and Bushmills will hold a Day of Eucharistic Adoration for peace in Ukraine.

The Day of Prayer will take the form of Eucharistic Adoration which will be held in **ST MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE ON WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER FROM 10.30am – 8pm**

The Eucharistic Adoration will conclude with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7.30pm. If you would like to volunteer to be an adorer for an hour before the Blessed Sacrament on this day, please contact Paula at St. Malachy's, Coleraine (☎ 7034 3156) on Monday 12th or Tuesday 13th September from 8am – 1pm. **All are invited to call into the Church during the day and pray for any length of time.** As a Church we will express our solidarity for the Ukrainian people by uniting in prayer for peace in their country.

LOOP SYSTEM

There have been recent changes to the Church Loop System. If you use this system, it would be helpful if you could report back to the office on whether the changes have made a difference to the sound quality. Thank you.

CAUSEWAY COAST PEACE GROUP

You are warmly invited to the next bi-monthly meeting of the Peace Group on **Tuesday 13th September** in Ballintoy Parish Church Hall. The Speaker will be Dereck Wilson on 'Nurturing Hope.' Tea and Coffee will be served from 10.00am.

ARE YOU LIVING WITH CANCER?

You are invited to an event on **Saturday 17th September** at the Lodge Hotel, Coleraine from 10am – 12 noon. The speaker will be Hazel Reid. Refreshments will be served. Please register by 10th September. ☎ 07458 038402 or email: semeron-ministry@outlook.com

THE MEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE 2022

A Catholic Conference for Men will be LIVE & EXCLUSIVE on Radio Maria Ireland **Saturday 17th September** from 2pm.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The Legion of Mary one-day pilgrimage to Knock will take place on **Sunday 25th September**. Cost: £20 for the bus (departs Portstewart Promenade at **7.30am**) Evening meal optional (£20 extra) or bring a packed lunch. To book, please contact Alice: ☎ 07851 749547

A TASTE OF THE BIBLE: How the Early Church was Born



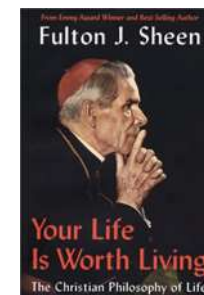
Pope Benedict XVI: 'All the faithful should read the bible every day.' Explore Acts of the Apostles (Part 1) and discuss its relevance for today.

Thursday evenings 8pm to 9.30 by Zoom FREE

10 weeks: 22 September to 24 November. For further information, email: tasteofbible@gmail.com

☎ Ernestine 07760 647665 or Bernadette 07941 733502

FAITH DEVELOPMENT COURSE



'Your Life is worth Living' (Online)

We all search for meaning and purpose and truth. This 8- week course will use Venerable Sheen's Book 'Your Life is Worth Living: 50 Lessons to Deepen Your Faith' to help explore and deepen our faith in God and our personal relationship with Jesus. In Fulton Sheen's words, 'You would not be

seeking God if you had not already, in some way, found him'. The course is free but you will need a copy of the course book by Fulton Sheen. Books can be ordered.

Course details. There will be two groups: -

1. Commencing **Wednesday October 5th** from 7-8.30pm

2. Commencing **Thursday October 6th** from 7-8.30pm

To register, please contact Kieran Hill:

kc.hill@btinternet.com ☎ 07964 287839

APOSTOLIC WORK

The next meeting will be in the Parish Centre on **Monday 13th September** at 7.00pm. New members welcome.

PORTSTEWART CHURCHES FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Quiet Day in Corrymeela

facilitated by Br David Jardine (Divine Healing Ministries) and assisted by Rev Jim Rea (ex-President of the Methodist Church) on **Thursday 20th October**.

Cost: Approximately £20pp. All very welcome.

Contact: Deirdre Bannon ☎ 7083 3648 if interested.

THANK YOU



Earlier in the year we had a visit from a past parishioner, Dr Gaudence Nyirabikali. She spoke at masses about a Dominican Order project in Bangui, Central African Republic, in which she is involved, building a

school and a Centre for Inter-Religious Dialogue. Those involved wish to convey their grateful thanks to

parishioners for the cheque we kindly sent for £1675.

In the photo are Bishop Richard Appora OP, Gaudence, and Father Justin Ndema OP, responsible for the project.

BOWLS IN THE PARISH CENTRE

The Bowling Club reopens on Tuesday 20th September at 7pm in the Parish Centre. Sessions run on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and new members are very welcome to give it a try. All equipment provided.

PARISH CENTRE		11 - 17 September
Sun:	Innova Irish Dance	1430 – 1830
Mon:	Luna Yoga	0930 – 1030
	Zumbini	1430 – 1530
	Karate: Juniors	1845 – 1930
	Karate: Seniors	1930 – 2045
	Apostolic Work	1900
Tues:	U3A Pilates	0815 – 1145
	U3A Whist	1430 – 1645
	Innova Irish Dance	1615 – 1845
	Legion of Mary	1930 – 2100
Wed:	Luna Yoga	0930 – 1030
	U3A Bridge	1400 – 1700
	Innova Irish Dance	1715 – 2030
	Causeway Bridge	1900 – 2200
Thur:	U3A Bridge	1030 – 1400
	Innova Irish Dance	1545 – 1845
Fri:	Luna Yoga	0930 – 1030
	AA	2030 – 2200
Sat:	Innova Irish Dance	1000 – 1700

PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, please email:

portstewart@downandconnor.org

or ☎ 7083 2534 by 5pm on Thursday.