PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community 5th March 2023 Sunday A / Weekdays 1 Psalter Week 2 SECOND'SUNDAYIN

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Parish Office Hours 6 - 10 March

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY 9am – 2pm

THE OFFICE IS CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY

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Star of the Sea Portstewart portstewartparish.website

MASSES THIS WEEK IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm Sunday Mass at 10am Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm Wednesday - Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday 10.00 - 5.00pm



CONFESSIONS Saturday at 10am and 4pm and 10am on the First Friday of the month

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Children's Liturgy takes place at the Sunday 10am Mass and is open to all primary school children.

CHURCH CHOIR PRACTICE Rehearsals resume this Tuesday 7th March at 7.30pm. All welcome.

CAR PARKING FOR WEEKEND MASSES The Parish Centre car park will be open for parking during the Vigil and Sunday morning Masses.

REST IN PEACE

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret Padley, Deacon Hugh Robinson, Robert Rankin, Kevin Dolan, Bernadette Taggart, Andrew Stanton

ONE MONTH AGO: Kathleen Mullan, Seamus Dunn

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr Neil McCamphill, Mary Charley, Vincent Fulton, Rosaleen Corrigan, Patrick McCullagh

LIVING CHURCH: LAY MINISTRY TRAINING DAYS

The Living Church Office is offering a range of lay ministry formation programs for **Ministers of the** Word, Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers, and Baptism preparation teams. These programs have been designed to provide opportunities for lay ministers to reflect on the significance of their own baptism and to provide space for personal, spiritual, and catechetical formation. Participants need to be available for both elements of the program. Cost per person is £10 which includes lunch at the enrichment day. Places are limited - early booking is advised.



BAPTISM – OUR CALL TO MISSION Baptism Online Session: Wednesday 22nd March 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Enrichment Day: Saturday 25th March: Holy Rosary Parish Centre 10.00am – 4.00pm

Book: https://forms.office.com/e/1wcC3F7F31



PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD IN THE **GATHERED COMMUNITY**

Online Session: Monday 17th April 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Enrichment Day: Saturday 22nd April: Holy Rosary Parish Centre 10.00am – 4.00pm Book: https://forms.office.com/e/9NgXoLKevW

EUCHARIST – FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

Online Session: Wednesday 10th May 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Enrichment Day: Saturday 13th May: Holy Rosary Parish Centre 10.00am – 4.00pm Book: https://forms.office.com/e/hDNes3KNC9

MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF APOSTOLIC WORK Wednesday 8th March at 9.30am

ST PATRICK'S DAY COFFEE MORNING Eoghan Rua clubhouse and pitch on Friday 17th March from 10.30am to 1pm.

- Tea and coffees with traybakes, cakes etc

- Live traditional music.
- Face painting, indoor and outdoor activities for kids.
- Raffle prizes and lots more.

All the community is welcome and donations will help support the development of the club.

Donations of raffle prizes are welcome.

There will be transport organised from Star of the Sea Church up to the clubhouse after Mass for anyone without access to a car.



CELEBRATING THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

JOURNEYING WITH JESUS THIS LENT

Each day during Lent we will take a Daily Dip into the Scripture for the day on our Parish Facebook Page. Please like or follow us on Facebook to see the posts each day. https://www.facebook.com/staroftheseaportstewart

Each weekday during Lent there will be Mass at 7am in St Malachy's Church, Coleraine

LECTIO DIVINA

In the busyness of everyday life, it can often be difficult to find space for silence and quiet meditation. This Lent, we will be providing that quiet space to reflect on the Living Word of God. All are very welcome.

- Marian Hall, Portstewart
- 8pm 9pm followed by refreshments
- Every Thursday

No need to book, just come along. Any questions please contact Bridgeen 🕿 075 46092912

LENTEN SCRIPTURE, PRAYER AND REFLECTION

You're very welcome to join us as we meditate on Holy Scripture. We'll have music, images and prayer to help us reflect on the Word of God for each of the Sundays in Lent.

- Marian Hall, Portstewart
- 10am (after Mass) followed by refreshments
- **Every Friday**

No need to book, just come along. Any questions please contact Helen 🕿 077 65014681.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday at 3.00pm

TAIZÉ PRAYER & SONG

Every Tuesday from 6.30 – 7pm followed by the evening Mass with Taizé music and chants. Taizé prayer offers us a time of quiet, prayerful reflection through meditative music, silence and reflection on the Word of God, with dimmed lighting in the Church.

LENTEN WALK

Join us every Wednesday morning at 8am. We will meet outside the Church and begin with a prayer. Each week we will be picking a different area of the Parish and will offer up our walk for the intentions of all who live in that area. Our walk will go via the Convent Walk and back by the Strand Road to the Church, finishing with a short prayer at 8.30am. An opportunity to build friendship and community!

LENT DEVOTIONS IN BALLYMONEY

There will be Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on the Tuesdays of Lent at 7pm. Confessions from 6.30pm.

THANK YOU to all those who supported Hannah Ruth Mullan's Fundraiser for the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in July& August 2023. A wonderful total of £330 was raised. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, please email: portstewart@downandconnor.org by 2pm on Thursday please.

11-17 or 12-17 July For full details or to book, please contact the Pilgrimage Office 🕿 9077 0162 or email: Lourdes@downandconnor.org



DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

LOURDES YOUTH TEAM

11-17 July All applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 24 in July 2023. Limited spaces available. Contact Lourdes@downandconnor.org

NURSES - WILL YOU LEND A HAND? You will be part of a very special and faith-filled community. Please email your contact details to Lourdes@downandconnor.org

PILGRIMAGE AROUND LOUGH NEAGH A new spiritual tour, led by Jim Deeds and Christine Doherty on March 25th.

Cost per person for this one day experience is £80, inclusive of coach transfer to and between 3 Monastic sites, tea/coffee at the Lock Keeper's Cottage in Toomebridge, evening meal in Benburb Priory, historic information and spiritual guidance.

Coach pickup is at Castle Mall car park, Antrim at 10am, returning by 6pm. poetryandprayers@hotmail.com

COLLECTION

Last weekend's Parish Collection came to £1650 Thank you for your generosity and support.

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Sunday at 12 noon Monday & Tuesday at 10.30am

MASS IN ST MALACHY'S, COLERAINE Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am Extra 7am weekday Mass during Lent

MASS IN BALLYMONEY Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 10am & 5pm

Monday & Wednesday 10am, Friday 7pm

PARISH BULLETIN