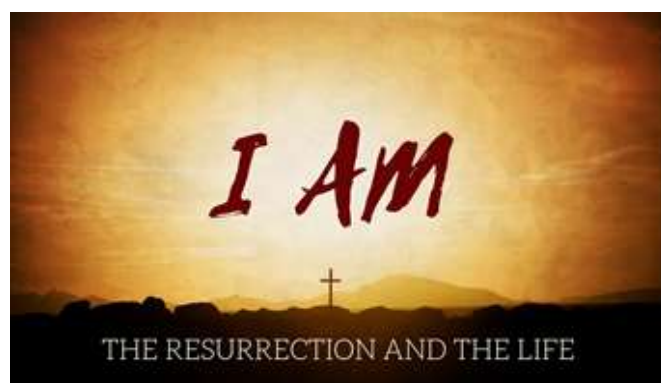


# PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community

26th March 2023

Sunday A / Weekdays 1 Psalter Week 1



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Parish Office Hours 27 – 31 March

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

**THE OFFICE IS CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY**

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Star of the Sea Portstewart  
[portstewartparish.website](http://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.

## 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:** Fr Jim Sheppard, Maeve Crockett,  
Ann Lundy, Deacon Hugh Robinson, Kevin Dolan,  
Bernadette Taggart

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Alexander Rooney, Timothy Shearer,  
Mary Keenan, Bridget Boyle, John Farren, Loris Kelly,  
Anna McElhone, Margaret (Meta) McAuley, Isabel  
McManus



## 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

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

## LENTEN SCRIPTURE, PRAYER AND REFLECTION

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



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday at 3.00pm

## TAIZÉ PRAYER & SONG

Tuesday from 6.30 – 7pm followed by the evening Mass  
with Taizé music and chants.

## LENTEN WALK

Wednesday morning at 8am, beginning with a prayer  
outside the church.

## EASTER MASSES IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

The Easter Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 9.00pm.  
On Easter Sunday morning, there will be a Dawn Mass  
at 6.00am, followed by breakfast.

**To assist with catering, please give your name to one  
of the stewards at the back of the church if you  
would like to attend this Mass. Alternatively, you can  
email [portstewartpastoralcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:portstewartpastoralcouncil@gmail.com) or  
07709 043921**

Easter morning Mass will be at 10.00am

## DIVINE HEALING MINISTRIES



## FLAME CLUB

The parish youth club runs every Friday from 6-8pm in the  
Parish Centre for children 6 and above. We are always  
delighted to welcome more youth leaders but we would  
especially like to encourage 18+ volunteers to support our  
dedicated team. Contact Emer: 07709 043921  
[flameclubportstewart@gmail.com](mailto:flameclubportstewart@gmail.com)

**THE CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE** is a non-denominational charity  
that seeks to promote a Christian perspective in our  
increasingly secular society. They are holding a session  
'Defending Faith, Family and Freedom' at the Lodge Hotel,  
Coleraine 8pm-9.30pm on **Tuesday 28 March** to discuss  
current issues including gender ideology, 'conversion  
therapy' and assisted suicide. No need to book. Contact  
Sandra Mackay: [sandra.mackay@christian.org.uk](mailto:sandra.mackay@christian.org.uk)

## ST PATRICK'S PILGRIM WAY

Come & be amazed on a journey of faith in County Down.  
Former Adoration sisters Martina Purdy & Elaine Kelly lead  
guided walks to St Patrick's mission sites dating to 432AD.  
Stay in Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre, visit Saul, Slieve  
Patrick, St Patrick's grave & Holy Cross Abbey. Five days at  
Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre inc all meals, transport,  
activities. £850. Discounts for groups. April 24-28th or  
July 17-21st. Details [www.saintpatrickcentre.com](http://www.saintpatrickcentre.com) or call  
Downpatrick (02844) 619000



**THANK YOU** to all who  
bought shamrocks on  
St Patrick's Day.

An amazing total of £610 was raised for  
the Trócaire Lenten Appeal.

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

**11-17 or 12-17 July** For full details or to book, please contact  
the Pilgrimage Office 09077 0162 or email:  
[Lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:Lourdes@downandconnor.org)

## LOURDES YOUTH TEAM

**11-17 July** All applicants must be between the ages of 17  
and 24 in July 2023. [Lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:Lourdes@downandconnor.org)

## NURSES – WILL YOU LEND A HAND?

Please email your contact details to  
[Lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:Lourdes@downandconnor.org)

## COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Gift envelopes for 2023/24 are now available and can be  
collected from the Church at Mass times,  
or from the office **during office hours only**.

If you have not used envelopes before, and would like to  
start contributing in this way, please leave your name and  
contact number on the list provided.

Remember that you can also support the parish through a  
regular standing order or by making a  
one-off payment through your bank or online.

Our account details are:

**Portstewart Parish**

**Sort Code: 95-04-28**

**Account number: 91011049**

**Please use your name as our reference.**

If you want to give by cheque please make your cheque  
payable to: **Portstewart Parish**.

**Gift Aid forms are also available.**

Thank you for your support.

## COLLECTION

Last weekend's Parish Collection came to **£1292**  
The Collection for Needy Parishes came to **£635**  
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

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

**First Holy Communion (St Colum's PS):**  
Saturday 20th May at 12 noon

**Confirmation (St Colum's PS):**  
Sunday 4th June at 12 noon

**Cemetery Sunday:**  
Sunday 25th June in Agherton Cemetery

## PARISH BULLETIN

Email: [portstewart@downandconnor.org](mailto:portstewart@downandconnor.org)  
by 2pm on Thursday please.