

PORTSTEWART PARISH

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community

9th April 2023

Sunday A / Weekdays 1 Psalter Week 1

EASTER SUNDAY

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY
9am – 2pm

**THE OFFICE IS CLOSED
ON MONDAY & WEDNESDAY**

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Star of the Sea Portstewart
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MASSES THIS WEEK IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

Tuesday – Saturday: Mass at 10am
Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm
Sunday Mass at 10am

**NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
THIS THURSDAY 13th APRIL**

*The Parish Centre Car Park is open
for all weekend Masses.*



CONFESSIONS

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



THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

*For a culture of peace and non-violence
We pray for the spread of peace and
non-violence, by decreasing the use of
weapons by States and citizens.*

REST IN PEACE

RECENTLY DECEASED: Darren O’Neill

ONE MONTH AGO: Margaret Padley, Deacon Hugh
Robinson, Ann Lundy, Maeve Crockett RIP

ANNIVERSARIES: Kathleen Smylie, Dominic Mullan,
Patsy O’Neill, Padraic and Seamus Harley, Hilary
Magowan, Dympna Farrelly, Joyce Fisher, Joseph
Bradley RIP

DIOCESAN VOCATION RETREAT

**“Follow Christ
loving as he
loved you,
giving himself
up in our place
as a fragrant
offering.”**
– Eph 5:2

21 – 23 April 2023

at Drumalis Retreat House, Larne
directed by Fr Stephen Langridge.

Sometimes, to hear Christ’s fragrant
offering, it takes all of your senses. Come
and join us as we help you discern and
cultivate the seed of God’s love in you.

[https://www.eventbrite.com/o/northern-
dioceses-vocationsdirectors-61425428073](https://www.eventbrite.com/o/northern-dioceses-vocationsdirectors-61425428073)

CHILDREN’S LITURGY

There will be NO Children’s Liturgy next Sunday 16th
April. We will be back at the 10am Mass
on Sunday 23rd April.



TRÓCAIRE LENT 2023

If you have not already returned
your Trócaire box, please leave it
back to the Parish Office
(during office hours)
as soon as possible.
Thank you.

RECOMMITMENT AT CLONARD

Sunday 16th April 3-4pm in Clonard Monastery.

Join us as we acknowledge the courage of those who
helped create a moment of hope 25 years ago, and
take this opportunity to rededicate ourselves today to
a just and lasting peace. The Recommitment at
Clonard is the centrepiece of a series of events hosted
by Corrymeela to mark the anniversary of the Belfast/
Good Friday Agreement. For further information and
to book your free tickets visit corrymeela.org.

ROSARY ON THE COAST

The next Rosary on the Coast will be held at 3pm on
Sunday 16th April on Benone Strand, Limavady, left hand
side as usual. All Rosary Coasters and new members
welcome as ever. ☎ 077 303 30028.

ST PATRICK’S PILGRIM WAY

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. Visit Saul, Slieve
Patrick, St Patrick’s grave & Holy Cross Abbey.
5 days at Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre including all meals,
transport, activities. £850. Discounts for groups. April 24-
28th or July 17-21st. ☎ (02844) 619000 or
www.saintpatrickcentre.com



The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce
is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a
programme of bereavement support in St Bride’s Hall,
Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast on three Saturdays (April
29th; May 27th and June 24th 2023) Booking essential.
To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie
07896 119669 or email: belfastbe@yahoo.com



GARDEN MAINTENANCE

We will soon be tendering for a grass cutting/
gardening service for Church grounds at the
Parishes of St Malachy’s, Coleraine and
Portstewart. We welcome applications from those with
the necessary equipment (ride-on lawn mowers, hedge
cutters etc) and the appropriate insurance. Please forward
your details to Father Kevin McGuckien at Portstewart
Office: portstewart@downandconnor.org
☎ 02870832534 Once details are in, we will supply
applicants with appropriate Tender Forms specifying the
precise works involved. Return of the Tenders pricing the
works can then be submitted by a specified date.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Gift envelopes for 2023/24 are available and can be
collected from the office **during office hours only.**

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 **£1786**
The Monthly Collection came to: **£1420**
Thank you for your generosity and support.

MASSES IN OUR PARISHES THIS WEEK

MASS IN PORTRUSH

Friday at 10.30am
Sunday at 12 noon

MASS IN ST MALACHY’S, COLERAINE

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

MASS IN BALLYMONEY

Monday at 10am, Tuesday at 10am in Dervock,
Wednesday at 10am
(no Mass or confessions on Friday)
Saturday Vigil 6pm, Sunday at 10am and 5pm

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH



First Communion

Saturday 20th May at 11am



Confirmation

Sunday 4th June at 12 noon



Cemetery Sunday: Sunday 25th June at 3pm
in Agherton Cemetery



THANK YOU

The Lundy family would like to thank parishioners
for their kindness and loving support following
the death of Ann. Your Mass cards, prayers and
presence have been very much appreciated.

NEXT WEEKEND 15-16 APRIL

VIGIL

Minister of the Word: Alison Rankin

Eucharistic Ministers: Geraldine Doherty, Mary Loughrey,
Ruth McGuckian

SUNDAY 10am

Minister of the Word: Una Crowe

Eucharistic Ministers: Deirdre Bannon* Margaret
McLernon* Mary Gordon* Susan Kelly

*May the risen Christ
fill your heart with joy,
bring you new hope,
and bless you with peace. Amen.*

