

THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS AND COLERAINE

North Connor Pastoral Community

Fr Kevin McGuckien PP Telephone: 028 7083 2534 Email: k.mcguckien@downandconnor.org The Baptism of the Lord

7th January 2024

Sunday B / Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 1

MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISHES THIS WEEK

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm Sunday Mass at 10am

Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 10am Mass recommencing next Sunday 14th January

Tuesday Mass at 7pm Wednesday - Saturday: Mass at 9.30am **Eucharistic Adoration:** every Thursday from 10am - 5pm

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

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

Sunday at 12 noon Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 10.30am **Eucharistic Adoration:** First Friday of the Month from 11am - 3pm **CONFESSIONS: Friday at 10am**

ST MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

Saturday Vigil at 6.30pm, Sunday at 11am Tuesday & Friday at 10am

OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 9.30am & 5pm Monday & Wednesday 10am, Friday 7pm



PORTSTEWART TRAVELLING SERVICE TODAY Sunday 7th January starting at 11.30am at the Methodist Church. **Theme: Peace in the World**

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!

Could you help with cleaning and maintaining Star of the Sea Church? It was wonderful to have the church sparkling this Christmas and we would like to keep it that way! We are also in need of people to help with Sacristy duties. If you could offer a little time to help in any way, please contact Emer 207709 043921 or the Parish Office.



SVP Helplines

PORTSTEWART: 07508 549572 PORTRUSH: 07508 549574

PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: Ruth McGuckian 7083 2534 Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

> Parish Office Hours 8-12 January Monday, Thursday & Friday 9am - 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Bishop Patrick Walsh, Pauline Dillon (Carrickfergus), Anna Gatt, Alan Doherty, Stella O'Reilly, Terri Darragh, Michael Carlin RIP

ONE YEAR AGO: Charlie McKeever

ANNIVERSARIES: Michael Lagan, Alison O'Doherty, Deirdre Donnelly, Michael O'Loughlin, Patrick (Patsy) McCrory, Marie Kennedy, Margaret McKeegan, Ian Madden, Peter Bradley, Margaret Ferris, Roisin Mackle

NEXT WEEKEND 13-14 January (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL Minister of the Word: Mary Loughrey Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret McQuillan, Helen Conway, Geraldine Doherty

SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Edel Mooney Eucharistic Ministers: Mary McMahon*, Ruth McGuckian*, Margaret McLernon, Terry Butcher

PORTSTEWART PARISH CELL GROUPS

Meetings restart on **Monday 8**th **January** with an online meeting every Monday at 2pm and a meeting in the home of a Cell leader every other Thursday at 7pm. Please note the change of day. We warmly encourage you to join us, in whichever meeting suits you, as we come together in friendship to chat together, to praise God, reflect on a familiar Gospel passage and pray for our needs, the needs of the parish community and of the world. To find out more Mary 07769885710 or Ernestine 07760647665.

PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy 7082 3388 Email: portrush@downandconnor.org

> Parish Office Hours 8-12 January Tuesday 9am - 1pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Bishop Patrick Walsh RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Ethna McLaughlin, Jackie McNally, Mary Thompson, Chrissie McAlister

NEXT SUNDAY 14 January (PORTRUSH)

Minister of the Word: Kate Magee **Eucharistic Minister:** Malgorzata Rutka

ALTAR SOCIETY

6th – 20th January: Rose Minihan & Kathleen Curran

COLERAINE

Parish Office Hours 8-12 January **OFFICE CLOSED** Please address all enquiries to Portstewart Parish Office 7083 2534

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Bishop Patrick Walsh, Katya Watson, Michael Carlin RIP

ANNIVERSARIES: John McCamphill, Ian Madden, Brian MacKenna, Desmond MacKenna, Frank Malloy, Ann Lewis, Florence and Keith Engall, Anthony McCrudden

ST MALACHY'S PARISH CELL SYSTEM OF EVANGELISATION

Our first meeting of 2024 will be on Wednesday 10th January. We gather every fortnight in a home setting to praise and thank God, to read scripture and reflect on what it has to say to us in our lives today. We pray for the world, for those who have asked for our prayers and for our own intentions. This is followed by a time to sit and chat over light refreshments. We build friendships and support each other in times of joy and sorrow. Come and see at one of our meetings. You will be warmly welcomed. For further information, please telephone: Anne Armstrong - 07513848468

Maureen Mullan - 07929223913 Frank Reynolds - 07849310514

CAUSEWAY COAST PEACE GROUP

You are warmly invited to a meeting on **Tuesday** 9th January at Ballywillan Presbyterian Church Hall, Portrush from 10am-12noon. Captain Tim Cook will talk about the work of the Salvation Army locally and about the signs of hope they are seeing. Visitors welcome.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

8 weekly sessions **Online via zoom.** Course participants will receive a resource pack. The programme requires one hour of study per week. Beginning Wednesday 17th January @ 7pm The program will conclude with a Retreat Day on Saturday 23rd March at Holy Rosary Parish Centre, Belfast

Facilitators: Fr Paul Byrne & Aishling Steen The cost of the program is £30. To book your place click on the link: https://forms.office.com/e/HTLtfTXUaD Email: c.carmichael@downandconnor.org 2 9069 0920

PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, please email: portstewart@downandconnor.org by 11am on Thursday.

STAY CURIOUS: TRY ALPHA



You are warmly invited to presentations and group conversations exploring life, faith and meaning in a friendly inter-denominational

Mondays 7-9pm from 22nd January for 12 weeks

at Fidela Coffee, 9 Newmills Road, Coleraine Further information: Alphanorthcoast@gmail.com or Ernestine 077 6064 7665

Prospective students and their parents are warmly invited

DOMINICAN COLLEGE, PORTSTEWART **Open Night/Morning**

Wednesday 17th January 2024 (7.00pm - 9.30pm) & Friday 19th January 2024 (9.00am – 11.30am)

Parents, Guardians and prospective pupils are all warmly invited to visit the school.

The Principal will give an introductory address to pupils and parents at 7pm on Wednesday and at 9am on Friday

LORETO COLLEGE COLERAINE

invites parents and pupils transferring to Yr8 and Yr13 to attend its OPEN DAY on Saturday 13th January 2024 from 9.30am-1.00pm (See School Website for details)

ST. COLUM'S PORTSTEWART PRIMARY SCHOOL AND PRESCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2024



Is your child due to start Pre-School or Primary 1 in September 2024? Online applications open via EA Connect on **Tuesday 9**th **January at 12 noon**.

Visit https://connect.eani.org.uk/parent/ to apply. Further information on the admissions process is available at www.eani.org.uk/admissions

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Parish Collection: £1167

Our account details are: Portstewart Parish Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049

Please use your name as our reference.

PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Parish Collection: £746 Our account details are: Portrush Parish Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207 Please use your name as our reference.

COLERAINE

Last weekend's Parish Collection came to £896 Our account details are: St Malachy's Church Sort Code: 90-48-00 Account number: 88609151 Please use your name as our reference.

Thank you