



THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

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31st March 2024

EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

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EASTER WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

Monday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

There is no Adoration on Thursday 4th April.
Eucharistic Adoration will resume on Thursday 11th April.

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm

Sunday Mass at 10am

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

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

Weekday Masses in Portstewart Monday - Friday

Friday: Mass at 10.30am

Sunday: Mass at 12 noon

ST MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

NO WEEKDAY MASSES 1 – 5 APRIL

Saturday Vigil at 6.30pm, Sunday at 11am

OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

Monday & Wednesday 10am, Friday 7pm

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 9.30am & 5pm

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Parish Collection: £1535

Our account details are: Portstewart Parish

Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049

PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Parish Collection: £551

Our account details are: Portrush Parish

Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207

Please use your name as our reference

Thank you for your generosity and support

PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: Ruth McGuckian 7083 2534

Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours 1-5 April

Thursday & Friday 9am – 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Margaret Gibson (nee Kelly), Martina McAuley, Sheila Mullan, Kate Boyle, Steve Parr, John Burgoyne, Desmond Campbell RIP

ONE YEAR AGO: Darren O'Neill

ANNIVERSARIES: John Farren, Isabel McManus, Hugh McGarry, JP McMullan, Michelle Platt, John McCurdy, Winnie McFaul, Patrick Mullen, James Mulhern, Catherine Laverty

NEXT WEEKEND 6-7 April (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL Minister of the Word: Mary O'Hara

Eucharistic Ministers: Helen Conway, Jimmy Dempsey, Martina Murphy

SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Una Crowe

Eucharistic Ministers: Deirdre Bannon* Pat Calvert* Seamus O'Hara, Terry Butcher

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be no Children's Liturgy during the Easter holiday period. We will be back at the 10am Mass on Sunday 14th April.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Please join us in St Mary's, Star of the Sea Church as we pray the Divine Mercy Novena starting on Good Friday (individual times below)

Day 1: Good Friday, directly after morning prayer

Day 2: Holy Saturday, directly after morning prayer

Day 3: Easter Sunday, 9am

Days 4 - 9: Monday 1st April - Saturday 6th April, directly after morning Mass

The Divine Mercy Feast will be celebrated at the weekend Masses on 6th and 7th April.



TRÓCAIRE LENT 2024

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.

PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy 7082 3388

Email: portrush@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours 1-5 April

Office closed this week

Please contact the Portstewart office with any queries.

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Sheila Mullan, Rudi Forte

ANNIVERSARIES: Joe Marsella

NEXT SUNDAY 7 April (PORTRUSH)

Minister of the Word: Peter Sheridan

Eucharistic Minister: Jimmy Friel

ALTAR SOCIETY

30 March – 12 April: Mary Gordon, Marie McAuley



Please note that there will be no Coffee Morning on Easter Monday 1st April.

Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament in DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESE

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock Sunday 14th April (weekend after Divine Mercy.)

Ring 07963 581 543 to enquire or book a seat.

Full Bus details on www.eucharisticadoration.ie

COLERAINE AREA CHILD CONTACT CENTRE

CACCC does vitally important work in our community enabling children, where there has been family breakdown, to have contact with a parent or family member. There has been a recent increase in demand and now 18 families, with over 20 children, are making reconnections with family members in the Centres in Coleraine and Ballycastle. CACCC needs to recruit more volunteers to maintain this vital service and ask people to consider giving one morning or afternoon a month. Training support and vetting all take place so you are well prepared. CACCC is also wishing to add to our team of Trustees who meet about 5 times a year who have some expertise in charity work and are committed to its aims and objectives. Contact Shirley McPhillimy 07706661244 or Emma 07899792948.



SYNODALITY EXPLORED:

FACING THE FUTURE TOGETHER

Friday 19th and Saturday 20th April

All are welcome at this Conference to be held at St John's Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine.

No pre-booking is required.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS IN OUR PARISHES

First Holy Communion

PORTSTEWART: Saturday 27th April at 10am

PORTRUSH: Saturday 13th April at 12 noon

COLERAINE: Saturday 1st June at 12 noon St Malachy's
Saturday 8th June at 12 noon other schools

Confirmation

PORTSTEWART: Sunday 19th May at 12 noon

PORTRUSH: Sunday 14th April at 2pm

COLERAINE: Sunday 28th April at 2pm St Malachy's PS
Sunday 12th May at 2pm other schools
Saturday 15th June at 12 noon Sandelford



PORTSTEWART CEMETERY SUNDAY

Sunday 9th June

Thank you

to all who have helped in the celebration of the Easter Triduum in our churches. Thanks to those who have participated in the liturgies - the choir, the musicians, Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist, and to those who have cleaned the church and decorated it so beautifully. Your contribution is much appreciated.

RESURRECTION LIGHT

Risen Christ, when darkness overwhelms us,
may your dawn beckon.

When fear paralyses us, may your touch release us.

When grief torments us, may your peace enfold us.

When memories haunt us, may your presence heal us.

When justice fails us, may your anger ignite us.

When courage leaves us, may your spirit inspire us.

When despair grips us, may your hope restore us.

And when death threatens us,
may your resurrection light lead us.

Amen.

Annabel Shilson-Thomas CAFOD



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

