



THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

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21st April 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday B / Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 4

MASSES IN OUR PARISHES THIS WEEK

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm
 Sunday Mass at 10am
 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
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & 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

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

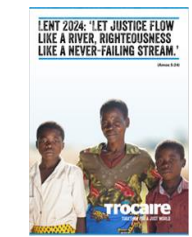
Parish Office Hours 22 -26 April
Monday, Thursday & Friday 9am – 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Lorna Butcher (nee McKinney), Maureen McCloskey, Michael Donnelly, Mary Shaw, Danny McAuley, Sheila Mullan
ONE YEAR AGO: Sean McGahon
ANNIVERSARIES: Hannah Kane, Eamonn Martin, Johnny Martin, Thomas Ferris, Barry Murphy, Sarah McCann, Eileen Madden, Francis McCrory

NEXT WEEKEND 27-28 April (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL Minister of the Word: Brendan McLernon
Eucharistic Ministers: Tracy McMorrough, Margaret McQuillan, Rosella McKenna
SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Paddy Mulvenna
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary McMahan* Mark Donaghy* Margaret McLernon, Terry Butcher



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.



MAY DAY SEQUENCE DANCE
 to be held in The Star of the Sea Parish Centre, Portstewart on **Monday 6th May.**
 Dancing from 8.30-11pm.
 Admission £6 (including light refreshments) payable on the night.
 Music by Liam McLaughlin. Raffle prizes.
All proceeds going to Parish Funds.
 Everyone welcome.

DOWN & CONNOR PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Join the Living Church on pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on **Sunday 9th June.** The price £40 per person includes luxury coach and refreshments. Early booking is advised. To book contact Claire: ☎ 90690920 E: livingchurch@downandconnor.org

PORTRUSH

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

Parish Office Hours 22 – 26 April
Tuesday 9am – 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Sheila Mullan, Julia Forte
ANNIVERSARIES: James McKenna, Barry Murphy, Ken Bush, Kevin Connelly, Thomas Martin, Vincent Dobbin, Kathleen Dowel

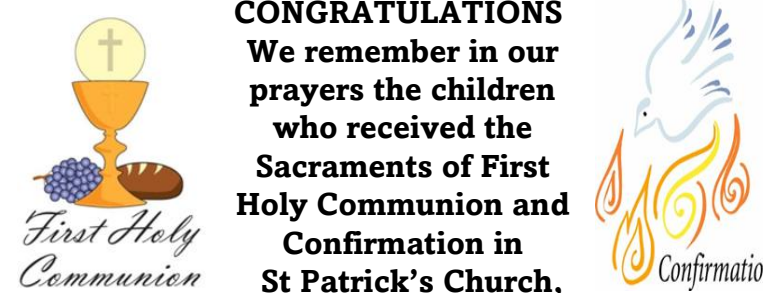
NEXT SUNDAY 28 April (PORTRUSH)

Minister of the Word: Marie McAuley
Eucharistic Minister: Robert Crampsie

ALTAR SOCIETY

13 – 26 April: Ann Maguire, Pat Neely
27 April – 10 May: Rose Minihan, Kathleen Curran

CONGRATULATIONS
 We remember in our prayers the children who received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation in St Patrick's Church, Portrush last weekend.



BEGINNING EXPERIENCE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

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, Belfast on three Saturdays (27th April, 25th May and 29th June 2024) Booking essential. ☎ Pauline 07519289185 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

CALLED TO BE A MONK? A MONASTIC COME & SEE DAY
Sunday 23rd June at Our Lady of Bethlehem Abbey, Portglenone from 10am - 5pm

Very often, even if we feel sure that we have some calling or vocation to priestly or religious life, we don't take that first step by ourselves - we need someone else to ask the question! Men between the ages of 20 and 50 are invited to join the Cistercian monks for a day at the Abbey.
 Contact: Dom Aelred Magee ocso_frmagee@yahoo.co.uk, ☎ 25821211 for more information.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS IN OUR PARISHES


First Holy Communion

PORTSTEWART: Saturday 27th April at 10am
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
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
Agherton Cemetery at 3pm
Portstewart Cemetery at 3.45pm




SILENT RETREAT

Theme: "If you but knew the gift of God..."
Preached by: Fr. Kilian Byrne, Foyer of Charity
Venue: Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry
Date: June 3rd to 9th 2024 **Cost:** £350 full board
Contact: Helen : 00353 86 1678027
hellywilliams@gmail.com www.foyerofcharity.ie
 A privileged time to come away from noise and distractions, and listen to the Spirit of God, Who is Love. Silence, prayer, teachings & liturgy of the Church.

Lough Derg One Day Retreats in May

These guided days of prayer and reflection will take place on Sun 5th, Mon 6th, Sun 12th, Tue 14th, Sat 18th, Sun 25th and Mon 27th May. More details can be found at www.loughderg.ie.
 €45 per person, booking essential.
 The Lough Derg traditional **Three Day Pilgrimages** begin on Friday 31st May and continue until 15th August.



ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY - KNOCK

The All Ireland Rosary Rally is back this year on **Saturday 1st June** in Knock. The day begins with a Marian Conference at 9.30 am in St John's Centre. For more information and to see a list of buses going from around Ireland please visit: www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART
 Last weekend's Parish Collection: **£1650**
 Our account details are: Portstewart Parish
 Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049

PORTRUSH
 Last weekend's Parish Collection: **£510**
 Our account details are: Portrush Parish
 Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207

Please use your name as our reference.
 Thank you.

On Good Shepherd Sunday we pray:
A PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church in the Diocese of Down and Connor with the Spirit of courage and love. Raise up from our families future priests: worthy ministers for your altars, generous and ardent servants of the Gospel. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

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

SVP Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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