



# TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope (Rom 8:19-25)

8<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday B / Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 3



### DIocese OF DOWN & CONNOR JOB VACANCIES

#### PARISH SECRETARY

A vacancy has arisen for the appointment of a Parish Secretary (Part-time) who will work across the 3 Parishes of Portstewart, Portrush and Ballymoney.

The post holder will be required to:  
\*provide confidential, efficient and effective secretarial support to the Parish Priest within each of the three parishes, and assistance to visitors and parishioners who visit or make contact with these Parish offices.

\*effectively and efficiently manage and maintain the Parish Offices.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 25 hours per week, work pattern to be agreed across the individual parish offices.

Rate of Pay - £12.50 gross per hour. (Where travel between parish offices is required – mileage allowance will form part of the overall remuneration package for this shared role.) Application packs can be obtained from any of the Parish Offices of Portstewart, Portrush or Ballymoney or online as below.

**Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Monday 16th September 2024**

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#### PARISH CENTRE CARETAKER (RASHARKIN)

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 12 hours attendance each week, work pattern to be agreed. Ability to work flexible hours is required from the post holder from time to time. Rate of Pay - £11.44 gross per hour.

**Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 19th September 2024**

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#### HOUSEKEEPER (DUNLOY & CLOUGHMILLS)

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 10 hours per week, work pattern to be agreed. Rate of Pay - £11.44 gross per hour.

**Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 19th September 2024**

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Full details relating to all vacancies can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: JOB VACANCIES and on the Community NI website.

### 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: Thursday 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

**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

### COLLECTIONS

#### PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offertory **£1486**

Monthly Stipend Collection: **£1094**

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

#### PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offertory **£479**

Monthly Stipend Collection: **£540**

Our account details are: Portrush Parish  
Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207

Thank you for your generosity and support. You can also support your parish through a regular standing order or by making a one-off payment through your bank or online.

Please use your name as our reference.

If you haven't already done so, please consider signing a **Gift Aid form** (available from the Parish Office) to increase your donation at no extra cost to yourself. Thank you.



PORTSTEWART: 07508 549572

PORTRUSH: 07508 549574

COLERAINE: 07738 837959

**The Month's Mind Mass for Archbishop Noel Treanor will be celebrated on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00pm in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. Webcam at [www.stpetersbelfast.ie](http://www.stpetersbelfast.ie)**

### PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: Ruth McGuckian 7083 2534

Email: [portstewart@downandconnor.org](mailto:portstewart@downandconnor.org)

#### Parish Office Hours 9-13 September

Monday, Thursday & Friday 9am – 2pm

#### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** Archbishop Noel Treanor, Teresa McClarnon, Sophie Fleming RIP

**ONE YEAR AGO:** Tony Doherty RIP

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Margaret Lynch, Sean Farrell, Andrew Diamond, Nora Hickey, Bobby Stuart RIP

#### NEXT WEEKEND 14-15 SEPTEMBER (PORTSTEWART)

**VIGIL Minister of the Word:** Seamus O'Hara

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Geraldine Doherty, Tracy McMorrough, Mary Loughrey

**SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word:** Una Crowe

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary McMahan\* Margaret McLernon\* Deirdre Bannon\* Susan Kelly



Welcome to Children's Liturgy  
**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** returns at the 10am Mass next Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September for all children of primary school age.

#### FLAME CLUB IS BACK! Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Flame is a youth club open to children from 6 up every Friday night in Portstewart Parish Centre from 6-8pm and costs £2 per child including snacks. Flame is led by our youth volunteers with a support team of adults and is a great place for kids to have fun and build friendships through a range of games and activities including arts and crafts, baking, gardening, music and weekly prayer time. Forms are available from the back of the church or on the night. **Everyone welcome!** We are always delighted to have more volunteers, both for our youth leader positions and adult support team. For more information: Emer ☎07709043921 or email: [flameclubportstewart@gmail.com](mailto:flameclubportstewart@gmail.com)



Reopens on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September** in Star of the Sea Parish Centre from 10am – 11.30am. All welcome.

#### LEGION OF MARY

**ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE**  
Sunday 29 September 2024

A coach will leave Portstewart Promenade at 7.30am, cost £20. Information/booking: 07851 749547

### PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy 7082 3388

Email: [portrush@downandconnor.org](mailto:portrush@downandconnor.org)

#### Parish Office Hours 9-13 September

Tuesday 9am – 2pm

#### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** Archbishop Noel Treanor, Danny McCorriston RIP

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Jaroslaw (Jerry) Rekawek, Brian Minihan RIP

#### NEXT SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER (PORTRUSH)

**Minister of the Word:** Stephen O'Neill

**Eucharistic Minister:** Robert Crampsie

**ALTAR SOCIETY** 31 August – 13 September: Marie McAuley, Marie Conway, Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

#### COURSES AT DRUMALIS THIS AUTUMN

##### \*\*PATHWAYS ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Pathways Adult Faith Development programme for 2024/25 begins on **Saturday, 12 October** at Drumalis. The programme takes place one Saturday a month from 10 am – 4 pm between October and June. All are welcome.

##### \*\*GROWTH IN PRAYER AND REFLECTIVE LIVING

This 20 session course via Zoom between September and March is based on the insights of Ignatian Spirituality. **Places are also available on the Zoom course, "ROOTED IN LOVE", delivered over ten Thursday evening sessions from Sept to May– this course is ideal for anyone who has already completed Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living.**

For full details or to register, contact Drumalis  
Telephone 2827 6455 or email: [drumalis@btconnect.com](mailto:drumalis@btconnect.com)  
<http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

#### SILENT SPIRITUAL RENEWAL & HEALING RETREAT

5 Day Retreat given by Fr Anthony Saji VC at St Mary's Convent, Knock from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Contact Roisin ☎00353-749363336 for details.

#### Reconstitution & Formation of Parish Pastoral Councils: Information Sessions

These two evening sessions will provide an overview of the context, role, and responsibilities of a PPC. It will also explore the gifts, skills, and qualities required to be a PPC member and help those who may be interested in this leadership role to understand what it entails and to discern if this is a role for them in the life of their Parish.  
**Session 1: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 7pm - 9pm**  
**Session 2: Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm - 9pm**  
Sessions will be held in St Malachy's Parish Centre.

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