# THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

Fr Kevin McGuckien PP Telephone: 028 7083 2534 Email: k.mcguckien@downandconnor.org TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## **MASSES 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

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 Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 11am – 1pm

**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 £1436 Our account details are: Portstewart Parish Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049 PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offertory £463 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.

57	PORTSTEWART: PORTRUSH:	07508 549572 07508 549574
Society of St. Vercent de Paul	COLERAINE:	07738 837959

For anyone who has lost their winter fuel payment and is concerned or worried about heating their home this winter, please contact St Vincent de Paul. It is a confidential, non-judgemental service that is here to help everyone. If you, or someone you know, needs help, please call one of the numbers above.

## PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: 028 7083 2534 Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

> Parish Office Hours 7 – 11 October Monday, Thursday and Friday 9am – 2pm

#### **REST IN PEACE**

**RECENT:** James Campbell, Gerald McLaughlin, Margaret Kelly, Sophie Fleming, Ronnie McDowell RIP **ONE YEAR AGO:** Charlie Trolan RIP **ANNIVERSARIES:** John Donaghy, Ian Travers, Samuel Horner, Eddie McCann, Mary Cunning, Patrick Bannon RIP

## NEXT WEEKEND

5-6 OCTOBER (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL Minister of the Word: Alison Rankin

Eucharistic Ministers: Deirdre McCann. Ruth McGuckian. Margaret McQuillan

SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Michael Bradley Eucharistic Ministers: Mary McMahon\* Deirdre Bannon\* Margaret McLernon\* Brian Lenehan

#### PORTSTEWART CHURCHES FRIENDSHIP GROUP Quiet Day in Corrymeela, Ballycastle

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October from 10am-4pm. Fee for the day which includes lunch is £25. The facilitator/speaker for the day is Rev. Stuart Morrow. For more info. or to book a place, contact Bernadette Thompson/Mary Loughery

#### DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR PEACE

Pope Francis has called for a day of 'Prayer & Fasting' for peace on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 10am in St. Malachy's Coleraine & Ballymoney and at 10.30am in Portrush. The Rosary will be praved each hour on the hour beginning at 9am and finishing at 7pm in Portstewart, Portrush & Coleraine Churches. All are very welcome! All are also invited to fast on this day if health permits.

#### **Reconstitution & Formation of Parish Pastoral Councils**

Parishioners who are interested in becoming part of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) are invited to an information evening on Wednesday 16 October 7pm to 9pm, in St Malachy's Parish Centre. This second session will provide an overview of the context, role, and responsibilities of a PPC, and the gifts, skills, and qualities required to be a member, helping those who may have an interest in this leadership role to understand what it entails and whether it's for them. Please register your interest to attend the meeting with the Parish Office.

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

Parish Office Hours 7 – 11 October Tuesday 9am – 2pm

## **REST IN PEACE**

**RECENT:** James Campbell, Wendy Simmons RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Fr John Joe Conway, Patsy Dixon, Anna McMullan RIP

NEXT SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER (PORTRUSH)
Minister of the Word: John McNally Eucharistic Minister: Jimmy Friel
ALTAR SOCIETY
28 September-11 October: Ann Maguire, Pat Neely

#### **COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING**

Coffee Mornings each Monday (after the 10.30am Mass) in St Patrick's Hall, Portrush. All very welcome.

**BREAST CANCER COFFEE MORNING** On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October in Portstewart Guide Hall, Convention Avenue from 10.30am - 12.30pm. Raising funds for Action Cancer. All are very welcome!

## **CEILI FOR CANCER**

The Banshees' Adult Irish Dance Group are holding a Ceili for Cancer on Friday 11th October at 7.30pm in Star of the Sea Parish Centre Portstewart. Admission is £10 including supper. Tickets are available from Rossana in LaLola or pay at the door on the night. All proceeds to Children's Cancer Unit RVH and Cancer Friends Causeway Coast.



RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process to introduce the teachings of Jesus Christ and the

Catholic Church to individuals who wish to learn more about Catholicism, including the opportunity, if they wish, to become Catholic through the Sacraments of Initiation. We meet on Monday nights from 6.30pm - 8pm at St Mary's Hall, Chapel Lane, Belfast from October to May, starting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October. Email: rcia@downandconnor.org for information or booking.

## PORTRUSH MUSIC SOCIETY PRESENTS

'BEAUTY AND THE BEAST' 18th - 26th October in Coleraine Leisure Centre. Tickets are on sale now. www.ticketsource.co.uk/portrush-music-society

FLAME CLUB There will be no Flame Club on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October due to Ceili, but we will be back on 18th October (6-8pm)

## Sunday B / Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 3

## **CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

Arrangements are being finalised for the celebration of First Confession, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation next year. Children attending St. Colum's Primary School in Portstewart and St. Patrick's Primary School in Portrush are already enrolled for these sacraments and will undertake their preparation in school.

For children attending other schools who wish to receive their sacraments in 2025, participation in a sacramental preparation course is required. This course will be held at St Malachy's Parish Centre in Coleraine, beginning in October 2024.

An enrolment meeting for parents and guardians of children taking part in the sacramental preparation courses will take place in St Malachy's Parish Centre on Wednesday, 9th October at 7pm.

The following children are eligible for the sacraments:

- First Confession & First Communion children in P4 (or older)
- Confirmation Children in P7 (or older)

For further information, please contact the Parish Office -Portstewart: 028 7083 2534 Coleraine: 028 70343156 Ballymoney: 028 2766 2003 Portrush: 028 70823388



#### **\*EOGHAN RUA IRISH LANGUAGE CLASSES\***

In the Eoghan Roe Clubrooms, each Wednesday until 4<sup>th</sup> December.

## **CLASSES:**

Bun Rang 1 (Beginners) 6.45in – 7.30in Cait Passmore Bun Rang 2 (Beginner Improvers) 6.45in – 7.30in An tAthair Barney

Mean Rang: 7.45in – 8.30in Cait Passmore Ard Rang: 7.45in – 8.30in TBC £30 for members and £40 for non-members. Fee:

Walking with God - Journey Through the Bible Programme Each Thursday in October from 7.00pm - 8.30pm

- Dates: Thursdays 3<sup>rd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup> October
- Location: St Malachy's Parish Centre Coleraine

ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE APOSTOLIC WORK - Annual Display, Raffle And Cake Sale in St. Malachy's Parish Centre after Masses on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> October.

There will be an opportunity to contribute to the purchase of sacred vessels for missionary work.

If you wish to donate something for the cake sale or raffle, the parish centre will be open between 2pm & 3pm on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> afternoon. All contributions will be greatly appreciated.