

THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13th October 2024

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

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

Wednesday 10am & Friday 7pm

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offertory **£1466**

Monthly Offering: **£1425**

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

PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offertory **£463.40**

Monthly Offering: **£472.40**

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

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 14 – 18 October

Monday: 9am-2pm Thursday & Friday: 10am – 3pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Cheree McGill, James Campbell, Gerald McLaughlin, Margaret Kelly, Ronnie McDowell, Bernie Gardener, Clare Patterson RIP

ANNIVERSARIES: Caroline Padley, Mary Mooney, Anthony Loughrey, Patrick Coulston, Gemma Hughes, Jimmy Crerand, Eileen Mullan, Brigid Sweeney, James Sweeney, Rosalin Burke, Grace Cherry, Kieran McMacken, Hugh O'Connor, Thomas Duffy, Una Proctor RIP

NEXT WEEKEND

19-20 OCTOBER (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL Minister of the Word: Lorna O'Brien

Eucharistic Ministers: Deirdre McCann, Margaret McQuillan, Mary Loughery

SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Eugene Kelly

Eucharistic Ministers: Seamus O'Hara* Pat Calvert* Geraldine Doherty* Brian Lenehan

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.**



FLAME CLUB is back in our Parish Centre on Friday evenings, and we have some great young volunteers to lead the activities. To ensure the safety and happiness of every child, we need to increase our team of adult support and ask parishioners to consider if they could offer **one Friday evening a month** (6-8pm) to attend in a supervisory role to support the youth of our Parish. If interested, please contact Emer on 07709043921

Loreto College Coleraine proudly presents:



...West Side Story, 15th-18th October at 7.30pm

Tickets available from Ticket Source:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on?q=loreto%20college>



PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy 7082 3388

Email: portrush@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours 14 – 18 October

Tuesday 9am – 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Wendy Simmons RIP

MONTHS MIND MASS: James Campbell

ANNIVERSARIES: Jack Amon, Fr John Joe Conway, Patsy Dixon, Anna McMullan, Edward & Agnes Burns RIP

NEXT SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER (PORTRUSH)

Minister of the Word: Marie McAuley

Eucharistic Minister: Rose Minihan

ALTAR SOCIETY

12 October - 25 October: Rose Minihan, Kathleen Curran

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

Coffee Mornings each **Monday** (after the 10.30am Mass) in St Patrick's Hall, Portrush. All very welcome. We raised £700 at the Coffee Morning last week for Macmillan Cancer. Your generosity was greatly appreciated!

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

♥ THANK-YOU RUTH ♥

The parishes of Portstewart and Portrush would like to express our deepest gratitude to our Parish Secretary, Ruth McGuckian, for her 13 years of faithful service to our parish communities. Her dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment have been a blessing to us all. Whether managing our schedules, coordinating events, or providing support to our clergy, parishioners, and parish committees, Ruth has truly been the heart of our parish office. Please join us in thanking her for her years of faithful service and wishing her every blessing and happiness in her retirement. We are immensely grateful for everything she has done – Ruth will be greatly missed from the parish office!

Precious Life

Join Precious Life for a "Life Chain" at Belfast City Hall on Saturday, 19th October 2024, at 2:00 PM. This peaceful event will commemorate the 5th anniversary of Westminster imposing abortion on Northern Ireland and honour the memory of the innocent babies lost since then. Stand with us as we remember and advocate for the protection of life. For more information, please contact Precious Life at 028 9027 8484 or 07592280522

Walking with God - Journey Through the Bible Programme

Each Thursday in October from 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Location: St Malachy's Parish Centre Coleraine



CANDLELIGHT ROSARY FOR OCTOBER

Each Wednesday during October at 7pm, there will be a Rosary prayed by candlelight in Our Lady & St. Patrick's Church, Ballymoney. All are very welcome!



Visit of Relics of St. Bernadette

This Tuesday 15th & Wednesday 16th October, you are invited to visit the Relics of St. Bernadette in St. Mary's Church,

Chapel Lane, Belfast. There is a full programme of prayer for the two days which can be accessed by visiting the website link: www.downandconnor.org/stbernadette



Next Sunday is World Mission

Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work

of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. It falls on the second last Sunday in October, this year it will be celebrated over the weekend of Sunday 20th October and is coordinated in Ireland by Missio Ireland. All offerings made become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund, which supports missionary activities in over 1,100 young dioceses, in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. The Universal Solidarity Fund provides aid so that missionaries can continue to go to these places to share the love of God.

ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE APOSTOLIC WORK - Annual Display, Raffle & Cake Sale

in St. Malachy's Parish Centre after Masses this weekend. There will be an opportunity to contribute to the purchase of sacred vessels for missionary work.



Catholic Bishops' Pastoral Letter welcoming migrants to Ireland.

The Bishops of Ireland have today published a pastoral letter to welcome migrants to Ireland. A short video on the Pastoral Letter, and its text in short and long form, are available on CatholicBishops.ie or you can scan the QR Code opposite to access this content.

PRISONS WEEK

Prisons Week, 13th - 19th October 2024 aims to gather the Church in prayer for the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people caring for those affected by crime inside and outside of our prisons. The theme for this year is – **Jesus looked at him and love him**. This year we invite you to remember that he looks at you and loves you, as he looks at them and loves them.

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