



23rd March 2025

# THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS & ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE

North Connor Pastoral Community

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Sunday C / Third Week of Lent / Psalter Week 3

## 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**

Tues.: Mass at 7pm

Wed. – Sat.: Mass at 9.30am

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

**Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 10am – 5pm**

### ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

Sunday at 12 noon

Mon., Tues. & Fri. 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

**Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 11am Mass**

**Monday – Friday – 7.00am**

Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri. at 10am

**CONFESSIONS:** After 10.00am Mass on Friday  
Saturday from 6.00pm – 6.20pm

### OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

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

Mon. & Wed. at 10am, Fri. 7pm

## COLLECTIONS

### PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: **£1845**

Needy Parishes Collection: **£855**

Our account details are: Portstewart Parish

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

### PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: **£600.41**

Needy Parishes Collection: **£292.90**

Our account details are: Portrush Parish

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

### ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: **£1340**

Needy Parishes Collection: **£537**

Our account details are: St Malachy's Church

Sort Code: 90-48-00 Account number: 88609151

**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.



**Please remember to turn your phones to silent while in the Church and we would ask that you also refrain from using your phones during Mass in line with safeguarding.**

## PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: 028 7083 2534

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

### Parish Office Hours 24 – 28 March

Thursday & Friday: 10am – 3pm

### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** Teresa White, Nancy Mullane, Stella Stuart, Eddie Devenney, Irene Kempston, Thomas Collins RIP  
**ONE YEAR AGO:** Sheila Mullan RIP

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Alexander Rooney, Vera Rooney, Mary Keenan, Raymond McLaughlin, John Farren, Karol Crawley, John McCotter, Michael Boyle, Brigid Boyle, Margaret McAuley, Celia Sweeney, Mary Devenney, Anne McCrory, Bernie McCorry, John Kelly, Charles O'Neill, Timothy Shearer RIP

### NEXT WEEKEND - 29 & 30 MARCH (PORTSTEWART)

**VIGIL 5pm Minister of the Word:** Alison Rankin

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Martina Murphy, Margaret Conway, Deirdre McCann

**SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word:** Michael Bradley

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deirdre Bannon\* Geraldine Doherty\* Mark Donaghy\* Julie Roantree

## COLERAINE

Fr. Nideesh Varghese: 028 7034 3156

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### Parish Office: CLOSED

Please contact Portstewart Parish Office with Anniversaries and Notices for the Bulletin

### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** Kevin O'Kane, Patricia Smyth, Ann McGowan, Amanda Lennox RIP

**ONE YEAR AGO:** Martin Mulholland, Desmond Campbell RIP

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Zachary Geddis, Rosemary Moore, Kathleen McLean, Michael Boyle, Brigid Boyle, Margaret Magee, Desmond McKenna, Julio De los Reyes RIP

### A WORD OF THANKS FROM EOGHAN RUA

Eoghan Rua would like to thank all members of the parish and community for supporting their St. Patrick's Day event. To the bakers, Flame Club, Parish Centre staff, helpers, musicians and dancers, thank you! A lovely way to continue honouring our National Patron Saint! **Go raibh míle maith agaibh!**



**Thanks to all who prepared and helped to sell shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day. A total of £815 was raised for Trocaire. Thank you for your generosity!**

## PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy: 028 7082 3388

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

### Parish Office Hours: Tues 25<sup>th</sup> March – 9am - 2pm

### REST IN PEACE

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Dorothy Mullan, Kathleen Scullion, Rosemary Moore, John Gerard Mulholland, Liam Bradley, Teresa O'Kane, Jerry O'Kane RIP

### NEXT SUNDAY – 30 MARCH (PORTRUSH)

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

**Eucharistic Minister:** Marie McAuley

### ALTAR SOCIETY

**15-28 March:** Ann Maguire, Pat Neely

**29 March-11 April:** Rose Minihan, Kathleen Curran

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 6th April (weekend of 5th Sunday of Lent) Full Bus details on [www.eucharisticadoration.ie](http://www.eucharisticadoration.ie)

### FORTY HOURS WITH THE LORD FOR FAMILY OF PARISHES

As part of our celebrations of the Jubilee year, our local family of parishes will be holding **Forty Hours of**

**Eucharistic Adoration.** Organised jointly by the parishes of Coleraine, Ballymoney,

**Portrush and Portstewart, it will run from 7am on Thursday 3rd to 11pm on Friday 4th April at St Malachy's Church Coleraine.**

The Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist will be exposed continuously for private prayer and adoration day and night. You're welcome to call in to St. Malachy's for prayer at any time during the forty hours and you can stay as long or as short a time as you wish. There will also be special Masses and opportunities for confession.

To help organise this Forty Hours of prayer we need volunteers who will agree to be in St. Malachy's for an hour at a time so that there is no point when the Blessed Sacrament is left unattended. If you can commit to an hour at any point during the forty hours, **please contact Portstewart Parish Office on 02870832534 between 10am-3pm on a Monday, Thursday or Friday to sign up** for one of the hours.

This special time of prayer will bring such grace to our parishes. **Come and be part of it!**



## CELEBRATING THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

There is Early Morning Mass at 7am  
every week day during Lent  
at St Malachy's Church, Coleraine

Wanting to do something extra during Lent?



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**St. Patrick's Church, Portrush:**

Each Monday & Tuesday after 10.30am Mass

**St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church, Portstewart:**

Each Friday at 3.00pm

**St. Malachy's Church, Coleraine:** Each Friday at 7.00pm

with Confessions from 6.30pm and Adoration

**Our Lady & St. Patrick's Church, Ballymoney:**

Tuesdays at 7.00pm with Benediction

### LIVING WITH THE WORD OF GOD: LECTIO DIVINA

A meditative reading of the Word of God, focusing on the Sunday Gospels through quiet reflection, music and prayer. Thursday evenings in the Marian Hall (access through the side door of the Church) from 7-8pm.

### LIVING FAITH – The Sycamore Programme

A five week programme for 18-30 year olds, discussing central aspects of our faith and helping us to move from being mere spectators to being fully committed disciples of Jesus. Each Tuesday during Lent in the Marian Hall from 7.30-9.00pm. We begin with some food!

### LENTEN PROGRAM – PORTSTEWART

**Pilgrim Hearts – Walking in the steps of Jesus** this Lent, a 6-week Lenten journey inspired by the Sunday Gospels and the lives of the Irish Saints who embraced faith in times of challenge. From St Patrick's prayers on the mountain to St Brigid's acts of compassion, their lives remind us that holiness is lived in simple, everyday choices. Sessions will be held directly after **Friday morning Mass**, in the Marian Hall, all welcome.

### DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Please join us directly after 9.30am Mass on Saturdays in St Mary's Star of the Sea Church, Portstewart

**We will:**

- Venerate the Divine Mercy Image
- Consecrate ourselves to the Divine Mercy
- Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Pray St Faustina's praises to the Divine Mercy

**Our prayer intentions for March are:**

Peace in the world, the well-being and intentions of Pope Francis, the intentions of all parishioners, family life in our parish.

**(our Divine Mercy Devotions will last for 30 minutes)**



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.