



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

North Connor Pastoral Community

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

30th March 2025



Sunday C / Fourth Week of Lent / 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

Tues.: Mass at 7pm

Wed. – Sat.: Mass at 9.30am

CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 10am & 4pm

and at 10am on First Friday of the month

***NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION THIS WEEK DUE TO**

40 HOURS IN ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE*

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: **£1542**

Our account details are: Portstewart Parish

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

PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: **£513.20**

Our account details are: Portrush Parish

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

ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: **£959**

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.

FIRST CONFESSION

Congratulations to all the children who received the gift of God's forgiveness when they celebrated their First Confession in recent weeks.



PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: 028 7083 2534

Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours 31 March – 4 April

Monday, Thursday & Friday: 10am – 3pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Alphonsus (Foncie) Bradley, Raymond Devine, Teresa White, Nancy Mullane, Eddie Devenney, Thomas Collins, Patsy Gallagher RIP

ONE MONTH AGO: Stella Stuart RIP

ONE YEAR AGO: Mary Shaw, John Burgoyne RIP

ANNIVERSARIES: Hugh McGarry, JP McMullan, Danny McAuley, John Farren, Peggy Clarke, Loris Kelly, Patrick Mullen, James Mulhern, Tony McDonnell, John Diamond Elizabeth McAleese, Winnie McFaul, Isobel McManus, Jim Mullan, Susan McGowan, Meta McCool, Dan McCool RIP

NEXT WEEKEND - 5 & 6 APRIL (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL 5pm Minister of the Word: Alison Rankin

Eucharistic Ministers: Tracy McMorrough, Martina Murphy, Deirdre McCann

SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Siobhan Mullan

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary McKenna* Geraldine Doherty* Margaret McLernon* Brian Lenehan

COLERAINE

Fr. Nideesh Varghese: 028 7034 3156

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Parish Office: CLOSED

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REST IN PEACE

RECENT: May Young, Kevin O'Kane, Patricia Smyth, Kieran Deeny, Jean McClarey, Ann McGowan, Amanda Lennox RIP

ANNIVERSARIES: Fidelma Burgess, Rose Fleming, Fred Parkhill, John Diamond, John McIntyre, John Fleming, Jim Mullan, Ester Monaghan RIP

EASTER FLOWER ARRANGING

Come join us for our Easter Flower Arranging Class on Saturday 13 April in Eoghan Rua Club from 10am-12noon. Please bring your own flowers and containers if possible. Guidance, Oases and Craic will be provided! All are very welcome!



BREAKFAST AND SOCIAL GATHERING FOR STUDENTS

Are you 18-30 yrs of age? Why not come along after 10am Mass on Sunday 6th April to the Marian Hall, access through the Church. All are very welcome!

PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy: 028 7082 3388

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Parish Office Hours: Tues 1 April – 9am - 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENTLY DECEASED: Maureen McLaughlin, Michael Murphy, Elizabeth McAleese RIP

NEXT SUNDAY – 6 April (PORTRUSH)

Minister of the Word: Caroline McWilliams Owens

Eucharistic Minister: Jimmy Friel

ALTAR SOCIETY: Rose Minihan, Kathleen Curran

FORTY HOURS

As part of our celebrations of the Jubilee year, our local family of parishes are holding **Forty Hours of Eucharistic Adoration**. Organised jointly by the parishes of Coleraine, Ballymoney, Portrush & Portstewart, it will run from 7am on Thursday 3rd April to 11pm on Friday 4th at St Malachy's, Coleraine. The Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist will be exposed continuously for private prayer and adoration day & night.

Thursday 3rd April

7am: Opening Mass

7.30am: Opening Devotions & Benediction

10am: Mass

7pm: Penitential Service

Friday 4th April

3am: Guided Holy Hour

7am: Mass

10am: Mass

7pm: Guided Holy Hour with Stations of the Cross

10.30pm: Closing Devotions & Benediction

The rest of the time will be for quiet prayer and Adoration. You can call in at any time to spend as long or as short a period of prayer as you wish. The most important thing to do is simply to come. If you are uncertain what to do or how to begin, just come. Christ is waiting to shower you with mercy and grace. You just have to show up to receive it! After entering the church, bless yourself with holy water; genuflect and kneel in a pew. Then quietly wait and allow the Lord to love you and minister to your needs. Feel free to sit at any time. You can talk with Him, tell Him you love Him and thank Him. You can ask Jesus for help or share your worries and your joys. You can read the Bible, pray a rosary, or do whatever type of quiet, prayerful devotion that suits you before Our Lord. You can just sit and say nothing, simply keeping him company. Don't let worries over how to pray stop you from coming, just being there will have an effect on you!



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

No Lectio Divina this week due to 40 Hours in St. Malachy's Coleraine!

LIVING FAITH – The Sycamore Programme

An engaging programme for 18-30 year olds, discussing central aspects of our faith! We meet each Tuesday in the Marian Hall, access through the side door of Portstewart Church from 7.30-9.00pm. We begin with some food! All are very welcome!

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 April are:**
The continued recovery of Pope Francis, all who are sick among our parishioners and their families, the success and safety of those organisations providing medical aid and life-saving support across the war-torn regions worldwide.
(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 by 11am on Thursday. Thank you.