



17 August 2025

MASS TIMES

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

TUESDAY 7.00pm
WEDNESDAY – FRIDAY 9.30am
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4.30pm
SUNDAY MASS: 10.00am

CONFESSION:

SATURDAYS: 3.45-4.15pm

NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING JULY & AUGUST

ST. MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

TUES, THURS, FRI & SAT 10.00am
SUNDAY MASSES: 11.30am & 5.00pm

CONFESSION:

SATURDAYS: 10.00am

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

MON, TUES & FRI: 10.30am
SUNDAY MASS: 12 Noon

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: FRIDAY 11.00am-1.00pm

OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

MON & WED: 10.00am
FRI: 7.00pm
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 6.00pm
SUNDAY MASS: 9.30am

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

North Connor Pastoral Community

Fr Kevin McGuckien PP Telephone: 028 7083 2534 Email: k.mcguickien@downandconnor.org

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday C/ Weekday Cycle 1/Psalter Week 4



PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: 028 7083 2534

Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours: **CLOSED**

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Aline Merron, Brenda Sweeney, Raymond French, Jimmy Dempsey, Bibiana O'Connell, Joe O'Neill RIP

ONE YEAR AGO: Danny McCorriston RIP

ANNIVERSARIES: Jim Loughrey, Sr. Cecile Diamond, Mary McKenna, Reggie Smith, Paul Harvey, Vincent Roughan, Breedh Roughan, Cassie Murray, Hugh McAleese, Edith O'Kane, James Casey, Fr Brendan McGarry, William Cunning RIP

NEXT WEEKEND – 23 & 24 AUGUST (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL MASS: 5.00pm

Minister of the Word: Alison Rankin

Eucharistic Ministers: Tracy McMorrough, Helen Conway, Deirdre McCann

SUNDAY MASS: 10.00am

Minister of the Word: Eugene Kelly

Eucharistic Ministers: Deirdre Bannon*, Mary McMahon*, Pat Calvert* Brian Lenehan

ST. MALACHY'S, COLERAINE

Fr. Nideesh Varghese: 028 7034 3156

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Parish Office: **CLOSED**

REST IN PEACE

ANNIVERSARIES: Breedh Doey, Sr. Cecile Diamond, Willie McCandless, Mary McKenna, Margaret McKeever, Martin McNickle, Patrick Loughran RIP

PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy: 028 7082 3388

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Parish Office: **CLOSED**

NEXT SUNDAY – 17 AUGUST (PORTRUSH)

SUNDAY: 12 Noon

Minister of the Word: Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

Eucharistic Minister: Marie McAuley

REST IN PEACE

ANNIVERSARIES: Anthony Joseph Lovell, Hugh McAleese RIP

Please note as the Parish Office is closed this coming week, all anniversaries will be included in the bulletin for 31st August.

2025 JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE - PORTSTEWART

Tuesday 19 August at 7.30pm in the Marian Hall.

Join us to learn more about the Biblical roots of the Jubilee Year and the importance of hope today on our pilgrim journey towards Jesus. Facilitated by Brian Wilson. All are very welcome!

PARISH FUNDRAISER

BANK HOLIDAY SEQUENCE DANCE



in Star of the Sea Parish Centre, Portstewart on Monday 25th August. Dancing from 8.30-11pm. Admission £6 (including light refreshments). Music by Liam McLaughlin. Everyone welcome! All proceeds going to Parish Funds.

ROSARY ON THE COAST

This Sunday 17th August at 3pm on Benone Strand.

Lough Derg Retreats

One Day Retreats - Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection

Places available on

August 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th

September 3rd, 6th, 7th, 9th, 13th, 20th, 21st

CONTACT by email. info@loughderg.org / Tel. 00353 719861518 For more info: www.loughderg.org

ACN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Papal charity Aid to the Church in Need Ireland invites people to join their national pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Saturday August 30 to highlight the plight of Christians who suffer persecution for their faith in many parts of the world. Mass is in the basilica at 3pm – all welcome. For more info, see www.acnireland.org

DAY OF PRAYER & REFLECTION FOR PEOPLE OF GAZA

The Catholic Church in Ireland has called for a day of Prayer and Reflection on Sunday 24th August. It is the hope to have every Parish in Ireland taking part in this sacred initiative, it is not just a symbolic gesture, it is a spiritual act of Solidarity. The hope is that August 24th will be a day of deep prayer. As parishioners we invite you to please consider doing some of the following for peace:

- Offer prayers at Sunday Masses for peace in Gaza.
- Spend time in the Church, lifting up those who suffer.
- Pray the Rosary as a family or community.
- Light a candle in your home or parish as a sign of hope.
- Reach out to your elected representatives, urging them to support humanitarian aid and peace efforts.
- Support trusted Charities working on the ground.

APOSTOLIC WORK

Apostolic Work began right here in our diocese—over a century ago in St. Mary's, Chapel Lane, Belfast. Since 1923, we've been walking hand-in-hand with missionaries in the developing world, providing practical, personal support where it is needed most. The funds we raise go directly to priests, nuns, and religious workers serving in some of the poorest parts of the world. There are no intermediaries. If you would like to know more, you can check out the website www.apostolicworkdc.com, speak to one of our local members (Colette on 07515024889 or Ann on 07599264204) or come along to our next meeting on 1st Sept. at 7.30pm in St Malachy's Parish Centre. New members will be very welcome.



FLAME CLUB IS NEARLY BACK!

We are excited that our Parish Youth Club Flame will return on **5th September** and each Friday night in term time in the Parish Centre from **6-8pm**, £2 per child which includes break. The club is open to children from **6 years old** and above and we provide a range of fun activities; games, arts and crafts, gardening, cooking, singing and prayer time. All are welcome as we support the wonderful children of our Parishes to grow in friendship, fun and faith! Registration forms are available at the back of the Church. For more information text or ring **Emer** on **07709043921**/email flameclubportstewart@gmail.com

Flame Club is led by a great team of young leaders supported by adult volunteers. We are always eager to have new youth volunteers, training and support will be provided. **Volunteering with Flame is a great way to give of your time, gain experience in working with children, build your skills, creativity and leadership, all whilst having fun. It also is a great addition to your CV and works in conjunction with John Paul II, Duke of Edinburgh, Oscar Romero and school-based awards.**

We also welcome new adult volunteers who help provide support and ensure our safeguarding protocols. There will be an information & training meeting for all existing and new Junior (15 and under) & Senior (16+) leaders in Portstewart Parish centre at **5.30pm on Friday 29th August**. If you are interested in giving your time or would like to find out more, please contact Emer as above

Bishop Alan McGuckian has produced a pastoral letter and video concerning the Day of Prayer and Reflection for Gaza on Sunday 24th August. We encourage you to take time to read the letter and watch the video which can be accessed on our Parish Facebook Pages and on the Diocesan Website.
<https://www.downandconnor.org/>

COLLECTIONS
PORTSTEWART Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £1586 Our account details are: Portstewart Parish Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049
PORTRUSH Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £596 Our account details are: Portrush Parish Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207
ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £1302 Our account details are: St Malachy's Church Sort Code: 90-48-00 Account number: 88609151
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!



PORTSTEWART: 07508 549572
PORTRUSH: 07508 549574
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If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, please email: portstewart@downandconnor.org by 11am on Thursday. Thank you.