

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

**North Connor Pastoral Community** 

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH



28<sup>th</sup> December 2025

#### **MASS TIMES**

	STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTS	EWART
TU	IES:	7.00pm

 WED:
 9.30am

 THURS:
 NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS:
 9.30am

 FRI:
 9.30am

 SAT VIGIL:
 4.30pm

 SUN:
 10.00am

#### ST. MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

TUES: 10.00am **THURS: NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS: 11.00am**FRI: 10.00am

SAT: 10.00am

SUN: 11.30am & 5.00pm

#### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

MON & FRI: 10.30am SUN: 12 Noon

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

SAT VIGIL: 6.00pm SUN: 9.30am

#### COLLECTIONS

#### **PORTSTEWART**

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £1475

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

#### **PORTRUSH**

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £747

Our account details are: Portrush Parish

#### ST. MALACHY'S COLERAINE

Last weekend's Collections: Weekly Offering: £1253

Our account details are: St Malachy's Church Sort Code: 90-48-00 Account number: 88609151

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

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.



PORTSTEWART: 07508 549572 PORTRUSH: 07508 549574 COLERAINE: 07738 837959

#### **PORTSTEWART**

**Parish Secretary:** 028 7083 2534

Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org
Parish Office: Mon: 9am-2pm & Fri: 10am-3pm

#### **REST IN PEACE**

RECENT: Sinead Coxhill, Philomena O'Neill RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Martha Mullan, Martha McWilliams, John McGlade, Patrick Elliott, Laurence Duffy, Ellie Sweeney, Eddie McGuinness, Hugh McGarry, Michael Carlin, Sam Duggan, Johnny Madden, Mary Madden, Michael Noel Carlin, Mary Carlin, Yvonne Marie Butler, Dan McCrossan, Lily O'Doherty, Noel O'Hara, Bridget O'Hara, Michael O'Loughlin, Mary Alice O'Kane, Annie Lavery, Dan McCrossan, Colm Kelly, Harry Moore, Anna May Millar, Anne Canning RIP

# NEXT WEEKEND - 03 & 04 JAN (PORTSTEWART)

#### VIGIL MASS: 4.30pm

Minister of the Word: Mary T O'Hara

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Martina Murphy, Mary Loughrey, Alison Rankin/Deirdre McCann

#### **SUNDAY MASS: 10.00am**

Minister of the Word: Alison Rankin

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary McKenna\*, Pat Calvert\*,

Margaret Conway\*, Liam Brolly

#### ST. MALACHY'S, COLERAINE

**Phone Number:** 028 7034 3156

Email: coleraine@downandconnor.org

**Parish Office: CLOSED** 

#### **REST IN PEACE**

**RECENT:** Eileen McCauley, Donny Varcoe RIP **ANNIVERSARIES:** Clodagh Gribben, Robert Rogers,
Margaret Butcher, Pegg Butcher, Paul Cummings, May
Duffy, Mary Carlin, Yvonne Marie Butler, Helen O'Hare,
Charlie Cunning, Mary Treanor, Hannah Catherine
Crilly, Agnes Bradley, Anne Bradley, Phonsie Mullan,
Alice O'Reilly, William Moore, Liam Moore, Charles
Moore, Bobby Doherty, Joseph Magee RIP

#### **PORTRUSH**

Fr Patrick Delargy: 028 7082 3388 Email: portrush@downandconnor.org Parish Office: Tuesday: 9am-2pm

**NEXT SUNDAY - 04 JANUARY (PORTRUSH)** 

## **SUNDAY: 12 Noon**

Minister of the Word: Mary McAlister Eucharistic Minister: Jimmy Friel

#### **REST IN PEACE**

RECENT: Annette Nelis, John Walker, Sinead Coxhill ANNIVERSARY: Frank Molloy, Patrick McCaughan, Andrea McKeown, Bridget McMullan, Mary Dixon, Mary Duffy, Noel Duffy, Martha Mullan, Vincent McEvoy, Gerry McLarnon, Ann Boote, David Boote, Mary Traynor, Margaret Elizabeth Duffy, Eileen Mullan, John Eddie Mullan, Martha Mullan, Mary Treanor, Seamus Martin, Agnes Donaghy, Annie Kirkpatrick RIP

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN PORTSTEWART**

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January. Eucharistic Adoration will resume in St. Mary's, Star of the Sea Church, Portstewart on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

#### **THE CLOSE OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025**

Bishop Alan McGuckian will celebrate the Rite of the Closing of the Jubilee Year with Mass at 3.00pm in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast on Sunday 4th January

**2026.** He would like to invite as many as possible, from across the Diocese, to join him for the Mass and some refreshments afterwards in St Comgall's Centre. While the Jubilee Year of Hope will formally close, the task ahead will be to carry it's Message of Hope with us into the New Year.

#### **SVP ANNUAL APPEAL - THANK YOU**

A huge thank you to our parishioners for your response to the Special SVP Christmas Appeals in Portstewart,

Portrush & Bushmills and St. Malachy's, Coleraine. To date we have received:

Portstewart: £5000 Portrush: £2050 St. Malachy's, Coleraine: £4228.85

Thank you all so much for your generosity, which will help us greatly in our work of supporting those who are most in need in our local communities. 'Thank-you also to everyone who has helped us by donating to SVP throughout the year. We wish you all a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!'

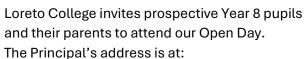
### **PORTRUSH COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING**

The Community Coffee Morning will resume in St. Patrick's Hall, Portrush on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 11am. Wishing all a Happy Christmas & thanks for your support during the year!

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to all who contributed in any way to make our celebrations for Christmas so beautiful Your generosity and time and care given is very much appreciated!

# LORETO COLLEGE COLERAINE - OPEN DAY SATURDAY 10 JANUARY 2026



# 9.30am for families living West of the River Bann11am for families living East of the River Bann

Year 12 students hoping to apply for Post-16 studies are also welcome to attend. For more details:

www.loretocollege.org.uk

# SUNDAY YEAR A/PSALTER WEEK 1

#### STAY CURIOUS: TRY ALPHA

You are warmly invited to a short film and small group discussion exploring life, faith and meaning in a friendly, relaxed, cross-community setting.



- Tuesdays 7-9pm from 13 January 2026
- Bushtown Hotel, 283 Drumcroon Rd, Coleraine
- Further information: Alphanorthcoast@gmail.com or telephone: 077 6064 7665

#### PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Heavenly Father, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the blessings of the past and hope for the future. We lift our voices in prayer, seeking Your divine presence and guidance in the days that lie ahead.

Lord Jesus, we thank You for the gift of life and the countless blessings You have bestowed upon us. As we enter into this new year, we humbly ask for Your abundant grace to be upon us. Grant us the wisdom to make righteous choices, the strength to face challenges, and the courage to follow Your path.

Heavenly Father, we pray for the precious gift of peace in our lives and in the world around us. May Your peace, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Let Your calming presence be felt in our homes, communities, and nations. Bring reconciliation where there is discord, understanding where there is confusion, and unity where there is division.

Lord, we also lift up our physical and mental well-being to You. In the name of Jesus, we ask for Your healing touch to rest upon those who are facing illnesses or challenges to their health. Strengthen their bodies, comfort their spirits, and grant them the assurance of Your love and care. May the year ahead be marked by a renewed sense of vitality and health.

We entrust our plans, dreams, and aspirations for the coming year into Your hands, O Lord. May everything we do be guided by Your will and directed towards Your glory. Help us to be a source of love, compassion, and encouragement to those around us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Fr. Kevin McGuckien, Fr. Damian McCaughan & Monsignor Paddy Delargy wish all the parishioners of our parishes every blessing for the Christmas season and a very happy New Year! Thank you for your support throughout the year!