PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



14th March Sunday B/Weekdays 1 Fourth Sunday of Lent Psalter week 4

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St Patrick's Altar Society: 6-19 March: Mary Gordon & Evelyn Duggan 20 Mar-2 April: Ann Maguire & Pat Neely

Parish Facebook page and website St Patricks Church Portrush portrushparish.website Follow us for up to date information

MASSES THIS WEEK - STREAMED

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon Monday 9am, Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 7pm, Thursday 9am, Friday 9am These Masses are broadcast online on the Parish website: portrushparish.website



A recording of the Rosary will be played 20 minutes before all Masses during Lent. Parishioners are invited to log on Pray the to the parish webcam to participate in this powerful Marian prayer.

The church is open for private prayer on Tuesday and Thursday after morning Mass until 2pm, Wednesday 2pm until evening Mass, and Sunday after 12 noon Mass until 5pm. Please observe social-distancing guidelines, sanitise your hands on entry and exit, and sanitise any hard surface you have touched.

MASSES IN PORTSTEWART – STREAMED portstewartparish.website Sunday: Vigil at 5pm, Sunday at 10am Monday - Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Bernadette Hanna, Eugene Tierney, Lorna Doone, Fr Eoin Cassidy, Bridie Mullan ANNIVERSARIES: Peggy Armstrong, Mairead Quinn, Patrick Hill

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH **Evangelisation: Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

St. Patrick's Day, March 17



Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

ST PATRICK'S DAY MASSES – STREAMED Portstewart: 9.30am

St Malachy's Coleraine: 10.00am Portrush: 7.00pm

HEAR! HERE! CAINT, CEOL AGUS CRAIC



Thursday 18th March at 7pm To mark Irish Language Week/Seachthtain Na Gaeilge CC&G Borough Council's Good Relations Team are hosting an evening of

discussion, music and dance, including virtual performances by Loughgiel School of Irish Dancing, An Corraíste and the Mooney Family. Register via 🗺 Bebhinn.mckinley@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk



NOVENA OF HOPE FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

The Passionist Community at Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre are holding an online Novena of Hope which will be streamed live at 7pm each evening from 19th -

27th March, ending on the Saturday before Holy Week, at: www.facebook.com/tobarmhuirepassionists. Novena prayers and petition leaflets can be obtained from Tobar Mhuire (send sae) or online: www.tobarmhuirecrossgar.com

LECTIO DIVINA FOR LENT

An opportunity for a group of people to come together, pray with scripture and share their insights. Each week the resource looks at the Old Testament readings with a teaching video and then a *Lectio Divina* with the Gospel passage. Each session will be led by trained facilitators and is open to everyone from across the North Connor Pastoral Community on Monday evenings until 22 March starting @ 7.30pm on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 391 752 6857 Passcode: 3e70J2

VIA DOLOROSA

This is a special resource prepared by Living Church for use during Lent either at home or as part of a community celebration. Copies of the resource will be available each week in the Church. Each Friday from 26 February to 26 **March** there will be a short service from St Malachy's Church, Coleraine beginning at 7.30pm. This will include an Opening Prayer, Gospel reading, time for silent reflection and one decade of a Scriptural Rosary. Please join online at St Malachy's Parish Coleraine YouTube channel, parish website https://coleraineparish.website or Facebook page.



Resources are available in the Church or can be ordered through St Patrick's Primary School. These are designed to help children participate in the Sunday Masses for Lent.

LIVING YOUTH LENTEN CHALLENGES

Get online to access weekly Lenten Challenges for young people aged 11-18 and their families. We will be exploring different themes throughout Lent and will have a host of engaging activities to get involved with. Visit: www.livingyouth.co.uk/lent-2021 for more information and to register.



FROM COVID TO LIGHT - LENTEN TALKS 2021

'The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life.' – Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI A Zoom Conference through the lens of Faith and the Gospels of Lent each Tuesday at 8pm. Each of the Talks are themed in light of Covid. The Guest speaker will reflect on the theme from their own context in light of their vocation and faith, but also in light of the Hope of this Easter and our journey through Covid, now that there is a vaccine to aid the control of this virus. This week Fr Conor Stainton-Polland leads the session on 'The Light has come into the World': God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved. To receive link and password: Image: password: Image: password: Image: password: Image: password: Image: password: p Talks are free and open to all.





Trócaire works with local partners in South Sudan to provide: Emergency aid such as food, water and sanitation and hygiene items; Seeds, tools and agricultural training to help people grow their own food; Counselling support to help people overcome the trauma they have experienced and promoting peaceful coexistence between all the people of South Sudan.

RTE Studio Broadcast Mass on Sunday 21st March at 11am will be celebrated by Msgr La Flynn, Prior of Lough Derg along with the Lough Derg Pastoral and Music teams. The Mass will be offered for the Lough Derg pilgrim family near and far.

Tune into RTE 1 Television or RTE Radio 1 Extra.



PRIORY INSTITUTE Holy Week Online Retreat Free open access online retreat reflecting on the Passion of Christ.

Register now at prioryinstitute.com

MARY'S MEALS: CRISIS IN ETHIOPIA

The people of Tigray are living in fear of imminent starvation. The brutal fighting has caused many to flee their homes. They are



without food, without shelter, without medical supplies. Find out how you can help at: www.marysmeals.org.uk



God of peace, Show us how to put away the weapons of war and help us destroy the tools of destruction. God of peace, may your kingdom come.

God of peace,

Teach us to follow the ways of justice and walk with us the paths of truth. God of peace, may your kingdom come.

God of peace,

Challenge the weapons of war, and banish hatred and division, so that all your children may sleep secure. God of peace, may your kingdom come. Amen.



TRÓCAIRE BOXES can be collected from the church or from the Parish Office on Tuesday mornings



SACRISTAN/CARETAKER **ST MALACHY'S COLERAINE**

A vacancy has arisen for a part-time Sacristan/Caretaker (20 hours pw) Full details can be found on the Diocesan website:

www.downandconnor.org – click on Job Vacancies. Closing date for return of applications: Friday 26th March at 12.00 noon