PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



Sixth

9 May 2021 **Sunday of Easter** Sunday B/Weekdays 1 **Psalter week 2**

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Parish office open Tuesday 9am - 1pm **SVP Helpline** 07508 549 574

SVP Clothes Bank situated in the church car park

St Patrick's Altar Society:

1-14 May: Mary Gordon & Evelyn Duggan 15-28 May: 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 Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at

Monday 9am, Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 7pm, Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am

Please book for all weekend Masses, either by phoning Brian 07799

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or online at EVENTBRITE

No booking is required for weekdays.

All Masses are streamed online on the parish website: portrushparish.website 'Watch Live' and on YouTube.

Masses are recorded and can be watched on the website 45 minutes after Mass has ended.

You can also listen on our parish radio.

MASSES IN PORTSTEWART THIS WEEK **Sunday: Vigil 5.00pm, Sunday** 10.00am & 7.00pm

Monday: Mass at 9.30am Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday - Saturday: Mass at

9.30am

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Philip White, Michael McKiernan **ANNIVERSARIES:** Kathleen Maple, Joseph Austin, Hugh McLaughlin, Paul Duggan, Lorenzo Quinn, Derek McKinney

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY

The world of finance: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

LORD OF THE HARVEST,

BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things.

INSPIRE all of your disciples to mutual love and giving - for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

INSTILL those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you.

UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace.

AMEN

If you are thinking about the priesthood, we encourage you to phone or send an email to Fr Kevin McGuckien, Diocesan **Vocations Director ☎** 90614567 vocations@downandconnor.org

LECTIO DIVINA FOR THE EASTER SEASON Mondays at 7.30pm until 17th May



Reading the Scripture Reflecting on the Meaning Responding through Prayer Resting in God Responding in Action

Lectio Divina offers an opportunity to gather together to pray with Scripture, share insights and to deepen our personal relationship with God through contemplating His Word. Deacon Terence, Frank and Curtis will be facilitating a new program this Easter. To join, please e-mail: t.butcher@downandconnor.org for the zoom link. Or use:

https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/tuK CmEiQTi9iY SGyTIA?domain=us02web.zoom.us

ALPHA COURSE ONLINE



You are invited to Alpha online on Thursday evenings at 8pm. The course is an opportunity to explore questions around faith, life and meaning. Use this link to join: https://CFC alpha.online For more information, please ring Ernestine

7083 1000 All welcome!

VIATORES CHRISTI Overseas Volunteers Training Course September 2021 Viatores Christi, a faith-based development organisation

has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC runs an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. **This is open to all**. If you want to know more, visit www.vcvolunteers.ie or email: info@viatoreschristi.com

WELCOME

We welcome all who are able to attend Mass and remember the intentions of all who cannot yet be with us. Please wear a face mask when you come and follow the directions of the stewards regarding sanitizing your hands and choosing a seat. For your safety, the toilets remain closed. If you think you might need to use the toilet during Mass please notify a steward.

The church is open for private prayer on Tuesday and Thursday 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.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Lord Jesus,

I believe that you are really present in your people gathered together. You, the Word made flesh, are really present when the Living Word is proclaimed.

You are really present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist as we share in the One Bread and One Cup. I love you above all things. You already abide all days in the heart and soul of each of your people and we abide in you.

I cannot at this moment gather with your people to celebrate the Eucharist, nor receive you in the sacrament of the Eucharist. I look forward to the time when this is again possible. I ask that you strengthen my awareness and appreciation of your abiding presence at all times. I embrace you now already present. By your Spirit, unite me more fully in communion with you and with your Father, with all the members of your body as we look forward to sharing in the

eternal banquet for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever and ever. Amen

TRÓCAIRE'S LENTEN APPEAL All donations from the public in NI made before 16th May will be matched pound for pound by the UK government, up to £2m.

Supporters who sign up for a monthly gift, or increase their monthly gift before the 16th May deadline, will have three instalments matched. These matched funds will help thousands of people in South Sudan. Trócaire's campaign this year focused on people trapped in long-running

wars, such as those affecting places such as South Sudan and Somalia. Generations of people in these countries have been forced to live through conflict. Their resilience and determination to help each other is remarkable. By donating to our Lenten Appeal, you will be helping them to help themselves.

Total collection sent to Trócaire from Portrush Parish this week: £4183.00

Thank you for your generosity.





Portrush Parish Confirmation: Sunday 6th June at 3pm in St Malachy's Church, Coleraine

Any parent in Portrush parish who wishes to have their child confirmed this year should contact us via the parish office or the parish Facebook page

First Holy Communion: Saturday 12th June at 12 noon

PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any item for inclusion in the parish weekend bulletin, email:

portrush@downandconnor.org or contact the parish office 7082 3388 / 7083 2534

by 5pm on Thursday please.