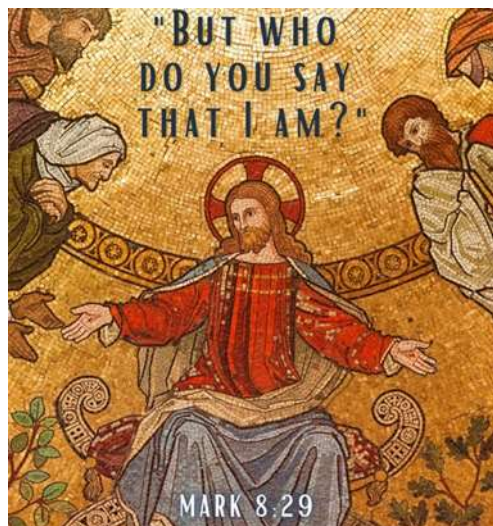


PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



12 September 2021

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday B/Weekdays 1

Psalter week 4

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SVP Clothes Bank situated in the church car park



St Patricks Church Portrush

portrushparish.website

MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at noon

**No Mass in St Patrick's Church
on Monday or Tuesday this week**

Wednesday 7pm, Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am

**Please book for all weekend Masses,
either by phoning Brian 07799 065931
or online at EVENTBRITE**

MASS IN PORTSTEWART

Saturday Vigil at 5pm, Sunday at 10am

**Sunday 7pm Mass will recommence
on Sunday 19th September in Star of the Sea**

Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

The church is open for private prayer from
10am-12 noon on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
on Thursday between 10am and 5pm.**

MASS IN ST MALACHY'S, COLERAINE

Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Elizabeth Watton, Sheila Stockman

ANNIVERSARIES: Marino McGowan, Joan Dunkley,
Audrey Connor, Brian Minihan, Phyllis Marshall

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.

**The church is open for private prayer
on Tuesday & Thursday until 2pm,
Wednesday 2pm until evening Mass,
and Sunday after 12 noon Mass until 5pm.**

FACE MASKS IN ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

Though the legal obligation to wear a mask
throughout Mass is no longer in place,
**it will remain mandatory for anyone attending Mass
in our Church to wear a mask at all times.**

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

Universal: An environmentally sustainable lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for
a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle,
rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely
committed to this.



START OF YEAR MASS AT ST PATRICK'S PS

The Mass has been **postponed until
Friday 17th September at 1pm**

Mass will be held in the school grounds
(weather permitting) or in the church if it rains.
All parishioners are very welcome.
Please contact the school if you wish to attend.

DIOCESAN APPEAL FOR THE DOWN & CONNOR PRIESTS' WELFARE FUND 19th September 2021

"The Priests' Welfare Fund exists to provide the
stipend for each priest in active ministry. Your
generosity over many years has ensured that the Fund
had sufficient reserves to continue to provide a
stipend even where parish offerings decreased
significantly over the past 18 months.

**On Sunday 19th September we are asking for your
financial support towards the annual autumn
voluntary collection for our priests.**

We make this appeal in the light of the fact that during
2020 the level of giving across our diocese dropped on
average by 35-50%. This decrease was experienced
across all aspects of support for the many services
provided including Pastoral Care, Sacramental
Ministries, Living Church initiatives, Family Ministry,
Vocations, Youth Commission and Living Youth,

Safeguarding and Chaplaincies. Together with the priests
of the diocese, I thank you for your kindness and ongoing
support and for your generous response to this appeal. I
offer my prayerful good wishes to you and all those who
are dear to you."

Bishop Noel Treanor

SEASON OF CREATION – restoring our common home Wednesday 1st September – Monday 4th October 2021



The Season of Creation continues and
we encourage everyone across the
Diocese to take time in prayer and
reflection. We are encouraged to
reflect on all that the earth provides for
us and to pray this grace before meals:

**Generous God,
you embrace all of creation,
and bless us with gifts of life.
As we break this bread,
we praise you for your goodness,
we give thanks to those who grew our food,
and we remember those who are hungry.
May we be moved by the Holy Spirit
to share these gifts as one family,
and so catch a glimpse of your Kingdom
of justice, peace and love. Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH

All powerful God, you are present in the
whole universe and in the smallest of your
creatures. You embrace with your
tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with peace that we may live as



brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned
and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united with each
creature as we journey towards you infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle
for justice, love and peace.

Pope Francis, Laudato Si



CONGRATULATIONS!

to Kerri and Fergal
who were married this week
in St Patrick's Church

A TASTE OF THE BIBLE: An Introduction to Mark's Gospel
Pope Benedict XVI: "All the faithful should read the bible
every day." An opportunity to explore the bible and ask
questions on **Thursday evenings from 8pm to 9.30 by
Zoom FREE for 10 weeks starting 30th September.**

Basic format: ½ hour presentation; ¾ hour discussion
groups. For further information email:
tasteofbible@gmail.com or ☎ Ernestine 077 6064 7665

SPECIAL DAYS IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK



Monday 13th September
**St John Chrysostom, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church**

**Tuesday 14th
September:**
**The Exaltation of
the Holy Cross**



**Wednesday 15th
September:**
Our Lady of Sorrows

Thursday 16th September:
**Saints Cornelius, pope, and
Cyprian, bishop, Martyrs**



ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY

4 – 17 September: Ann Maguire & Pat Neely
18 Sept – 1 October: Rose Minihan & Kathleen Curran

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 11 September: Liam Mullan

Sunday 12 September: Marie Conway

Saturday 18 September: Kate Magee

Sunday 19 September: Meabh McGreevy

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.