PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



3rd October 2021

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday B/Weekdays 1 Psalter week 3

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St Patricks Church Portrush portrushparish.website

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday & Tuesday 9.00am, Wednesday 7.00pm, Thursday 9am, Friday 9.30am Saturday Vigil Mass at 6pm, Sunday at 12.00pm

> 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 & 7.00pm 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 Mass will be held in the parish centre beside the church for the foreseeable future

REST IN PEACE

DEATHS: Joe McNamee, John Molloy, **Margaret Doherty**

ANNIVERSARIES: Seamus Quinn, Tony Quinn, Fr John Conway, Ann McAtamney, Catherine Mullan, Ellen McCullagh, Terry O'Keeffe, **Nora Bradley**

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 it will remain mandatory for anyone attending Mass in our Church to always wear a mask.

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY



The Legion of Mary is inviting all families in the parish to pray a daily decade of the Rosary during October. This week we focus on the Joyful Mysteries.

First Joyful Mystery: The Annunciation "

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary" (Lk 1:26-27).

Second Joyful Mystery: The Visitation

"Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!"' (Lk 1:39-42).

Third Joyful Mystery: The Birth of Our Lord

"Mary gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn" (Lk 2:1-7).

Fourth Joyful Mystery: The Presentation in the

"When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord." (Lk 2:21-24).

Fifth Joyful Mystery: The finding of Jesus in the temple

"After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions." (Lk 2:41-47).

On Saturday 9 October, the Hail Holy Queen Conference will be on Radio Maria Ireland at 2pm. Guest speakers include Bishop John Keenan, Dr Patrick Kenny, Fr Gerry McCloskey, and Dr Blythe Kaufman.

The next Rosary on the Coast for Ireland will be held at 2.30pm on Sunday 10 October on Benone Strand. Everyone is invited along to pray for life and Ireland. Please gather safely being mindful of COVID 19 regulations. Contact John on 07730330028. Alternatively, simply sign up a Rosary location at www. coastalrosaryireland.ie or text your location to 087 278 655

LAUDATO SI' READING GROUP

St. Colmcille's Parish Ecology Group in association with Trocaire is hosting a Free Laudato SI' reading group via Zoom over 6 evenings this autumn and extend a warm welcome to join them.

Each session begins at 7.30pm and will consist of a short presentation followed by a discussion and Q&A.

Wednesday 13 October: Introduction and Chapter 1 'What is happening to our common home?'

Wednesday 20 October: Chapter 2 'The Gospel of Creation'

Wednesday 3 November: Chapter 3 'The Human Roots of the Ecological crisis'

Wednesday 17 November: Chapter 4 'Integral Ecology' Wednesday 1 December: Chapter 5 'Lines of Approach and Action'

Wednesday 8 December: Chapter 6 'Ecological Education and Spirituality' followed by a discussion of where we go from here.

If you would like to participate, please email patriciakernaghan@btinternet.com with contact details. A free downloadable copy of Laudatio SI' can be accessed via www.laudatosi.com

ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY

2 October – 15 October Marie McAuley, Marie Conway & Mary McIntyre-Loveridge 16 October – 29 October: Mary Gordon & Evelyn Duggan

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sunday 3 October: Caroline McWilliams-Owen Saturday 9 October: Kate Murphy Sunday 10 October: Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As we look forward to the easing Covid-19 restrictions the Parish is looking for volunteers to read at Mass and help with Children's Liturgy. If you would like to be involved, please contact the Parish Office.



I invite you to remember in the parish prayers this weekend, four men from our Diocese who are commencing the first stage of formation for the permanent diaconate in Down and Connor. We also keep in prayer the seven men who are in the final months of their initial formation and will be ordained deacons in Spring 2022.

> Thank you Gerard Fr Gerard Fox

St Patrick's Primary School News

We welcome Primary 3 & Primary 4 pupils from St Patrick's as special guests to join us today for mass to celebrate Day for life 2021.



This year's Day for Life will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 3 October on the theme 'The Good Samaritan: A Model of Compassion'.

In the context of the recent proposal to introduce assisted suicide, both in Ireland and the UK, this year's Day for Life message invites Catholics to consider a more positive and compassionate response to the care of people who are in the final stages of life. See www.councilforlife.ie for more.



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SPECIAL DAYS IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday 4th October St. Francis of Assisi



Tuesday 5th October St. Faustina Kowalska



Wednesday 6th October St. Bruno



Thursday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary