# PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

**Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community** 



Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Baptism of the Lord Sunday C/Weekdays 2

Psalter week 2

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St Patricks Church Portrush portrushparish.website

# **MASSES THIS WEEK**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.00pm & 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 Tuesday Mass at 7.00pm, Wednesday - Saturday 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 10am
Friday 10am (Followed by Adoration & Confession)
Mass will be held in the parish centre beside the
church for the foreseeable future

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, Saturday until evening Mass at 6pm 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 always wear a mask.

# **REST IN PEACE**

Recently Deceased: Paddy Gormley,

Christina Andrew (Nee Liken), Patricia Stanley, Deacon Paul McCormick

Anniversaries: Peter Scullion, Ethna McLaughlin, Jackie & Sheila McNally, Mary Thompson & Chrissie McAlister

#### ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Enrolment of new pupils for the school will open online on **Monday 10 January.** Staff are available to support anyone who requires help in completing the enrolment.

# ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY

8<sup>th</sup> January-21<sup>st</sup> January: Rose Minihan & Kathleen Curran 22<sup>nd</sup> January – 4<sup>th</sup> February – Marie McAuley, Marie Conway & Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

# MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> January 12pm – Maebh McGreevy Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 6pm – Marie McAuley Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 12pm – Mary McAlister

# SPECIAL DAYS IN THE CHURCH CALENDAR



Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January St. Hilary of Poitiers



Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January
St. Ita

## DIOCESAN COLLECTION

The first Diocesan collection of 2022, will take place next **Sunday 16**<sup>th</sup> **January** for

Down & Connor Living Youth, who provide developmental faith-based programmes for children, young people & young adults.



# **UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE**

The Bible is at the heart of our faith and our relationship with God. Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to even begin.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible is an 8-week online programme written by Jeff Cavins and facilitated by the Living Church office. Course participants will receive a resource pack and connect online for a time of teaching, discussion, and prayerful reflection.

There are three groups available

Wednesday Morning at 11am beginning
on Wednesday 12th January

Wednesday Evening at 7pm beginning on Wednesday

12th January

Monday Evening at 7pm beginning on Monday
17th January

To register you can complete an online form <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/g3FWFK5x8w">https://forms.office.com/r/g3FWFK5x8w</a> or e-mail <a href="mailto:a.steen@downandconnor.org">a.steen@downandconnor.org</a>

Come and join us for a programme will give you a way to read the bible, understand it and so experience its life changing power.

# POPES PRAYER INTENTION JANUARY 2022



#### For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

A live stream of Pope Francis' Agenda, Masses & Addresses, can be viewed via YouTube at www.vatican.va

# NORTHERN PASTORAL NETWORK



Continues to provide prayer resources throughout the year, a very valuable source

of information www.northernpastoral.network

## **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end, the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the river to sanctify its waters, and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.



O Lord, your Baptism shows us that you are not remote. You are at our side. You know sin but are not a sinner. Give us the grace to renew our baptism through a frequent reception of confession and the Holy Eucharist. By receiving one, we strengthen the others. By receiving You, we receive God Himself.

## **NORTH CONNOR PASTORAL COMMUNITY**



# A Taste of the Bible: A Life Worth Living?

An opportunity to read together Paul's letter to the believers in Philippi and explore its relevance to A Life Worth Living in the world today.

- Thursday evenings 8pm to 9.30 by Zoom FREE
  - 10 weeks 20 January to 24 March 2022

Basic format: 25 mins video presentation; 45 mins discussion groups

For further information telephone Ernestine: 077 6064 7665 or email: Brian <a href="mailto:bj.taylor@ulster.ac.uk">bj.taylor@ulster.ac.uk</a>
Pope Benedict XVI: "All the faithful should read the bible every day"

ANY INCLUSION FOR THE BULLETIN MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM ON WEDNESDAY

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