PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



Sunday 27th November 2022 1st Sunday of Advent

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Psalter week 4

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Parish Office this week: Monday 9.30am-2.30pm, Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am – 1.00pm

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday, Tuesday & Friday – 10.30am Sunday at 12.00pm

(Eucharistic adoration will take place after Mass on the first Friday of each month, should you wish to volunteer please pass your name on to Julie Short or the Parish office)

MASS IN PORTSTEWART

Saturday Vigil at 5.00 pm Sunday at 10.00am Tuesday: Mass at 7.00pm Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am

MASS IN ST MALACHY'S, COLERAINE
Thursday & Friday 10am
Saturday vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 11am

SVP Helpline 07508 549 574 SVP Clothes Bank situated in the church car park

All Masses are streamed & recorded online
At <u>www.churchmedia.tv</u> . Masses are available to
view for up to two weeks. For any difficulties with
accessing Mass please contact Melissa on
02887738494

The church is open for private prayer Monday – Saturday 9am – 5.30pm and Sunday after 12 noon Mass until 5.30pm.

ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY

26th November – 9th December – Ann Maguire & Pat Neely

10th December – 23rd December - Rose Minihan & Kathleen Curran

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sunday 4th December – Marie Conway

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday 4th December - Tomasz Michalski



REST IN PEACE: Marian Liken, Teresa Coyle
ANNIVERSARIES: Victor Crawford, Collette
Foster, Christopher Trolan, Reece Meenan,
Anne Brolly, Saorla Lai (London)



CONFESSIONS

Confession will be available before Monday & Friday Masses



CHRISTMAS CARDS

A selection of Christmas cards are available to purchase after Mass or from the Parish office at a price of £5 for a ten

pack. Various designs available.

Proceeds to: Aid to the Church in Need



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER



Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit

organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

FIRST FRIDAY IN BALLYMONEY

Ballymoney Parish continues our First Friday Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus this Friday evening (December 2nd). As usual there will be a Holy Hour from 6pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions, ending with Benediction from 6.45pm.

Mass will be at 7pm with the novena prayers.

Any item for inclusion in the Parish Bulletin
Must be received by Wednesday 5pm

CHRISTMAS FAIR

(In association with St Patrick's Hall Committee)
Sunday 4th December 1.30pm – 4.00pm

St Patrick's Hall

- Music
- Stalls
- Tombola
- Arts & Crafts
- Festive Food
- Santa



For anyone wishing to book a stall, contact either Mary Lagan or Patricia O'Brien

Admission £5 – Children FREE

SVP FESTIVE LUNCH



Saturday 10th December 1.30pm Atlantic Hotel Portrush

Names will be taken after each
Mass on 27th November & 3rd December of those
over 60 years of age who wish to attend.

A donation of £10 per person would be greatly appreciated.

For further information please contact the Parish Office

SING CAROLS WITH COLERAINE COMMU NITY CHOIR

The Coleraine Community Choir will be hosting an evening of carols on Friday 9th December at 7.30pm in Holy Trinity Church Portrush.

Featuring Glenkeen Flute Band and Sophie Giraudeau Soprano.

The Choir will be conducted by Roberta Scott, Accompanist Julie McClelland & Organist Peter Wilson.

Offerings in aid of the shipwrecked fishermen and mariners Royal Benevolent Society

COLLECTIONS

Last Sunday's weekly collection amounted to £203.28 and the bishops Commissions collection to £239.00.

Thank you for your continuing generosity

CELEBRATING ADVENT IN OUR PARISH

Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man.' Pope Francis.

Take time to prepare for the Lord's birth by meditating on his Word. Join us this Advent as we reflect on the Living Word of God. LECTIO DIVINA is a beautiful meditative form of prayer to help us come in touch with Scripture and to reflect on how Jesus speaks to us personally through his lifegiving Word.

4 Wednesdays, beginning 23rd November in the Marian Hall Portstewart (access through the Church) · 7.30 – 8.30pm, finishing with light refreshments

LECTIO DIVINA for students and young people:

(18-30yrs old) · 4 Wednesdays beginning 23rd November · Marian Hall (access through the Church) · 5.30pm – 7.00pm, beginning with light refreshments

For more information, or to sign up, please contact Bridgeen 07546 092912 or Helen 07765 014681 or add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church

ADVENT VESPERS

Portstewart Parish warmly invite us to Evening
Prayer for Advent each Sunday of Advent at 5pm
starting next Sunday 27th November in Star of
the Sea Portstewart

CANTEMUS CONCERT



After a long absence we are delighted to welcome Cantemus choir back to **Star of the Sea** for their annual Christmas concert

on Friday 16th December at

7.30pm. This is always a highlight in our Christmas season and at only £5 including refreshments afterwards in the parish centre, spaces are sure to go fast. Tickets are available from the repository or by contacting Emer on 07709043921.

ADVENT

Booklets and leaflets available at the back of the Church

SPECIAL BELFAST PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

9-14th June 2023 Ex Dublin for Feast Day of Saint Anthony Patron Saint of Portugal visit Saint Anthony's birthplace and baptismal font in Lisbon contact James Treacy 0035361921470

CAFOD



Today as Advent begins, we start to prepare for the birth

of the Christ child at Christmas time. But we also remember that we are constantly waiting in hope and expectation for Christ who is to come again in glory.

It is not easy to hold onto hope, especially in a world full of change when we can sometimes feel as though we are lurching from one crisis to the next. But at this time of year, we remember the promise of hope that has been made to us. That Christ will come again to make all things new.

We do not know exactly when that will be, but it is expected of us that we be found ready and waiting, so that we are not caught unprepared.

We are called to live differently, to show our readiness to welcome Christ in how we welcome others. Especially those who are poor, vulnerable, or marginalised in any way.

Advent prayer

Come, Lord, bringer of hope.

Create in us a desire for a world transformed to reflect your glory, and lead us in your ways so that together we may make a change, dispelling the darkness of poverty.

Amen.

Prayer resources and reflections can be found at

www.cafod.org