# PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

**Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community** 



Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Pentecost Sunday

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Psalter week 1

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PARISH OFFICE THIS WEEK:
Tuesday & Thursday 09.30am-1.00pm

### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

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

## **STAR OF THE SEA PORTSTEWART**

Tuesday – 7pm Wed-Fri – 09.30am Saturday –09.30am& 5pm (Vigil) Sunday – 10am

## MASS IN ST MALACHYS COLERAINE

Tues, Thurs & Friday – 10.00am Saturday Vigil – 6pm Sunday – 11.00am

All Masses are streamed & recorded online\_at <a href="www.churchmedia.tv">www.churchmedia.tv</a>. 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.

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

### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June –Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

### **MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Tomasz Michalski

# ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY 27<sup>th</sup> May – 9<sup>th</sup> June – Rose Minihan & Kathleen

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10<sup>th</sup> June – 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Marie McAuley, Marie Conway & Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

#### **SACRAMENTS**

First Holy Communion – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June Confirmation – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June

# REST IN PEACE ANNIVERSARIES

Flora Harold, Margaret Burns (Pearly), Mary McCallum, Meta Doherty, John Cloughley

### **COLLECTIONS**

Last week's weekly Collection amounted to £511.37.

The collection for the education of Diocesan students amounted to £295.38.

Thank you for your continuing support!

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

For our diocese, that filled with the Holy Spirit we will have the courage to set out on the pathway that God wants us to follow.

For the earth, the common home which we all share. May each of us undertake our responsibility to care for and steward the earth ensuring that the earth's resources are used sustainably for the good of all.

Pathways to the Future Prayer

God of Love, you are with us in every transition and change. As we enter this new era with excitement and even some anxiety,

we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents, and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another.

We ask this in your Holy Name. AMEN

### **PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE**

This weekend we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles. In an instant a group of frightened disciples were empowered to go out and proclaim God's amazing dream for the world - the Good News of Jesus Christ!

When we read about Pentecost and the birth of the Church in the Acts of the Apostles, we find inspiration for where we are as a Church here in Ireland today. We know that we have come to a fork in the road. We can't keep going the way we were, we must head out on a new pathway.

In Down & Connor the Pathways to the Future project is charting the next steps on this journey. We must be realistic - change is inevitable. There will be new ways of working in our parishes and communities. But this isn't something to be afraid of. God still has a dream for our Church. He wants us to be filled with the Spirit and willing to go out and share the Gospel with others. He wants us to be generous, loving, and inclusive, welcoming everyone into his family. And he wants us to be confident that each of us - lay women and men, clergy and religious - has a part to play in renewing our parishes, the diocese and building up the Kingdom of God.

To find out more we encourage you to read Bishop Donal McKeown's Pastoral Letter available on www.downandconnor.org or www.pathwaystothefuture.org

# **POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION: JUNE**

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

Any item for inclusion in the bulletin must be received by 3pm On Wednesday

# DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST LIVING CHURCH OFFICE VACANCY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR 3 YEAR FIXED TERM CONTRACT

An exciting opportunity has arisen within our Living Church Office, where we seek to recruit into the role of Assistant Director. The role will attract someone who will work to make the vision and hope for our Diocese an ever-stronger reality, in everything the Living Church does. Supporting the Director of the Living Church and working as part of a team to implement Diocesan Initiatives in youth ministry, peace and reconciliation, evangelisation, and faith development. The terms are based on a 3 -Year Fixed Term Contract, working 35 hours per week. Flexible working arrangements with an option for hybrid working as meets the needs of the role. Salary: Will be considered within the range of £34,000 to £39,000 gross per annum commensurate upon experience. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: http://www.downandconnor.org clicking on the tab: job vacancies and on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the Essential and Desirable criteria as presented and are interested in playing an active role within the Diocese of Down and Connor. Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 8th June 2023 Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities **Employer** 

# **POINT TO PONDER**

Jesus always brings peace and reconciliation. Saint Augustine called peace 'the tranquillity of order', meaning order in my relationship with God, with other people and within myself. Where is there lack of peace in my life? Who do I need to make peace with? Do I make space to experience God's forgiveness and gift of peace? I ask for this so that I may bring others peace.

### THOUGHT OF THE DAY

As Jesus was sent by the Father, so he sent out the disciples. We inherit this mission today. We live that mission by being a patient, kind, encouraging and compassionate presence wherever we are.