

# PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**Sunday A/Weekdays 1**

**Psalter week 3**

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**PARISH OFFICE THIS WEEK:**

**Monday 09.30am-2.30pm 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 – 10.00am

Saturday Vigil – 6pm

Sunday – 11.00am

***All Masses are streamed & recorded online at  
[www.churchmedia.tv](http://www.churchmedia.tv). 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 18<sup>th</sup> June – Peter Sheridan

## **MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June – James Campbell

## **ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY**

10<sup>th</sup> June – 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Marie McAuley, Marie

Conway & Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

24<sup>th</sup> June – 7<sup>th</sup> July – Mary Gordon & Evelyn

Duggan

## **SACRAMENTS**

Confirmation – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

**Paul Minihan, Sean Hughes**

## **COLLECTIONS**

Last week's weekly Collection amounted to

**£398.85 & the Monthly £261.20.**

**Thank you for your continuing support!**

## **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.

## **POINTS TO PONDER**

Jesus speaks about 'drawing life' from him, In day to day living what are the practices which support your faith and help you to draw life from Jesus?

The Eucharist is one of the ways in which we draw life from Jesus. Recall with gratitude how the Eucharist has been a source of nourishment and life for you.

Perhaps you can also think of people drawing life from one another. From whom have you drawn life? Who has been able to draw life from you?

## **TOBAR MHUIRE SUMMER INSTITUTE**

22nd – 23rd June

"Blessed are the Peacemakers"

Speakers:

Fr Chris Monaghan CP: Set My People Free –  
Peacebuilding in the Scriptures

Peter McBride: Trauma as a spiritual fracture  
Brian McKee: Imagining a new and shared future  
together

Each day begins at 10 am with tea/coffee and  
finishes each afternoon with optional liturgy at  
4.30pm.

Conference Costs: £40 per day (to include  
tea/coffee/light lunch)

Residential Cost for Evening meal / Bed and  
Breakfast: £75 – single / £60 shared (plus  
conference cost)

For further information or to book your place:

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## **PAPAL MESSAGE FOR THE DAY FOR LIFE 2023**

Pope Francis has kindly sent a message of  
encouragement for all who participate in the Day  
for Life. The message is as follows:

The Holy Father Francis was informed of the  
celebration of the 2023 Day for Life in Ireland,  
Scotland, England, and Wales under the theme  
"Listen to Her" and sends his greetings and good  
wishes to all the participants.

In listening to Mary, our mother, and following her  
example, he invites us to discover our personal call  
from God who is the source of our existence,  
reminding us that, "Each human being is called by  
God to enjoy the fullness of life; and is entrusted  
to the maternal care of the Church. Every threat to  
human dignity and life cannot but influence her  
heart, on her maternal 'womb'. To defend life is  
not an ideology for the Church. It is a reality; a  
human reality which involves all Christians,  
precisely because they are Christian and because  
they are human". (General Audience, 25 March  
2020).

With these sentiments in mind, I assure all who  
participate in this year's Day for Life of Pope  
Francis' prayers, particularly for all expectant  
mothers and their families. Through the  
intercession of the mother of God, the Holy Father  
cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing to all  
participants and invokes an abundance of Divine  
graces.

## **PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE**

This weekend we celebrate Corpus Christi, a  
solemnity of the Church that allows us to reflect on  
the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. One  
of the early Church Fathers, St John Chrysostom,  
understood how the Eucharist draws the whole  
Church together. "What is the Bread actually? The  
Body of Christ. What do communicants become?  
The Body of Christ! Just as the bread comes from  
many grains, which remain themselves and are not  
distinguished from one another because they are  
united, so we are united with Christ."

St Paul teaches us that Christ is the head of the  
Church and we are the body, which is made up of  
many parts that work together. He's saying that we  
all have unique roles in the Church and as lay men  
and women, religious and priests we are called to  
work together. This is the vision of our Pathways to  
the Future programme too.

When we come to Mass we are one family of God's  
people. When we leave we carry Christ with us and  
we bring him out into the world. As we celebrate  
Corpus Christi, may we be strengthened and  
nourished by the Eucharist we receive to go out and  
serve God and his people.

## **Prayer of the Faithful**

For our diocese, that our clergy and parishioners will  
continue to work together co-responsibly to enable  
the Good News of Jesus Christ to reach more  
people.

For our parish, that every parishioner will recognise  
their gifts and talents and place them at the service  
of the Church, helping to create a vibrant  
community of faith, hope, and love.

## **Pathways to the Future Prayer**

God of Love, You are with us in every transition and  
change. As we enter into 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

