

PARISH OF PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

Part of the North Connor Pastoral Community



12th Sunday in Ordinary time

Sunday 25th June 2023

Sunday A/Weekdays 1 Psalter week 4

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday, Tuesday & Friday – 10.30am

Sunday – 12.00pm

(Saturday vigil at 7pm during July & August)

PARISH OFFICE THIS WEEK:

Mon 09.30am-2.30pm Tues & Thurs 09.30am-1.00pm

MASS IN ST MALACHYS COLERAINE

Tues & Thurs – 10.00am

Saturday Vigil – 6.00pm

Sunday – 11.00am

STAR OF THE SEA PORTSTEWART

Tuesday – 7pm

Wed-Fri – 09.30am

Saturday – 09.30am & 5pm (Vigil)

Sunday – 10am

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 1st July – Julie Short

Sunday 2nd July – Caroline McWilliams-Owen

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 1st July – Rose Minihan

Sunday 2nd July – Malgorzata Rutka

ST PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY

24th June – 7th July – Mary Gordon & Evelyn Duggan

8th July – 21st July – Ann Maguire & Pat Neely

ANNIVERSARIES

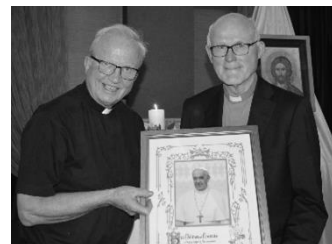
**Marian McGuckin, Brian Mullan
Pauline Convery, May O'Kane,
Sr Paulinus O'Connor, Denis Corcoran,
Columba Marsella, Guido Morelli, Sean
Mulholland, Vukosava Cvetkovic, John
McMullan, Ann Pancott**

COLLECTIONS

Last week's weekly Collection amounted to
£387.60 The Diocesan Peter's Pence
collection amounted to £258.70.

Thank you for your continuing support!

JUBILEE CONGRATULATIONS



We congratulate Monsignor Paddy for the recognition he has received on the 50th Anniversary of his ordination presented by Bishop Donal McKeown, on behalf of Pope Francis.

A special Mass will be held in St Malachy's Coleraine on Friday 7th July at 7.30pm in celebration of Monsignor Delargy's 50th Jubilee of Ordination.

All are welcome to attend followed by Refreshments and entertainment in the parish centre.

Please contact the Parish office to register interest for catering purposes.

THE HOLYLAND AT CHRISTMAS

Last remaining places for special Belfast Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023 ex Dublin.

Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane and Mount of Olives.

Full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day.

CEMETERY SUNDAY IN PORTSTEWART

Sunday 25th June at 3pm in Agherton Cemetery
Graves will be blessed
in both Agherton and Portstewart Cemeteries.

HALL HAPPENINGS

Monday

Slimming World with Ruth McKay 4.30pm – 7.30pm

Dancercise with Gerald McQuilken 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Friday

Zumba with Steph 6.00pm – 7.00pm a new, energetic, dance/fitness class, Lots of fun!



POINTS TO PONDER



The body/soul terminology presupposes an anthropology in which the soul represents one's real self and the body is the perishable shell. For Jesus the important thing is to be true to one's real self, even if this does involve some material or physical loss or pain. When you have had that kind of courage, what was it like for you?

There is no such thing as secret discipleship. It is in declaring their allegiance to Jesus that his followers will find life. They will be the losers if they hide their discipleship. Does this resonate with your experience?

PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

This is a time of major change – politically, economically, socially, and within our Church.

Change can be unsettling and even a little frightening, especially when it impacts on something that we love, cherish, and rely upon, like our parish communities and how we celebrate our faith. Over recent weeks, we have heard about changes that are coming to our parishes and Diocese. Changes in the number of priests in active ministry in years to come, changes in how our parishes will work together in new families of parishes, changes in the active role that lay people will play working alongside our clergy in new ministries, leadership roles and the management of our parishes. The Holy Spirit is moving within these changes, and Jesus is calling each one of us to renew and to rebuild His Church. As Bishop Donal McKeown said in his Pastoral Letter at Pentecost, "The Spirit which acted with such unexpected force and fulness in Pentecost is the same Spirit we can call upon and put our entire trust in today."

The Pathways to the Future team is concluding its initial planning work. Further information about our new Families of Parishes, lay ministries, and new ways for our lay people and clergy to work together in the service of God and each other will be shared through a series of events across the Diocese in the autumn. This will be the start of ongoing conversations that will continue within parishes and across parishes as we start to build our new parish families. As Bishop McKeown said at Pentecost, "Together we can renew and rebuild the Church. Together, we can become part of God's amazing dream for ourselves and for the whole of creation. Like the disciples at Pentecost, let us embrace the future with confidence and hope." In doing so, let us hear Jesus' voice as He continues to tell each of us "Do not be afraid".

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

All Masses are streamed & recorded online at 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.**

**Any item for inclusion in the Parish bulletin must
be received no later than 5pm Wednesday**