

# THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH AND COLERAINE

North Connor Pastoral Community

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27th August 2023

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday A / Weekdays 1 Psalter Week 1

## MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISHES

### STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm  
Sunday Mass at 8am & 10am

**NO 8am MASS FROM NEXT WEEK 3rd SEPTEMBER**

Tuesday Mass at 7pm  
Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am  
CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 10am & 4pm

### ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7pm

**NO VIGIL MASS FROM NEXT WEEK 2nd SEPTEMBER**

Sunday at 12 noon  
Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 10.30am

### ST MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

Saturday Vigil at 6.30pm, Sunday at 11am  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am

CONFESSIONS:

After Mass on Friday and  
before Mass on Saturday and Sunday

### OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 9.30am & 5pm  
Monday & Wednesday 10am, Friday 7pm

## PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: Ruth McGuckian 7083 2534  
Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

**Parish Office Hours 28 August – 1 September**  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am – 2pm

Deacon Terence Butcher 07783 117077  
Parish Pastoral Council: Emer O'Keeffe 07709 043921  
Email: portstewartpastoralcouncil@gmail.com  
SVP Helpline: 07508 549572



Star of the Sea Portstewart  
portstewartparish.website

### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** Dessie Campbell, Clare Sweeney, Malachy McFerran, Eugenie Jones, James Etherson

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Bridget Conway, Christopher Hughes, Katherine Tohill, Gareth Moore, Alice Duffy, Krzysztof Kunkel, Denis McGowan, John & Margaret Campbell, James Sweeney, Justin Murray

### NEXT WEEKEND 2-3 SEPTEMBER (PORTSTEWART) VIGIL

**Minister of the Word:** Alison Rankin  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deirdre McCann, Margaret McQuillan, Jimmy Dempsey  
**Minister of the Word:** Michael Bradley  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Margaret McLernon\* Pat Calvert\* Mary McMahon\* Terry Butcher

### PARENTS AND TODDLERS WELCOME!

Our baby and toddler group **LITTLE STARS** will be back in the Parish Centre on **Tuesday 8th September**. If you could help on an occasion, please speak to Schira or contact Emer on 07709043921 We would also appreciate donations of toys, books etc. If you have any unused items still in good condition, please let us know.

### CHOIR PRACTICE

Our choir is always open to new members, young and old, but there's no better time to join than now! **On 10th September our 10am Mass will be the broadcast service on Radio Ulster.** There will be choir practice on **Tuesday 29th August after the 7pm Mass** so come along and play your part in ensuring we continue the rich tradition of choral singing in our Parish!

**LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**  
**Sunday 24th September leaving Portstewart Prom at 7.30am.** Details and price later. Please register your interest with Alice Quinn ☎07851 749547

## PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy 7082 3388  
Parish Secretary: Clare White  
Email: portrush@downandconnor.org

**Parish Office Hours 28 August – 1 September**  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am – 1.30pm

SVP Helpline: 07508 549574

### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** James Etherson (Westmeath)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Terry New, Bernard Lawn, Ellen Doyle, Maureen Hayes, Christina Passmore, Audrey Connor, Christopher Liken, Dessie Diamond, Cassie O'Hagan, Brigid Magill, Mary Mullan

### NEXT WEEKEND 2-3 SEPTEMBER (PORTRUSH)

**SUNDAY 12 noon**

**Minister of the Word:** Brian McLaughlin

**Eucharistic Minister:** Rose Minihan

### ALTAR SOCIETY

19 August – 1 September: Mary Gordon & Evelyn Duggan  
2 – 15 September: Ann Maguire & Pat Neely



### APOSTOLIC WORK – THANKS

Thank you to all who contributed so generously to our recent Church Door collection in Portrush which raised £317.

## COLERAINE

Fr Nideesh Varghese CC 7034 3156  
Email: n.varghese@downandconnor.org  
Parish Secretary: Paula Priestley 7034 3156  
Email: coleraine@downandconnor.org

**COLERAINE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEK**  
**Reopening Monday 4th September**

**Parish Pastoral Council:**  
Chairperson: Sean O'Hare 7034 4525  
Email: oharesa@btinternet.com

**SVP Confidential Helpline:** 07738 837959



St Malachy's Parish Coleraine coleraineparish.website

### REST IN PEACE

**RECENT:** Linda Henry (nee Hutton)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Pat Kennedy, Charlie Booth, Marian Hanson, Billy Steele, Rita Mackenna

## NOTICES

**Deacon Dawid Aksenczuk will be ordained to the priesthood this Sunday 27th August 2023 at 3.00pm in St Peter's Cathedral.**  
**Please keep Dawid in your prayers.**

### JOB OPPORTUNITY

**Parish Financial & Administrative Secretary**

Hours of Work: 12 (negotiable up to 15)  
Place of Work: Parish Office, Laurel Hill, Coleraine  
Reporting to the Parish Priest, the role entails provision of full secretarial and admin support. View job information at: **derrydiocese.org/jobs**

For application pack please contact: Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry BT48 9AP

☎ 7126 2302 **recruitment@derrydiocese.org**

Closing date for applications is 30-08-2023 16:30

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### A JOURNEY INTO FREEDOM - Giving God Another Chance

As we move forward as a Family of Parishes, you are encouraged to join us in this shared faith development programme, which is intended to lead us into a more personal relationship with Christ and deepen friendships among all who participate.

St Malachy's Parish Centre will be the venue for this programme which will begin on **Wednesday 20th September** and will run for 6 Wednesdays (finishing on 25th October). Each evening will commence at 7.00pm and conclude at 8.30pm. Refreshments will be served and there will be time for a chat with new (and old) friends. All are very welcome. Further details to follow.

### LIVING CHURCH ONE DAY LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE: SATURDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

As this is a one day pilgrimage, fasting and walking barefoot are not required. Cost £55 includes luxury coach transfers, tea, coffee & scones on arrival, retreat day, light lunch, concluding with celebration of the Eucharist. Bus departs 7am from St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street. Contact Claire ☎ 9069 0920 Email: [livingchurch@downandconnor.org](mailto:livingchurch@downandconnor.org)

### RADIO MARIA IRELAND

We are launching our Belfast Studio, located in St Marys Church, Chapel Lane, BT1 1HH on Thursday 7th September, the Vigil of the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Starting with a 6pm Vigil Mass in St Mary's Church followed by tea/coffee and an information evening about Radio Maria and its Mission, Vision and how it can help support the faithful in Ireland today. [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie) 00353 86 838 9989.

## COLLECTIONS

### PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Parish Collection: **£1390**  
Diocesan Cathedral Collection: **£950**  
Our account details are: Portstewart Parish  
Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049  
*Please use your name as our reference.*

### PORTRUSH

Last weekend's Parish Collection came to **£525**  
Diocesan Cathedral Collection: **£508**  
Our account details are: Portrush Parish  
Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207  
*Please use your name as our reference.*

### COLERAINE

Last weekend's Parish Collection came to **£1013**  
Diocesan Cathedral Collection: **£460**  
Our account details are: St Malachy's Church  
Sort Code: 90-48-00 Account number: 88609151  
*Please use your name as our reference.*

Thank you for your generosity and support.  
You can also support your parish through a regular standing order or by making a one-off payment through your bank or online.  
Gift Aid Forms are also available