

SEASON OF CREATION

1 September – 4 October 2023

THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

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Twenty-fifth 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 10am
CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT THE SUNDAY 10am MASS
Tuesday Mass at 7pm
Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION EVERY THURSDAY
FROM 10am – 5pm
CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 10am & 4pm
and at 10am on First Friday of the month

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

Sunday at 12 noon
Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 10.30am
CONFESSIONS: Friday at 10am

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

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART

Last weekend's Parish Collection: £1348
Autumn Collection: £909
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 £534
Autumn Collection: £676
Our account details are: Portrush Parish
Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207
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 from the Parish
Office. If you have not already signed a form, and
you are a UK taxpayer, please consider signing up
now – you will considerably increase your
donations at no extra cost to yourself. Thank you.

PORTSTEWART

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

Parish Office Hours 25 – 29 September

Monday & Tuesday 9am – 2pm
The office will be closed from Wednesday - Friday

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: Wendy Olphert, John Mullan
ONE MONTH AGO: Bernadeta Pachalska
ANNIVERSARIES: Patricia Farren, Kathleen Mullan,
Philomena Gormley Crooks, Teresa McCloskey, Noreen
Doherty, Jean Mullan, Jane Frances McKinney, Peter
John Craig, Samuel Horner

NEXT WEEKEND 30 SEPT – 1 OCT (PORTSTEWART) VIGIL

Minister of the Word: Lorna O'Brien
Eucharistic Ministers: Deirdre McCann, Tracy
McMorrough, Mary Loughrey
SUNDAY 10am
Minister of the Word: Edel Mooney
Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Calvert* Seamus O'Hara*
Mary McMahon* Ruth McGuckian

PORTRUSH

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

Parish Office Hours 25 – 29 September

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am – 1.30pm

SVP Helpline: 07508 549574

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Jaroslaw Rekawek
ANNIVERSARIES: Frank Marshall, Jane Frances
McKinney, Jean Mullan, Tanya Clyde

NEXT WEEKEND 30 SEPT – 1 OCT (PORTRUSH) SUNDAY 12 noon

Minister of the Word: Peter Sheridan
Eucharistic Minister: Stephen O'Neill

Altar society: 30th Sept - 13th Oct - Marie McAuley,
Marie Conway & Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

NOTICES

*The Portrush Parish Secretary, Clare White,
will be taking up a new post in St John's
Parish, Coleraine at the beginning of October.
We thank Clare for her two years of dedicated
and efficient service to the Parish of Portrush,
and wish her every blessing
in her new position.*

STAR OF THE SEA PARISH CENTRE

LITTLE STARS baby and toddler group takes place
every Tuesday from 10 – 11.30am.

FLAME CLUB parish youth club welcomes children
aged 6 and over every Friday from 6-8 pm



ST COLUM'S PRIMARY SCHOOL MASS

The staff and pupils of St Colum's PS invite
parishioners to their Opening of Year Mass
which will be held in Star of the Sea Church
on Wednesday 27th September at 10.30am.
The 9.30am Mass will be celebrated as usual.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every
Thursday from 10am – 5pm. Thank you to all who have
already committed to spending an hour in adoration. If
you feel you could offer an hour, especially between 1pm
and 3pm, please contact Helen Conway.

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. The course
continues on Wednesday evenings in St Malachy's Parish
Centre (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.

A TASTE OF THE BIBLE:

How the Faith spread in the First Century AD

An opportunity for inter-denominational, cross-community
bible study. Explore the Acts of the Apostles and discuss
its relevance today. Thursday evenings from 8-9.30pm by
Zoom (FREE) beginning 28th September for 10 weeks.
For more information, email: tasteofbible@gmail.com
Ernestine ☎ 07760 647665 Bernadette ☎ 07941 733502

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Arrangements are being finalised for the celebration
of First Confession, First Holy Communion and
Confirmation next year. Children attending
St. Colum's Primary School, Portstewart and
St. Patrick's Primary School, Portrush are already
enrolled for the sacraments and will make their
preparation in school.

Children attending other schools who wish to make
their sacraments in 2024 need to participate in a
sacramental preparation course which will be held in
St Malachy's Parish Centre, Coleraine
beginning in October 2023.

An enrolment meeting (for parents/guardians only)
will take place in St Malachy's Parish Centre on
Thursday 5th October at 7pm.

The children eligible for the sacraments
are as follows:

First Confession & First Communion –
children in P4 (or older)
Confirmation – children in P7 (or older)

For further information
please contact the parish office – 02870832534.

SMA NOVENA 2023

Saturday 23rd September to Sunday 1st October

in honour of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Patroness of
the Missions. Daily Mass & Novena Prayers at 10.00am &
7.30pm in the SMA Chapel Dromantine.
Available via webcam (www.sma.ie)

If you have any item for inclusion
in the parish weekend bulletin, please email:
portstewart@downandconnor.org
by 5pm on Thursday.

All notices, including anniversary requests,
must be submitted in writing,
either by email or addressed to the parish office.
Thank you