

15th JANUARY 2023 Second Sunday of Ordinary Time



BEHOLD - THE LAMB OF GOD!

In today's Gospel we read how St John the Baptist pointed out that Jesus was the Saviour that Israel had been waiting for. In front of his disciples John pointed to Jesus and said "behold the Lamb of God."

Those same words are said by the priest before Holy Communion at each Mass. The Church wants us to recognise Christ when he comes to us in the sacrament of the Eucharist. But Jesus comes to us every day and in many ways. Often he comes to us through those who need our help. There won't always be a saint or a priest to say "behold the Lamb of God" - so we have to keep our eyes peeled for those in need so we don't miss Jesus too.

THIS WEEK

Parish webcam can be viewed on our YouTube channel (search for Ballymoney Parish)

5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass **SATURDAY 14th**

SUNDAY 15th 10am Mass

4.30-4.50pm Confessions

5pm Mass

MONDAY 16th 10am Mass

WEDNESDAY 18th 10am Mass

FRIDAY 20th 6-6.40pm Confessions

7pm Mass

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day for private prayer - usually from 10am to 4.30pm.

Other Sunday Masses in this area

Saturday 5pm - Portstewart

Saturday 6pm - St Malachy's, Coleraine

Sunday 10am - Portstewart

Sunday 11am - St Malachy's, Coleraine

Sunday 12noon - Portrush

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Month's Mind

John McKendry

John Watt

Anniversaries

Fr Andrew Scott PP, Angela Fitzpatrick, Christy Fleming, Daniel Gillan, Vincent Havlin, Brendan Kearney, Robert Law, Richard McAfee, P.G. McQuaid, Una Smyth

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

CONGRATULATIONS

to the family of Reina Henry who was baptised last week.



PARISH FINANCES

Thank you to everyone who supports the parish through our collections. If you want to request a box of envelopes there is a form at the back of the church. Remember that you can also support the parish through a regular standing order or by making a one off payment through your bank or online. Our account details are:

Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan Sort code: 95-06-79 Account No: 10020192.

If you want to give by cheque please make cheques payable to: Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan.

ARCHBISHOP TREANOR

This week our diocese bids farewell to Archbishop Noel Treanor as he leaves to take up his new position in Brussels. We send him our best wishes and accompany him with our prayers. On Sunday (15th) solemn Vespers will be celebrated at St Peter's Cathedral in Belfast at 5pm to mark his departure. You are invited to watch the service on St Peter's webcam which is available from churchservices.tv.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If you need our help please call us confidentially on 07860455549. For more information about the work of our conference you can speak to any of our members.



We would like to thank parishioners for your very generous ongoing support.

ST BRIGID'S PS REGISTRATION SEPTEMBER 2023

If you have a child starting school in September or know someone who is, please contact the school to register your interest. There is a special section on the school website, Starting our School, with a virtual tour of the school. It's well worth a watch for everyone.

The application process is online this year and open right now and continues until the 27th January. All of the information and guidance will be on the Education Authority website:

www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions

Please contact the school if you require any assistance in completing the online application, have any questions about the school or would like a tour. Tel: 028 27662664

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The pilgrimage takes place from Sun 28th May to Fri 2nd June 2023. The price of £799 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) will include:

- Return flights from Belfast International Airport.
- Full board and accommodation at the Hotel Agena for five nights based on twin/double/triple rooms.
- Service of JWT guides in Lourdes.

The party will consist of patients, ex-patients, relatives and friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff. To enquire or to obtain a booking form please speak to a member of the committee on Tel. 078746 88388 or email mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk

THEOLOGY COURSES

Are you interested in learning more about theology? The Priory Institute provides online theology courses right up to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Dublin or from the comfort of your own home. Register before February 8 for the new term. Find out more on our website: www.prioryinstitute.com

NEW ALPHA COURSE

This New Year, all are welcome to join us as we start a new Alpha course, designed to explore the basics of the Christian faith & its meaning in our lives today. It will be run in the Anchorage Complex, Portstewart from 7-9pm on Mondays beginning this week (16th January) and running to 3rd April. Feel free to come along to the first taster evening to see what you think. Each evening will begin with a light meal followed by a short film on life, faith & meaning, and end with an opportunity for discussion. There is no charge.

Contact a team member to sign up or if you have any questions: Ernestine 077 6064 7665; Bernadette 079 4173 3502 or portstewartalpha@gmail.com

ADOPTION & FOSTER CARE

There are children in crisis today in our local communities - children of all ages and all abilities. Can you spare an hour a day, an overnight or a weekend or more to make a difference in a child's life? If you can, then contact the Regional Fostering Team online at adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net

or by phone on 0800 0720 137. Remember, every child is just one caring adult away from success.

OLD & NEW@No.5

Congratulations to the volunteers at our parish shop for their busy work through the Christmas period and then during their January sale this past week! The funds raised by our shop have made a huge contribution to our parish finances over the last few years.

The shop is open Wednesday-Saturday 10.00am-4.30pm and you'll find it at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney. Check them out on Facebook too @oldandnewatno5

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HYMNS FOR MASS

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, vet one through all the earth; her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, and shares one holy food; as to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Holy God, we praise thy Name! Lord of all, we bow before thee: All on earth thy sceptre claim. All in heav'n above adore thee; Infinite thy vast domain, Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and Seraphim In unceasing chorus praising, Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy Lord!