

9th APRIL 2023 Easter Sunday





CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!

Today we hear the Good News - that the tomb is empty and that Jesus has risen from the dead. This is the greatest news of all, and it is God's great triumph over sin and death.

But for the disciples, it was not enough to just hear the Good News about the Lord. They then had to meet the risen Jesus for themselves. And that is still the most important part of living as a Christian. We want to know the Good News of the Gospel, but we also have to go further and encounter the Lord personally through prayer, through the sacraments and through serving others. May we all have that personal encounter with the risen Christ this Easter. Alleluia!

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 8th 9pm Easter Vigil

SUNDAY 9th 10am Mass

4pm Easter Vespers & Benediction

5pm Mass

MONDAY 10th 10am Mass

TUESDAY 11th 10am Mass in Dervock

WEDNESDAY 12th 10am Mass

FRIDAY 14th no Mass or confessions today

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day from 10am to 6pm.

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

Recently Deceased

Dan McKinley, Ballycastle

Anniversarie

Christopher Dunlop, Christina Durkan, Paddy Kelly, Elizabeth McClements, Ena McKendry, Kathleen Montgomery



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**.

EASTER DEVOTIONS

We will conclude our celebration of the Easter Triduum with devotions on Easter Sunday afternoon - Vespers & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4pm.



MASS IN DERVOCK

There will be Mass in Our Lady & St John the Evangelist's in Dervock on Easter Tuesday at 10am.

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.

TRÓCAIRE LENT APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who supported the Trocaire appeal this year. If you haven't brought back your Trocaire box please do so as soon as possible. You can also make a donation online at trocaire.org

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Next Sunday (**16th April**) is the feast of Divine Mercy. The Church grants a plenary indulgence to those who venerate the Divine Mercy image on this day and who have both gone to confession recently and received Holy Communion.

The image of Divine Mercy will be venerated at both the **10am** and **5pm Masses** next Sunday. Our afternoon devotions will begin at **3pm** with the chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by a time of quiet adoration. At **4pm** we have **Vespers & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**.

Confessions will be available this week on Saturday evening (5.30-5.50pm), and next Sunday afternoon (3.15-3.50pm and after Benediction until 5pm Mass).

How to pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy with rosary beads: Begin with an Our Father, Hail Mary and the Apostles' Creed

Then on the large bead before each decade pray: Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the 10 small beads of each decade pray: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

After all 5 decades of are complete finish by praying three times: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE SUPPORT GROUP

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (April 29th; May 27th and June 24th 2023) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

REGINA CAELI

During the Easter season the Regina Caeli prayer is prayed instead of the Angelus at 12noon and 6pm.

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. For he whom thou didst merit to bear, alleluia, Has risen as he said, alleluia. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

It is also chanted in Latin at the end of many liturgies.

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia; Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia, Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia: Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday 23rd April. Full details at eucharisticadoration.ie

OLD & NEW@NO.5

It's Easter and spring is very much in the air... not only are the lambs jumping around in the fields, but they're also playing a major part in our display this week - as are a selection of our Easter bunnies!

Check out our large collection of Tyrone and other crystal, some new Royal Doulton ladies, our open pine display/book case and our recycled scrambler bike! As always, we have a great selection of pre loved clothing in our shop too, to help you reset your wardrobe for spring!

Our shop is open every Wednesday to Saturday from 10.00am-4.30pm and we look forward to seeing you over the holiday break!

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia! Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.