



THE HOLIEST WEEK OF THE YEAR

This week we once again follow Jesus and Mary through the events of his passion, death and resurrection. Our ceremonies help us feel close to the Lord. When we wave our blessed palms on Sunday we are like those who welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem. When we receive Holy Communion on Thursday we are among the apostles at the Last Supper. When we venerate the cross on Friday we are like Our Lady, St John and the women who stayed with Jesus as he died. And on Saturday night we celebrate the resurrection as the light of Christ defeats the darkness of death.

May God help us to participate fully in the ceremonies so that the saving love of Jesus can touch our hearts as deeply as possible.

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Month's Mind
Irene Coyles

Anniversaries
Christopher Dunlop, Christina Durkan, Catherine Greene,
Joe Greene, Veronica Greene

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

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.**

EARLY MORNING MASS IN COLERAINE

Our Lenten 7am Masses for the Causeway Family of Parishes conclude this week in **St Malachy's, Coleraine** from Monday to Wednesday. Fr Damian will be celebrating the Tuesday and Wednesday Masses. After the last Mass on Wednesday you are invited to breakfast in St Malachy's parish hall.

CONGRATULATIONS

to all the children of the parish who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this week.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If you need our help please call us confidentially on **07860455549.**

TRÓCAIRE LENT APPEAL

For over fifty years Trócaire has walked the path of solidarity with those in our world who are suffering because of injustice. Each step is possible because at the heart of this work is hope – hope in a better tomorrow, hope in a more just world, hope of the Resurrection. You can be part of this journey by returning your Trócaire box or donation envelope at Mass on **Thursday evening** or by going online to **www.trocaire.org**



GOOD FRIDAY FAST & ABSTINENCE

Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence for all Catholics in good health aged between 14 and 60. Those who are younger or older are encouraged to keep the fast and abstinence as far as possible on this solemn day.

- We **fast** by eating just one normal meal (and also one or two small snacks if necessary).
- We **abstain** by not eating meat at all.

GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNITY SERVICE

Once again Ballymoney Methodist Church are hosting a community prayer service on Good Friday at 1pm. Fr Damian and clergy from other churches will take part. Everyone is welcome to pray with our fellow Christians on this special day.

EASTER DAWN MASS

There will be a Dawn Mass on **Easter Sunday at 6am at Star of the Sea church in Portstewart.** Breakfast will be served after Mass and all are welcome to attend.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER CEREMONIES

Times for services and confessions in Ballymoney are found overleaf. The schedules for the other churches in our Causeway Family of Parishes can be found on our website - **www.ballymoneyparish.com**

HOLY WEEK AT OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S

**SUNDAY 13th APRIL
PALM SUNDAY**



9.30am Mass
4.30-4.50pm Confessions
5pm Mass

MONDAY 14th APRIL
10am Mass

TUESDAY 15th APRIL
6-6.50pm Confessions
7pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

**WEDNESDAY 16th APRIL
SPY WEDNESDAY**

12noon Chrism Mass
at St Peter's Cathedral in Belfast.
celebrated by Most Rev. Alan McGuckian,
Bishop of Down & Connor

**THURSDAY 17th APRIL
HOLY THURSDAY**



7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until 10pm.

Compline (Night Prayer) at 9.50pm

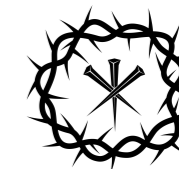
**FRIDAY 18th APRIL
GOOD FRIDAY**

DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE

1pm Community Prayer at Ballymoney Methodist

3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion

with the reading of St John's Passion
the Veneration of the Cross
and Holy Communion



6-6.50pm Confessions
7pm Stations of the Cross

**SATURDAY 19th APRIL
HOLY SATURDAY**

12noon - 1pm Confessions

9pm The Easter Vigil

with the lighting of the Easter Fire
the blessing of Holy Water
and the First Mass of Easter.



**SUNDAY 20th APRIL
EASTER SUNDAY**

9.30am Mass
4pm Easter Vespers & Benediction
5pm Mass



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HYMNS FOR MASS

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine;
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Angels, saints and nations sing :
"Praise be Jesus Christ our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary!"

Eucharistic King, what love
Draws thee daily from above.
Clad in signs of bread and wine.
Feed us lead us, keep us thine.



Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.