



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

16th APRIL 2023
Divine Mercy Sunday



THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Since 2000 the Sunday after Easter has been celebrated as the feast of Divine Mercy. This is the day we give thanks to God for his mercy and compassion which we have celebrated over Holy Week and Easter. It is also another opportunity to receive that mercy personally through confession and gaining the special indulgence of the day.

But although the feast is new, it really goes back to the Gospel itself. On the eighth day after the resurrection, having already given the apostles the authority to forgive sins in his name, Jesus showed his wounds to them. This reminds us that the Lord has suffered and died to pay the price of our sins, and that through his wounds we are healed. May we remember the mercy of Jesus all year round, and receive his forgiveness in confession regularly.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 15th 5.30-5.50pm Confessions
6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 16th 10am Mass
Divine Mercy Sunday 3pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour
4pm Vespers & Benediction
5pm Mass

MONDAY 17th 10am Mass

WEDNESDAY 19th 10am Mass

FRIDAY 21st 6-6.40pm Confessions
7pm Mass

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

Month's Mind
Eddie Torrens

Anniversaries
Catherine Greene, Joseph Greene, Veronica Greene,
Barney Kelly, Sarah Quigg

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.**

THANK YOU

to everyone who contributed to the Holy Week and Easter ceremonies in our parish this year. Many people gave of their time and talents so that the ceremonies would be as beautiful and fitting as possible. Thank you as well to those who made donations towards the flowers. May God bless us all as we celebrate the rest of the Easter season!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

This Sunday 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 on Sunday afternoon (3.15-3.50pm and after Benediction until 5pm Mass).



OLD & NEW@NO.5

Following a busy run up to Easter, the shelves are re-stocked and we're all set for another good week in our parish shop.

Check out our bright coloured boot ducks, our cocker spaniels, lying dogs and garden mirrors which are back in stock and a good range of overpots which arrived last weekend! As always, there's a nice selection of ladies clothes and accessories too so call in and have a look!

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

MAY COURSE - THE SEVEN JOYS OF MARY

During May, the month of Mary, the parish will be running a course called *The Seven Joys of Mary*. Over **five weeks**, this programme will give us a chance to reflect on the joys of Mary's life and how we can draw comfort from them and make a connection between our own faith journey and Our Lady's.

The Seven Joys of Mary are:

- The Annunciation & Visitation
- The birth of Jesus
- The adoration of the Magi
- The resurrection of Jesus
- The Ascension of Jesus into heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost
- The Assumption of Mary into heaven.
- The crowning of Mary as Queen of heaven.

Each week we'll reflect on what scripture says about these mysteries and learn how to pray about them more deeply. We'll finish by praying a decade of the rosary together.

The course begins on **Wednesday 3rd May** and will run each Wednesday evening of the month at **7pm**. It will take place at Our Lady & St John the Evangelist's church in Dervock.

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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.



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.

EUCCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

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

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

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.

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.*