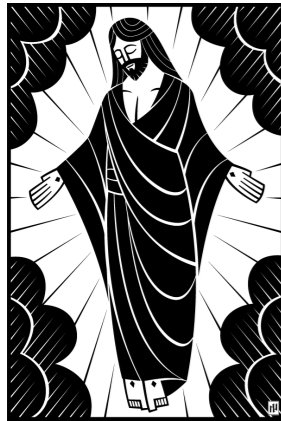




Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

21st MAY 2023
Ascension Day



GO, MAKE DISCIPLES!

In the Gospel this Sunday we hear the mission that Jesus gives his Church - "Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations." And that is still our mission today. Here in Down and Connor, our Pathways to the Future programme has been set up to help us go out, make disciples and share the love of Christ more effectively in the coming years.

One initial task is the count of Mass attendance which is happening across the diocese this weekend. This helps us to get an accurate snapshot of who is connecting with our local parishes at this time. But it also encourages us to reflect about who isn't coming and how we might go out and share the Gospel with them. That might seem a daunting task but if we work together as a whole Church - lay people, religious and clergy, guided by the Holy Spirit - God promises that our efforts will be fruitful. Let's pray for the courage and imagination to go out and make disciples here in Ballymoney.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 20th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 21st	10am Mass 4.30-4.55pm Confessions 5pm Mass
MONDAY 22nd	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 24th	10am Mass 7pm The Seven Joys of Mary in Dervock
FRIDAY 26th	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

John Boyle
Hannah McCloskey, Killyrammer

Month's Mind

Brigid Baird

Anniversaries

David Doran, James John Kelly, Robert Kelly, Teresa McErlain, Daniel McKay, James & Margaret McNinch, Alex & Elizabeth McQuillan, Patrick O'Reilly, Patrick O'Sullivan, John Quigg, Bertie Smyth

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.

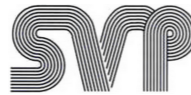
If you want to give by cheque please make cheques payable to: **Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan.**

CONGRATULATIONS

to the children who made their **First Holy Communion** on Saturday from St Brigid's Primary School, Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School and other local schools.

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.



PRAYING WITH THE SCRIPTURES - THE SEVEN JOYS OF MARY

Each **Wednesday evening** of May there will be a time of guided prayer using the scriptures at **Our Lady & St John the Evangelist** church in Dervock at **7pm**. This week we'll be looking at the resurrection and ascension of Jesus. We'll listen to readings and spend some time in quiet prayer, ending with a decade of the rosary. It's a lovely chance to spend some quiet time with Jesus and Mary during the month of Our Lady. The same session will also run on Friday at the Marian Hall in Portstewart at 10am.

ONLINE COURSE

We invite you to join us for an online course, *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, where we will explore the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and reflect on their significance. We hope that this fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love & devotion to the Holy Eucharist. This programme will begin on Monday 29th May at 7pm for 5 weeks online via zoom. To book your place please contact the Living Church Office at **028 90690920** or e-mail livingchurch@downandconnor.org

OLD & NEW@No.5

Our parish 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

CEMETERY SUNDAY

Prayers for the dead and the blessing of graves in our parish cemetery will take place on **Sunday June 4th at 3pm.**

MASS TIME CHANGE

At the start of July there will be a number of changes to Mass times in the Causeway Coast area. As part of these changes, it will be necessary for Ballymoney's Sunday morning Mass to move to an earlier time so that one priest can celebrate Mass in both Ballymoney and Coleraine or Portrush when required. Our Saturday 6pm and Sunday 5pm Masses will not change.

Before we make a change, our Parish Pastoral Council would like to ask you what time would you prefer for our Sunday morning Mass - 9am or 9.30am.

You can let us know

- by email - office@ballymoneyparish.com
- by sending a message to the parish Facebook page
- by speaking to Fr Damian or a member of the PPC
- or by using the voting slip in this bulletin and placing your vote in a collection bucket.

Closing date for the consultation is Sunday 28th May.

PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, king of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
in ears that hear me Christ ever be.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
allelu, alleluia.*

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

MASS TIME CONSULTATION

Name: _____

I would prefer Sunday morning Mass in Ballymoney to be celebrated at:

9am

9.30am

Any other comments