



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

8th MAY 2025
Pentecost

TWO HUNDRED YEARS

This week our parish will celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving to mark our bicentenary. For two centuries now, the Catholic community of Ballymoney and Derrykeighan have come together with their priests to worship God, celebrate the sacraments and build up our community.

This is a chance for us to thank God for all that he has done for us through the generations. We also ask that he will send the Holy Spirit upon us once more so that we might continue to grow our parish and share the Good News of Jesus Christ.



THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 7th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 8th	9.30am Mass 4.30-4.50pm Confessions 5pm Mass
MONDAY 9th	<i>no Mass today</i>
WEDNESDAY 11th	10am Mass
THURSDAY 12th	10am Mass
FRIDAY 13th	<i>no adoration or confessions today</i> 7pm Bicentenary Mass

*Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day
for private prayer - usually from 10am to 7pm.*

Other Sunday Masses in the Causeway Family of Parishes:

Sunday 10am - Portstewart
Sunday 11am - St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 12noon - Portrush

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased
Uel McColgan

Month's Mind
Jim Doherty

Anniversaries
Josephine Diamond, Lizzie Douglas, Gerry Gillan, Jim McCann,
Mary McClements, Jack McLaughlin, Eileen Mooney, William Rodgers

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 purple 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 payable to:
Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan.

LOURDES ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

The annual collection to support the ill pilgrims going on the Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be held at all Masses this weekend. Your generosity is much appreciated!

BICENTENARY MASS

Bishop Alan McGuckian will be visiting the parish at 7pm on **Friday** to celebrate a special Mass to mark our bicentenary. We also look forward to welcoming back former clergy Fr Francis O'Brien and Canon Dan Whyte among the concelebrants.

After Mass refreshments will be served in the parish hall. All parishioners and friends of the parish are invited to come and be part of this special occasion.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Our parish SVP conference continues to support our local community, and we do this in the strictest confidence. If you are in need and would like our help please do not hesitate to get in touch on **07860 455 549**.



SISTERS OF ST ELIZABETH

Please note that there will be an extra Mass on **Thursday** morning this week at **10am**. We will be joined by some of the Sisters of St Elizabeth from Belarus who are visiting Ireland. The Sisters will have a stall of religious items for sale to raise funds for their charitable work for children, the elderly and those dealing with addictions.

TOMMY FLEMING CONCERT

Tickets for the Tommy Fleming concert taking place in our church on **Friday 7th November** will be available after all Masses **next Sunday**. Tickets are priced at **£30** each and if you can encourage your family and friends to buy tickets too, we would really appreciate it. It promises to be a great evening in the wonderful surroundings of our church!

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Sunday 22nd June is the feast of Corpus Christi when we give thanks for the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist. Weather permitting, the **9.30am Mass** will end with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the grounds of the church and finishing with Benediction in the Garden of the Good Shepherd. We are inviting the children who made their First Holy Communion this year to lead the procession in their Communion suits and dresses.

OLD & NEW@No.5

This week in our parish shop there's lots of interest in our garden benches, table and chair sets, butlers trays, planters and Jack Russell dogs as usual. Check out our half price tea sets, our wide range of Doulton and other figurines, booted ducks, and decorative plates.

You can find the shop at **5 Gate End**, Ballymoney and it's open **10am-4.30pm** from **Wednesday-Saturday**. Take a look at our **Facebook** page for more information.

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CEMETERY SUNDAY

The blessing of graves in our parish cemetery will take place on **Sunday 29th June** at **3pm**. Once again we will meet outside for prayers and the rosary while Fr Damian blesses the graves in each part of the cemetery.

PARISH FÊTE

As part of our bicentenary celebrations, it has been suggested that we would hold a parish fete and already there is lots of exciting ideas for what could be included to make it a great day for everyone of all ages. To make these ideas a reality, we need a band of willing volunteers to help us with planning and assisting on the day.

Can you help? If so, please leave your contact details on the sign up sheet at the back of the church or text Gerard McAfee on **07860474956** or Gerry Doran on **07768896776**. If we can generate enough interest, a short meeting will be held to get things moving.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG

Led by Bishop Alan McGuckian and Jim Deeds **Friday 4th - Sunday 6th July**. For further information please contact Claire on **028 9069 0920** or email:
pathwaytothefuture@downandconnor.org

JUNE PRAYERS TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

- I believe in God, I hope in God, I love God.
- I am sorry for having offended God.
- Sacred Heart of Jesus I believe in your love for me.
- Sacred Heart of Jesus I believe you love me now.
- Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in thee.

HYMNS FOR MASS

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator, come
From Thy bright heav'nly throne;
Come, take possession of our souls,
And make them all Thine own.

Thou who art called the Paraclete,
Best gift of God above,
The living spring, the living fire,
Sweet unction and true love.

All glory to the Father be,
With His co-equal Son:
The same to Thee, great Paraclete,
While endless ages run.

Sweet heart of Jesus,
fount of love and mercy,
today we come,
Thy blessing to implore;
O touch our hearts,
so cold and so ungrateful,
and make them, Lord,
Thine own for evermore.
*Sweet heart of Jesus, we implore,
O make us love Thee more and more.*

Sweet Heart of Jesus!
Make us know and love thee.
Unfold to us
the treasures of thy grace.
That so our hearts,
from things of earth uplifted,
May long alone to
gaze upon thy face.