

15th June 2025 Trinity Sunday

THE MYSTERY OF THE TRINITY

Today's feast is the feast of something impossible - that God is one (almighty, infinite, sovereign, unique) and yet also three distinct persons, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God is one and also three. At the same time.

That doesn't make sense! It's impossible to be one and three. And yet we believe it with all our hearts. It's a belief that unites all Christians, whatever denomination they are, and it comes to us from Jesus Christ himself.

We cannot get our heads round the mystery of the one and three God, but we trust what Jesus tells us and we believe him that for God truly nothing is impossible. Let's remember that and always have confidence that God's love can do even greater things than we could ever imagine.



THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 14th 5.30-5.50pm Confessions

6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 15th 9.30am Mass

4.30-4.50pm Confessions

5pm Mass

MONDAY 16th no Mass today

WEDNESDAY 18th 10am Mass

7pm Rosary

FRIDAY 20th 6pm Adoration & Confessions

7pm 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:

Saturday 5pm - Portstewart

Saturday 6.30pm - St Malachy's, Coleraine

Sunday 10am - Portstewart

Sunday 11am - St Malachy's, Coleraine

Sunday 12noon - Portrush

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased

Rose Mary McGill Annie Mulholland

Anniversaries

Thomas Beckett, Margaret (Peggy) Doherty, Kathleen Hegarty, Patrick Hegarty, Jim McComb, Jeannie Scullion, Ciaran Taggart

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**.

OLD & NEW@No.5

There's always something new to look at in our parish shop! Our large pair of sitting dogs are back and so are our floral displays, mini tin men, planter sets and there is a new range of two handled outdoor and indoor planters.

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.

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.

BICENTENARY MASS

Thank you to everyone who supported our Bicentenary Mass on Friday evening, and in particular those who helped organise it or who took part. It was a beautiful evening and a great credit to our parish community. Here's to the next two hundred years! The Papal Blessing from Pope Leo is on display at the Sacred Heart altar.

TOMMY FLEMING CONCERT

Tickets for the Tommy Fleming concert taking place in our Church on Friday 7th November will be available after all Masses this weekend. 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

Next **Sunday (22nd)** is the feast of Corpus Christi when we give thanks to God 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.

CEMETERY SUNDAY

The blessing of graves in our parish cemetery will take place on **Sunday 29th** at **3pm**. We will remember in a special way those parishioners who have died in the last year.

Like the last few years this ceremony will take place entirely outside and there will not be Mass. Anyone unable to stand outside is welcome to sit in the church and listen to the prayers.

PARISH FÊTE

As part of our bicentenary celebrations, it has been suggested that we would hold a parish fête and already there are 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 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.

LIFEBOAT SERVICE

Ballymoney RNLI is celebrating their 70th Anniversary this year. The annual Service of Thanksgiving will be held next **Sunday (22nd)** at **6.30pm** in First Presbyterian Church, Ballymoney. Musical items by *Coastal Vocals*, conducted by Dr Stephen Collins. All our parishioners are invited to attend.

CLONARD NOVENA

Clonard Solemn Novena is taking place from 18th – 26th June in Clonard Monastery, Belfast. The theme of the Novena this year, in line with the theme of the Holy Year, is *Pilgrims of Hope in a time of Uncertainty*. This year, the Novena will conclude with a procession in honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Help on the evening of Thursday 26th June after the 8pm session. The Novena is for everyone – all are very welcome. More details about times of sessions at www.clonard.com

ST PATRICK'S WAY PILGRIMAGE

In this Jubilee Year come on an authentic pilgrimage experience in Downpatrick on 5th July or 9th August, led by pilgrim guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly. Visit the Saint Patrick Centre & see the fabulous IMAX film, receive your pilgrim passport on a 6 mile walk with guides to Inch Abbey, Saul Church and St Patrick's grave. £50pp including lunch at Saul Barn and bus transfers. (9am-3pm approx.) More info contact the centre on 028 4461 9000 or book online www.saintpatrickcentre.com/experiences/

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.

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Father, We adore You. Lay our lives before You. How we love You.

Jesus, We adore You. Lay our lives before You. How we love You.

Spirit, We adore You. Lay our lives before You. How we love You



Holy God, we praise Thy Name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee! All on earth Thy sceptre claim, All in Heaven above adore Thee; Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee; While in essence only One, Undivided God we claim Thee; And adoring bend the knee, While we own the mystery.