



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

6th July 2025
Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



PART OF GOD’S FAMILY

This Sunday's readings remind us that we belong to a loving family. In the first reading, Isaiah describes Jerusalem as a nurturing mother who feeds and comforts her children. This is a prophecy about the Church - our spiritual mother who has been with us since baptism and in all life's important moments. In the Gospel, Jesus acts like a proud father preparing his disciples for their first mission. Just as a father teaches a child to ride a bike, Jesus prepares his followers to grow up in faith and take on a new challenge of sharing the Good News.

God is our Father who wants us to mature into saints. The Church is our mother who cares for us spiritually. When we face difficulties, we can turn to both for love and reassurance. We are not alone - we belong to God's family!

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 5th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 6th	9.30am Mass 4.30-4.50pm Confessions 5pm Mass
MONDAY 7th	10am Mass
TUESDAY 8th	7pm Holy Face Novena
WEDNESDAY 9th	10am Mass 7pm Rosary
FRIDAY 11th	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

Evie Kennedy
Patrick Douglas
Nuala Doherty, Carnlough
Elaine Campbell, Larne

Month's Mind

Rose Mary McGill

Anniversaries

Mary Cushnahan, Kevin McAleese, Kathleen McGothigan,
Robert (Bob) McLaughlin, Susan Mullan, John 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.

NOVENA TO THE HOLY FACE

Beginning this **Tuesday evening** at **7pm**, we will once again be making a monthly novena to the Holy Face of Jesus. Gazing upon the face of Christ crucified unites us with all his sorrows, love and total abandonment. It reminds us of both the humanity and divinity of Jesus. Come along to the church on Tuesday to take part in the prayers and find out more about this special devotion.

GROUNDSCKEEPER POSITION

Our parish groundskeeper **Mario Burns** is leaving us this week and we would like to offer him our thanks and best wishes for the future.

We hope to appoint a new groundskeeper as soon as possible and details of the post will be made available in the coming weeks.

OLD & NEW@No.5

It's summer holiday time and if you are out and about, be sure to call in to our parish shop. There are lots of new stock arriving nearly every day and this week there is a collection of busts, candle holders and figurines!

Watch out for our restock of Land Rover merchandise, our Guinness boxes, and our attractive 'wellie boot' pigs and ducks

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.

TOMMY FLEMING CONCERT

Tickets for the Tommy Fleming concert taking place in our Church on **Friday 7th November** are available to purchase from **Old & New @ No. 5**. Tickets are **£30** each and if you could help sell a few tickets to family and friends, please speak to Gerard McAfee after Mass or contact him on **07860474956**.

SMA MISSION APPEAL

We received a letter from **Fr Tommy Faherty SMA** this week, thanking the parish for making him welcome during his visit here last month. The collection for the Society of African Missions from our parish raised **£2968.60**. The SMA Fathers would like to assure us of their deep gratitude for our support of their missionary work.

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Come and take the flesh of Christ
Which he gave to be our bread.
Drink the chalice of his blood
Which upon the cross he shed.

We who are redeemed and saved,
By his body and his blood,
Hail the saving sacred Host
Which he gave to be our food.

Giver of salvation, Lord
Christ, the Son of God most high,
Sacrificed to save the world,
Raised with him, we will not die.

O praise ye the Lord!
Praise him in the height;
rejoice in his word,
ye angels of light;
ye heavens adore him
by whom ye were made,
and worship before him,
in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord!
Thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured
all ages along:
for love in creation,
for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation,
O praise ye the Lord!

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Many thanks to all the parishioners who supported the recent collection for the Down & Connor Lourdes pilgrimage. Our parish raised **£1419.50** which will help the diocese offer support for sick and disabled pilgrims and for young people who go out as volunteers.

This year's Down & Connor pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place in July. If you would like your **prayer intentions** to be remembered during the pilgrimage you can send them in using this **QR code** or by emailing **lourdes@downandconnor.org**



PIONEER PILGRIMAGES

Pioneers and friends of the association are invited to mark the Jubilee of Hope on pilgrimage at Lough Derg from **Friday 11th July - Sunday 13th July**. The three days of prayer, keeping vigil and fasting will allow us to connect in prayer with all who live under the shadow of addiction. Details from **www.pioneers.ie**

Meanwhile, the annual Pioneer pilgrimage to **Knock Shrine** will take place on **Sunday 20th July**. Prayers will be offered at Our Lady's Shrine for all who work in alcohol and drug treatment centres around Ireland. Contact Fr Robert McCabe via **prayer@pioneers.ie** for further details.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO MONEYGLASS

As part of the 2025 jubilee year celebrations, a diocesan pilgrimage to the national shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Moneyglass will take place on **Sunday 10th August** at **3pm**.

Beginning at St. Ergnats GAA, Taylorstown Road, the pilgrimage will make its way to the National Shrine at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Moneyglass and will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed by light refreshments.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Our parish SVP conference is here 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**. Thank you to everyone who support our collections and make our good work possible.

