



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

28th July 2024
Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



JESUS FEEDS HIS PEOPLE

For most of this year the Gospel readings at our Sunday Masses come from St Mark. But over the summer, beginning this week, we hear Chapter Six of St John's Gospel where Jesus explains the Eucharist to his followers.

It begins this week with the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand. Jesus knows his followers are hungry and he wants to feed them. So he takes bread and fish and miraculously feeds the great crowd. It's a powerful moment, but the Lord will go on to explain that God has something greater in mind. In the coming weeks we will hear Jesus tell us how he wants to feed all his people with his own flesh and blood. That is the miracle of the Eucharist which we share in every time we come to Mass.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 27th 5.30-5.50pm Confessions
6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 28th 9.30am Mass
4.30-4.50pm Confessions
5pm Mass

MONDAY 29th 10am Mass

WEDNESDAY 31st 10am Mass

FRIDAY 2nd 6-6.40pm Confessions
7pm Mass

SATURDAY 3rd 9.30am Mass in Dervock

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day for private prayer - usually from 10am to 6pm.

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

Waldemar Kalinowski

Month's Mind

Kathleen McGothigan

Anniversaries

Patrick Connolly, Margaret Diver, Kathleen Doherty, Jeannie Bernadette Donnelly, Annie Douglas, George McCullagh

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.**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

We welcome **Fr Aloysius Lumala** who is celebrating our Masses during this time. Fr Damian is currently on leave and the parish office is closed. If a priest is needed urgently please contact one of the neighbouring parishes. The priest-on-call will attend hospital call outs as usual when requested by nursing staff.

MASS IN DERVOCK

Our monthly **First Saturday Mass** in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary takes place on **Saturday (3rd)** at Our Lady and St John the Evangelist church in Dervock at the normal time of **9.30am.**

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.

OLD & NEW @No.5

Following a very busy week our stock has been topped up and we are all set for another one! Our planters, sundials and garden benches are thinning out but there are a few of each still available. Check out our crystal candelabras, a nice pair of oval pictures, a selection of Beswick and other dog figurines, a collection of Hummels, teaset and a selection of Waterford, Tyrone and other crystal.

You can find us 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.

PARKINSON'S PRAYER SERVICE

An ecumenical prayer service for people with Parkinson's, their families, carers and those who support them will take place in Our Lady & St Patrick's on **Sunday 4th August at 7pm.** All welcome to attend. A collection will be taken up for Parkinson's Support NI.

We would love to offer refreshments to those attending, particularly as there will be visitors from other churches. If you can help with organising teas, coffees and biscuits in the parish hall that evening could you let Fr Damian know? Thanks for your support.

PORTSTEWART PRAYER MEETING

Portstewart parish will be offering a prayer meeting **each Thursday** from **1st August** from **7.30-8.30pm** in the Marian Hall behind Star of the Sea Church. It will be an hour of prayer based on the Sunday mass readings, with times of quiet and some hymns. We will be praying for our own intentions and for renewal in the life of our family of parishes. All welcome.

PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN

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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.

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 ye shall find.
Knock, and the door
shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is held on the fourth Sunday of July each year. This Sunday was chosen because it falls near the feast of Ss. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus on 26th July. This year the day is marked on **28th July.**

Pope Francis has granted a **plenary indulgence** to anyone who visits a sick, lonely, or disabled elderly person on 28th July. Those who are sick and housebound may gain the indulgence by praying for this intention and uniting themselves spiritually to the rest of the Church.

The plenary indulgence is granted under the usual conditions that we:

- Reject sin.
- Go to **Mass** and receive **Holy Communion.**
- Go to **Confession** (within three weeks either side of Sunday).
- **Pray** for the Pope's intentions (an Our Father and Hail Mary would suffice).

A PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

We pray for grandparents; keep them and make them courageous, wise and caring.

We pray for the elderly who feel isolated at this time, so that they know they are never alone, as you continue to be with them.

We pray for all who are ill, that they may experience your healing power and grace.

We pray for those who have died, that they are taken into your loving care and into their eternal resting home. Amen