

3rd August 2025

Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU

Today Jesus tells us a parable of a rich man who has so much wealth he stores it up in barns. But the problem isn't that he's rich, it's that his new wealth has made him selfish. There's no generosity in him, no concern for others less fortunate than himself. He thinks his wealth makes him secure, but he dies that very night - his riches were no use to him in the end.

The Lord wants us to know that what makes us rich in God's eyes is not how much money we have in the bank, or how nice our house or car is, or how much free time we've got. God actually isn't very interested in details like that. What makes us rich in his eyes is how generous we are - how much we think of others and how much we are willing to share or sacrifice.



THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 2nd 6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 3rd 9.30am Mass

5pm Mass

MONDAY 4th no morning Mass

TUESDAY 5th 7pm Holy Face Novena

WEDNESDAY 6th no morning Mass

7pm Rosary

FRIDAY 8th 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

Month's Mind

Patrick Douglas

Anniversaries

Margaret Diver, Jeannie Donnelly, James Douglas, Willie & Molly Douglas, Kathleen Doherty, Patsy Kelly, John McCollam, George McCullagh, Patrick McKenna, Gerard McKillop, Mary McIvor, Angela O'Neill, Ursula Wright

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**.

THIS WEEK

Fr Damian is on leave this week and returns on Friday evening. Thank you to the other priests of our Causeway Family of Parishes who are covering Masses at the weekend.

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.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to visitors who are joining us for Mass over these summer weeks. May God bless you during your time in Ballymoney and the Causeway Coast.

MEN'S RETREAT

Men are invited to a half day retreat on **Saturday 9th August** at **Portglenone Monastery** from **9am** to **1pm**. The programme includes rosary, Mass, talk and testimonies. Suggested donation of £10 which includes tea/coffee & scones. For more information contact Thomas Carey **07967620435**.

GROUNDSKEEPER POSITION

The parish is looking to appoint a **Groundskeeper** to work in our premises in Ballymoney and Dervock. The responsibilities will include:

 Ensuring the churches and parish grounds and other parish properties are maintained to the highest standard, and that all who use them can do so safely and securely.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 28 hours attendance each week over 4 days from 9am to 4pm – working days to be agreed with the Parish Priest.

Availability to work flexible hours is required from the post holder from time to time. Rate of Pay - £12.21 gross per hour.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: www.downandconnor.org clicking on the tab: JOB VACANCIES and on the Community NI website, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. Application packs can also be obtained from Ballymoney Parish Office. We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing an active part in the Parish.

Closing date for applications will be 12noon on Thursday 7th August 2025.

PILGRIMAGE TO MONEYGLASS

The Down & Connor diocesan pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, **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 in the parish of Duneane and will conclude with Benediction and light refreshments.

MASS TIME CHANGES

Due to the reduction in the number of priests serving in the Causeway Family of Parishes, a new Sunday Mass schedule will be introduced from the weekend of **Saturday 16th/Sunday 17th August:**

SATURDAY VIGIL

Saturday 4.30pm - Portstewart
Saturday 6pm - Ballymoney

SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday 9.30am - Ballymoney
Sunday 10am - Portstewart

Sunday 11.30am - St Malachy's, Coleraine

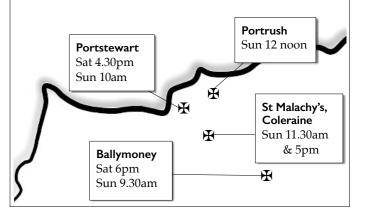
Sunday 12noon - Portrush

SUNDAY EVENING

Sunday 5pm - St Malachy's, Coleraine

The changes have been made based on several factors - travelling times for priests, availability of Masses in other neighbouring parishes (e.g. St John's, Coleraine) and a desire to offer a full range of times across the four parishes.

Here in Ballymoney our Saturday vigil and Sunday morning Masses will stay at the current times of **6pm** and **9.30am**. However we will no longer have a Sunday evening Mass. Instead there will be a the 5pm Sunday Mass will be celebrated in **St Malachy's**, **Coleraine**.



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. The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation,
By water and the word;
From Heav'n he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the Earth, Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.