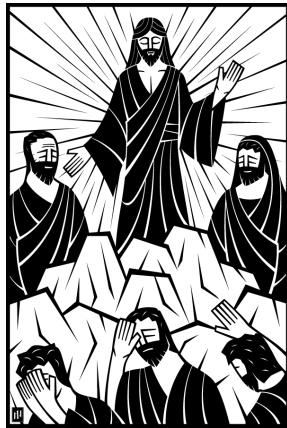




# Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

6th AUGUST 2023  
The Transfiguration of the Lord



## JESUS WAS TRANSFIGURED

Today we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of Jesus, when his apostles Peter, James, and John briefly saw him not just as their friend and teacher but as the Son of God, shining with the light of heaven within him. We might think that we could never be so lucky as to experience something like that - but actually what happens at Mass is even more profound. At Mass we see Jesus, the Son of God, under the form of bread and wine and we kneel before him in adoration just as the apostles did.

But before we can appreciate the majesty of Jesus we need to know him as our friend and companion in life. That's how the apostles lived - they got to know Jesus and then he showed himself as their Lord and God. We too are called to get to know Jesus through prayer and by reading the Gospels. May we grow in friendship with the Lord in the week ahead.

### THIS WEEK

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

<b>SATURDAY 5th</b>	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
<b>SUNDAY 6th</b>	9.30am Mass 4.30-4.50pm Confessions 5pm Mass
<b>MONDAY 7th</b>	10am Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 9th</b>	10am Mass
<b>FRIDAY 11th</b>	6-6.40pm Confessions 7pm Mass

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

#### Other Sunday Masses in this area:

Saturday 5pm	-	Portstewart
Saturday 6.30pm	-	St Malachy's, Coleraine
Saturday 7pm	-	Portrush
Sunday 8am	-	Portstewart
Sunday 10am	-	Portstewart
Sunday 11am	-	St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 12noon	-	Portrush

### SUMMER MASSES

During August there are two extra weekend Masses in this area - a **7pm Saturday vigil** in St Patrick's, **Portrush** and an **8am Sunday morning Mass** in Star of the Sea, **Portstewart**.

### WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

#### Recently Deceased

Fr Emmett Dagens, Rathfriland

#### Month's Mind

Edward Gillan  
Thomas Beckett

#### Anniversaries

James & Margaret Doherty, James Douglas, John Greer, Patsy Kelly, John McCollam, George McCullagh, Mary McIvor, Gerard McKillop, Catherine McVeigh, Patrick McVeigh, Joanne Nevin

### 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 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**.

#### 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. Thank you for your ongoing support.



#### OLD & NEW@No.5

It's been a big clothes week this week as all our clothes, handbags, scarves and handbags are reduced to £1 - yes, only £1 per item!

Check out our two lovely Tiffany style table lamps, our selection of Doulton ladies, our nice selection of white porcelain, lots of beautiful crystal and our range of original art.

Meanwhile, despite the terrible weather our summer benches and bicycle planters continue to sell and we are down to the last few of each .

Our parish shop is open **Wednesday- Saturday 10.00am-4.30pm** and you'll find it at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney. Check us out on Facebook too **@oldandnewatno5**

#### MARINO RESTREPO TESTIMONY

Marino Restrepo from Columbia will be giving his testimony in St Joseph's Parish Centre in **Dunloy** this **Wednesday (9th)** at 7pm.

Marino was kidnapped by rebels in 1997 and held as a hostage in the Columbian jungle for six months in 1997. During that ordeal he had a mystical experience of God's presence which changed his life and brought him back to his faith. He nows serves as a lay evangelist sharing his story to help others discover the love of God and the joy of our Catholic faith. Everyone is most welcome to attend this talk and to meet Marino.

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#### HYMNS FOR MASS

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

*Christ be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.*

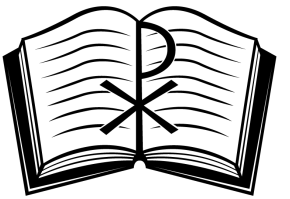
Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

O God beyond all praising,  
We worship you today  
And sing the love amazing  
That songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every gift you send,  
At blessings without number  
And mercies without end:  
We lift our hearts before you  
And wait upon your word,  
We honour and adore you,  
Our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour,  
Accept the love we bring,  
That we who know your favour  
May serve you as our king;  
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows  
And rise to bless you still:  
To marvel at your beauty  
And glory in your ways,  
And make a joyful duty  
Our sacrifice of praise

#### ONLINE BIBLE COURSES

The Bible is at the heart of our faith and our relationship with God. Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to even begin. So why not begin with the Down & Connor Living Church office to learn how to read the bible, understand it and so experience its life changing power?



*Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* is an 8-week programme. Course participants will receive a resource pack and gather online through Zoom for a time of teaching, discussion, and prayerful reflection. It begins Monday 18th September and runs for 8 weeks.

The programme will conclude with a retreat day at the Holy Rosary Parish Centre Belfast on Saturday 18th November.

The course is being run by Aishling Steen & Fr Paul Byrne from the Living Church Office. For further information or to book your place please contact **livingchurch@downandconnor.org** or Tel: **028 90690920**

#### Johannine characters and their Voices

Meanwhile, the **Priory Institute** in Dublin is running a two week online Summer School on the Gospel of John from **14th-28th August**. It will look particularly at some of the characters who stand out in St John's Gospel.

The course includes eight recorded presentations and two on-line zoom discussions. Please visit our website to find out more and to register: **prioryinstitute.com**