



Parish of Ballymoney  
& Derrykeighan  
CAUSEWAY FAMILY OF PARISHES

21st September 2025  
Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

GOOD STEWARDSHIP

Jesus' parable of the dishonest steward teaches us about shrewd priorities and generous living. The steward, caught cheating his master, wisely chooses to waive his personal profits to benefit both his master and the debtors. This story challenges us to recognise that all our blessings are gifts from God, not possessions we own. We are called to be faithful stewards, sharing these gifts generously rather than hoarding them selfishly.



Our stewardship extends beyond personal resources to encompass care for the world around us. During this Season of Creation, we're reminded that environmental responsibility and care for human life, especially the poor and vulnerable, are inseparable. True Christian stewardship means using earth's resources wisely and protecting them for future generations.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 20th	5.30pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 21st	9.30am Mass
MONDAY 22nd	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 24th	10am Mass 7pm Rosary
FRIDAY 26th	6pm Adoration & Confessions 7pm Mass
SATURDAY 27th	2pm Dementia Friendly Mass

Our Lady & St Patrick's church is open every day  
for private prayer - usually from 10am to 7pm.

Other Sunday Masses in the Causeway Family of Parishes

Saturday 4.30pm	-	Portstewart
Sunday 10am	-	Portstewart
Sunday 11.30am	-	St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 12noon	-	Portrush
Sunday 5pm	-	St Malachy's, Coleraine

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Month's Mind  
Hubert Muldoon

Anniversaries

Kathleen Darragh, Thomas Graham, John McCann,  
Kevin McCann, Mary McCann, Rosie McCann,  
Willie McCann, Ellen McGuigan, Mick McKay,  
Sean McQuillan, Nora 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.

PARISH FÊTE

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Parish Fête on Saturday! It was a great occasion and we hope everyone enjoyed this celebration of our parish bicentenary and the Church's jubilee year. A special thanks to all the volunteers and organisers who worked so hard to make it happen. God bless you all!

SVP ANNUAL OUTING

This year's event for senior citizens and those living alone takes place **this Sunday (21st)**. It includes a shopping trip to Ballymena followed by an evening meal at the Wild Duck in Portglenone.

The bus will leave the car park opposite the church at **12.40pm sharp**. Please arrive in good time to get away on time. Anyone with mobility issues please speak to a member of SVP prior to attending the event.

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**.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY MASS

Our monthly accessible Mass for the elderly, sick and housebound is on **Saturday at 2pm**. We specially welcome parishioners with dementia and their families or carers.

SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The Northern Trust are running a monthly bereavement support group for those affected by suicide in the coming months at the Joey Dunlop centre. The first meeting will be on **Tuesday 23rd September** from **7-9pm**. For more information please telephone **028 9441 3544** or email **BBSservice@northerntrust.hscni.net**

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

There will be a day trip to Our Lady's shrine in Knock on **Saturday 4th October**. Bus leaving St Patrick's Church Loughguile at 6am. Contact Patricia Campbell on **02827641120** or **07871626940**. Price approx. £25-30 depending on numbers.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Each year the Church celebrates a Season of Creation in September running to the feast of St Francis of Assisi in early October. It's an opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts he gives us in the natural world.

To mark the end of tis year's Season of Creation our Causeway Family of Parishes is once again organising a blessing of animals. This year it will be held at **St Malachy's, Coleraine** on **Sunday 5th October** at **3pm**.



You are invited to bring pets and animals to the church car park for a short outdoor service. We hope to have a rosary procession round the church grounds followed by a blessing of the animals.

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HYMNS FOR MASS

*R. All things bright and beautiful  
All creatures great and small  
All things wise and wonderful  
The Lord God made them all*

Each little flower that opens  
Each little bird that sings  
He made their glowing colours  
He made their tiny wings. R.

The purple headed mountain  
The river running by  
The sunset and the morning  
That brightens up the sky. R.

BROADCAST MASS

BBC Radio Ulster will be broadcasting Mass live from Our Lady & St Patrick's on **Sunday 5th October**. Mass that Sunday will be at **9.05am** and the congregation is asked to be in place by **8.50am**.

OLD & NEW@NO.5

Our parish shop has been reorganised this week following their two week sale with lots of new stock added! Check out our lovely embossed brass stick stand, our pair of lovely open armchairs, our collection of Belleek and our large oil painting in the window.

We're open **Wednesday to Saturday, 10am - 4.30pm** at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney. You can see photos of our current stock on our Facebook page as well.

BELFAST ROSARY FESTIVAL

The Legion of Mary and the Knights of Saint Columbanus present **Our Lady's Rosary Festival** from **Saturday 4th to Sunday 12th October** with nine events in different venues across Belfast. The Festival ends with the 22nd Annual Rosary Procession from St John's Church on the Falls Road to St Peter's Cathedral, commencing at **2.30pm** on **Sunday 12th October**. All details can be found online at **belfastrosaryfestival.com**

PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION

Beloved Christ,  
who spoke "Shalom" to frightened hearts,  
stir us to compassionate action.  
Inspire us to work for the end of conflict,  
and for the full restoration of broken relationships -  
with you, with the ecumenical community,  
with the human family,  
and with all Creation.  
Amen.

O Lord, my God, when I, in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

When Christ shall come, with shouts of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration  
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee...*