



# Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

22nd September 2024  
Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

## BEING CHILDLIKE

In today's Gospel Jesus is trying to teach his followers about sacrificing yourself for others, as he soon will on the cross. But his friends aren't listening. Instead they are squabbling about who is the most important of them.

So Jesus tries another way of teaching them. He calls over a child and tells the disciples to be more childlike and to welcome others in the same way. For us, that means taking ourselves a little less seriously and being more open to God's love. We should have a special care for those in need because they are the children of God. And we should remember that God loves us as his dear sons and daughters too.



## THIS WEEK

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

<b>SATURDAY 21st</b>	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
<b>SUNDAY 22nd</b>	9.30am Mass 4.30-4.50pm Confessions 5pm Mass 7pm RNLI Prayer Service
<b>MONDAY 23rd</b>	10am Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 25th</b>	no Mass
<b>FRIDAY 27th</b>	6-6.40pm Confessions 7pm Mass
<b>SATURDAY 28th</b>	2pm Dementia Friendly Mass

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

### Anniversaries

Very Rev. Vincent McKinley PP, Frank Carlin, Danny Hendrie, Rosie and Willie McCann, Jimmy McCusker, Ellen McGuigan, Mick McKay, William O'Connor, Nora Rodgers, Edna Stinson

## 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.**

## DEMENTIA FRIENDLY MASS

This month's Mass takes place on **Saturday at 2pm**. We welcome parishioners with dementia along with family and carers along with others who are looking for an accessible Mass.

## SEASON OF CREATION

From the beginning of September through to October 4th (the feast of St Francis of Assisi) the Church marks a *Season of Creation* when we give thanks to God for the gifts he gives us in the natural world and reflect on how we can protect and celebrate the world around us. In our parish there will be a number of special events.

## Prayer Service for the RNLI

The RNLI Ballymoney Branch will be having a prayer service on **Sunday (22nd)** at **7pm**. This is an event for the whole community and there will be representatives from other churches and from civic life. The music will be led by the local choir *Counterpoint*. A collection will be taken up for the work of the RNLI and refreshments will be served in the parish hall afterwards.

## Blessing of Animals

You are invited to bring pets and animals to the church car park on **Sunday 29th September** at **3pm** for a short outdoor service. We hope to have a procession round the church grounds followed by a blessing of the animals. Refreshments will be served afterwards and a collection will be taken up for Benvardin Animal Rescue.



## 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.

## SVP ANNUAL OUTING 2024

Can all those travelling on the SVP outing to Derry / Londonderry this weekend please note that the bus will be leaving the car park in Castle Street opposite the church at **12.15pm sharp on Sunday**.

The cost (a minimum donation of **£5**) is payable on the bus. Any late cancellations please advise by calling the SVP number **07860455549**. We hope you have an enjoyable day!

## OLD & NEW@No.5

It's been great to see so many old (and indeed new) customers calling in to our parish shop this week in the good weather! And we have lots of new stock in to show you. There are lamps, crystal, lovely pieces of ceramics including bowls and planters, plus pictures and prints. Check our large collection of old flagons, jars and hot water bottles, our Staffordshire dogs, figurines and vases. And there's even more in store.

We're open **Wednesday to Saturday 10am-4.30pm** at 5 Gate End Ballymoney, and we would love to see you. And you can keep in touch with us by following our Facebook page **@oldandnewatno5**.

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## HYMNS FOR MASS

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
"Come unto Me, and rest;  
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
Thy head upon My breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
Weary, and worn, and sad;  
I found in Him a resting-place,  
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
"Behold, I freely give  
The living water: thirsty one,  
Stoop down, and drink, and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
Of that life-giving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
And now I live in Him.

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  
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## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. *Beginning Experience* is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (**28th September, 26th October and 30th November**). To book a place or find out more, contact Pauline **07519289185** or Marie **07896119669**, or email [belfastbe@yahoo.com](mailto:belfastbe@yahoo.com)

## BELFAST YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Recharge is a new young adult group starting in the diocese for people aged 18 to 35. The group will meet twice monthly on the first and third Tuesday of each month in Belfast to "recharge" the spiritual batteries through adoration, intellectual formation and social gatherings.

To keep updated and get involved, follow us on Facebook and Instagram or email [rechargecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:rechargecatholic@gmail.com). You can also join our WhatsApp group via the QR code.



Our first gathering will be for Adoration with guided meditation and confessions at **7.30pm on Tuesday 1st October** at St Colmcille's church, Newtownards Rd, Belfast.

## KNOCK PILGRIMAGES

The Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on **Sunday 29th September**. A coach will leave Dunloy Parish Centre at 7am, returning by 9.15pm, costing £20 per person. For more information to book phone **07471537051**.

**Saturday 5th October**. Bus leaving St Patrick's Church Loughguile at 6am. Contact Patricia Campbell on **02827641120** or **07871626940**. Price approx. £25-£30 depending on numbers.