

25th SEPTEMBER 2022

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time



LOOK SHARP AND LISTEN CAREFULLY!

The parable Jesus tells us in today's Gospel is all about looking and listening. The rich man Jesus described lived a comfortable life on earth - but he went to hell because he never noticed the needs of others, not even the poor beggar at his own gate. The Lord is telling is to open our eyes to the people around us and the problems of the world. If we do, then we can play our part to make things better.

In the parable Christ also warns us that some people wouldn't listen to God's Word even if someone came back from the dead to tell them. Of course, in reality Jesus himself died for us and rose again. It's him we need to listen to. So let's not focus on ourselves so much, but look around us to see those in need and listen to the Word of God spoken to our hearts.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 24th 5.30-5.50pm Confessions

6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 25th 10am Mass

4.30-4.50pm Confessions

5pm Mass

MONDAY 26th 10am Mass

WEDNESDAY 28th 10am Mass

FRIDAY 30th 6-6.40pm Confessions

7pm Mass

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day for private prayer - usually from 11am to 6pm.

Other Sunday Masses in this area

Saturday 5pm - Portstewart

Saturday 6pm - St Malachy's, Coleraine

Sunday 10am - Portstewart

Sunday 11am - St Malachy's, Coleraine

Sunday 12noon - Portrush

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Yvonne Fisher, Rosie & Willie McCann, Ellen McGuigan, Mick McKay, Caroline O'Carroll, Edna Stinson, Fionnuala White



PARISH FINANCES

Thank you so much for supporting all our collections. Envelopes can be left in the church at Mass times or at the parochial house. You can also set up a standing order or make a one-off payment with these details:

Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan Sort code: 95-06-79 Account No: 10020192.

Please make cheques payable to: Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

A trip to Knock takes place on Saturday 1st October with a bus leaving from St Patrick's Church, Loughgiel at 6am. Contact Patricia Campbell on 028 2764 1120 or **07871 626940.** Price approx £25/£30 depending on numbers.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If you need help or you would like to find out more about getting involved in the work of the SVP contact us on 07860 455549 or by speaking to any member of the society after Mass. Thank you for supporting our collections.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP)

CAP is a UK wide Christian charity offering help with managing debt, setting up repayment plans and budgeting. Their Ballymoney branch is based at St Patrick's Church of Ireland. To make an appointment with one of the local debt coaches phone free 0800 328 0006 Monday -Thursday 9.30am-5pm; Fridays 9.30am - 3.30pm. Website www.capuk.org

OLD & NEW@No.5

It's all go again this week with lots of new items in the shop and the introduction of our Autumn clothing range. We've also got gift ideas for the festive season and we're already seeing lots of early Christmas shoppers! Hopefully some of our new products in our photos below will appeal to you!

There's lots of very nice pre-loved clothes in this week too, along with bags, scarves and shoes! We are always being asked do we have any elephant ornaments... well now we do! Hopefully they'll go home in your 'trunk' this week!

So why not call in with us this week? We don't think you'll be disappointed! We're open Wednesday-Saturday 10.00am-4.30pm and you'll find us at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney. Check us out on Facebook @oldandnewatno5

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

For almost four hundred years it has been a tradition to mark the first Friday of each month as a day of special prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The most famous devotion is to go to confession and Mass for nine consecutive First Fridays as a novena. Many intentions have been granted through this novena and there are a number of promises of blessings attached to it.

This autumn Fr Damian invites us to make the nine First Fridays together as a parish running from October through to next June. Each First Friday we will have a Holy Hour of Adoration from 6-7pm with confessions available finishing with Benediction. At 7pm we will have Mass and prayers to the Sacred Heart. Begins Friday October 7th.

MEN'S ROSARY IN PORTSTEWART

The Men's Global Rosary Crusade invites men, young and old, to meet and say the rosary in reparation for the conversion of the Ireland at 1pm opposite Star of the Sea Church, Portstewart on Saturday 08th October as part of this amazing modern day Crusade. Come along with your family and friends as well and make this something beautiful for Our Lady. Remember - real men say the rosary!

COASTAL ROSARY

On Sunday October 9th, the annual Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join thousands of people from around Ireland to pray the rosary for life and faith at our coasts, grottos, rivers, churches, and other suitable places. To see where the local venues will be check www.coastalrosarvireland.ie.

ST BRIGID'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

We look forward to the children from St Brigid's joining us for Mass on Monday morning (26th) to ask God's blessing on the new school year.

REELROBICS CAUSEWAY

ReelRobics, the Irish dance fitness class for adults, is coming to Ballymoney. Classes will be for fun, fitness, and friendship. No previous Irish dance experience is required; all are welcome to attend. It starts on Wednesday 21st September in the parish hall 7-8 pm. For more information and to book your place contact Aileen McAlister on 07513 159505.

PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION

Creator God, who made our beautiful world, appointed us as its guardians and gifted us with everything we need, forgive us for the times we cause it harm; for the times our way of life affects our neighbours. Inspire us to care for the environment; to help rebuild lives and communities; to share in the griefs and anxieties, joys and hopes of all your people, so that all your creation may flourish. Amen.

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Morning has broken like the first morning Blackbird has spoken like the first bird Praise for the singing, praise for the morning Praise for them springing fresh from the world Behold the servant of God.

Sweet the rains new fall, sunlit from Heaven Like the first dewfall on the first grass Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning Born of the one light, Eden saw play Praise with elation, praise every morning God's recreation of the new day

To Praise, my soul rejoices in God, To praise, my soul shall glorify the Lord. He who is mighty has done great things for me

Magnificat, Magnificat, anima mea Dominum: Magnificat, Magnificat, anima mea Dominum.

To bless, to bless the people of God, To bless, to bless the name of the Lord. All generations shall call me blessed, Behold the servant of God.