

2nd OCTOBER 2022

Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time



FAN YOUR FAITH INTO A FLAME

In today's second reading St Paul urges us to 'fan into a flame' the gifts that God has given us. It's easy to take our faith for granted so every so often it's good to make a special effort to do something new for God so that the light of Christ can burn brightly within our hearts once again.

As October begins we should think especially about warming up our prayer life. This month is traditionally a time to say the rosary and to focus on prayer at home and with our families. You might also consider starting a novena or special prayers - indeed, why not join us for the nine First Fridays which we will be praying together as a parish beginning this week? Whatever we do, let's do something to increase our prayer during this next month.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 1st 5.30-5.50pm Confessions

6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 2nd 10am Mass

5pm Mass

MONDAY 3rd 10am Mass

7pm Mass in Portstewart **TUESDAY 4th**

for the end of the Season of Creation

WEDNESDAY 5th 10am Mass

FRIDAY 7th 6-7pm Holy Hour

Adoration & Confessions First Friday Benediction at 6.45pm

7pm Mass &

Sacred Heart prayers

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

CONGRATULATIONS

to Laura Fleming & Jonathan Adams who were married this week

and Seamus & Joanne McAteer who received a blessing on their anniversary.

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased

James McCusker

Anniversaries

Annie Devine, Patsy Douglas, Charles McAleese, Jean McAleese, John McGinty, Margaret Shiels, Jack Young

REOUIESCAT IN PACE

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

THE SEASON OF CREATION

The parishes of Portstewart, Portrush, Ballymoney and Coleraine will hold a Mass to conclude the Season of Creation on Tuesday 4th October at 7pm in Star of the Sea, **Portstewart**. The Season of Creation closes on the feast of St Francis of Assisi. St Francis lived in simplicity and harmony with God, with others, with nature and with himself. He shows us just how inseparable the bond is between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace. We invite you to join the priests of our parishes for this Mass and the homilist will be Mgr Delargy. Refreshments will be provided after Mass in the Marian Hall.

MASS IN DERVOCK

Our monthly Mass at Our Lady & St John the Evangelist in Dervock will be on **Tuesday 11th October** at 7pm.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

For centuries 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 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 this Friday, October

OLD & NEW@No.5

There are lots of new and pre loved items in the shop this week including a range of new Doultons, Hummels, Beswick, and small pieces of furniture including a lovely pair of inlaid chairs!

We also have new stock of llamas, sheep, hens, spaniel dogs and sitting dogs, which are always in demand. Last week was a great week for Autumn clothes and accessories and again there's a nice mix of clothes, handbags and scarves this week. Plus we have a new range of modern, stylish jewellery at great prices.

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

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

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 8th 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.coastalrosaryireland.ie

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.

PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN HYMNS FOR MASS

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Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise Thou mine inheritance, now and always Thou and Thou only the first in my heart High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

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