

### 19th October 2025

Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday

#### **MISSION SUNDAY**

This weekend the Church marks it's annual World Mission Sunday. The second collection today is for Missio Ireland which coordinates the funding of missionaries working across the world. Our contributions help priests, religious sisters and lay missionaries to share the Gospel and to help with charitable projects - especially healthcare and education.

But today is about more than a collection. It's a reminder to us how important our faith is and why we should be proud to share it. The Gospel of Jesus brings joy to the world. It's great to think that by our prayers and support we can help to carry that joy even further,



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#### THIS WEEK

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

**SATURDAY 18th** 

5.30pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 19th 9.30am Mass

No Masses or Confessions Monday-Friday

WEDNESDAY 22nd 7pm Rosary

THURSDAY 23rd 7pm Candlelight Rosary

SATURDAY 25th 2pm Jubilee Mass for the Sick

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

# 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.

#### **CANDLELIGHT ROSARY**

We are praying the rosary together in the church by candlelight on Thursdays during the month of October. For the last session this week we will pray the whole rosary finishing with a procession to the Lourdes shrine outside.

# 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**.

## WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

# Recently Deceased

Mary Stewart, Antrim

# Anniversaries

Rosena Coyles, Rachel Dempsey, Christopher Hendrie, Annie McKillop, James McSheffrey, Jeannie McSheffrey, William McSheffrey, Eamonn Muldoon

# **REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

# JUBILEE MASS FOR THE SICK

Our next monthly Dementia Friendly Mass takes place on **Saturday 25th October** at **2pm**. As part of our jubilee year celebrations we would like to open it out this month to all those who are sick, elderly or who can't normally get to Mass. The Sacrament of the Sick will be available at that Mass for those who need it.

Please pass on this invitation to anyone you know who would benefit from it.

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Arrangements are being finalised for the celebration of First Confession, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation next year. Children attending St Brigid's Primary School and Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School are already enrolled for these sacraments and will undertake their preparation in school.

For children attending other schools who wish to receive their sacraments in 2026, participation in a sacramental preparation course is required. This course will be held at St Malachy's Parish Centre in Coleraine, beginning in November.

An enrolment meeting for parents and guardians of children taking part in the sacramental preparation courses will take place in **St Malachy's Parish Centre** on **Wednesday 22nd October** at **7pm**.

The following children are eligible for the sacraments: First Confession & First Communion - children in P4 (or older) Confirmation - Children in P7 (or older). For more information please contact Fr Damian.

### **NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS**

November is the month of special prayer for those who have died. November Dead Lists and envelopes will be available at Masses from next weekend.

### OLD & NEW@NO.5

We're delighted to say that the popular pairs of standing stags are back in our parish shop again as are the medium sized tin men, ceramic teddies and gilted planters. Also check out our nice selection of china teasets, our new duck in coat ornaments, flower mirrors, the new whippet dog and sitting dog figurines, choice of lanterns, ceramics and crystal. If you missed out on our last supply of rusty stags and does, don't worry another supply will be in next week.

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.

#### WOMEN'S VOCATIONS

Do you feel called to seek God in prayer & contemplation, monastic work, and community life? The Cistercian community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn in County Waterford invites single women aged 19–40 to our upcoming Monastic Vocations Weekend from 24th-27th October 2025.

Please contact our Vocation Director, Sr Mairéad, at **vocations@glencairnabbey.org** or for more information visit **www.glencairnabbey.org** 

# A MESSAGE FROM POPE LEO

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

# On **World Mission Sunday** every year, the whole Church prays, united, particularly for missionaries and the fruitfulness of their apostolic labours.



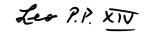
When I served as a missionary priest and then bishop in Peru, I saw first-hand how the faith, the prayer and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities.

I urge every Catholic parish in the world to take part in World Mission Sunday. Your prayers, your support will help spread the Gospel, provide for pastoral and catechetical programs, help to build new churches, and care for the health and educational needs of our brothers and sisters in mission territories.

This October 19th, as we reflect together on our baptismal call to be "missionaries of hope among the peoples," let us commit ourselves anew to the sweet and joyful task of bringing Christ Jesus our Hope to the ends of the earth.

Thank you for everything you will do to help me help missionaries throughout the world.

God bless you all!



# PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN

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### HYMNS FOR MASS

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O, Master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console To be understood as to understand To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace It is in pardoning that we are pardoned In giving to all men that we receive And in dying that we're born to eternal life. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, to keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills of this world in the next.