



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

5th November 2023
Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time

PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE UPDATE

This weekend Bishop Donal McKeown, our Apostolic Administrator, has written a pastoral letter to the Diocese with a challenge for us all: to participate in the renewal of the Church in Down and Connor. He calls on us to be “voices of hope” for the Church now and into the future.

This renewal programme is called *Pathways to the Future* and it looks ahead to the future of our diocese over the next twenty years. Part of the plan is that parishes will come together to form a Family of Parishes that work together, share resources and eventually share priests. Ballymoney parish is part of the North Coast family of parishes along with Portstewart, Portrush, St Malachy’s Coleraine, and the chaplaincies to the Causeway Hospital and the University of Ulster.

In the coming weeks and months you will be invited to to join the conversation and to be a *voice of hope* for the future of our Church.



THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 4th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 5th	9.30am Mass 4.30-4.50pm Confessions 5pm Mass
MONDAY 6th	10am Mass
TUESDAY 7th	7pm Prayer for the Dead
WEDNESDAY 8th	10am Mass
FRIDAY 10th	<i>no Mass or confessions today</i>

Our Lady & St Patrick’s is open every day for prayer, usually from 10am to 4.30pm.

Other Sunday Masses in this 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

Francis Cassidy, Molly McKeague, Annie McLaughlin, William McLaughlin, Michael & Molly Mullaghan, John Scullin

and all the names on our November Dead Lists.

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.**

BIBLE PRAYER GROUP

Our *Lectio Divina* scripture prayer group will be meeting on **Sunday evening (5th) at 6pm** in the old canon’s house. All welcome to attend.

OLD & NEW@No.5

It’s that time of year again - our Christmas stock has gone on display this week! As well as many new pieces, some old favourites are back including our gold stags, Christmas band sets and ceramic tealight houses!

Our parish shop is open Wednesday- Saturday 10.00am-4.30pm and you’ll find it at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney. Check us out on Facebook too @oldandnewatno5

ST BRIGID’S PS TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT REGISTER

If you, or someone you know, may be interested in short term/ occasional/ temporary/ or relief cover for positions within the school, please complete the form below to register your interest. Filling in the form is not a guarantee of any employment.

<https://forms.office.com/r/MRefcEx8wc>

If interested you may follow the form up with a CV that can be emailed to the school info@stbrigidsp.ballymoney.ni.sch.uk or left in to the office in person.

PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

A *Pathways to the Future* meeting will be held in **St Malachy’s parish hall, Coleraine on Thursday 23rd November**. If you are interested in attending please email the parish office as places are limited. This is an opportunity to join the conversation and to be a voice of hope for the future of our Church.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2023

With the current economic crisis our conference is busier than ever. Only your continued support enables us to continue our work.

For this year’s SVP Christmas Gift Appeal we will again be providing help with Toy & Gift Vouchers which will be distributed to parents and carers to allow them to provide gifts for their children.

We are asking for your financial help to buy vouchers and you can donate in several ways:

- Via the **Red Box collection** at the church door after weekend masses.
- By telephone on **028 9075 0161**: (please specify that your donation is for Ballymoney, Co. Antrim).

- Online at <http://svp.ie/ballymonesvpappeal23> via the “Donate Now” link.



- Or scan this QR code to go on to the SVP Ballymoney web site.

There are also Gift Aid Envelopes available at the back of the Chapel. If you are a UK tax payer, we would ask that you put your donation into one of these completed envelopes and put it in our **Red Box** collection which will boost our funds further.

Aside from the Christmas gift appeal we continue to support our local community. If you need our help please call us confidentially on **07860455549**. We would like to thank you for your very generous ongoing support.

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HYMNS FOR MASS

O Jesus Christ, remember,
When Thou shalt come again,
Upon the clouds of heaven
With all Thy shining train;
When ev’ry eye shall see Thee,
In Deity revealed,
Who now upon this altar
In silence art concealed.

Accept, divine Redeemer,
The homage of my praise,
Be Thou the light, and honour,
And glory of my days—
Be Thou my consolation
When death is drawing nigh;
Be Thou my only Treasure,
Through all eternity.

November The Month of the Holy Souls

Indulgences for the Holy Souls

The Church invites us to gain indulgences for the Holy Souls during the first week of November. Up to **8th November** (Wednesday) we can gain an indulgence by **visiting a cemetery** to pray. Indulgences are granted under the usual conditions (receiving Communion, Confession and praying for the Pope’s intentions.)



Time of Prayer & Reflection

On each of the Tuesdays of November there will be a short service of prayer and reflection on the theme of remembering the dead and the resurrection. Begins **Tuesday 7th November at 7pm**. The same service will also take place on the Wednesdays of November in Portstewart.

Remembrance Sunday

Fr Damian has been invited to represent our parish at the service at Dervock War Memorial next Sunday.

Parish Requiem Mass

A requiem Mass for all deceased parishioners will take place on **Friday 17th November at 7pm**.

November Dead Lists

Lists and envelopes are still available. Please take them home and write down the names of your deceased family and friends who you want to be prayed for.

Envelopes can be left in the church at Mass time or posted through the door of the parochial house. The names are placed beside the altar throughout the month of November and prayed for at every Mass and devotions. You may wish to include an offering in your envelope and these are very gratefully received.