



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

20th NOVEMBER 2022
Christ the King



CHRIST IS OUR KING

This weekend we mark the last Sunday of the Church's year - the feast of Jesus Christ, the Universal King. We celebrate that Jesus is our Saviour and Redeemer, and we pledge ourselves to serve him all our lives with love and faithfulness.

But what sort of king is Jesus Christ? The Gospel for this Sunday shows someone very different from the kings and tyrants of history, or even the prime ministers, presidents and politicians of today. Jesus is a king who came to serve, not to be served. On Calvary his crown was made of thorns, his throne was a cross. But from that cross he saved the world. May we never be ashamed of Christ our King - instead may we follow him loyally and say with confidence "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 19th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 20th Christ the King	10am Mass 3pm Holy Hour of Adoration 4pm Vespers & Benediction followed by Confessions 5pm Mass
MONDAY 21st	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 23rd	10am Mass
FRIDAY 25th	6-6.40pm Confessions 7pm Mass

*Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day
for private prayer - usually from 10am to 4.30pm.*

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

Recently Deceased

Hugh McClements (Loughguile)
James Cochrane (Doncaster)

Anniversaries

Anna Curry, Bernadette Doey, May Hanna, Margaret McCullagh,
Daniel McDaid, Neil McGothigan, Adrian McKay, George McKay,
George McMillan, June O'Kane, Michael O'Reilly, Hugh Osborne,
Annie Roche and all the names on our November Dead Lists

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

To mark this feast day we will have a **Holy Hour** of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday from **3pm** followed by **Vespers & Benediction** at **4pm**. During Benediction we will have the traditional **Consecration to the Sacred Heart** of Jesus (a plenary indulgence is granted to those who are present for the consecration on this feast day).



THE SEASON OF ADVENT



Next Sunday (27th) is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of the new liturgical year. The **Advent wreath** will be blessed at our Saturday vigil Mass and then lit for each Mass and service until Christmas. On each of the Sundays of Advent we will have **Vespers & Benediction** at **4pm**.

NEW COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Boxes of collection envelopes for the new year are now available at the back of the church. If you haven't used collection envelopes before and you want a box there is a form to register. Please fill it in, leave it through the door of the parochial house and we'll have a box of envelopes ready for you very soon.

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**.

Thank you to everyone who supports the parish through our collections. God bless you for your generosity!

OLD & NEW@No.5

There's so much on offer at our parish shop this week! We have lots of new crystal, pictures, small furnishings, ornaments, a lovely new tea set, new Doulton figurines, mirrors and even a small electric sewing machine!

There's also a wide selection of Christmas decorations which we top up daily... and that includes a range of silver and gold stags, our 25 day countdown board, recycled Santas & deers and not forgetting our dangly legged friends! Our coloured glass handmade animals and bronzed figurines are proving to be popular Christmas presents... so check these out when you're next in the shop!

Our pre-loved clothes selection continues to appeal to lots of our customers and again, there's new items added in this week!

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

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS

Why not join with Portstewart Parish this Advent as they reflect on the living Word of God in preparation for Christmas in a beautiful, meditative form of prayer. It takes place over four Wednesdays (beginning this week **23rd November**) from **7.30-8.30pm** at the Marian Hall in **Portstewart** (access through the church). Each evening will finish with light refreshments. For more information or to sign up for the evenings please contact Bridgeen (07546092912) or Helen (07765014681).

DO THIS IN MEMORY

Our next Do This In Memory Mass for the children making their First Holy Communion next spring will be on **Sunday December 10th at 10am**. On that day we'll be blessing crib figures - so we ask everyone to bring the Baby Jesus figure from your home nativity scene and Fr Damian will bless them at the end of Mass.



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ST VINCENT DE PAUL COFFEE MORNING

Our parish SVP would like to invite all parishioners (including children) to a mid morning tea in the parish hall next Sunday (27th) after 10am Mass. Come along and take the opportunity to catch up with friends over tea or coffee and a tasty treat. No charge and all are welcome!



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Don't forget that you can support St Vincent's Christmas appeal by making a donation towards toy and gift vouchers. Vouchers will be distributed to families in need so that parents can choose their child's gift. You can give in any of these ways -

- Via the **Red Box** collection at the church door after Mass.
- By **telephone** on **02890750161**; please specify that your donation is for Ballymoney, Co. Antrim.
- **Online** at **www.svp-ni.co.uk**, via the "Donate Now" link; please specify your donation is for Ballymoney, Co. Antrim.
- 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 to boost our funds further.

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

JOHNNY CASH CONCERT

Our friends at Connect Christian Fellowship invite you to join them for a concert of story and songs reflecting on the life of Johnny Cash, the Man in Black. It's on Saturday 26th November at 7.30pm at the Castle Community Centre. Admission is free and refreshments will be provided.

HYMNS FOR MASS

The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine;
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

Angels, saints and nations sing :
"Praise be Jesus Christ our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary!"

And so through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

Eucharistic King, what love
draws thee daily from above.
Clad in signs of bread and wine
Feed us, teach us, keep us thine.