



TRUSTING IN JESUS WHEN HOPE SEEMS LOST

Over these final Sundays of Lent, the Gospel has given us a powerful message: Jesus brings new life. We have heard how he offered forgiveness to the woman at the well, sight to the man born blind, and now life itself to Lazarus, raised from the tomb. St John presents these not merely as miracles but as signs — pointing us toward God's promise that all of us can have our sins forgiven, our wounds healed, and be raised to eternal life.

Yet today's Gospel carries a second lesson. Jesus delayed, and Lazarus died — leaving his sisters heartbroken. Martha's honest, anguished faith offers us a model for our own dark moments: "Lord, I still believe." As we enter Holy Week, may we echo those words from our hearts.



THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 21st	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 22nd	9.30am Mass 2pm Holy Hour in Dervock
MONDAY 23rd	10am Mass
TUESDAY 24th	7pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction
WEDNESDAY 25th	no Mass today 7pm Rosary
THURSDAY 26th	11am First Confession
FRIDAY 27th	6pm Adoration & Confession 7pm Mass

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

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

OLD & NEW@No.5

Our parish shop has all sorts of gifts on offer. Call with us at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney, open **Wednesday to Saturday, 10am - 4.30pm**. You can also see photos of our current stock on our Facebook page @oldandnewatno5

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Month's Mind

Margaret Mary McGinty

Anniversaries

Gerry McGuigan, Genevieve Elizabeth (Joan) McAteer, William Francis (Frankie) McAteer, Ena McKendry, Mavis McVeigh, Shaun McVeigh, Kathleen Montgomery, Bernadette Muldoon, Danny O'Connor, Sean & Marie Scullion, Joan Truesdale, Eric Turner

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 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.**

FIRST CONFESSION

We will be celebrating First Confession with the children from St Brigid's Primary School and Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School on **Thursday at 11am**. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers this week.

LENT VESPERS & BENEDICTION

Each **Sunday** evening of Lent there is Evening Prayer of the Church (Vespers) and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at **6pm** in **St Malachy's, Coleraine**.

DERVOCK HOLY HOUR

There will be an hour of **Eucharistic adoration** at Our Lady & St John the Evangelist's church in **Dervock** this **Sunday** from **2 to 3pm**.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Our Lent devotions continue in Our Lady & St Patrick's on **Tuesday** at **7pm** with the Way of the Cross followed by Benediction.



CALLED & GIFTED

Have you ever wondered what God would like you to do in your life? Called & Gifted is a course which helps us to discover what spiritual gifts God has given us - and then how we can use them to help others or share our faith. Next month we'll be starting the course in Ballymoney. It begins with a one day workshop to learn about the gifts and charisms God gives us and that takes place in our parish hall on **Saturday 18th April**. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

Would you like to join the Down & Connor Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine and stay overnight **Saturday 13th to Sunday 14th June**? A bus is going from Loughguile and the price will be dependent on numbers - approx £140 pps. If interested, please contact **Denise 07595224715**.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION

Each month, the Holy Father asks for Catholics around the world to pray for a specific intention.

This March Pope Leo asks us to pray "that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence."

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Jesus, remember me,
when you come into your kingdom.

God of mercy and compassion,
Look with pity upon me,
Father let me call Thee Father,
'Tis thy child returns to Thee. R.

*R. Jesus Lord, I ask for mercy;
Let me not implore in vain;
All my sins, I now detest them,
Never will I sin again.*

See our Saviour, bleeding, dying
On the cross of Calvary.
To that cross my sins have nailed him,
Yet he bleeds and dies for me. R.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY MASS

Due to unforeseen circumstances there will be no Dementia Friendly Mass this month. Apologies for the inconvenience. The next Mass should be on **Saturday 25th April** at **2pm**.

PALM SUNDAY

Next Sunday (**29th**) is **Palm Sunday**. Our 9.30am Mass is the monthly *Do This In Memory* Mass and we invite all the children present to take part in the palm procession at the start of Mass. After Mass children and their families are invited over to the parish hall for easter arts and crafts (and there will be refreshments for parents and family too!).

EASTER TRIDUUM

We are coming up to Holy Week very soon. Our services for the Easter Triduum will be at the following times:

Holy Thursday (2nd April) Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm

Good Friday (3rd April) Solemn Liturgy 3pm

Holy Saturday (4th April) Easter Vigil 9pm

Easter Sunday (5th April) Easter Morning Mass 9.30am

The full schedule of liturgies, devotions and confessions for Holy Week will be available in the bulletin and online next weekend.

LORETO CONCERT

Loreto College Coleraine invite you to their Spring concert on **Tuesday (24th)** at **7pm**. Join them for a joyful evening of entertainment - everyone welcome! Book now on TicketSource.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If you are in need and would like our help please do not hesitate to get in touch on **07860455549**.

SHORT DAILY PRAYERS FOR LENT

I believe in God, I hope in God,
I love God.

I am sorry for having offended God.

Sacred Heart of Jesus
I believe in your love for me.

Sacred Heart of Jesus
I believe you love me now.

Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place all my trust in thee.

