



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

CAUSEWAY FAMILY OF PARISHES

25th October 2026
30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

LOVE IN ACTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus is asked which commandment is the greatest. He gives two: love God with all your heart, and love your neighbour as yourself. The two belong together. Mother Teresa began each day in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, then went out to care for the poor and dying of Calcutta. For her, loving God and loving others were one and the same. Our first reading reminds us that God cares deeply about how we treat those in need.

That love must be practical. Many of you quietly care for children, elderly relatives or the sick, and Jesus sees and blesses every sacrifice. We're also grateful to our St Vincent de Paul members for their generous service. This week, ask God what more he might be asking of you.



THIS WEEK

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

SUNDAY 25th	9.30am Mass
MONDAY 26th	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 28th	No Mass today 7pm Rosary
THURSDAY 29th	7pm Candlelight Rosary
FRIDAY 30th	6pm Adoration & Confessions 7pm Mass
SATURDAY 31st	2pm Mass for the Sick & Elderly 5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Mass

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

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Anniversaries

Danny Connor, Rosena Coyles, Esse Doherty, John O'Reilly, William McSheffrey, Jeannie McSheffrey, James McSheffrey, Sarah O'Connor,

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.

DO THIS IN MEMORY

We welcome the children who will make their First Holy Communion next spring and their families to our first *Do This In Memory* Mass this Sunday morning. After Mass we invite all primary school aged children and their parents to join us in the parish hall for craft activities (and a cup of coffee for the parents!)

Dates for the next couple of *Do This In Memory* Masses are:

Sunday 15th November
Sunday 13th December

CANDLELIGHT ROSARY

This **Thursday** at **7pm** we have the last our candlelight rosary services to mark the month of October. At the end of the service we will go in procession to the grotto outside (weather permitting) for the final blessing.

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**.

MASS FOR THE SICK & ELDERLY

There will be a special Mass for sick and elderly parishioners on **Saturday (31st)** at **2pm**. The Mass will include the anointing of the sick. If you know of someone who can't normally get out to Mass please invite them along and if you can offer them transport that would be a great help.

ALL SAINTS' TABLE QUIZ

A table quiz will take place in the Ballymoney parish hall **next Sunday (1st)** at **7pm**. There are prize hampers for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, and a not so great prize for the table that comes last. Free entry and light refreshments are provided, with any voluntary contributions being donated to our St Vincent De Paul conference. If you don't have a team, you are welcome to join one of the others.

PARKINSONS COFFEE MORNING

Parkinsons Dalriada Support Group are hosting a coffee morning on **Saturday 31st** from **10am-2pm** at **Ballymoney Football Club**. All welcome to come along and support this good cause.

OLD & NEW@No.5

Our parish shop is a treasure trove of gifts in the run-up to Christmas. And there's good news for anyone who missed out on the large gilted lanterns and children's rocking chairs as more are on their way!

Some new stock has also arrived including lovely new stools, gilted rabbit book ends, floral wreaths and tabletop dressing mirrors so call in and have a look

Visit us at 5 Gate End, Ballymoney, open **Wednesday to Saturday, 10am - 4.30pm**. To keep in touch with our offers and to see pictures of our stock don't forget our Facebook page **@oldandnewatno5**

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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.

November

The Month of the Holy Souls

Next week we begin the month of special prayer for the Holy Souls. There are a number of ways that we can pray together as a parish for our deceased loved ones this year.

November Dead Lists

Lists and envelopes are now available. Please take them home and write down the names of your deceased family and friends who you wish to pray for.

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

Prayer & Reflection

There will be two short services of prayer and reflection on the theme of remembering the dead and the resurrection during the month. The first will be on **Thursday 5th November** at **7pm**.

Parish Annual Requiem Mass

A requiem Mass for all deceased parishioners and priests will take place on **Friday 13th November** at **7pm**.

November Pledge

Why not go off alcohol (or another treat) this month as a penance for the Holy Souls? Think of it as a little Lent in November (and a good preparation for Christmas too!). If you wish to make the pledge you can pray:

I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating substances until the end of November.

Please consider joining with others in prayer, sacrifice and support for those affected by addiction.