Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

CAUSEWAY FAMILY OF PARISHES

1st November 2026
All Saints' Day

SAINTS LIKE US



In today's Gospel, St Matthew describes Jesus climbing a hillside and telling a crowd of ordinary, tired and struggling people, "Blessed are you." Matthew himself, a tax collector, knew something about not looking like a saint. Jesus did not speak to statues, but to people like us.

On All Saints' Day, we remember that the saints we see in our statues and pictures were once ordinary people with tempers, tantrums and failings. What made them saints was that they allowed God to change them. This week, find a saint, perhaps your confirmation saint or one whose statue is in our church. Ask for their prayers, and read about their life. Their stories are complete; ours are still being written, and with God's help, may be worth reading too.

THIS WEEK

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

SUNDAY 1st All Saints' Day	9.30am Mass
MONDAY 2nd All Souls' Day	**7.30pm Mass**
TUESDAY 3rd	7pm Holy Face Novena
WEDNESDAY 4th	10am Mass 7pm Rosary
THURSDAY 5th	7pm Prayer for the Holy Souls
FRIDAY 6th First Friday	6pm Holy Hour *with adoration, confessions & benediction.* 7pm Novena Mass
SATURDAY 7th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Mass

Our Lady & St Patrick's church is open every day for private prayer - usually from 10am to 5pm.

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

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
Meta Stanley John Smith

Anniversaries
Francis Cassidy, Mary Dunlop, Oonagh Greene, Christopher Hendrie, Eileen McAlister, Edith McColgan, Molly McKeague, Anne McKillop, Annie McLaughlin, William McLaughlin
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 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.

ALL SOULS' DAY

Monday is the 2nd November when the Church marks the **Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed**. It is not a holy day of obligation, but many people come to Mass specially to pray for the dead on this day. We will have Mass at **7.30pm** and Masses in the other local parishes are at the following times:



9am Portstewart
10.30am Portrush
10.30am St Malachy's, Coleraine
6pm St Malachy's, Coleraine
7pm Portstewart

ALL SAINTS' TABLE QUIZ

A table quiz will take place in the Ballymoney parish hall on **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.

OLD & NEW@No.5

Our parish shop has lots of lovely Christmas decorations and gift ideas. Check out our nice pieces of small furniture just in, our butlers trays are back and we are delighted to say that more children's rocking chairs and large gilt lanterns are due in this week.

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**

CHURCH & CEMETERY OPENING HOURS

Now that the clocks have gone back, Our Lady & St Patrick's church will close at **5pm** on days when there isn't evening Mass or devotions. The cemetery is closed at this time each day for reasons of safety and security. Please do not visit the cemetery during the hours of darkness.

CAUSEWAY CHURCHES FORUM

Founded in 1998, the Causeway Churches Forum is built on a foundation of dialogue and friendship for people of all Christian denominations across the Causeway Coast.

To hear more about what we do and our plans for the future, we warmly invite you to our open evening on **Wednesday 11th November** at **7pm** in the CRUN building at the top of Brook Street, Coleraine.

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. On **1st November** we can gain the indulgence by **visiting a church** and praying for the dead.

Each day from **1st** to **8th November** we can also gain this indulgence by **visiting a cemetery** to pray. Indulgences are granted under the usual conditions (receiving Communion, going to Confession and praying for the Pope's intentions.)

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 are 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**) 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!

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HYMNS FOR MASS

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation,
By water and the word;
From Heav'n he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee;
There, past the border mountains,
Where in sweet vales, the bride
With thee, by living fountains,
Forever shall abide!