Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

CAUSEWAY FAMILY OF PARISHES

8th November 2026
Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

THREE WARNINGS FROM JESUS



In the Gospel this Sunday, the Lord tells a parable about what sounds like a very strange wedding. In fact, this story is an accurate description of how marriages took place in the Holy Land at that time. But that's not why Jesus tells this tale. He wants us to give us three warnings we need to know if we're serious about going to heaven when we die.

Firstly, we do not know the day or the hour when Jesus will come for us. That's because God doesn't want us to be scared of the future but to focus on being the best people we can be right now. Secondly, when our time comes we will be held accountable. It will be too late to change then! Thirdly, there are some things that others can't supply for us - like our faith, love, or a good character. We are personally responsible for the way we live our lives, and one day we will be judged for it too.

THIS WEEK

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

SUNDAY 8th	9.30am Mass
MONDAY 9th	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 11th	10am Mass 7pm Rosary
FRIDAY 13th	6pm Adoration & Confessions **7pm Parish Requiem Mass**
SATURDAY 14th	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

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased
Frankie McBride

Anniversaries
Elizabeth Fleming, Angela McDaid, Eileen O'Kane, Bertie Rodgers, 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 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**.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This Sunday is Remembrance Day and we pray for all victims of war and conflict through the years. Fr Damian has been invited to take part in the Remembrance Service at Dervock war memorial at 11am to represent our parish community.

OLD & NEW@No.5

Can you spare a few hours a week to volunteer in our parish shop? Shifts are 3 or 3½ hours and we currently need cover for alternate Saturdays. For more information please call in to the shop and speak to one of our volunteers or contact Gerard on 07860474956.

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**

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**

DO THIS IN MEMORY

Our next *Do This In Memory* Mass will be at **9.30am next Sunday** (15th November). 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!)

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.

ST BRIGID'S PS OPEN DAY

Is your child due to start P1 in September 2027? If so, please accept our warm invitation to the St Brigid's Primary School Open Day on **Monday 30th November** at **10am**. It's a great opportunity for you and your child to come along and find out about the excellent education, pastoral care and wide variety of activities on offer.

Alternatively, please ring or email us to make an appointment to visit at another time. Contact us at **02827662664** or through our website **www.stbrigidspsballymoney.com**

SUPPORTING PREGNANCIES

Stanton Pregnancy Care NI are holding an Information Evening on **Thursday 19th November** at **7.30pm** in the **All Saints Parish Centre**, **Ballymena**. You are warmly invited to come along and hear about the amazing work of Stanton, providing women facing unexpected pregnancy with quality care and practical assistance. For more information, contact **028 9033 2882.**

November

The Month of the Holy Souls

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.

Parish Annual Requiem Mass
A requiem Mass for all deceased parishioners and priests of Ballymoney and Derrykeighan takes place on **Friday (13th)** at **7pm**. We will pray in a special way for those who have died in our parish in the last twelve months. Our November dead lists will also be blessed at the end of this Mass.

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! You can make it a pledge by offering the Pioneer prayer:

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.

Mass for Deceased Teachers
The annual Mass for the deceased teachers of Down and Connor will be celebrated on **Monday** (**9th**) at **7.30pm** in **All Saints' Church**, Broughshane Road, **Ballymena**. Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' Parish Centre. The Mass will be available to watch online as well.

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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.

Abide with me;
fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens;
Lord, with me abide;
When other helpers
fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless,
oh, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross
before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom
and point me to the skies;
Heav'n's morning breaks,
and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord,
abide with me.