Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

CAUSEWAY FAMILY OF PARISHES

22nd November 2026
Christ the King

WHO RULES OUR HEARTS?



Today's feast closes the liturgical year by looking forward to the day when Christ will return as King of the Universe. Pope Pius XI established it in 1925, when communism, fascism and unchecked capitalism were demanding people's loyalty and promising peace they could never deliver. The wars, depression and suffering that followed showed that power, money and ideology cannot bring lasting happiness. Only Jesus, the Prince of Peace, can.

A hundred years on, the lesson still stands, and it begins with each of us. Is Christ my king, or do I bow to money, career, entertainment, or to my own fears and anxieties? We need to put the Lord first in our lives. Coming to Mass is a good start, but we must also take Jesus into the week ahead: praying morning and night, thanking him, seeing him in the people we meet and following him with faith, hope and love.

THIS WEEK

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

SUNDAY 22nd	9.30am Mass
MONDAY 23rd	10am Mass
WEDNESDAY 25th	10am Mass 7pm Rosary
FRIDAY 27th	6pm Adoration & Confessions 7pm Mass
SATURDAY 28th	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

Anniversaries
Annie Blaney, Annie & John Baird, Zara Hunt, Daniel McDaid, Eileen McDaid, Adrian McKay, Annie Roche

and all the names on our November Dead Lists

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

NEW COLLECTION ENVELOPES

New collection envelopes for **2026/27** are now available from the back of the church.

If you haven't previously had envelopes but would like to start using them please take a **purple** form from the back of the church. When you have filled it in please pop it through the door of the parochial house.

If you would prefer to set up a **monthly standing order** there is a **yellow** form at the back of the church with all the details for your bank (plus a form to let the parish know how you want your contribution to be allocated).

You can also support us 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 our parish through the collections.

PLENARY INDULGENCE

The Church grants a plenary indulgence when the **Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** is made publicly on the feast of Christ the King. We will make it at Mass this weekend and it is granted under the usual conditions.

PARISH CHRISTMAS DRAW

We will be having a parish draw before Christmas to help raise funds for the renovation of the old school building. Tickets for the draw (for a **£1000** of cash prizes) will be available at **all Masses next weekend**. Tickets priced at **£10** will be in books of 2 and we ask that you take them home and bring them back completed the following weekend.

It would be a magnificent help if you can take a few extra tickets and try to sell them for us!

OLD & NEW@No.5

Lots of Christmas presents were purchased in our parish shop in the last few days so we have filled the spaces and are all set for another busy week! Check out our gilt framed armchair, the new style lanterns on stands, the lovely new candle houses including our terrace row, some nice new ceramics and a large Tyrone Crystal table lamp.

Our pink and blue child's rocking chairs, wooden butlers tray on stand and the outdoor metal stags and does are as popular as ever - so don't miss out if you've been thinking about buying any!

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 CHRISTMAS APPEAL

For this year's SVP appeal we are seeking your financial help to buy gift vouchers, and you can donate in several ways:

• Via the **Red Box** collection at the church door after weekend masses.

• By **telephone** on **028 90351561:**: (please specify that your donation is for Ballymoney, Co. Antrim).

• **Online** at **svp.ie/st-patricks-ballymoney-appeal-26/** via the "Donate Now" link.

Donate

•Or scan this QR code to go on to the SVP Ballymoney web site.

In addition to the Christmas gift appeal, we continue to support our local community. Therefore, if you are in need of our help, please call us confidentially on **07860455549**.

SVP would like to convey a BIG thank you for your continued ongoing generosity and support!

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**

RASHARKIN PARISH TALKS

Rasharkin Parish are hosting an evening of talks on **Thursday 26th November** at St Olcan's Hall at **7pm**. The event is on the theme of "Why I Believe". Speakers include Fr Dominic McGrattan from Queen's University, Belfast; Fr Conor McGrath, the Down & Connor Vocations Director; Raimann Kennedy, author of The Marksmen Gospel; and the Knights of St Columbanus.

KNOCK ALL NIGHT VIGIL

Knock shrine celebrates an all night vigil to prepare for the feast of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady. A bus leaves St Patrick's Church, Loughguile on **Monday 7th December** at **5pm**. Price approx £30. Contact P Campbell on **02827641120** or **07871626940.**

CAROLS TOGETHER

This year's Ballymoney carol service, organised jointly by a number of local churches, will take place on M**onday 7th December**. It will begin at **7pm** in St Patrick's Church of Ireland before visiting First Ballymoney Presbyterian and Ballymoney Methodist Church. The last stop will be Our Lady & St Patrick's. Refreshments will be served afterwards in our parish hall.

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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.

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

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

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress.
Praise Him still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.