



JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY! ALLELUIA!

On Easter Sunday we rejoice that the Lord Jesus who laid down his life to save us from sin, has risen from the dead. The resurrection of Christ shows the overwhelming power of God's love to conquer even death itself.

And this changes everything! If Christ conquered death, then nothing is impossible for God - sins can be forgiven, peace can prevail over violence, the poor can be uplifted, the sick healed, the starving fed. Even more, we who follow Christ can share in his resurrection and look forward to life everlasting in the kingdom of heaven.

May the power of God's love always fill our hearts with joy and faith in the Risen Christ! And to all of us a very happy and blessed Easter!

THIS WEEK

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

SUNDAY 20th Easter Sunday	9.30am Mass 4pm Easter Vespers & Benediction 5pm Mass
MONDAY 21st	10am Mass
TUESDAY 22nd	10am Mass in Dervock
WEDNESDAY 23rd	10am Mass
FRIDAY 25th	No Masses or Confessions today

Next weekend Masses at normal times,
confessions by request only.

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day
for private prayer - usually from 10am to 7pm.

Other Easter Masses in the Causeway Family of Parishes:

Sunday 6am. - Portstewart
Sunday 10am - Portstewart
Sunday 11am - St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 12noon - Portrush

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased
Bernie McFerran

Anniversaries
Brigid Baird, Joan Beckett, Leo Coyle, Eileen Doherty,
Emma Douglas, Catherine Havlin, James McAteer,
Margaret McAteer, Lorna McLaughlin, Eileen Nash

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 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.

CONGRATULATIONS

to **Abbie Graham** who was baptised, confirmed and made her first Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil.

THANK YOU

to the readers, ministers of Holy Communion, servers, choir members, florists, cleaners, photographers and everyone who helped make our Holy Week ceremonies so beautiful. Special thanks to our sacristan Noel Burns for all his good work.

EASTER DEVOTIONS

We will conclude our celebration of the Easter Triduum with devotions on Easter Sunday afternoon - **Vespers & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4pm.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If you need our help please call us confidentially on **07860455549**. For more information about the work of our conference you can speak to any of our members. Thank you for your ongoing support.



MASS IN DERVOCK

There will be a Mass in Our Lady & St John the Evangelist church in Dervock on **Easter Tuesday at 10am.**

EASTER HOLIDAY

Fr Damian will be on leave from this Thursday until Friday 2nd May. Any anniversaries or notices for next weekend's bulletin must be sent in by **Wednesday** this week. Many thanks to the priests from our Family of Parishes who will celebrate our Masses next weekend.

REGINA CAELI

During the Easter season the Regina Caeli prayer is prayed instead of the Angelus at 12noon and 6pm.

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
For he whom thou didst merit to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

It is also chanted in Latin at the end of many liturgies.

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia;
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Next Sunday (**27th April**) is the feast of Divine Mercy. The Church grants a plenary indulgence to those who venerate the Divine Mercy image on this day and who have both gone to confession recently and received Holy Communion.

Dunloy parish will be celebrating Divine Mercy devotions next Sunday afternoon beginning at **1.30pm** in **St Joseph's church** with **Mass at 3pm.**

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PARISH BICENTENARY EVENTS

2025 marks the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of Ballymoney parish. During the year we will be marking this milestone in a number of ways. These include:

Crowning Our Lady with Good Deeds

During the month of May we are inviting everyone in the parish to do a special extra good deed to help others in honour of Our Lady. You can choose something that seems appropriate to you. When you've done it we'll ask you to write it down on a special tag which will be added to the crown which we will use for our May crowning of Our Lady's statue. More details soon!

May Pilgrimage to Moneyglass

By popular request we're organising another pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Moneyglass on the evening of **Friday 30th May**. This time parishioners from Coleraine, Portrush and Portstewart will be joining us for an evening of prayer in that beautiful shrine.

Bicentenary Mass

Bishop Alan McGuckian will be visiting the parish on the evening of **Friday 13th June** to celebrate a special Mass to mark our bicentenary.

A number of other events and projects are being planned for later in the year as well. Thank you to the members of the Parish Pastoral Council and other volunteers who are coordinating these special events.

OLD & NEW@No.5

We **urgently** require more volunteers to cover **Thursday afternoons** (1pm-4.30pm) in our parish shop. Please contact Gerard (07860474956) or Carmel (07907652408) or call in to the shop between Wednesday and Saturday and chat to one of our team.

You can find the shop at **5 Gate End**, Ballymoney and it's open **10am-4.30pm** from **Wednesday-Saturday**. Take a look at our **Facebook** page for more information.



HYMNS FOR MASS

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.
*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting
*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*