



Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

26th May 2024
Trinity Sunday



THE WONDER OF WHO GOD IS

This week we celebrate Trinity Sunday, the annual feast of who God is - the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God is one God and yet three persons. They is truly a mystery - something we can't fully understand but which we believe because Jesus has revealed it to us.

When Jesus speaks of his Father in heaven and the Holy Spirit he send us, he is letting us know something of the glory of God. And he hopes that we will be interested enough to want to know more, to get to know God better, and to deepen our faith. Christians must have a real enthusiasm and love for God and for our religion. That's how we grow in holiness and it's how we will attract others to learn more about our faith too.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 25th	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 26th	9.30am Mass 4.30-4.50pm Confessions 5pm Mass
MONDAY 27th	<i>no Mass today</i>
WEDNESDAY 29th	10am Mass
FRIDAY 31st	6-6.40pm Confessions 7pm Mass
SATURDAY 1st	9am Mass in Dervock 10.30am First Holy Communion

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day for private prayer - usually from 10am to 6pm.

Other Sunday Masses in the Causeway Family of Parishes:

Saturday 5pm - Portstewart
Saturday 6.30pm - St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 10am - Portstewart
Sunday 11am - St Malachy's, Coleraine
Sunday 12noon - Portrush

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recently Deceased

Vincent Reid

Anniversaries

Teresa McErlain, David McFadden,
Alex & Elizabeth McQuillan, Patrick O'Sullivan, John Quigg,
Jeannie Scullion, Bertie Smyth

DIOCESAN NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

As Bishop Alan McGuckian begins his time as bishop of the diocese he invites everyone in the diocese to join him in nine days of prayer, asking Jesus to give us a new heart. Many people among us are weary or wounded, hurting in one way or another. He wants us to make a novena for each other, aware that we are brothers and sisters in Christ.



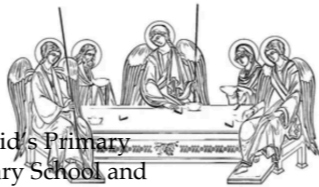
The novena begins this week on **Thursday (30th)** and runs to **Friday June 7th**, the feast of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**.

There are several ways to pray the novena. The simplest is to say the following five short prayers every day for the nine days:

- **I believe in God, I hope in God, I love God.**
- **I am sorry for having offended God.**
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus I believe in your love for me.**
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus I believe you love me now.**
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in thee.**

There is a longer version of the novena prayers which can be found in the booklets available from the church. The booklets also include a piece of scripture and a reflection for each of the nine days for those who wish to go a little deeper.

The prayers will be available to pray online through Facebook each day and they will be prayed together at Masses in our family of parishes. (On **Thursday** Mass is available at **9.30am in Portstewart** and **10am in St Malachy's, Coleraine**).



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We keep the Primary 4 children from St Brigid's Primary School, Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School and other schools in our prayers as they prepare for their First Holy Communion **next Saturday at 10.30am**.

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 cheques payable to: **Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan**.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

Our Mass for the First Saturday of the month in Our Lady & St John the Evangelist church in **Dervock** will be **next Saturday (1st June) at 9am**. Please note the earlier time due to First Communion.

CEMETERY SUNDAY

Our Cemetery Sunday devotions will take place on **Sunday June 9th at 3pm**. As with the last couple of years we will meet outside in the cemetery for prayers, the rosary and the blessing of graves.

OLD & NEW@No.5

There's still great interest in our summer benches and a new delivery means that they are now available in black, pink and mint green. We've also got more of our six pot folding planters which are always popular.

Some nice new tea sets have arrived in this week, there is a selection of new ceramics, crystal and some new Doulton figurines and, of course, our much admired animal figurines.

You can find our parish 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.

PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN

Diocese of Down & Connor
Causeway Family of Parishes

Contact Details

Very Rev. Damian McCaughan PP

81 Castle Street
BALLYMONEY
Co. Antrim
BT53 6JT

Tel: 028 2766 2003

Email: ballymoney@downandconnor.org

Website: www.ballymoneyparish.com

Facebook: @ballymoneycatholic

Youtube: Ballymoney Parish

THANK YOU

to everyone who joined us for the May pilgrimage to Moneyglass on Friday evening which was a great success. We would also like to thanks Fr James O'Reilly and the parish of Duneane for making us so welcome.

Over a hundred people joined us for the rosary procession and Mass at the Lourdes grotto. We also brought the petitions that were left here last week to the shrine as well. It was a beautiful way to celebrate Our Lady's month of May together.

Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette, pray for us!

CORPUS CHRISTI

Next Sunday is Corpus Christi, the day when we give thanks to God for the gift of the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist. We'll be marking the day in two ways:

We would like to invite young children and their families (especially the First Communion children) to **9.30am Mass**.

In the afternoon we will have a **holy hour** of adoration from **3pm** and then at **4pm** a **procession of the Blessed Sacrament** around the church grounds (weather permitting!) finishing with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



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.

HYMNS FOR MASS

Holy God, we praise Thy Name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee! All on earth Thy sceptre claim, All in Heaven above adore Thee; Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.	Bring flowers of the fairest Bring blossoms the rarest, From garden and woodland and hillside and dale; Our full hearts are swelling, Our glad voices telling The praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!
---	--

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee; While in essence only One, Undivided God we claim Thee; And adoring bend the knee, While we own the mystery.	<i>O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today! Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May. O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.</i>
---	--

Our voices ascending,
in harmony blending,
Oh thus may our hearts turn, dear Mother, to thee;
Oh thus shall we prove thee
how truly we love thee,
How dark without Mary, life's journey would be.