



# Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

2nd June 2024  
Corpus Christi



## CHRIST GIVES US HIS BODY AND BLOOD

On Saturday morning we had the joy of celebrating First Holy Communion for this year's Primary 4 children. It's always a beautiful occasion to see the young children receive Jesus for the first time in the Blessed Sacrament. Almost all of us will remember something of our own First Communion (no matter how long ago!). It's always an occasion to look back on with gratitude.

Indeed today's feast of Corpus Christi is how the Church gives thanks to God for the gift of the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist. Every time we receive Holy Communion we are given the greatest gift God can give us - the gift of himself in his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. For this reason should never take the Eucharist for granted and always approach the altar with gratitude and care.

### THIS WEEK

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

<b>SATURDAY 1st</b>	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
<b>SUNDAY 2nd</b> Corpus Christi	9.30am Mass 3pm Holy Hour 4pm Procession & Benediction 5pm Mass
<b>MONDAY 3rd</b>	10am Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 5th</b>	10am Mass
<b>FRIDAY 31st</b>	6pm Holy Hour 7pm Mass & Conclusion of the Novenas

*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

#### Anniversaries

Josephine Diamond, Tillie Douglas, Robert Gaile, Eileen McKay, Ann O'Reilly, Patrick O'Reilly, Patsy Olphert, Mavies McVeigh, Patrick McVeigh, Patrick McVicker, William Rodgers

#### REQUIESCAT IN PACE

### CONGRATULATIONS

to the Primary 4 children from St Brigid's Primary School, Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School and other schools who made their **First Holy Communion** on Saturday.

### DIOCESAN NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

The Bishop's novena continues this week until **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.

**O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of you, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, your tender Mother and ours.**

You can pray the longer version of the novena in the prayer booklet that was given out at Mass last weekend, The prayers are also available to pray online through Facebook each day and they will be prayed together at Masses in our family of parishes.

On **Tuesday** Mass is available at **10am in St Malachy's, Coleraine** and **7pm in Portstewart**.

On **Thursday** Mass is available at **9.30am in Portstewart** and **10am in Coleraine**.



### FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

Our own parish novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus has been taking place each First Friday for the last eight months. This Friday, the feast of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**, we will conclude the two novenas at once!

As usual there will be a **Holy Hour** from **6pm** with confessions available until **6.40pm**. At **6.45** there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament before **7pm Mass**. The novena prayers will be prayed at the end of Mass.

### CORPUS CHRISTI

We welcome young children and their families (especially the First Communion children) to **9.30am Mass**. After Mass you are invited to head over to the parish hall for some fun crafts and activities.

This 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.

### 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.**

### PARISH OF BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN

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### BIBLE PRAYER GROUP

Our Bible prayer group will meet on Tuesday evening in the Canon's house (no.79) at 7pm for a time of *Lectio Divina*. It's a chance to learn how to meditate on scripture to discover how God uses his Word in the Bible to speak personally to our hearts. Come along and join us!

### 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

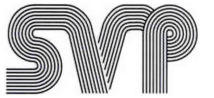
There are a lot of interesting things in our parish shop this week! Check out our large pair of sitting dogs, our collection of model cars (ideal for Father's Day!) some more large and smaller Doultons, a very attractive magazine rack, a good selection of jewellery just in, an interesting collection of planters and some nice decanters and crystal vases and bowls.

We still have a number of summer benches, folding planters, and bike planters too so give us a call!

You can find us 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.

### 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

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.	Sweet heart of Jesus, fount of love and mercy, today we come, Thy blessing to implore; O touch our hearts, so cold and so ungrateful, and make them, Lord, Thine own for evermore. Sweet heart of Jesus, we implore, O make us love Thee more and more.
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Genitori, Genitoque Laus et iubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen.	Sweet heart of Jesus, bless all hearts that love Thee, and may Thine own heart ever blessed be, bless us, dear Lord, and bless the friends we cherish, and keep us true to Mary and to Thee. Sweet heart of Jesus, we implore, O make us love Thee more and more.
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