



# Parish of Ballymoney & Derrykeighan

13th October 2024  
Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time



## THE CHALLENGE JESUS GIVES US

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus challenges a rich young man to sell all he has and follow him. It's a huge thing to ask, and the man turns sorrowfully away. This prompts us to consider God's unique plan for each of our lives. While we may not be called to give up everything, God does ask us to face challenges that help us grow in faith and become more like Christ.

These challenges vary - from caring for loved ones with special needs to discerning our vocations. We might feel daunted, like the rich young man, but Jesus reassures us with his love and promises abundant blessings. Remember, God never asks more than we can give, and that following his call, despite difficulties, leads to unexpected joys and rewards.

## THIS WEEK

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

<b>SATURDAY 12th</b>	5.30-5.50pm Confessions 6pm Vigil Mass
<b>SUNDAY 13th</b>	9.30am Mass 5pm Mass
<b>MONDAY 14th</b>	no Mass today
<b>TUESDAY 15th</b>	7pm Holy Hour in Dervock
<b>WEDNESDAY 16th</b>	10am Mass 7pm Rosary by Candlelight
<b>FRIDAY 18th</b>	6-6.40pm Confessions 7pm Mass

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

Month's Mind  
Cahal Kelly

## Anniversaries

John Elliott, Grace Kelly, Martin McCarney, Mary McCaughan, Dan McClements, Margaret McGuckian, Terence McKenna, Jim McMullan, J.P. McNamee, Catherine Osborne

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

## DERVOCK HOLY HOUR

This month's Holy Hour is on **Tuesday** at **7pm**. It's our last Dervock Holy Hour before the winter break and we'll have a cup of tea afterwards!

## CANDLELIGHT ROSARY

During October the rosary will be prayed in the church on **Wednesday evenings at 7pm** by candlelight. This week we pray the Sorrowful Mysteries.



## DO THIS IN MEMORY

Once again we will be having a monthly Mass for young children and their families this year with a special invitation to those who will be making their First Communion next spring. The first *Do This In Memory* Mass will be at **9.30am** on **Sunday October 20th**. 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!)

## 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.

## OLD & NEW@No.5

There's lots of new stock in our parish shop this week and many would make ideal Christmas presents! Check out our gilt framed mirrors, candle holders, choice of doorstops, kitchen and cloak room hangers. Our lying dogs, standing sheep and Jack Russell dogs are back in store too plus our exciting new pair of standing stags.

We're open **Wednesday to Saturday 10am-4.30pm** at 5 Gate End Ballymoney, and we would love to see you. And you can keep in touch with us by following our Facebook page @oldandnewatno5.

## RELIC OF ST BERNADETTE IN BELFAST

The relic of St Bernadette will be arriving in Down & Connor diocese for veneration at **St Mary's, Chapel Lane, Belfast** at **12noon** on **Tuesday 15th**.

### St Mary's, Chapel Lane, Belfast.

#### Tuesday 15th

Welcome ceremony at 12noon

Mass at 1pm and 7pm.

Devotions at 3pm, 4pm and 5pm.

Church open until 11pm for private prayer and veneration.

#### Wednesday 16th

Mass at 7am, 1pm and 7pm.

Devotions at 9am, 10am, 11am, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm.

Church open until 11pm for private prayer and veneration.

See <https://www.downandconnor.org/stbernadette/> for more details.

## CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

Our friends at the Drop Inn charity shop will be doing their annual Christmas shoebox appeal in the coming weeks to support children affected by poverty in Eastern Europe and Africa. If you want to get involved please pick up a leaflet at the church door to find out how you can help.

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## HYMNS FOR MASS

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope  
Where there is darkness, only light  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O, Master grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console  
To be understood as to understand  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned  
In giving to all men that we receive  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

## THANKS FROM THE RNLI

The RNLI Ballymoney branch have written to the parish to thank us for hosting the Thanksgiving Service on September 22nd. They particularly wanted to thank the parishioners who helped out in the church and the parish hall. The collection raised **£2484** which is their best church collection ever.

## PARISH SECRETARY

We welcome **Bridgeen McNicholl** who has been appointed as the new parish secretary for Ballymoney, Portstewart and Portrush parishes. Bridgeen will be working from Ballymoney on Wednesdays and the parish office will be open **10.30am-2.30pm**. You can call to the office in person (come to the door on the Canon's side of the house) or phone **028 2766 2003**. Bridgeen will handle routine parish admin, but please note if you want to have a Mass said for a special intention, that you should speak to Fr Damian directly (before or after Mass).

## LORETO COLLEGE MUSICAL

Loreto College Coleraine proudly presents their production of West Side Story on 15th-18th October at 7.30pm.

Tickets available from Ticket Source using this QR code.



## IRISH BISHOPS' PASTORAL LETTER

The Catholics bishops of Ireland have today published a pastoral letter on **immigration** to Ireland. They remind us that as a Church we should respond generously to immigrants to Ireland. In the Gospel the answer Jesus gave to the question "who is my neighbour" was the parable of the Good Samaritan who went the extra mile to help someone in need. The Lord wants us to be welcoming and hospitable to those in need as well.

The letter is available to read in full on their website [catholicbishops.ie](http://catholicbishops.ie)