

3rd November 2024 St Malachy's Day



OUR DIOCESAN FEAST DAY

Having celebrated the feasts of All Saints and All Souls in the last couple of days, we now come to the feast of St Malachy on November 3rd. Malachy is the patron saint of our diocese of Down & Connor (along with Armagh) and our parishes are celebrating his feast day this Sunday.

St Malachy reminds us that this area has a long Christian history and that the generations who went before us included many great and holy people. Malachy himself was a bishop who wanted to renew the Church at a time when it had experienced difficulties. He believed that by turning back to Christ the Church would grow and our country would flourish. Today when we pray for renewal in the Church once again it is good to know we have a powerful patron in heaven.

THIS WEEK

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

SATURDAY 2nd All Souls' Day 5.30-5.50pm Confessions

6pm Mass

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SUNDAY 3rd 9.30am Mass

5pm Mass

MONDAY 4th 10am Mass

7pm November Prayers

TUESDAY 5th 7pm Holy Face Novena

WEDNESDAY 6th 10am Mass

FRIDAY 8th no Mass or Confessions today

Our Lady & St Patrick's is open every day for private prayer - usually from 10am to 4.30pm.

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

Fr Liam Donnelly Dominic McColgan

Anniversaries

Patrick Darragh, Mary Dunlop, Oonagh Greene, Edith McColgan, Molly McKeague, Annie McLaughlin, William McLaughlin, Denis McWilliams, Molly Mullaghan, William O'Connor

and all the names on our November Dead Lists.

NEW COLLECTION ENVELOPES

New collection envelopes for 2024/25 will be available in the next few weeks. If you haven't previously had envelopes but would like to request 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 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 the parish through our collections.

NOVENA TO THE HOLY FACE OF IESUS

The monthly novena to the Holy Face of Jesus takes place on **Tuesday** (5th) at 7pm. It includes novena prayers and a time of adoration 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.

Our conference is also looking for volunteers to join them in their good work of helping people in need in our local area. If you would like more information please speak to one of the members after Mass or Fr Damian.

OLD & NEW@No.5

After a successful sale last week our parish shop is ready to reveal its Christmas stock. Why not call in to find that perfect present or an unusual gift for someone special?

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.

CHURCH & CEMETERY NOTICES

Now that the evenings are darker the **church** will close earlier on days when there is no evening Mass (usually around **4.30pm**). The **cemetery** is closed to the public at **sunset** (approximately 5pm) for safety reasons. Thank you for your cooperation.

FRANCISCAN FRIARS IN RASHARKIN

Rasharkin Parish invites you to join them for a special evening with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. They will be speaking on *Marian Devotion and the Renewal of Church Life. The evening takes place at* **St Mary's Church, Rasharkin** on **Tuesday 12th November** at **7pm**. Following the talk, there will be music and refreshments in St Olcan's Hall.

MASS FOR DECEASED TEACHERS

The annual Mass for the deceased teachers of Down & Connor will be celebrated on **Monday 11th November** at **7.30pm** in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena (followed by refreshments in the parish hall). You can also watch online on YouTube (search for allsaintsballymena).

Please forward the name and school of any teacher who has died during the past 12 months to: Fr Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. Telephone 028 9049 1886 or email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org by Friday 8th November.

November

The Month of the Holy Souls

Indulgences for the Holy Souls

The Church invites us to gain indulgences for the Holy Souls during the first week of November. From 1st to 8th November we can also gain an indulgence by visiting a cemetery to pray. Indulgences are granted under the usual conditions (receiving Communion, Confession and praying for the Pope's intentions.)

Prayer & Reflection

On each of the Mondays of November there will be a short service of prayer and reflection on the theme of remembering the dead and the resurrection. Begins **Monday 4th November** at **7pm**.

November Pledge

Have you considered going off alcohol for the month of November? A short-term pledge is a powerful way to pray for people and their families who are living under the shadow of addiction. For more information check out www.pioneers.ie/pray

Parish Requiem Mass

A requiem Mass for all deceased parishioners and priests will take place on **Friday 15th November** at **7pm**.

November Dead Lists

Lists and envelopes are now available. Please take them home and write down the names of your deceased family and friends who you want to be prayed for.

Envelopes can be left in the church at Mass times or posted through the door of the parochial house. The names are placed before the altar throughout the month of November and prayed for at all Masses and devotions. You may wish to include an offering in your envelope and these are very gratefully received.

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HYMNS FOR MASS

O Jesus Christ, remember, When Thou shalt come again, Upon the clouds of heaven With all Thy shining train; When ev'ry eye shall see Thee, In Deity revealed, Who now upon this altar In silence art concealed.

Accept, divine Redeemer, The homage of my praise, Be Thou the light, and honour, And glory of my days— Be Thou my consolation When death is drawing nigh; Be Thou my only Treasure, Through all eternity. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide; When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies; Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.