

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



5 November 2017

31st Sunday of the Year

Sundays - Cycle A

Weekdays 1

Divine Office Week 3

OUR PARISH

PARISH PRIEST

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MASS TIMES

Saint Nicholas'

<u>Vigil</u> Sat 6 pm 🕻 11.30 am **L** Sun Tue & Thu 10.00 am

Holy Days: As announced

Adoration

Tue & Thurs 10.30-10.45am Sat 10 am - 5 pm

Our Lady of Lourdes'

9.30 am Sun Mon & Wed 10 am

Holy Days: As announced

Adoration

| Mon & Wed 10.30 - 10.45am **CONFESSIONS**

Saint Nicholas' Church

Sat 5.30 pm - 5.50 pm**Our Lady of Lourdes Church**

Sun - before Mass

BAPTISMS (one month's notice) W/Head first Sun in the month C/Fergus third Sun in the month.

WEDDINGS By Arrangement Three months' notice is required **FUNERALS** By Arrangement

PARISH OFFICE Tel: 028 93363269

■ Mon — Thu 10.30am - 1.30pm

Bulletin Notices to be in the Parochial House by 12 noon Wed

St Vincent de Paul 028 9035 1561

OUR PASTORAL COMMUNITY

Glengormley Parish

(St Mary's On The Hill; St Bernard's; St Macnissi's)

Fr Patrick Sheehan, PP, VF 9083 2979

Fr Brendan Beagon, PE, CC 9084 1507

Fr Darren Brennan, CC 9083 2488

Loughshore Parishes

(St Mary's, Greencastle; St Mary's, Star of The Sea, Whitehouse: St James', Whiteabbey; St Colman's, Greenisland) Fr David Delargy, PP

9037 0845 Fr Samuel Kerr, PE, CC 9036 5773

St Gerard's Parish

(St Gerard's, Antrim Road) Fr Gerard Cassidy, CSsR, PP 9077 4833 Fr Patrick McLaughlin, CSsR, CC

9077 4833 Carrickfergus Parish

(St Nicholas', Carrickfergus, Our Lady of Lourdes', Whitehead)

> Fr Peter Owens, PP 9336 3269

Offerings

Weekly Offering

£1,469

Many thanks for your generosity

St Vincent de Paul **Annual Christmas Dinner**

Sunday 3rd December

Tickets cost £15 Senior Citizens - Donation only Please speak with any member of the SVP after Mass to reserve a place.

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

May & Bob McKeown, Winnie Kay and Deceased Members of the McKeown Family, Lilian Monaghan

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Postures During Mass

In keeping with current Liturgical practice, please stand rather than **kneel** during The Liturgy of the Eucharist, at the point where the priest says "Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father". Remain standing until the **end** of the Holy, Holy. Then **kneel** as the Eucharistic Prayer continues. Thank You.

Entertainment & Community Development Committee

Christmas Fair

Friday 24th November In St Nicholas' Hall

If you are interested in having a stall or (Friday evening – Sunday afternoon) can help in any way, please contact Teresa Connor, Tel: 07811971051

Tea Dance

Tuesday 7th November 2pm-4pm Pastoral Centre. St Bernard's Church. 165 Antrim Road, Glengormley. Admission £3. Music by Louis Small. Refresh your skills at Waltzing, Foxtrot, Ballroom dancing or simply enjoy a cup of tea and a bun.

All welcome.

Prayer Vigil for Vocations

A Eucharistic Prayer Vigil for Vocations to the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate and Religious Life will take place in

The Church of The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Carryduff on Thurs 16th Nov from 7pm - 10pm.

The Prayer Vigil will be led by various youth groups from the Diocese and it will conclude with the celebration of Mass at 9pm. A warm welcome is extended to the young people of our Diocese to come along for this evening of prayer as they continue to discern their vocation in life.

Bishop Noel Treanor at a recent Ordination Ceremony said, "There is an urgent need to work for, to pray for and to encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life." Let us rise to this challenge and give a few hours of our time to come to this Prayer Vigil and to implore the Lord of the Harvest' to bless us with vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life and the Permanent Diaconate.

Bereavement Day

Dromantine offers a day's reflection on Saturday, 18th November, 2017 for those bereaved after the death of someone close to them. It begins with registration at 9.30am and ends with Mass at 5pm for those who wish to avail of it. The day should help people in grief move towards acceptance of their loss. The process will be facilitated by two chaplains from Newry hospice, Mercy Sister Fiona Galligan and Presbyterian Minister, Graham Stockdale, Costs are £30.00 or €35.00.

Booking necessary: email admin@dromantineconference.com Phone – 028 30821964 (048 from ROI) www.dromantineconference.com

Vocation Discernment Weekend

17th – 19th November 2017

Dominican Contemplative Nuns welcome single young women (20-40) to our retreat house and offer the opportunity to experience our life of Prayer:-Liturgy - Eucharistic Adoration — Talks —Sisters' testimonies - Lectio Divina -

Ouestion time – Food and Fellowship

Those who cannot come for full weekend are welcome to join us on Sat 18th 9.30 am - 7.00 pm (Early booking advisable as places are limited) Venue: Siena Monastery, The Twenties, Drogheda, Co Louth

Contact: Sr Breda OP - siena3@eircom.net or Tel: 041-9838524; www.dominicannuns.ie http://dominicannunsireland.blogspot.com

Parish Repository

Christmas Gifts and cards are now available from the Parish Repository.

If you would like to order a calendar, diocesan directory or a diary (which includes the order of mass) for 2018 please contact Anne.

CRUSE Information Evening

CRUSE is a well-established and highly respected support service for people who are bereaved, to help them understand their grief and to learn how to cope with their loss. We are delighted a Cruse representative is coming to St. Colmcille's to give a presentation on "Understanding Grief".

The death of someone we love is likely to be one of the most distressing events we will ever face. The journey ahead can be a difficult and often a lonely one. Everyone experiences grief differently; there is no "normal" or "right" way to grieve. You may not be suffering from loss yourself but coming to this session may help you know how to support a friend or work colleague who is going through bereavement. We welcome everyone including our neighbouring churches to come along so we can understand a little more and learn about the various stages of grief that many people experience. Recognising these can often be a comfort in itself.

Date: Tuesday 7th November 2017 Time: 7.15 pm Venue: St Colmcille's Parochial Hall, **Ballyhackamore**

There is no charge for this event and no prior booking required.

Advent at Clonard

You are invited to join us in Clonard Monastery to celebrate the beautiful season of Advent. Let's gather together on four consecutive Tuesdays (28 Nov, 5 Dec, 12 Dec and 19 Dec) in the conference room of Clonard Monastery from 7.30-8.30pm. Kindly, sign up at Clonard reception, or email reception@clonard.com,

or phone 028 9044 5950.

D&C Catholic Schools' Support Service **Masses for the Deceased Teachers**

of Down & Connor Venue: Good Shepherd Centre, Ormeau

Date: Tues 14 Nov Time: 7.30pm

Refreshments afterwards in the adjacent Good Shepherd Centre

Venue: All Saints Church, Ballymena

Date: Wed 15 Nov Time: 7.30pm

Refreshments afterwards in the adjacent

All Saints Parish Centre

Relatives of the deceased, teachers and retired colleagues, pupils and parishioners are all invited.

The names of teachers who have died during the past 12 months should be forwarded, by Friday

10 November to

Fr Edward McGee, Good Shepherd Centre, 511 Ormeau Rd, Belfast, BT7 3GS Tel: 02890491886

Email: dctrusteeservice@btconnect.com

Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo, Loreto & Montecassino

18th-25th May 2018 ex Belfast

(50th anniversary of Padre Pio's death plus stigmata 100th anniversary) Spiritual Director

Very Rev Canon Sean Rogan PE, Kilcoo 7 Nights - 4* Hotel Price £1090 pp (single room supp. £245)

Deposit £250 - includes meals, fully escorted guided tours and all taxes

Contact Marie or Paul Downe Travel Tel: 028 4461 3288 Email: marie@downetravel.co.uk

November - Month of the Holy Souls

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this sacrifice up for their deceased loved ones. YOU CAN DO LIKEWISE. Take the Short Term Pledge for November.

Pledge Prayer:

"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November."