

Carrick fergus Parish Saint Nicholas' Church

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

15 Jan 2017

World Day for Migrants and Refugees

Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Cycle I Divine Office Week 2

OUR PARISH

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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

after Mass 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

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 AREA

Glengormley Parish

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

Fr John Forsythe, PP, VF 9083 2979

Fr Brendan Beagon, PE, CC 9084 1507

Fr Damian McCaughan, 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 Anthony Alexander, 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

r Patrick McLaughlin, CSsR, CC 9077 4833

Carrickfergus Parish

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

> Fr Peter Owens, PP 9336 3269

Parish Walking Group

Why not put those New Year resolutions into practice and join us for an hours gentle walk around Carrickfergus. Tuesday evenings, leaving the Church car park at 7pm.

All Welcome

2017 2017 Diocesan Directories

(price £4)

& 2017 Calendars

are available from the Parish Repository.

Please contact Anne.

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Thomas Moore, Rose Moore, Baby Aaron O'Kane

Recently Deceased

Noreen Teresa Black

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

There will be no 10.00am Mass in Carrickfergus on Thurs 19 Jan.

Presentation of the Lord

Thurs 2nd Feb – 10am Mass Carrickfergus Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day)

The Blessing of Candles will take place at this Mass. Candles are available to purchase from the Repository in Carrick, if required. Please ask Anne or Gerardine for further information.

Lourdes Pastoral Centre

There will be a public meeting on

Mon 16 Jan at 7.30pm in **Lourdes Pastoral Centre, Whitehead**

to discuss the future development of our Centre. At this meeting we hope to form a Steering Committee.

All parishioners from both Whitehead and Carrickfergus are welcome

Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,687

Many thanks for your generosity

Parish Pastoral Council

The PPC met this week for the first time with the new Chairperson, Mary McCormack at the helm, supported by Vice-Chair Paul Smith. We were also glad to welcome on board 2 returning members, Claire Bagshaw and Patrick Quinn and 1 new member, David Gorman. Amongst other items on the agenda, were the Year of Mercy priorities put forward by members of the Parish at the recent ideas evening. The first 3 of these which will be addressed are:

- A food bank donation point at St Nicholas' Church
- The publication of a list of Parish group details
- The establishment of a Parish Visitation Team.

The last item will involve careful planning and organisation before it can be established, but this process has now begun with a sub-committee formed to undertake the task.

Liturgy Meeting

The meeting originally scheduled for Mon 30 Jan at 7.00pm will now take place on

Mon 23 Jan at 7.00pm.

Caring Connexions in Whitehead

If you are a parent or carer who would like some support or access to resources, you can go along to a workshop in the Presbyterian Church

Friday 20th January from 6:30 p.m.

Topics include Dementia Awareness and Teenagers. Details of the times for the workshops, as well as the groups and information stalls that will be available on the night, are on the notice board in the porch.

Eucharistic Adoration Theme for January

For the successful implementation of a Parish Visitation Team. Christ Speaks:

"I am here in the Eucharist, in a unique and special way. Here are the very same hands that touched the dead man and gave him life, that blessed water and changed it into sparkling wine, that touched the eyes of the blind. Here am I with the same power to heal every human illness, to calm the raging storms in your life."

If you would like to commit one hour to the Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration on a Saturday between 10 am and 5 pm in St Nicholas' Carrickfergus, please contact Tommy Mone **07713849471** or Gerardine Stewart 07747114419

Dominican College Fortwilliam: OPEN DAY

takes place on Saturday 21 Jan 2017 from 9.30am to 1.00pm.

Primary 7 girls and their parents are most welcome, as are students wishing to transfer to Dominican College for Alevel studies.

Principal's Address: 9.30 and 11.00 am.

Trinity College Open Day

Trinity College warmly invites you to our Open Evenings on

Wed 25 Jan and Thurs 26 Jan at 7pm on the Somerton Road site.

Primary 7 boys and girls will have the opportunity to vote on our new school uniform which will be on display

> Entertainment & Community **Development Committee** BINGO Sundays 8 pm

Parish Youth Centre Thursdays 7.30-9.30 pm

Membership is open to all young people i0n the Parish from P6 to 17 years' old.

Church, Community & Change

Carrickfergus Church Forum welcomes Mr Derek Poole, an experienced Church and Community facilitator to re-envision and re-energise the Churches sector into peace and reconciliation through 4 interactive workshops.

> Venue: St ColGate church lounge, **Grosvenor's Place** at 7.30pm

Registration Cost £10.00 (waged), £5.00 (unwaged) Pay at door.

Following on from the success of last week, the programme continues as follows

Week 2: Tues 17 Jan

Complimenting Government peace building infrastructure by reinforcing positive cross community relationships and building mutual trust. Week 3: Tues 24 Jan

Addressing the legacy issues of the conflict in the context of a radically changing society.

needs in the Carrickfergus are.

Week 4: Tues 31 Jan Role of the Church as an agent in peace, justice and reconciliation work, when identifying good relations

NI Blood Transfusion Service

The next blood donation sessions will be held in Town Hall, Joymount, Carrickfergus

Thur 19 Jan 1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8pm Fr 20 Jan 1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8pm

"One Family... One Common Home"

Re-inhabiting the Earth Spring Conference – Drumalis, Fri, 10 - Sun, 12 February 2017

We are delighted to have Dr Lorna Gold as the keynote speaker for this annual environmental conference, which will be an opportunity to extend our understanding of family and home to include the entire community of life. Dr Gold is Head of Policy and Advocacy in Trócaire. It is possible to attend on a residential or nonresidential basis for the full weekend and there is also the opportunity to attend for the day only on Saturday. For further details or to book a place, please contact Drumalis - tel 028

28272196/28276455 (Mon- Fri, 9am – 5pm)

Booking forms can also be downloaded from http://www.drumalis.co.uk