



Saint Nicholas' Church

Carrickfergus Parish



Our Lady of Lourdes Church

27 Nov 2016

1st Sunday of Advent

Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Cycle I Divine Office Week 1

OUR PARISH

PARISH PRIEST

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MASS TIMES

Saint Nicholas

Vigil Sat 6 pm

Sun 11.30 am

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

Sun 9.30 am

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 Sat in the month;

C/Fergus third Sat 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 12pm Wed

St Vincent de Paul

0751 7159 222

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

Fr Patrick McLaughlin, CSsR, CC

9077 4833

Carrickfergus Parish

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

Fr Peter Owens, PP

9336 3269

Parish Cell Meetings

Thinking of joining or coming to
visit a Cell meeting?

The next meeting will take place
on

Wed 30 Nov

For more information, please
contact Tommy Mone (Chair):

02893 3625 11 or 0771 3849 471

Maria Flanagan (Vice Chair):

0780 3297 129

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Fr Michael Cosgrove,
Mary Best, Elizabeth McGowan,
Joe Morrison, Tom Goodall,
Patsy Herdman, Brian Teague,
Stella O'Donnell

Month's Mind

Joan Degnan

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

There will be NO Mass:

Whitehead Wed 30 Nov

Carrickfergus Thu 1 Dec

Eucharistic Adoration

Theme for November

Our dearly departed family and friends

Christ Speaks:

*"I long to fill your life with my Peace and my Joy.
Hera am I before you, imprisoned in my own house.
Take Me with you, into your heart. Take Me into
your home, into your school, into your office, into
your streets, into your dance hall. I need your feet,
your hands, your voice, your heart to carry my love
to a wounded world.*

Please take me into your heart."

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**

Come Let Us Worship

The Parish Pastoral Council invites
everyone to a series of Advent Liturgies
celebrating "Family".

Each of the evenings will be presented by
3 different groups in the parish and will
include music, reflection, prayer and
Adoration.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Groups

Mon 28 Nov at 7:00 pm

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Whitehead
(followed by refreshments)

Sacramental Preparation Team

Mon 5 Dec 7:00 pm

St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus
(followed by refreshments)

Ministry of Sacred Music

Mon 12 Dec 7:00 pm

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Whitehead
(followed by refreshments)

Penitential Service

Mon 19 Dec 7:00 pm

St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus

*This is an ideal opportunity for us to come
together as a parish to prepare for the
Celebration of Christmas -
the Coming of Christ.*

Annual Mass for the Bereaved

Tue 13 Dec 7.30 pm

All are very welcome, especially those who
have been bereaved this year. If your relative
died **outside of our parish** and you would
like a candle for the Mass, please fill in form
at rear of church no later than **Tue 6 Dec.**

Suicide Awareness & Support Group

Invite you to our 'Mass of Hope'

TODAY Sun 27 Nov 3.00 pm

Clonard Monastery

All Families bereaved and all denominations
welcome. 'Reaching Out' Suicide Awareness &
Support Group 209 Falls Rd Belfast BT12 6FB
Tel: **028 90239967**

m.walker@suicideawareness.co.uk

Advent Carol Service

Sun 18 Dec 6 pm

St Nicholas'
Church

Followed
by



refreshments in the Church Hall

Concluding the Jubilee of Mercy 2015-2016

To mark the closing of the Jubilee of
Mercy, in the Diocese of Down and
Connor, Bishop Noel Treanor has
organised the following:

Public lecture and presentation by **Dr. Eileen Kane,**

On "The Mercy of God in Art"

TODAY Sun 27 Nov 4.00 pm

St. Brigid's Parish Centre, Derryvolgie Ave

All welcome - Admission free – Car parking
available

*Dr. Kane was formerly Lecturer in the
History of European Art in University
College, Dublin. Since her retirement
from UCD, she has concentrated on her
interest in Christian art and spirituality,
and has published regularly in that area.*

Christmas Fair

Fri 2 Dec 7.30 pm

St Nicholas Hall

Jewellery, Craft, slate art, Make up,
Christmas Cards, cakes, Refreshments,
book stall and more. We would be grateful
for donations for our cake stall, prizes for
raffle/ tombola; books in good condition
that you no longer need!

Whitehead Food Appeal

Whitehead SVP will be working with
Whitehead Storehouse to deliver hampers
to families coming up to Christmas. Please
leave any non-perishable and Christmas
food donations in the Grub Tub in porch
of the church by **Sun 11 Dec** Thanks.

Advent Devotions

Today and on each of the four Sundays of
Advent there will be Vespers & Benediction of
the Blessed Sacrament at **4.30 pm** at St Mary's
on the Hill, Carnmoney Rd. This short service
is the traditional evening prayer of the church
and it's a quiet and reflective way to prepare
for the coming of the Saviour. All welcome!

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Lunch

The annual Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch
will take place this year on

Sun 4 Dec 1.30 for 2pm
Loughshore Hotel

We ask anyone wishing to attend to please
contact any member of St Vincent de Paul or
put your name in the Red Box

Drama Group!

Our Liturgical Drama Group is preparing
something to do at the children's Advent Carol
Service on Sunday 18 Dec at 6 pm. Practices
will be in the church

every **Sunday 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm**

Old and new members welcome from P1 to P7
and beyond! Any YPC members and parents
who would like to help would be very welcome
too. Contact Louise **07521 982825** for details.

Mount St Nicholas' Playgroup YMCA, 30-34 Irish Quarter West.

Mount St Nicholas Playgroup, feeder playgroup
to St Nicholas PS, Invites you to their open day

Wed 30 Nov 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

If this time doesn't suit please arrange with the
Playgroup Leader for an alternative time.

If your child was born on or before July 1st
2014 you can apply for a Dept of Education
funded place. If your child was born after July
1st 2014 you can apply for a Fee-paying place

Enquiries: Hilda Boyd on **07729583134** Email:
mountstnicholasplaygroup@hotmail.com

Or visit our website:

www.mountstnicholasplaygroup.co.uk

Christmas Prize Draw

The Parish of Carrickfergus Entertainment and
Community Development Committee are
holding a Christmas Prize Draw. Tickets are
available in both Churches from **Sun 27 Nov**
and from Committee members.

Tickets £1 each, book of 11 - £10.

First prize £300.

Draw will take place on **Fri 23 Dec**