



Saint Nicholas' Church

Carrickfergus Parish

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



10 April 2016

Third Sunday of Easter

Sundays - Cycle C

Weekdays - Cycle 2

Divine Office Week 3

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Peter Owens PP

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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

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 - 10.45**

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

**Fr Owens will visit the
sick and housebound**

Carrickfergus

Mon 11 April -am and pm

Whitehead

Wed 13 April - am

Offerings

Weekly Offering **£1205**

Easter Offering **£1475**

Good Friday, Holy Land **£634**
Many thanks for your generosity

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Bridget O'Mahony, Margaret Mullan,
Patrick McGowan Snr, Rose Quinn,
Patrick McGowan Jnr, Alex Devenny,
Patrick Degnan Jnr, James McConnell,
Margaret O'Neill

Recently Deceased

Thomas (Carl) Quigley, Frances Devine

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Carrickfergus Parish Entertainment and Community Development Committee

We would like to thank all those who bought
tickets for the Parish Easter Prize Draw and all
those in Whitehead and Carrickfergus who helped
sell tickets.

The total raised for the Parish was £635.

Winners:

- 1st prize (£500) - J McNeice
- 2nd prize (£200) - Owens Family
- 3rd prize (£100) - P McGonagle
- 4th prize (£50) - C Arkins
- 5th prize (Easter egg) - C Mone
- 6th prize (Easter egg) - G White
- 7th prize (Easter egg) - F Cowan

New Members for Communications Committee

We have now published 2 editions of
"The Connection" and we are working on other
creative ways of ministering to ALL members of our
parish.
We are seeking additional members to join our small
team. We particularly need someone who has an
interest in photography. Experience is not necessary.
If you have a particular skill, or an interest in serving
your parish in this area, please contact
Bill Webb on 07860 331297.
Enthusiastic students are encouraged to apply.

Eucharistic Adoration for the Year of Mercy

Saturdays 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

St Nicholas' Church, Minorca Place
Each month there will be a theme for our parish Eucharistic
Adoration. If you have suggestions or requests, please speak
to a member of the Pastoral Council.

Theme for April

**"The young people of the Parish, especially those
receiving the sacrament of Confirmation
on 22nd April."**

There will be a sealed box in the foyer of St Nicholas'
Church where parishioners can place requests/intentions
they would like prayed for during Adoration. The box will
then be placed in the back chapel during Adoration on
Saturdays. (All requests will be dealt with in confidence,
with Fr Owens having the key for the box.)

Ongoing thanks to our parish Eucharistic Adorers

Eucharistic Adoration

There was a great response to our renewal of
Eucharistic Adoration in November 2015. This led to
the hours of adoration on a Saturday being extended
to 5pm. However, whilst some of the hours in the
morning may have as many as 12 regular adorers, the
hours between 2-3, 3-4 and 4-5 have fewer attendees.

If you feel you could commit to one of these time
slots, please get in touch with either

Tommy Mone Tel: 07713849471

or Ann Woods Tel 07859078151

Or come along any time you find yourself with a free
Saturday afternoon.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Bishop Treanor has arranged for the Sacrament of Penance
and Reconciliation to be celebrated on designated "Days of
Mercy" from **7 to 8 pm in St Patrick's Church, Donegall
St, Belfast**, which hosts the 'Door of Mercy' - see leaflet in
the church.

More locally here in our own Pastoral Area, the
priests of Carrickfergus, Glengormley, St Gerard's
and Loughshore Parishes have decided to make
Confession available as follows:

Fri 29 Apr 12 noon - 9 pm

St Gerard's, Newtownabbey

Fri 27 May 12 noon - 9 pm

St Nicholas' Carrickfergus

Dates for your Diary

Fri 22 Apr

Sat 4 Jun

Confirmation

First Holy Communion

Remembering the Belfast Blitz

On Friday, 15th April at 7pm, Requiem
Mass will be offered in St. Patrick's
Church, Donegall Street, Belfast for the
repose of the souls of the more than 900
victims of the Belfast Blitz. Mass
coincides with the 75th anniversary of
this most disastrous event in the city's
history. On Sunday, 17th April at
3.30pm, a Service of Remembrance will
be held in St. Anne's Cathedral at which
Fr Michael Sheehan, Administrator of
St. Patrick's Church, will preach.

The faithful of Belfast and the Diocese
are warmly invited to attend both

NI Cancer Pilgrimage to Lourdes

**Fri 27 May to Wed 1 Jun
2016**

The price of **£599** (with price reduction for
Cancer Patients) will include: Return
flights from Belfast International Airport,
Full board and accommodation at the Hotel
Agena in Lourdes for five nights based on
twin/double/treble rooms. Travel insurance
cover for persons up to 85 years on date of
return.

The party will consist of patients, ex-
patients, relatives and friends accompanied
by medical, nursing and other staff. To
enquiries/booking, contact:- Mrs Jean
Clarke, Hon. Secretary, c/o Drumbo &
Carryduff Parish, 6 Knockbracken Drive,
Carryduff, Belfast, BT8 8EX, or speak to
us on Tel. 07516759646, or e-mail at:-
mail@nicanerpilgrimage.org.uk Chairman-
Dr Seamus McAleer, Spiritual Directors:
Rev Dermot McCaughan, Fr Adrian
Eastwood, Fr Andrew Black

Entertainment & Community Development Committee

BINGO Sundays 8 pm
Parish Youth Centre

Thursdays 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm
Membership is open to all young people in
the Parish from P6 to 18 years' old.

NI Blood Transfusion Service

In order to maintain the vital supply
of blood to our hospitals, the NI
Blood Transfusion Service needs
the support not only of existing
donors but also of new donors.
The next blood donation sessions
will be held in

**Town Hall, Joymount,
Carrickfergus**

Thurs 14 & Fri 15 April
1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8.00pm

**St Louise's
Comprehensive College, Belfast**

**Post 16
Open Night**

For all students wishing to transfer
to our Sixth Form
Tuesday 12th April 2016
7.00pm - 9.30pm
'Opening Doors to Your Happiness,
Your Future, Your Success'

**Lay Dominicans
Celebrating 800 Years
1216-2016**

We are asked to announce that Lay
Dominicans in Down & Connor are
celebrating the 800th anniversary of the
founding of the Dominican Order, the
Order of Preachers, with a Jubilee Mass,
with Bishop Noel Treanor presiding, on

Sunday May 1st at 2.30 pm
**Chapel of Dominican College,
38 Fortwilliam Park,
Antrim Road Belfast.**

This will be followed by refreshments,
talks and prayer.

This is an excellent opportunity to
celebrate the great contribution of
Dominicans in our Diocese and also to
find out more about the Dominican
Charism and about the apostolate of the
Lay Dominicans in particular.

**All are welcome, especially
Dominican past pupils and friends**