



Saint Nicholas' Church

Carrickfergus Parish

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



1 May 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sundays - Cycle C

Weekdays - Cycle 2

Divine Office Week 2

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

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Holy Ghost Fathers

Mission Appeal

This Sunday, 1st May, Fr Vincent
McKay, a missionary priest with the
Holy Ghost Fathers, will be preaching
at all the masses. Envelopes will be
left at the back of the church for
anyone wishing to make a donation.

*Thank you in anticipation of
a generous response.*

Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,361

Many thanks for your generosity

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

May Muir, Annie Morrison,
John Morrison, James Devine,
Francis McDade, Mary McDade,
Leo O'Neill, Tom Robinson,
Sam Giles, Valerie Hall

Recently Deceased

Dominic Mullan (Australia),
Kathleen (Kay) Mary Bluett (Australia),
Elain Devine, Mary Connolly
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen*

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

**Mon 2 May Carrickfergus am & pm
Thu 5 May Whitehead am**

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 May

For all mothers

(in this month of May, dedicated to Our Blessed
Mother, Mary)

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

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Bishop Taranor wrote in his Pastoral Letter for the
Jubilee of Mercy:

*"I invite everyone in the Diocese to observe
a special 'Day of Mercy' on the last Friday of
every month, concluding on*

Friday, 28 October 2016.

*This should be a day of prayer, fasting and
almsgiving; a day when we remember God's
mercy for us and share that mercy with
others."*

To support parishioners in observance of the Day of
Mercy, a Diocesan Prayer Book has been published.
This attractive and practical Prayer Book is available
in the church.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Bishop Taranor 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 27 May 12 noon - 9 pm

St Nicholas' Carrickfergus

Eucharistic Adoration also in the Chapel

Everyone is warmly invited to come along and spend
some time with Our Lord on this special day in our
Parish. If you can commit to one particular hour - or
part of an hour - please complete the form available at
the back of each church. This will enable our co-
ordinators to ensure the host is accompanied at all
times.

(There will be no adoration on Saturday 28 May)

Cemetery Sundays

Milltown	8 May	3 pm
City	15 May	3 pm
Hannahstown	29 May	3 pm
The Rock	5 Jun	3 pm

Parish Retreat

This 'Year of Mercy' Parish Retreat will take place on

Sat - Sun 3 - 4 Sep

Drumalis, Larne

Cost, including full board is **£65 or £45** for Sunday only,
which includes meals. Please contact Ruth Bates Tel: **9337
8958** or Maureen O'Donoghue, Whitehead.

Date for your Diary

Sat 4 Jun First Holy Communion

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 Taranor presiding, on

Sunday May 1st at 2.30 pm

Chapel of Dominican College,
38 Fortwilliam Park

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**



Pilgrim Icon of

Our Mother of

Perpetual Help

**Pilgrimage to the Cathedrals of Ireland
Celebrating 150 Years with the
Redemptorists**

Follow the Icon

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE
ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL BELFAST

Thu 12 May

7.30 pm Mass of Welcome
celebrated by Bishop Taranor
9.00 pm Healing Service
10.30 pm Prayer around the Icon

Fri 13 May

10.00 am Mass
11.00 am Prayer Service for
Primary Schools

Sat 14 May

10.00 am Mass
11.00 am Procession to Clonard
Monastery

St Vincent de Paul

The postponed SVP afternoon tea has been
rescheduled for

Sun 15 May after 11.30 am Mass
in the Parish Hall

We thank you for your continued support

The Annual Diocesan Liturgy Seminar

entitled **'The Liturgical Service of
God's Mercy'** will be held on

Sat 7 May - 1 pm - 4.30 pm

St Brigid's Parish Hall, 38 Derryvolgie Ave
It will be presented by Brother Pat
Mullins O.Carm. The Seminar is open
to all and the cost is £10 per person.
To book, contact: Malachy
McKeever, Tel: 07760 108 903 or e-
mail: liturgy@downandconnor.org

Living Church

The Living Church Office is offering
an evening of Prayer for Prayer
Leaders, and others who are involved
in Parish Ministry. The suggested
dates are:

Thu 26 May 7 pm

Thu 9 Jun 7 pm

Good Shepherd Centre, 511 Ormeau
Rd

If you would like to attend please
contact me either on email at
c.corrigan@downandconnor.org, or
alternatively, (028)90690920 to
arrange.

Brazil

Wed 25 May 7.30 pm

Dundrum Parish Centre

There will be a talk on "Parish life
in Brazil in recent times", by Fr.
Paul Turley and Fr. Brendan
Callanan, Redemptorist priests
who have worked there. All
welcome.

Assembly Elections

At the rear of the church, there are
pages with

**Ten Questions for
Candidates**

proposed by the Northern Catholic
Bishops.

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.