

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



12 Feb 2017

6th Sunday of the Year

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

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 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

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, 623 Monthly Offering £1,066 Many thanks for your generosity

Parish Cell Meetings

The next meetings will take place on Cluster Meeting Wed 22nd Feb For more information, please contact Tommy Mone (Chair): 02893 362511 or 07713849471

Maria Flanagan (V Chair): 07803297129 Ruth Bates (W'Head): 07876420867

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Brian O'Neill, Margaret Wilson, Patrick (Paddy) Lennox

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

St Patrick's Family Night

The annual St Patrick's Family Night will be taking place this year on

Friday 17th March in Lourdes Pastoral Centre, Whitehead Further details to follow

Parish Walking Group

Please note that the Walking Group have moved to **Monday evenings**, leaving the Church car park at 7.00pm.

Why not get the week off to a good start and join us for an hour's gentle walk and hopefully good craic.

All Welcome

Eucharistic Adoration Theme for February

We remember the Holy Father, Pope Francis' intention for the month of **February**

'Comfort for the Afflicted' That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities

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

Diocesan Vocations Weekend

Are you being called to make Christ's presence Precious Life will be hosting an real in the world? Have you ever considered the possibility that God is calling you to do so as a priest in the Church? If so, take this opportunity to gather with other men who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood. This retreat will create the time and space to help you discern God's calling in your life.

The retreat will take place in Drumalis Retreat Centre, from Fri 17th – Sun 19th February 2017. If you wish to attend this retreat or would like further information contact: Fr. Kevin McGuckien, 23 Hannahstown Hill, Belfast, BT17 0LT (02890614567) Email:k.mcguckien@downandconnor.org.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017

Full board in 3* hotel: 7 nights (10-17 July) fo £675 or 5 nights (11-16 July) for £590. Full board for sick or infirm pilgrims with medical and nursing care in Accueil Notre-Dame: 5 nights (11-16 July) for £490. Youth Team (8-17 July) £550. All flights from Belfast Int'l Airport.

Application forms now available from the Parish Office or for further information contact the Pilgrimage Office on **028 90646040** or email: Lourdes@downandconnor.org

Tobar Mhuire Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer.

Survivors of human trafficking suffer unbelievable physical and psychological trauma from which it can take a long time to recover. We invite you to join us for a day of Prayer and Solidarity with those who are victims of human trafficking beginning with Mass and the distribution of ashes at 9.00am followed by a day of Adoration in the chapel. In the evening we will host a Prayer Service with Ashes beginning at 7.00pm during which we will remember those exploited through human trafficking,

At 8.00pm we invite you to join us for a presentation on the plight of people who have been trafficked. Please feel welcome to come for either or both evening sessions.

For further information: Contact Tobar Mhuire T: 02844830242 Email:

secretary@tobarmhuirecrossgar.com

Pro-Life Information Meeting

information evening regarding the upcoming elections with advice on candidates and their stance on abortion. This will take place on

Thurs 16 February@7:30pm in St Bernard's Parish Centre, Glengormley. All welcome.

For more information contact Precious Life on 02890278484 or email info@preciouslife.com

Living Youth

Living Youth are glad to announce their first Pilgrimage to Knock, Ireland on 3rd – 6th July 2017 for those aged 15 - 18. The Pilgrimage costs £250 inclusive of insurance, transport, accommodation, breakfast & evening meals and a day trip to the Delphi Adventure Centre. The Pilgrimage is a great opportunity to explore your faith with others your age and have lots of fun all while exploring the Shrine and story of Knock. Go to

www.livingyouthni.org for an Application Form, limited spaces available.

There are also some places left on the Living Youth Habitat for Humanity Global Village trip to Ethiopia on 10th -22nd July 2017. For more information contact info@livingyouthni.org.

Carrickfergus Support Group NI Hospice

The Carrickfergus Support Group is holding a **Craft Fair** Joymount Presbyterian Church Hall Sat 25 Feb 12.00 noon - 4.00pm

Loughshore 'Spring Walk'

Cancer Research UK are asking local people of all ages and abilities to 'spring into action' and help beat cancer sooner by signing up to their 'Belfast Loughshore Spring Walk'. The walk will start at

11am at Jordanstown Loughshore Park on Saturday 18th March.

For further details and to register online, please visit www.CRUK.org/ BelfastLoughSpringWalk or call Mark on 07775 790675

Alzheimer's Society

Would you like to help someone living with dementia continue doing an activity or hobby that they love? The Alzheimer's Society are currently looking for volunteers to spend time with local people, doing activities such as golfing, going for coffee, and going for walks, amongst many other things. If you would like to spend some time making a person with dementia's life brighter, please get in contact with us for more information.

Contact Aisleen Hamill on 02893 362940.

Bethany Bereavement Support

Would you like to help those people in your parish who are grieving after a bereavement? Bethany Bereavement Support offers training as a parish based group ministry which aims to help those bereaved and grieving. Support is offered on an individual basis in the home, to groups in drop-in centres, by phone calls by helping at funeral liturgies and remembrance services. A full training course is offered over a 10 evening period. For more information or to register interest in the next Training Course which begins in March 2017 and will take place in the Good Shepherd Centre, please contact the parish office or Claire Dowds, Good Shepherd Centre, 511 Ormeau Road, Belfast BT7 3GS. **07557882183**, email: bethanybereavementni@gmail.com

> 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.