



Saint Nicholas' Church

# Carrickfergus Parish

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



15 May 2016



## Feast of Pentecost



Sundays - Cycle C

Weekdays - Cycle 2

Divine Office Week 4

### 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**

#### Cemetery Sundays

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

### Date for your Diary

**Sat 4 Jun**

**First Holy Communion**

### Requiescant in Pace



#### Anniversaries

Joe Maxwell, Pat Clarke Snr,  
Eileen McConnell, Claire Atwood

#### Recently Deceased

Mattie Downie (nee Mulvenna)  
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen*

### Eucharistic Adoration for the Year of Mercy

**Saturdays 10.00 am - 5.00 pm**

St Nicholas' Church, Minorca Place

#### 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**

### 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.

### The Annual Knights of St Columbanus St Oliver's Walk

visiting seven beautiful churches in Drogheda, will be held on **Fri 27 and Sat 28 May**

The Camino style walk starts from Our Lady of Lourdes Church and follows a 3.2km route finishing at St Peter's Church where the National Shrine of St Oliver Plunkett is located. Walkers can complete the walk at their own pace or even over the two days and they will get their Camino style passport stamped at each church. Full details on [www.stoliverswalk.com](http://www.stoliverswalk.com)

### Jubilee Year of Mercy

Bishop Treanor 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 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 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 adoration on Sat 28 May)**

### SMA Summer School

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Spiritual and Practical Application

**Sat 25 - Mon 27 Jun**

Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre, Newry, Co. Down.

A programme of Lectures and Workshops delivered by ten expert speakers including: Dr Cathriona Russell, Dr Donal Dorr SPS, Dr Lorna Gold and Dr Sean McDonagh SSC.

For information and booking details contact [laity@sma.ie](mailto:laity@sma.ie) or telephone **048 3082 1024**

### Youth 2000 Summer Festival

**Thu 7 - Sun 10 Jul**

Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary

For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people, with over 1000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland. For more info and to book online, see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or phone **01 6753690**

### Recommissioning of Ministers of the Word

Father Peter is going to recommission all Ministers of the Word at the two Sunday Masses on **22 May**. We hope that all of you can attend.

If anyone has an interest in becoming a Minister of the Word, please contact Mary Muir on **028 9336 6817**.

### Recommissioning of Ministers of the Eucharist

Father Peter is going to recommission all Ministers of the Eucharist at the two Sunday Masses on **29 May**. We hope that all of you can attend.

If anyone has an interest in becoming a Minister of the Eucharist, please contact: Bill Webb on **07860 331297**.

### Liturgy Day

The PPC has organized a Liturgy Day for all Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist, Music Ministers and Sacristans.

The theme of the day is "Understanding the Mass" and the significance of each stage of the Mass, including the importance of each ministry.

**Sat 18 Jun 12:30 am - 4:30 pm**

St Nicholas' Church

Followed by a BBQ

Would you please confirm attendance with any member of the PPC or by calling Bill Webb on **07860 331297**.

### "Right To Be Me"

**Sat 4 June**

Drumalis, Larne

One day confidence building workshop exploring practical steps towards changing what you want to change for the life you want to live. Develop your potential to bring about positive change and get the best out of yourself, increase energy levels, productivity and performance. with Marie McStay BA LGSM

Tel **028 2827 2196/2827 6455**

Fax **028 2827 7999**

### The Society of St Vincent de Paul - Clare Lodge Centre - A centre for well being

3 Castle Place Newcastle, County Down, Clare Lodge is more than just a holiday centre, it is a haven of peace and tranquillity for those who need a break from the pressures of day-to-day life, or to enjoy a relaxing stay by the sea. Open all year round Clare Lodge can accommodate 42 guests in 18 en suite bedrooms all with tea and coffee making facilities free internet access and flat screen TV. All rooms are wheelchair accessible with a lift for ease of access. We can offer week-long breaks, Sun t- Sat, midweek and weekends on a full board basis. Bed and breakfast and tailored options are also available.

For further information contact any member of your local St. Vincent de Paul Conference or directly to Clare Lodge on **028 43 722849**.

### A Concert of Sacred Music and Vespers

You are warmly invited to a Concert of Sacred Music and Vespers featuring the acclaimed University of Notre Dame [Indiana, USA] Folk Choir. **Mon 23 May 7.30 pm**

Holy Family Church, 226 Limestone Road

Admission is free with a retiring collection in aid of Parish Funds. Refreshments will be served afterwards. For more information, please contact Parish Office - Tel: **90743119**

E: [holyfamily@downandconnor.org](mailto:holyfamily@downandconnor.org)

### Parish Repository

First Holy  
Cards, Rosary  
books, Photo  
are now available  
Repository.



Communion  
beads, Prayer  
frames, Pens, etc.,  
from the Parish

### Solemn Novena

In Honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Help

**Continues until Tue 17 May**

St Gerard's, Antrim Road

**Weekdays 7 am 9.30 am**

**6 pm 7.30 pm**

**Sunday 7 am, 9.30 am, 11.30 am**

**3.30 pm 7 pm**

3.30 pm Mass for elderly and infirm on Sunday.

Those wishing to receive the Sacrament of the Sick are asked to be seated by 3.15 pm

Confessions and consultations before and after all sessions each day.

### St Vincent de Paul

The postponed SVP afternoon tea has been rescheduled for **TODAY**

**15 May after 11.30 am Mass**

in the Parish Hall

We thank you for your continued support