

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



6th October 2019

27th Sunday of the Year

Sunday Cycle C

Weekdays 1

Divine Office Week 3

OUR PARISH

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Peter Owens PP

Parochial House, 8 Minorca Place. 🕻 Mount St. Nicholas, C/fergus Co. Antrim, BT38 8AU

Tel: **028 9336 3269**

Email:

carrickfergus@downandconnor.org Web: www.carrickparish.org

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 - 1 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 second Sun in the month.

WEDDINGS By Arrangement Three months' notice is required FUNERALS By Arrangement

PARISH OFFICE Tel: 028 93363269

Mon to Thurs 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 COMMUNITY

Glengormley Parish

(St Mary's On The Hill; St Bernard's; St Macnissi's)

Fr Patrick Sheehan, PP, VF 9083 2979

Fr Brendan Beagon, PE, CC 9084 1507

Fr Aidan Kerr, PE, 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 David Delargy, PP 9037 0845

St Gerard's Parish

(St Gerard's, Antrim Road) Fr Kevin Browne, 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

Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,501

Many thanks for your generosity

Liturgical Calendar

There will be a meeting for all those involved in the coordination of liturgical ministries and the care of our churches on Monday 14th Oct at 8.00pm in the committee room at St. Nicholas' to plan the parish liturgical timetable until the end of Christmastide.

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Kathleen Woods, Matilda Folev, Juan Gabriel, Kathleen Maginn.

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

Visitation of the Sick & Housebound

Mon 7th Oct AM - Whitehead

Thurs 10th Oct AM & PM - Carrickfergus

ST. COLMAN'S, **GREENISLAND 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.**

There will be a celebration mass on Sunday 27th October, 2019 at 3.00pm with refreshments afterwards in the hall. Everyone welcome

Eucharistic Adoration".... of all

devotions, that of Eucharistic Adoration is the greatest after the sacraments." Pope St. John Paul II.

Intention for October

We pray for all the priests, sisters and lay-people in our Diocese who are working abroad on the Missions. We ask the Lord to protect them and bless their work. We especially remember Fr. Martin Cushnan, a native of our own Parish

Advent Books 2019

If you would like to order a copy of the "Walk with Me" Advent book, please leave your name with Anne in the Parish Repository, a.s.a.p. Price £1.00

Both Lives Matter

invite you to Stand With Us at our crosscommunity, inter-generational peaceful gathering to oppose Westminster's extreme abortion regime which is set to come into effect here on 22nd October.

Date: Sunday 13th October 2019 **Time 3:30pm**

Location: Falls Road, Belfast (venue confirmation will be given on 9th October) Follow @bothlivesmatter on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Visit www.bothlivesmatter.org for more information on the campaign.

#TakeMyHandNotMyLife

Christmas Cards & Gifts

Now available from the parish repository

Children's Advent Calendars Christmas Cribs & Nativity sets Boxed & Individual Cards.



Church Art Calendars 2020 Catholic Diary

Children's Liturgy Volunteer Appeal

Our Lady of Lourdes

A volunteer leader is required for the Children's Liturgy Group in Whitehead during the 09:30 Sunday Mass. You would be expected to lead the group every 4 weeks during term time and training will be provided. If interested, please contact either Gerardine Stewart or Fr. Owens at your convenience

St Nicholas'

Volunteers are urgently required to assist with the Children's Liturgy Group during the 11.30am Mass If you feel that you could help out, please speak with either Fionnuala McAllister, the group leader, or Fr Owens.

Thank You.

Children's Liturgy - Development Days

Time is running out to book your place on the first of three Development Days for leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word which the Living Church Office is hosting on, Saturday 19th of October, here in our offices at, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. The day will commence at 9.30am and finish at 3.30pm. Development Days are designed to nourish. support, and resource, all those involved in leading Children's Liturgy of the Word in their parish and the other dates in the series will be 25th January, 2020 and a Retreat Day on the 25th April, 2020. Due to the popularity of these days, early registration is advised. On the first day, we will explore the Spirituality of the Child and there will be time for prayer, input, discussion and activities. There is no charge for the day and lunch and all necessary resources will be provided. To book your place for any of the days in the series, please contact Caren at c.collins@downandconnor.org or ring the Living Church Office on 02890690920

In their recent joint statement, the Church leaders of Ireland have called for the weekend of 12-13 October to be dedicated to prayer for the protection of the unborn in our society and for women facing difficult and challenging pregnancies and their families.

This is in response to the proposed introduction by Westminster of legislation on 21st October allowing for unregulated abo rtion in the North. In addition to other prayer initiatives, you may wish to say and distribute

the 'Choose Life Prayer' of the Irish Bishops' Conference. It is available at the web site of the Bishops' Conference or through the following link: https://www.catholicbishops.ie/wpcontent/uploads/2012/10/prayer-for-the-unborn

-prayercard-web.pdf

Please support the online petition by Baroness Nuala O'Loan calling on the Secretary of State and Members of the Northern Ireland Assembly to take action to prevent unregulated abortion being introduced to the North by Westminster on 21st October. The petition can be found online at Change.org (search for Nuala O'Loan).

Please contact your local MLA and ask them to take action to stop the introduction of unregulated abortion to Northern Ireland by Westminster on 21st October. You can find contact details for your MLA online at www.bothlivesmatter.org/findmyMLA . You can also send a postcard to your MLA. You can order the postcards for you or your Parish, free of charge, by contacting Both Lives Matter at: Tel. 028 90739079 or 07976414817, or by email at stand@bothlivesmatter.org

"An Evening with Phil Coulter"

Friday 25th October in the Great Hall, Downshire Estate, Downpatrick. Tickets £30 each (includes complimentary glass of wine/bottle of water).

> For further detail Tel: 02844 612525 Parish of Saul & Ballee

An evening in celebration of John Henry Newman

To mark the forthcoming canonisation of John Henry Newman, the Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's invites you to an evening of celebration on his feast day, Wednesday 9th October. Mass will be celebrated in the Chaplaincy, 28 Elmwood Avenue, Belfast, at 7pm and will be followed by a talk *Newman's Idea of a University* to be given by Dr Andrew Meszaros, Maynooth. Light refreshments afterwards.

Annual Legion of Mary Rosary Procession – Sunday, 6 October

The procession leaves St John's Church, Falls Road at 3pm and will process to St Michael the Archangel Church where there will be a short service of Benediction. Refreshments will be available afterwards. Rosary beads and leaflets provided. All are welcome. Please gather at Saint John's Church at 2.45pm.