



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



17th November 2019

33rd Sunday of the Year

Sunday Cycle C

Weekdays 1

Divine Office Week 1

OUR PARISH

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

Tue & Thurs 10.30-10.45am

Sat 10 am - 1 pm

Our Lady of Lourdes'

Sun 9.30 am

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 £1,547

Many thanks for your generosity

Christmas Cards & Gifts

Now available from the
parish repository.
Children's Advent Calendars,
Christmas Cribes & Nativity sets
Boxed & Individual Cards, Church
Art, Calendars, 2020 Catholic Diary.



Open before and
after weekend
Masses.

Requiescant in Pace



Recently Deceased

Jim Evans,
Mary McIlmurray.

Anniversaries

Denis Bailie, Mary Bailie,
Kevin O'Brien, Sally Haveron.

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

Food Bank Christmas Appeal Whitehead

Christmas items like mince pies, tins of
ham, Christmas puddings and Shloer, as
well as regular donations like coffee,
sugar, jam, tins of desserts and biscuits,
would be greatly appreciated and can be
left in the grub tub in the church porch.

Please note that pasta, pasta sauce, tea,
soup, beans and cereals are not needed at
this point. **Thank you.**

Trocaire Christmas Gifts

If you would like to purchase a Trocaire
Christmas Gift Card for someone this
Christmas, please contact Patrick Quinn at
any of the weekend Masses.

Christmas Flowers – Carrickfergus & Whitehead

If you would like to donate towards
dressing the churches with flowers for
Christmas, please see Anne Quinn in
Carrickfergus or Margaret O'Neill in
Whitehead or alternatively put your
offering in the boxes provided in the
church porches.



Thank you

St Nicholas' Primary School Open Day

Mr Austin, staff and pupils of
St Nicholas' PS proudly invite you to visit
and experience the unique family
atmosphere on

Tues 3rd Dec at 10.30am.

For prospective P1 Parents starting in 2020,
come along and sample our school day.

Please feel free to arrange an alternative
appointment with Mr Austin if this date does
not suit.

Contact Tel: 02893351149

E: info@stnicholasps.carrickfergus.ni.sch

St Vincent de Paul - Christmas Appeal

SVP will be launching their annual
Christmas appeal on
Sunday 1st December

All funds raised will help families in
poverty. We will also be launching our
Giving Tree, asking for gifts for our
children this Christmas.

Thank you in advance of your support.

St Vincent de Paul - Annual Christmas Dinner

SVP are holding their Annual Christmas
dinner in the Lough Shore Hotel on
Sunday 8th December at 1pm.

We encourage you to come along for fun
and food. Transport can be arranged.

Please contact Eileen Cowan (07989727439)
or any member of the SVP if you wish
to attend.

Eucharistic Adoration

All glory and praise to You, Jesus, in this
most Blessed Sacrament. Enlighten my
mind that I may understand that the Blessed
Sacrament is not mere bread, but You in the
flesh.

Intention for November

We pray for all our deceased relatives and
friends and those who have no one to pray
for them. May they rest in peace.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - 2020

First Confession -

Tues 3rd March at 11.00am

First Holy Communion -

Sat 30th May at 11.00am.

Diocese of Down & Connor

VACANCIES – SECRETARY ROLES

[1] ST MARYS CHAPEL LANE BELFAST &

[2] ST PATRICK'S DONEGALL STREET BELFAST

We are currently seeking to recruit 2 Part-time Secretaries for the Parishes of St Mary's Chapel Lane,
Belfast and St Patrick's, Donegall Street, Belfast.

St Patrick's role requires 25.5 hours of attendance each week.

St Mary's role requires 20 hours of attendance each week.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org/job-vacancies/> and Community NI website. Terms and Conditions relating to
the roles can also be accessed there, together with the Job Descriptions and Employment Application
forms. Application packs are also available from St Mary's Parish Office and St Patrick's Parish Office,
particular to each of their own roles.

We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing an
active part in these Parishes.

Closing date for receipt of applications will be 12.00 noon on Friday 22nd November 2019.

Parish Advent Services

Please come along and join in the following services taking place during Advent, as we
prepare as a Parish Family for Christmas.

Sunday 1st December - Prayers Around the Crib at 7:00 p.m. in Carrickfergus
Wednesday 11th December - Annual Mass for the Bereaved at 7:30 p.m. in Carrickfergus
Monday 16th December - Penitential Service at 7:00 p.m. in Carrickfergus
Sunday 22nd December - Carol Service at 3:00 p.m. in Whitehead

If anyone needs a lift to any of the Advent Services, please contact
Gerardine Stewart on 028 93353700 and it will be arranged.

Living Youth Summer Pilgrimage 2020 – Youth Festival at Medjugorje

The LIVING YOUTH Summer Pilgrimage 2020 will be to Medjugorje. We will join more than 50,000
other young people from around the world to celebrate our Catholic Faith. Staying at the Medjugorje
Palace Hotel we will take part in the youth festival and also visit the Waterfalls of Kravice, the capital
Mostar and the Shrine of Vepic at Makarska, all the while journeying with other young people from
across our Diocese.

Pilgrimage Dates: 29th July – 7th August 2020, for those aged 17 – 25 Cost £799.

For an Application Form and more information go to www.livingyouthni.org or contact us on
02890 232 432 or info@livingyouthni.org.

Lecture on Cardinal Newman

There will be a lecture in St. Brigid's Parish
Centre, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast on
Tuesday, 3rd December at 7.30pm.

The title of the Lecture is,
**"Cardinal Newman: preparing an apologia
for our times."**

The lecture will be given by Monsignor
Roderick Strange, Professor of Theology, St.
Mary's University, Twickenham, London.
Monsignor Strange has published several
books and many articles with a particular
focus on St. John Henry Newman.

Celtic Advent Service

Harbour Community Church invite you to a
Celtic Advent Service on

Tuesday 19 November at 7.30pm.

The Service will be delivered by young women of the
Church who will introduce us to the captivating book by
Rachael Held-Evans 'Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking
on Water and learning to love the Bible again'.
Non-alcoholic mulled wine and home-baked shortbread
will be served after the service.

The Womens' Confraternity of Our Lady and St Alphonsus

has officially ended this month.

A Mass of Thanksgiving and Celebration will be held at
Clonard Monastery on **24th November at 3pm.**

All current and past members are invited
to attend the Mass.