



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes Church

15th September 2019

24th Sunday of the Year

Sunday Cycle C

Weekdays 1

Divine Office Week 4

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

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Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,700

Many thanks for your generosity

Parish Retreat

at Drumalis Larne

Sat 21 Sept 5.00pm–

Sun 22 Sept 5 pm

If you wish to attend, please leave your name and tel number on the form at the back of the Churches in Carrickfergus and Whitehead and Ruth Bates (02893 378958) will be in touch and will then reserve you a room. The price is £80 for overnight, includes all meals, and £50 for Sunday only, arriving at 8.30am for morning prayer and breakfast.

Requiescant in Pace



Recently Deceased

Fr Samuel Kerr.

Anniversaries

Winifred McCusker, Hilda Butler,
Sammy and Sue McFerran,
Eileen Nolan, Phoebe Barry,
Florence O'Hara,
Betty O'Hara Kelly.

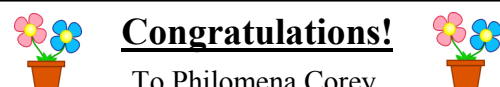
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen*

**There will be no 10.00am
Mass in Carrickfergus
on Thurs 19 Sept.**

Parish BBQ - Thank You

A huge thank you to all those who assisted
in the organisation of last week's
parish bbq.

A great time was had by all!



Congratulations!

To Philomena Corey,
St Nicholas' PS secretary, for coming
runner up in the 'Best Kept Front
Container Garden' section of the
Mid & East Antrim Best Kept Gardens
in the Borough competition.
Well Done Philomena!

Parish Cell Groups

The Parish Cell Groups resume on **Wed 18 Sept.**
If you wish to know more about the Cell Groups,

please contact any of the following :

Matt Monaghan 07428247820

Anne McFerran 07809906792

Maria Flanagan 07803297129

Tommy Mone 07713849471

Ruth Bates 07876420867

Jim Mullan 07841428436



Carrickfergus & Whitehead

CARING & SERVING TOGETHER

The Parish Assembly will take place on

Wed 25th Sept. at 7.30pm in

St. Nicholas' Primary School Hall.

All are very welcome to attend.



Children's Liturgy Volunteers

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

Thank You.

September on Lough Derg

Standard One Day Retreats in September: Sat 21,
Sun 22 & Sun 29.

Special Living with Suicide Day Retreat, Sat 28 Sept.

Advance booking is essential for any of these dates.

Tel 071 9861518 or email info@loughderg.org

Family Care Adoption Services (1969 – 2019)

Celebrating 50 years of adoption

Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking
adoptive families for babies, young children aged 2
years and older; and brothers and sisters.

To find out more information please contact us at:

Family Care Adoption Services:

Telephone: 028 71 368592 or 028 90 691133

Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org

Website: www.familycaresociety.co.uk

Beginning Experience

Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner?
Looking for help and understanding? Beginning
Experience (a support group for widowed,
separated and divorced people) meets every
Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm,
commencing Wednesday 25th September, in
St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast.

**All welcome. For details please contact Phil
Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669**

FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION



Online bookings for this year's Faith and Life Convention are now open.

We hope that you will be able to us on Saturday 28th September 2019 in Our Lady and
St Patrick's College in Belfast.

This year our theme for the convention is Faith in a Better World and our Keynote Speaker
will be Michel Camdessus. Michel is the former director of the International Monetary Fund
(IMF) and a member of the Pontifical Council on Justice and Peace. Our keynote speech
will be followed by a panel discussion where together we can reflect on the variety of issues
that we face in society today.

The highlight of the day for many people is the variety of workshops on offer and this year
we have an impressive line-up of local and international speakers. The convention is an
excellent opportunity to network with others from the Diocese and beyond. We look
forward to welcoming you and having an enjoyable day where we can encourage one another
to be people of active faith in our society.

**In support of the Parish Faith development commitment if sufficient
numbers of parishioners are interested in attending this convention the
Parish Pastoral Council would consider subsidising the hire of a coach .
Would those interested please put their name and telephone number on
the list at the back of the church and we will contact you.**

Extraordinary Mission Month [EMM] October 2019 Theme - "Baptised and Sent"

This October through an Extraordinary Mission Month declared by Pope Francis, the Diocese invites
us to embrace the vision of a Missionary Church by celebrating the contribution of our Diocese to the
missions abroad.

To mark EMM2019 we will be holding 3 major events in October –

• **Friday 11 October** 4.30pm - 7.30pm Missionary Young People and Children's Day - Braid Parish to
include climbing Slemish, Prayer Service and BBQ (bus leaving from QUB Chaplaincy at 3.00pm)

• **Saturday 19 October** 9.30am - 4.30pm A Conference and Celebration of D&C Missionaries Abroad
and at Home in St Mary's University College, Falls Rd, Belfast

• **Sunday 20 October** - 3.00pm Mission Sunday Mass - Together We Are Mission - St Patrick's
Church, Chapel Hill, Lisburn.

Throughout the coming year, we plan to acknowledge and celebrate the work of the many hundreds of
Missionaries who left their homes and parishes to engage in Missionary endeavour around the world. If
you have a relative or friend who is currently a Missionary abroad or during their lifetime has served as
a Missionary, we would really appreciate if you would please give their details including Name,
Religious Order, Dates etc. to your Parish Office or email [missions@downandconnor.org] before 23rd
September 2019.

Irish language and Tin Whistle Classes

In All Saints' Parish Centre Ballymena. Everybody is welcome to attend the September 2019
term of Glór Dhal Riada's 11th year:

Tin Whistle Class (All levels) - Every Tues w.e.f. 10th Sept 7:30pm– 8:30pm

Complete Beginners' Irish Language class -Every Thurs w.e.f. 12th Sept 6:30pm-7:30pm

Beginners' Irish Language class-Every Thurs w.e.f. 12th Sept 7:30pm-9:00pm

Improvers' Irish Language class- Every Thurs w.e.f. 12th Sept 7:00pm-8:30pm

Advanced Irish Language class- Every other Thurs w.e.f. 26th Sept 6:00pm-7:00pm

Telephone Rosie on 07740684152 for further details

NI Blood Transfusion Services

The next blood donation sessions will be held in Town Hall, Joymount, C'fergus
Mon 23 Sept 1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8pm & Tues 24 Sept 1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8pm