



Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Saint Nicholas' Church

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

19 Feb 2017

7th Sunday of the Year

Sundays - Cycle A Weekdays - Cycle I Divine Office Week 3

OUR PARISH

PARISH PRIEST

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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 - 5 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 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

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, 363

Many thanks for your generosity

Parish Cell Meetings

The next meeting will take place on

Wed 22nd Feb (Cluster Meeting)

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

Peggy Gearing, Kathleen Barrett,

Fr Tom Tarmey

Recently Deceased

Michael Tarmey

Month's Mind

May McGivern

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

Childreach Collection in Whitehead

A big thank you to everyone who supported my church door collection last Sunday. I will be climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in August for the Childreach International charity and a magnificent total of £350 was raised, all of which will go to help children in some of the most underdeveloped countries of the world. *Bronagh Stewart.*

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 Pastoral Council

This month's PPC meeting involved reviewing the group's constitution in line with a Diocesan model provided by the Living Church Office. One of the clauses provides the facility for parishioners to propose issues to be raised on the PPC agenda. Ideally such items are to be submitted in written form to the PPC secretary Ann Woods, via the Parish Office at least 14 days in advance of the meeting. We therefore intend to publish the dates for future PPC meetings.

**The next meeting will be held on
Monday 6th March 2017.**

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 Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017

Full board in 3* hotel: 7 nights (10-17 July) for £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

Parish Retreat For All

Drumalis: Sat 2 Sept 5.00pm -

Sun 3 Sept 5.00pm

Theme: The Sabbath Rest

To reserve a place or for more information, please contact

C'fergus - Ruth Bates Tel: 93378958

W'Head - Maureen Holmes Tel: 93378916

Price: Sat overnight to Sun - £70.00 (all meals included)

Sun only (from 8.30am) - £50 (includes breakfast & evening meal)

Envelope Boxes 2017 / 2018

If you are new to the parish; if your details have changed; or, if you have not previously been using envelopes but now wish to do so, then please fill in an "Envelope Registration Form" available at the back of the church.

Completed forms should be returned to the parish office or left in the sacristy. Alternatively, you can contact the parish office on 9336 3269.

Carrickfergus Church Forum

Would you like to have an opportunity for some cross-community Christian fellowship?

Then do come along to an informal small group evening of good coffee, followed by hymns and 'Lectio Divina' (meditative scripture reading) and chat.

**Venue Gateway/St Colman's,
Governor's Place, (near to the Four
Seas Restaurant). Look for the angel
wings!**

Tues 21 Feb at 8.00pm

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

Meeting of Overseas Volunteers & Lay Missionaries

Have you ever volunteered overseas in any kind of profession or have worked as a lay missionary in Africa, Asia or South America? Would you like to meet up with like-minded people? Join us for a special meeting which takes place on Wed Feb 22nd at 7.00pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Glenview St, off Oldpark Rd, Belfast. For more info email Jim jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text + 353 83 8422468

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.

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

Juniata College Concert Choir

A capella music from several cultures and traditions

Tues 7 March at 7.30pm

St Nicholas' Church of Ireland, Carrickfergus
Admission free: donations gratefully received for St Nicholas' Building Fund and Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

Entertainment & Community Development Committee

BINGO

Sundays 8 pm

Parish Youth Centre

Thursdays 7.30-9.30 pm

Membership is open to all young people iOn the Parish from **P6 to 17 years' old.**