



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



12 March 2017

2nd Sunday of Lent

Sundays - Cycle A

Weekdays - Cycle I

Divine Office Week 2

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 £1,479

Monthly Offering £923

Many thanks for your generosity

Volunteers are needed to assist
with the dressing of the Altar
Servers in St Nicholas' Church.

**For more information, please
contact**

Nikki Graham

Tel: 07525177797

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Tommy Maginn, Anna Morgan,
Laurence McMahon

Recently Deceased

Rosaleen Devlin (nee Quinn)

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

St Patrick's Day

Friday 17th March

10.00am Mass - Carrickfergus

7.00pm Mass - Whitehead

**Fr Owens will visit the Sick &
Housebound this week**

Mon 13 Mar - C'fergus - am & pm

Wed 15 Mar - Whitehead - am

St Patrick's Night Ceili

Family Gathering

Lourdes Pastoral Centre, Whitehead

Friday 17th March

8.00pm - 12.00 midnight

Music by The Loch Lao Ceili Band.

Enjoy a bowl of traditional Irish Stew!

Tickets are available after the weekend masses
or from any committee member., costing

£5.00 - Single

£10- Family (2 Adults + 2 Children)

£3.00 - Concessional

Parish Walking Group

Please note that the Walking Group have moved to
Monday evenings, leaving the Church car park at
7.00pm.

Why not get the week off to a good start and join us
for an hour's gentle walk and hopefully good craic.

All Welcome

Eucharistic Adoration Theme for March

We remember the Holy Father, Pope Francis' intention for the month of March:

Support for Persecuted Christians.

"That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church."

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**

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.

There will be a speaker from
Trocaire at all of the Masses next
weekend

Repository

Gifts & Cards for all occasions including St. Patrick's Day and Easter, are available from the Parish Repository.

Parish Cell Meetings

The next meeting will take place on
Wed 22nd Mar

The Cell Diocesan Mass will take place in Ballymena on Sat 25th March

For more information, please contact Tommy Mone

(Chair): **02893 362511** or **07713849471**

Maria Flanagan (V Chair): **07803297129**

Ruth Bates (W'Head): **07876420867**

Lent Devotions

There will be Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at St Mary's on the Hill, Glengormley each Sunday of Lent at 4.30pm. **All welcome.**

Lenten Pioneer Pledge

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during Lent. Why not take this opportunity to help someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering your sacrifice for their freedom from addiction? Take the short term Lenten Pledge and make a difference to someone's life. Register your pledge with local Pioneers or the D and C office, tel. no. 02890 894070 or Ian 02890 616601. Please give your name, address and contact no.

Prayer: "I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink until the end of Lent."

'Faith in the Public Square'

Inaugural Conference of The Iona Institute Northern Ireland

Sat March 25th, 9.30 am - 1.30 pm.

St Brides Parish hall- Derryvolgie

Avenue, Belfast

Admission : Free

Keynote Speakers : Archbishop Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh & primate of all Ireland and Baroness Nuala O'Loan.

Timetable

9.30 Registration tea/coffee

10.15 Welcome - Alban Maginness

10.30 Keynote Address - Archbishop Eamon Martin : 'The importance of speaking out in the public square'

11.00 Questions

11.15 Break

11.30 Baroness Nuala O'Loan : 'The role of faith schools in a pluralist society'

12.00 Questions

12.15 Tracy Harkin : 'Communicating the right to life'

12.45 Questions

13.00 David Quinn : Concluding remarks

To register: Please email

info@ionainstitute.ie or

phone 00 353 1 661 9204

Mt St Nicholas Pre-school, Playgroup

Mt St Nicholas Pre-school Playgroup has been nominated for 'Best Playgroup' section in the Families First awards. To vote for us please go on to the following site... www.familiesfirstawards.com Then go to best playgroup (Mount St Nicholas) to vote. Only 1 vote per IPS address. Many thanks, in anticipation. Hilda, Playgroup Leader

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**

Edmund Rice Schools Trust

Cordially invites you to the Annual Foundation Lecture
"Challenges and Opportunities for Catholic Tertiary Education in Today's Society"
Venue: St Mary's University College, Belfast

Wed 29th March at 7.00pm

Speaker: Professor Peter Finn
President, St Mary's University College

Living Youth

Living Youth are glad to announce their first Pilgrimage to Knock, Ireland on 3rd – 6th July 2017 for those aged 15 – 18. The Pilgrimage costs £250 inclusive of insurance, transport, accommodation, breakfast & evening meals and a day trip to the Delphi Adventure Centre. The Pilgrimage is a great opportunity to explore your faith with others your age and have lots of fun all while exploring the Shrine and story of Knock. Go to www.livingyouthni.org for an Application Form, limited spaces available. There are also some places left on the **Living Youth Habitat** for Humanity Global Village trip to Ethiopia on 10th -22nd July 2017. For more information contact info@livingyouthni.org.

Entertainment & Community Development Committee

BINGO

Sundays 8 pm

Parish Youth Centre

Thursdays 7.30-9.30 pm

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