



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



9 April 2017 Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord

Sundays - Cycle A

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

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Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,322

Monthly Offering £861

Many thanks for your generosity

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

Mon 10 April- W'head-am

Tue 11 April- C'fergus-am&pm

Repository

Gifts & Cards for all occasions
including Easter, are available from
the Parish Repository.

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Carl Quigley, Margaret O'Neill,
Louise Maria Devine, Robert Armstrong,
Sarah Germaine, Alan Bell,
David Lough

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

Easter Flowers - Carrickfergus

If you would like to contribute to the Easter
floral displays, please leave your donation in
the box provided in the church porch.

Thank you

Easter Flowers - Whitehead

If you would like to contribute towards
dressing the altar with flowers at Easter, would
you give your donation to Pamela Maginn or
place it in the box in the porch.

Thank you.

Trocaire Boxes

It would be much appreciated if parishioners
could return their Trocaire boxes to the church
at the Holy Thursday Mass on April 13th.

Palm Sunday Arrangements for Children's

Liturgy and Do This in Memory

At the start of Mass all children who wish may
process out, as per usual, as directed by Father.
We shall go own in pairs to the Church Hall
and celebrate our Palm Sunday Liturgy. This
will be followed by three or four Stations of
the Cross. At the appropriate time, Palms will
be handed out and we shall return to the church
and process up the aisle, leaving the Palms at
the altar before joining parents back in their
seats.

Holy Week and Easter

Monday	10am Mass	Whitehead
	7pm Penitential Service	Carrickfergus
Tuesday	10am Mass	Carrickfergus
	7pm Penitential Service	St Bernard's, Glengormley
Wednesday	10am Mass	Whitehead
	7pm Penitential Service	St Gerard's, Antrim Road
Holy Thursday	11am Chrism Mass	St Peter's Cathedral
	7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper	Carrickfergus
Good Friday	3pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	Whitehead
	7pm Stations of the Cross	Carrickfergus
Holy Saturday	No exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Carrickfergus
	8pm Easter Vigil Mass	Whitehead
Easter Sunday	9.30am Mass	Carrickfergus
	11.30am Mass	Carrickfergus

Easter Monday - Friday No 10am Mass

Easter Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass Carrickfergus

Eucharistic Adoration

Theme for April

**"For all those suffering from
anxiety and depression."**

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**

Parish Cell Meetings

The next meetings will take place on
April 5th & April 26th
For more information, please contact Tommy
Mone (Chair): **02893 362511** or **07713849471**
Maria Flanagan (V Chair): **07803297129**
Ruth Bates (W'Head): **07876420867**

Parish Family Quiz Night

on Friday 5th May
in St Nicholas Community Hall.
More details later.
Hope to see you there.

Parish Walking Group

Monday evenings, leaving the Church car park at
7.00pm.
Why not join us for an hour's gentle walk and
hopefully good craic.
All Welcome

Trocaire

They took branches of palm and went out to
receive him, shouting: 'Hosanna! Blessed is
he who is coming in the name of the Lord,
the king of Israel.'" John, 12:13. The palm
is a symbol of peace and on this Palm
Sunday we pray for the millions of people
around the world who are affected by
conflict and have had to flee with their
families to face an uncertain future.

Trócaire is working in many areas of
conflict to ensure people have a chance of a
better future. Find out more about the
Lenten campaign at www.trocaire.org/lent

World Meeting of Families

Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be
the host diocese for the World Meeting of
Families from 21-26 August 2018. Planning for
this great national and international celebration
of faith is well underway. Hosting this important
event requires an enormous amount of planning
and funding. In this regard a second national
collection will be held this weekend. Your
support for this collection would be greatly
appreciated. We take this opportunity to thank
you for your support for last year's first national
collection.

St Louise's Comprehensive College

Post-16 Open Night
Wed 12th April
7.00pm - 9.30pm
All Welcome.

Star of the Sea 150th Celebrations

St Mary's Star of the Sea, Whitehouse will be
celebrating 150 years of worship on Friday
12th May with Mass at 7pm, and also Songs of
Praise in Theatre at the Mill Newtownabbey at
7pm on Sunday 14th May - this will be held
jointly with Whitehouse Presbyterian Church
also celebrating 150 years. Do you have any
photos or memorabilia associated with Star of
the Sea which can be loaned for an exhibition
in the Church Hall? A sculpture has been
commissioned for the Church grounds and this
will have 150 stones permanently placed at its
base and these can be sponsored in individual
or family names; these names will be entered in
a book to be presented at the Mass on 12th
May, and retained afterwards in a place of
prominence in the Church. The history of the
Parish has been brought together in a book and
will be on sale in early May. To complete the
celebrations there will be a Dinner Dance held
in Corrs Corner Hotel on Friday 2nd June. For
further detail please contact Billy Webb on
07799866876 or the Parish Office on
90370845. A Facebook page is at [http://
facebook.com/whitehouse150exhibition](http://facebook.com/whitehouse150exhibition) and
photos can be sent by email to
whitehouse150exhibition@virginmedia.com.

A Spring Celebration of Music & Song

**St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus
Fri 28th April at 7.30pm**

The Abbey Singers with contributions from local
solo performers - Soprano Ellen Campbell, Mezzo
Soprano Helenna Howie & Soprano Louise Irvine,
plus musical Contributions from Fr Conor McCarthy
and Vicki Schmidt, choir pieces by St Nicholas'
Folk Group and supporting voices from across
C'fergus, W'head and further afield for The Messiah
pieces.

**Suggested donation £10.00, to include light
refreshments.**

**A donation from the proceeds of the concert will
be made to The Samaritans**

For tickets, please contact Anne Quinn.

Good Friday Falls/Shankill Inter-Church Prayer Walk

14th April beginning at 4.45pm outside
Clonard Church and finishing there by
6.00pm. The walk encircles the Falls/
Shankill peace line wall, stopping briefly
for a short prayer in Shankill Methodist
Church. Everyone is welcome!