



Saint Nicholas' Church

# Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



30 April 2017

## 3rd Sunday of Easter

Sundays - Cycle A

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 £1,316**

**Easter Offering £1,644**

**Holylands £576**

*Many thanks for your generosity*

### Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

Fr Tom McCabe omi from the  
Missionary Oblates of Mary  
Immaculate will be visiting the  
Parish next weekend, 6th/7th May.  
Fr Tom will preach at all weekend  
Masses.

### Requiescant in Pace



### Anniversaries

Lily Poland, Josephine Moore,  
James Devine, Leo O'Neill

### Recently Deceased

Marie Magee

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

**THERE WILL BE NO 10.00 AM  
MASS IN CARRICKFERGUS  
ON TUESDAY 2nd MAY.**

### Parish Family Quiz Night

**Friday 5th May at 8pm**

St Nicholas Community Hall  
£4 per person (includes light supper)  
Maximum 6 per team  
Come along and have some fun!

### Parish Cell Meetings

The next meetings will take place on  
**May 10th & May 24th**

For more information, please contact Tommy  
Mone (Chair): **02893 362511** or **07713849471**  
Maria Flanagan (V Chair): **07803297129**  
Ruth Bates (W'Head): **07876420867**

### 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**

### Carrickfergus Parish Bereavement Support Group

Journey through Grief for Anyone who is  
Bereaved

Our Parish invites you to a 5 Week Healing  
Programme for anyone who is Bereaved.  
The Programme is designed to help  
understand more fully the grieving process  
and apply this to our personal grief journey.

**Venue: Committee Room**

**St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus**  
**Date: commencing Tuesday 9th May for**  
**5 consecutive Tuesdays at 7.30pm**

For further information or to register an interest  
Please contact Margaret: **028 93361323**  
Eileen: **028 93378746**  
Phil: **028 93372449**

### 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)

### 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.**

### Legion of Mary Hostels

A collection to be taken up after Mass **TODAY**  
in support of the Legion of Mary hostels for the  
homeless (Morning Star and Regina Coeli).  
The money collected is essential for the  
running of the hostels, at a time when money is  
tight and statutory financial support is reducing.

**We ask you to support this very worthy  
cause and thank you in anticipation of your  
generosity.**

### Trocaire

Trocaire would like to thank  
parishioners for their support of the  
Lenten campaign 2017 and their  
unfailing generosity. If you have not  
already done so, then please return  
you Trocaire box as soon as  
possible. Donations can also be  
made online at [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

### Eucharistic Vigil for Vocations

A Eucharistic Prayer Vigil for  
Vocations to the Priesthood,  
Permanent Diaconate and Religious  
Life will take place in  
**All Saints' Church, Ballymena on**  
**Thursday 4th May 2017 from**  
**7.30pm – 10pm.**

The Vigil will conclude with Mass  
at 9pm.

In his message for Vocations  
Sunday, Pope Francis said that  
"There can be no promotion of  
vocations apart from constant  
contemplative prayer." May we take  
up this invitation to come for an  
evening of contemplative prayer as  
we pray for vocations. This Vigil of  
Eucharistic Adoration will give us  
the privilege of encountering God  
and an opportunity to deepen our  
relationship with Him.

### Forgiveness Retreat Forgiveness; Moving forward from life's hurts to Healing, Peace and Happiness.

This day will give participants a  
deeper understanding of forgiveness  
and help to move from hurt to  
happiness.

Led by Fr. Des Corrigan, SMA.  
Venue; Dromantine Retreat + Conf.  
Centre.  
Date; Sat. 13th May 9.30am -5 pm  
Cost; £25 including lunch, teas/  
coffee.

**All are welcome.**  
Bookings to: (028)30821964 Email:  
[admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)

### 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](mailto:whitehouse150exhibition@virginmedia.com).

### Little Flower Celebrate 58 Years of Excellence

Little Flower Girls' School will finally close its  
doors in August 2017. In order to celebrate our  
wonderful school the Events Committee have a  
number of dates for your diary.  
On **Friday 19th May** past pupils, past staff  
members and current staff members are invited  
to attend 'An Evening Celebration of Little  
Flower' in Ten Square Hotel Belfast.  
On **Sunday 4th June** there will be a Mass of  
Celebration in St. Therèse of Lisieux at 2pm,  
followed by a Trip Down Memory Lane in  
Little Flower.

Please join us and help us celebrate.  
Full details of events available on  
[www.littleflowerschool.co.uk](http://www.littleflowerschool.co.uk)

### 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](mailto:Lourdes@downandconnor.org)