



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes Church

17 September 2017

24th Sunday of the Year

Sundays - Cycle A

Weekdays 1

Divine Office Week 4

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 COMMUNITY

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 £1,543

Many thanks for your generosity

Sacramental Preparation

Sacramental preparation is due to
begin soon for the Sacraments of
Confirmation, the Eucharist and
Reconciliation.

If you are interested, please contact
Mary Muir Tel:028 93366817 or
Maureen Graham Tel:028 93361078

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Sarah Maxwell, Neil O'Kane,
Sammy & Sue McFerran,
Darren Myers, Mona Mulvenna,
Johann McGuinness

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

Cemetery Sunday

Sunday 24th September

St Nicholas' After 11.30am Mass
Victoria 2.00pm
Prospect 3.00pm

Sunday 1st October

Islandmagee After 9.30am Mass

Ministers of the Word, W'head

If you would like to be a reader at Sunday
Mass in Whitehead for the coming year,
starting in October, please contact Paddy
Stewart or add your name to the list at the rear
of the church by Sunday 17th September.

Thank you.

Parish Bulletin

For many years the Parish Bulletin was
prepared and produced every week by
John McCloskey, as a voluntary service to the
Parish. Recently John has retired from this
work, for health reasons, and we would like
to take this opportunity to thank him for his
generous dedication, support and loyalty.
Fr Peter

Parish Walking Group

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

Children's Liturgy Help Needed

Maureen Graham (tel 93361078) and
Ruth Bates (tel 93378958) are going to
"hang up their little Children's Liturgy
hats and retire". Please DO contact
them, or Father, if you would consider
joining as a Leader in this joyful and
worthwhile venture. It would be sad to
see it fold up for lack of support.

The aim of the Liturgy is to show the
children how much Jesus loves us all,
and to help them in return, grow in their
love for Him. We follow (loosely) a set
format culminating in the Gospel story of
the day.

Faith and Life Convention

Bishop Treanor invites you to attend our
fourth Faith and Life Convention on
Saturday 30th Sept, beginning 10am
Our Lady and St Patrick's College
This year we are delighted to welcome
Cardinal Kevin Farrell as our keynote
speaker. He will speak to us on the theme:
Faith in the Family

In the afternoon each participant will have
the opportunity to take part in two
workshops from a range of twenty seven.
Perhaps the best part of the day is the
pleasure of meeting up with a great crowd of
committed people from all over the diocese
and beyond!
Online booking is available at:
www.faithandlifeconvention.org Booking
forms are also available from the Parish
Office. We look forward to seeing you in
September.

Diocesan Liturgy Seminar

The Diocesan Liturgy Seminar 2017,
**'Putting on Christ - A Journey of
Transformation: The Rite of Christian
Initiation in Action'**
Will be held on
**Sat 23rd Sept from 1.30pm - 4.30pm in
St Brigid's Parish Centre,
38 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast.**
Registration from 1.00pm. It will be
presented by Jane Ferguson, a member of
The Council for Liturgy of The Irish
Bishops' Conference. The Seminar is open
to all and the cost is £10 per person. To
book, please contact: Malachy McKeever,
Tel: 07760108903

Annual Pioneer Mass

The annual Pioneer Mass for the Belfast Region
will be celebrated in

**Corpus Christi Church, Springhill Grove,
Whiterock Rd. Belfast**

on Wed 27 September 2017 at 7 pm.

Persons wishing to be presented with any of the
following - Gold, Silver, Young Pioneer or other
emblems/ certificates please contact
Pat 9262 9959; Josephine 9061 7116;
Ian 9061 6601. Light refreshments afterwards.

Everyone welcome

PATHWAYS

- Adult Faith Development Programme at Drumalis -

Enrol now for 2017-2019 intake. Pathways is a
broad-based adult faith development course
which explores spirituality, theology and prayer.
Now in its twelfth year, Pathways is geared
towards those who want to reflect about life,
faith and relationships with God and others. The
course takes place in the beautiful surroundings
of Drumalis in Larne. No academic
qualifications are necessary and there is no
coursework attached.

This two-year programme supported by the
Diocese of Down and Connor runs from October
to June each year and will be held on nine
Saturdays from 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. For further
information and booking form, please contact
Drumalis - 028 2827 2196/2827 6455 (during
office hours, Mon-Fri, 9 am - 5 pm),
email maura@drumalis.co.uk or see the
Drumalis website: <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

New Catholic Radio Station for Ireland

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Talk-Radio Station. Established May 2015, we have
already surpassed 6,000 monthly listeners in Ireland
and around the world. Our mission is to help spread
the Gospel message of Joy, Hope and Charity with a
mixture of Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks,
Interviews and Testimonies - all commercial free.
We broadcast 24/7. You might like to join us for live
Morning Prayer at 9.15am followed by daily 10am
Holy Mass. 11am Catechesis - with Fr. Eamonn
McCarthy our full-time Priest Director - Angelus and
Midday Prayer. Live Evening Prayer at 5pm is
followed by News and the Rosary prayed from the
studio at 5.30pm.
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www.radiomaria.ie by clicking "LISTEN LIVE" or
can be listened to on the phone via a live radio feed by
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Carrickfergus Church Forum

are hosting

'Being Human Together'

An intercultural and inter faith vision of a more
humane world, a 5 week series facilitated by
Dr. Johnston McMaster

Dobbs Room, Carrickfergus Town Hall

Dates: Thursday evenings 7-30pm

28th Sept, 5th, 19th, 26th Oct, & 2nd Nov 2017

£2 donation per evening (Pay at door)

More information on Facebook

Carrickfergus Church Forum

Monthly cross-community Fellowship meeting
'Together in friendship and faith'
Tuesday 19th September 2017 at 7-45pm
Venue: Gateway Church, Governors Place,
Carrickfergus

Foyer of Light, Charity & Love 5 Day Silent Retreat:

Theme: "If you but knew the gift of God..."
Preached by: Fr. Kilian Byrne

Venue: **Dromantire Retreat Centre, Newry,**
Date: October 23rd - 29th

Cost: £360stg full board

Contact: Helen : 00353 86 1678027,
www.foyerofcharity.ie

The retreat addresses those who search for God, or
who wish to grow in their life of faith and prayer.

Mary & Mercy Tour Comes to Belfast

Experience the time of mercy! Best-selling
Catholic author Fr Michael Gaitley MIC is
visiting Ireland in October to talk on Mary &
Mercy. Fr Gaitley has sold over 2 million copies
of his book '33 Days to Morning Glory' on
personal consecration to Mary, and he's also
written on Divine Mercy and St Therese. He'll
be appearing at St Patrick's, Donegall St, Belfast
at 7.30pm on Friday 6th October giving his own
personal testimony and speaking about Our Lady
and mercy. Everyone is welcome to attend this
uplifting evening.

Loss and Blessings Day

At Tobar Mhuire Crossgar
Saturday 11th November
at 10.30am - 4pm

Spend a day at Tobar Mhuire to remember
your dead friends and relatives.
Price £30 which includes tea/coffee and
light lunch.