

# Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

7th October 2018

## 27th Sunday of the Year - Day For Life

Sundays - Cycle B

Weekdays 2

Divine Office Week 3

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#### **OUR PARISH**

#### PARISH PRIEST

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#### **MASS TIMES**

#### Saint Nicholas'

Vigil Sat Sun

6 pm **!** 11.30 am **!** 

Tue & Thu 10.00 am

Holy Days: As announced

#### **Adoration**

Tue & Thurs 10.30-10.45am Sat 10 am - 1 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

<u>BAPTISMS</u> (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 to Thurs 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 Patrick Sheehan, PP, VF **9083 2979** 

Fr Brendan Beagon, PE, CC 9084 1507

Fr Darren Brennan, 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 David Delargy, 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** 

ering £1,372

Many thanks for your generosity

Thank you to all those who supported the Cemetery Collection on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept, which amounted to £469.

#### **Anniversary Congratulations**

Many congratulations to Joe and Teresa Boylan on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary.

## Requiescant in Pace



#### **Recently Deceased**

Peter Drumm

#### **Anniversaries**

Winifred McCusker, Matilda Foley, Alex McAuley, Kathleen Maginn.

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

#### PLEASE NOTE, THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASS IN EITHER CARRICKFERGUS OR WHITEHEAD THIS WEEK.

IT IS HOPED THAT WEEKDAY MASSES WILL RESUME THE FOLLOWING WEEK.

#### **Message from Father Tony**

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the parishioners of Carrickfergus & Whitehead, for their support and kindness over the last few weeks. As I leave this week to take up my new post as Curate in St Patrick's and Chaplain to the Mater Hospital, I ask the Parish to keep me in their prayers and assure you all of mine.

#### Fr Tonv

#### Eucharistic Adoration -What is it all about?

Jesus is really and truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament. He waits for us there, day and night. He wants us to speak to Him. He wants to listen to us and speak to us too. This encounter in love is what Eucharistic Adoration is all about. In Adoration we come to know Jesus in a very personal way.

#### **Intention for October**

All our families and our Parish. Help us Lord Jesus to place you at the centre of our homes and our lives.

#### **Personal Message From Father Peter**

I would like to thank most sincerely all of you who expressed sympathy to me and my family on the occasion of the recent death of my dear mother Loretta – all who attended the funeral and all who sent messages of condolence.

I would also like to acknowledge the solidarity and support of Bishop Noel Treanor, Fr Patrick Sheehan, VF, the priests who have provided cover and in particular Fr Tony McAleese, and Patrick Quinn who has assisted with parochial administration.

Following so soon after the death of my father in February, the death of my mother in August has been an especially painful loss for me and my family – I will always be grateful to the parishioners of Carrickfergus and Whitehead for the compassion they have shown me during this most difficult chapter of my life and ministry. I hope to see you soon.

#### Father Peter.

#### **Lourdes Pastoral Centre**

Dancing Classes resumed last Thursday in the Pastoral Centre, 7.30pm - 8.30 pm. All are welcome to come along.

# Annual Legion of Mary Rosary Procession. TODAY Sun 7th of October

TODAY, Sun 7th of October, The Annual Legion of Mary Rosary Procession will take place. The procession leaves St John's Church, Falls Road, at 3pm and will process to

St Michael the Archangel Church where there will be a short service of Benediction. Refreshments will be available afterwards. Rosary beads and leaflets provided.

All are welcome.
Please gather at Saint John's Church
at 2.45pm.

#### <u>Dedication of Studies Mass at</u> <u>Queen's University Belfast</u>

The annual Dedication of Studies Mass will
be celebrated by the
Bishop of Down and Connor,
Most Rev. Noel Treanor DD,
in the Corpus Christi Chapel at the Catholic
Chaplaincy, Queen's University Belfast, 28
Elmwood Avenue.

#### TODAY 7th October, at 8.00pm.

Students, parents and visitors are very welcome to attend.

Refreshments will be served after Mass.

#### **Bereavement Retreat**

A reflective time to ponder issues around loss and grief, led by Sr Una Boland, L.C.M. (Formerly Director Hospital Chaplaincy Training Cork).

3<sup>rd</sup> November – 10am registration & refreshment until 4th November 2pm.

Cost £80.00

Booking essential: email – admin@dromantineconference.com
Phone – 028 30821964 (048 from ROI)
SMA Dromantine, Newry, Co Down,
www.dromantineconference.com

#### **Book Launch**

## 'The Beatitudes of Pope Francis' By Aidan Donaldson

Wednesday 17th October at 7.00pm
In Holy Family Church, Belfast
Launched by Jim Deeds
RSVP by Friday 12th Oct to events@veritas.ie

#### National Adoption Week 15th - 22nd October 2018

Family Care Adoption Services is seeking adoptive families for babies, young children aged 3 years and older; and brothers and sisters.

To find out more information please contact us at:

Family Care Adoption Services: Telephone: **028 71 368592 or 028 90 691133** Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org Website: www.familycaresociety.co.uk

#### **Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living**

## Drumalis, Larne – commencing Saturday, 27 October

Taking place at Drumalis over eight Saturdays from October 2018 - May 2019, this exciting new programme, led by a team of trained Spiritual Directors, is a journey for those who want a closer relationship with God, who struggle with prayer or perhaps even struggle with God or who seek to make choices which are in tune with God's desires. For further information, please contact 028 28276455/28272196 during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) or email drumalis@btconnect.com Details are also available on the Drumalis website - http://www.drumalis.co.uk

#### Are you making Wedding plans?

Prepare for your future Married life at a Catholic Engaged Encounter Course, 23-24 March 2019 in Our Lady and St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Ballymoney, Co. Antrim.

For details/booking: marriageencounter.ie or 028 2763 8512

## Sunday 7th October: It's Mission Month 2018! October is Mission Month!

The most important day of this month is World

Mission Sunday, which takes place on the 21st. This is the one Sunday in the year that Pope Francis asks you to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-to-shoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn. Mission Month and Mission Sunday is a time for you to fully appreciate the dedication of these missionaries who are there before, during and after any crisis. World Mission Sunday is coordinated by 'World Missions Ireland', originally known as the Pontifical Mission Societies. It is the Church's official charity for overseasmission, and is part of a worldwide network of over 120 charities. Many of the international offices go by the name 'Missio'. World Missions Ireland and their fellow charities ensure that the contribution you give on Mission Sunday will be justly distributed to where the need is greatest within our universal Church. You can donate €4.00 now, by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. For more information, go to www.wmi.ie.