



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



25th November 2018 **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

Sundays Cycle B Weekdays 2 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 - 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

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 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 £1,316
Bishop's Commission £571

Many thanks for your generosity

St Vincent de Paul

The SVdP Annual Christmas
Appeal will take place this
weekend.

Parish Bethany Support Group

Tel: **07598825187**
to contact any member of the group.

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Harry McKee, Pat Moran,
Michael Lydon, Pauline Lydon,
Joseph Morrison, Anne Giles,
Patsy Herdman

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

Christmas Carols With....

The Abbey Singers. Guest artists
include Emma Morgan and Vicky
Schmidt. Taking place in
**Saint Nicholas' Church on
Friday 30th November at 7.30 pm**
Refreshments afterwards.
Tickets £10 (Primary School children
free, Secondary School children £5),
available from the Parish Repository in
Carrick and the back of the church in
Whitehead. Please bring your favourite
cushion for additional comfort during
the performance!

Advent Books 2018

If you would like to order
a copy of the
"Walk with Me" Advent book,
please leave your name with Anne in the
Parish Repository, a.s.a.p.
Price £1.00

Trocaire Christmas Gifts are now available.

Please contact Patrick Quinn in Carrick
or
Gerardine Stewart in Whitehead.

Parish 'Connection' / WMOF

Preparations are underway for the publication
of the Christmas edition of the Parish
Connection magazine. We would like to invite
any parishioners who attended the World
Meeting of Families in August if they would
like to share photos and/or stories of this
special occasion. These can be emailed to
communication@carrickparish.org

Thank You.

Advent Services

Please come along and join in the following
services taking place during Advent, as we
prepare as a Parish Family for Christmas. This
is an opportunity to take some time out of our
busy lives for reflection and to hear that still,
small voice of God.

**Monday 3rd Dec - Our Lady of Lourdes
at 7.30 p.m.**

The theme for this service is "Mary's call and
Mary's response". We will be reflecting on our
own calling and our own response, not just in
Advent but in the here and now of our lives.
It is our "Yes" to God.

**Monday 10th Dec- Saint Nicholas'
at 7.30 p.m.**

St Vincent de Paul

Saint Vincent de Paul's Annual Christmas
Dinner will be held on
**Sunday 2nd December
at 12:30 / 1pm.**

Venue: Loughshore Hotel, Carrickfergus
Cost: £16 /over 65's donation only.
Names can be given to any SVP member or
put in the red box.

Christmas Cards & Gifts

available from the parish repository

**Children's Advent Calendars
Christmas Cribs & Nativity sets
Boxed & Individual Cards,
Church Art Calendars
2019 Catholic Diary**



Open before and after
weekend masses.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

ANNUAL MASS for the BEREAVED

**Tuesday 11th December at 7 30 pm
St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus**

All Parishioners and friends are most
welcome to join us in our Eucharist.

Refreshment after Mass in
St Nicholas' Primary School

Eucharistic Adoration

".... of all devotions, that of Eucharistic
Adoration is the greatest after the
sacraments".

Pope St. John Paul II.

Intention for November

'We pray for the souls of all the faithful
departed, that they may rest in peace.'

Mount St Nicholas Pre-School Playgroup

warmly invite you to our
Christmas Fair

Friday 30th November - 1.30 - 4pm.
Usual Christmas stalls and Whitehall
Photography available to take Christmas
photos. To book a slot between 2-4pm
please contact Hilda on 07729583234.

We're also having a 'Great Christmas
Bake-off - if you want to enter a cake
etc (to be sold after) again please
contact Hilda.

Mount St Nicholas Pre-School Playgroup

invite you to their Open Day -
Monday 3rd Dec between 12:30-1:30pm

Stormont Rosary For Life

Please join us in praying the Rosary for the
protection of Ireland's unborn babies at
Parliament Buildings, Stormont (Main Gates)
Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast at 3pm on
Saturday 8th December, The Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception. For more information
contact the Rosary Crusade for Ireland on
028 9027 8484.

New Mission Council in Down & Connor Diocese

If you are interested in being part of a new
Mission Council in the diocese to promote
and foster mission awareness at home and
overseas, please come along and join us for a
meeting on Wednesday 28th Nov at 7.00pm
in the Good Shepherd Centre, 511 Ormeau
Road, Belfast. All are welcome. For further
information please contact Fr Conor McGrath
on 028 9081 2238 or email
c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org

Holy Trinity Church of Ireland, Carrickfergus

are planning to hold their traditional Nine
Lessons and Carols by Candlelight on
Sunday 16th Dec at 6.30pm.

Everyone would be most welcome to
come along and join with us in singing
the carols and hearing the story of our
Saviours birth through the words of the
Readings from Scripture.

'Let Go and Let God' Retreat Day Drumalis, Larne

**Saturday, 1 December 2018
9.30am -5.00pm
Cost: £60.00**

"Let Go and Let God" is the last in "Meeting
God Mindfully" - four themed retreat days
with Maria Garvey at Drumalis in 2018,
bringing together the practices of Christian
Contemplative Prayer and Mindfulness Based
Stress Reduction .

For further information, please contact
028 28276455/28272196 during office hours
(Mon-Fri, 9 am - 5 pm). Details are also
available on the Drumalis website -
<http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Group Leader: James Treacy
Accompanied by Spiritual Director
30 July 2019

7 nights Half Board in Guesthouse close to
St James Church. €725.00 per person, inclusive of
Group Travel Insurance
Early booking offer * €100 off if paid in full by
10 Dec 2018. Includes full religious programme.
Day flights ex - Dublin Airport, including return
airport transfers to iVlccijgorje.
Joe Walsh Tours Medjugorje Representative:
Philip Ryan. For information please contact:
James Treacy Tel: 086 0572216