



Saint Nicholas' Church

# Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



## 20th January 2019

## 2nd Sunday of the Year

Sundays Cycle C

Weekdays 1

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 - 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 second 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  
**9336 3269**

### Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,526

*Many thanks for your generosity*

### Candlemas Day

**Sat 2nd Feb**

Candles will be blessed at all the weekend Masses.

If you would like to purchase candles to be blessed, please contact Anne.

### Dates for your Diary for 2019

First Confessions - 5th Mar at 11.00am

First Holy Communion - 18 May

### Requiescant in Pace



### Recently Deceased

Rose Gillespie

### Anniversaries

Aaron O'Kane, Francey Gent,  
Edward and Cecilia Donnelly,  
Edward (Ted) Gerring

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

**THERE WILL BE NO  
10.00AM MASS IN  
WHITEHEAD ON  
MONDAY 21st JAN.**

### Volunteers Required!

We are asking for volunteers to assist with a 'New Year Clear Out' in the Lourdes Pastoral Centre, TOMORROW

**Mon 21st January at 7.00pm.**

This will involve some lifting and shifting as well as a general tidy up! Your support with this would be very much appreciated.

### Confirmation

Bishop Anthony Farquhar will be visiting the Parish on Friday 25th Jan, to administer Confirmation to 20 of our parish children. As we welcome Bishop Tony to our Parish, so we also extend a warm welcome to all our parishioners to join us on this special occasion.

St Vincent de Paul would like to express their thanks for the generous support from so many in our parish over the annual Christmas appeal.

### Eucharistic Adoration

All praise and thanksgiving be to you, Jesus, in the Holy Eucharist, for what we see with the eyes of faith is really You, Jesus, truly present in this most Blessed Sacrament.

### Intention for January

We pray for the lonely, the depressed and all those with psychological difficulties, that they will find comfort and solace in this New Year.

### The Guardian Project, India

There will be a Church Door Collection after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND, 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> Jan**, for The Guardian Project. This worthwhile endeavour has been keenly supported by one of our own parishioners, Matt Monaghan, for many years. As seen in his article in the Christmas Connection, Matt recently visited India (see display in Church porch) and was able to witness first hand, what a huge difference our donations can make to the lives of those children living in such extreme poverty. Monies raised will go towards providing water pumps and solar lighting. Alternatively, anyone who may wish to sponsor a child's education at a cost of 60p per day should contact Matt for further details.

**We thank you in anticipation of your generosity.**

### The Rosary

Each Saturday evening at 5:30pm, starting the 26th of January, the Rosary will be prayed in Blessed Sacrament chapel before Vigil Mass. Please come along.

### Diocesan Vocation Weekend

"Ask Jesus what he wants from you and be brave!" (Pope Francis) Why not take time to explore and reflect on becoming a priest. Join us at the Vocations Weekend in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne from **Friday 15 – Sunday 17 February 2019**. If you wish to attend this weekend or would like further information contact: Fr. Kevin Tel: 02890614567; Email: vocations@downandconnor.org

### Carrickfergus Church Forum

Date: **Monday 21st January 2019**

Venue: Harbour Faith Community,  
Governors Place

Time: **7.45pm**

Focus: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  
Everyone welcome.

### Blessed Trinity College

warmly invites you to our

### Open Evenings

**on Tues 22nd Jan and Wed 23rd Jan.**

From 6.00pm-6.45pm, there will be a tour of Sports and Technology Facilities on our Antrim Road Site. Principal's address at 7pm in the Somerton Road assembly hall followed by a tour of the Somerton Road Site. The Opening Evening will be a great opportunity to come and experience life in Trinity and see all we have to offer. Please come along and be part of our journey.

### Christian Unity Service

The Annual Service for the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held **at 7pm on Tuesday 22nd January in St Peter's Cathedral.**

The preacher at the Service will be Bishop Ken Good, Church of Ireland Bishop of Derry & Raphoe. Everyone is very welcome to attend and pray for the end to the division of the Christian family.

### Beginning Experience

Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every **Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast.** 1st weekly meeting and Information Session: **Wed 30th January at 8pm. All welcome.**

Residential weekend at Drumalis 22/24th February. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669

Gifts & Cards for Confirmation, including; Rosary beads, Prayer books, Photo frames, Pens, etc., are now available from the Parish Repository.



### Youth Weekend Parish of the Braid

**1st-3rd February**

Koinonia John the Baptist have organised a weekend for 11-18 year olds (residential option available for 13-17s). An event full of faith, fun and friendship with young people from across the Diocese. It can also count towards your Pope John Paul II Award. Interested? Contact Br. Darren: darren@koinonia.ie/07752 154369, or for more info/book a place visit <https://koinoniayouthweekend2019.eventbrite.co.uk>. Full weekend costs £35. Places are limited.

### ACCORD NI

As we journey on from the World Meeting of Families, Glenavy and Killead Parish is offering an **Oasis Day of Prayer and Reflection for Married Couples, on Saturday 2nd Mar, 10.00am – 3.00pm** in St. Clare's Community Hall, 55 Chapel Lane, Glenavy, Crumlin. This is an opportunity for married couples to take some time out, in the company of other couples, to reflect on their marriage in a relaxed and prayerful atmosphere. For more information, contact Accord NI Catholic Marriage Care Service on 02890 233002.

### St. Brigid's Day Lecture 2019

given by Bishop Alan McGuckian, S.J., **"DISCERNING DISCIPLES: POPE FRANCIS ON PRAYER"** in St. Brigid's Parish Centre 38 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, **On Thursday, 31st January 2019 at 7.30pm.** Everyone welcome.

### Overseas Volunteering Training Course

This enjoyable course, open to all, run over 4 weekends from February to May, is for anybody who is interested in overseas or home volunteering at some stage or who just wants to learn more about global injustice issues and how we fit in. Training covers Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. and begins on 9-10 February 2019 in Dublin. Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email [apply@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:apply@viatoreschristi.com) for more info.

### Day of Prayer

given by Fr. Kilian Byrne  
Theme: "Lord to whom shall we go?"  
Knock Shrine - St. John's Rest & Care Centre  
**Saturday February 2nd, 10am-5pm**  
Includes: Talks, Rosary, Adoration, Mass.  
Further Info: Helen 086 1678027 / [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com)