



Saint Nicholas' Church

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Our Lady of Lourdes Church



27th January 2019

3rd Sunday of the Year

Sundays Cycle C Weekdays 1 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 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
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Offerings

Weekly Offering £1,108
Diocesan Youth Commission £484

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



Anniversaries

David McGivern, May McGivern,
Jeanie O'Hara, Hugh O'Hara
Sheila Mulholland,
Maureen Edwards,
Mary Degan,

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

Congratulations

to all the boys and girls confirmed by
Bishop Farquhar on Friday at Mount Saint
Nicholas. Sincere thanks to the staff of
Saint Nicholas' Primary School for
coordinating all the preparations.

Annual Mass and Anointing of the Sick

To celebrate the feast of Our Lady of
Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the
Sick, there will be a Mass in Whitehead on
Saturday 9th February at 3:00 p.m.
Everyone is very welcome to attend,
especially the elderly and infirm in the
Parish. Please contact Fr. Owens or the
Parish Office if you require a lift or know
anyone who would like a lift on the day.
Refreshments afterwards.

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.

Attention All Young People!

There will be a meeting of our
Parish Youth Group on
**Sunday 10th Feb, after the 11.30am Mass,
in the Committee Room of St Nicholas'.**

If you are P7 or above, and feel you have
something to contribute or a role to play in
our Parish, then please feel free to come
along. We would love you to get involved.
Come and share your ideas about
faith and Church.

Your voice is important to us!

If you require any further information, please
contact either

Siobhan Gilmore tel: 07593449231 or
David Gorman tel: 07449835818

Chatty Crafters

The craft group will be meeting next
Thursday 31st Jan, from 7pm - 9pm
in Lourdes Pastoral Centre.
All are welcome!

The Guardian Project

A sincere thanks to all those who contributed
so generously to last weekend's Church Door
Collection for the Guardian Project.

The magnificent sum
of **£3162.29** was raised.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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.

Beloved Disciples

"Wisdom comes with age"... Join us in
Drumalis Retreat Centre for a 4 week
DVD course (designed for the over
sixties) that will inspire and bring a new
spring to your step. Each Tuesday
morning in February, from 10:30 am –
12:00 pm. Suggested donation £5 per
week. To book a place, please telephone
Drumalis during office hours (Monday –
Friday, 9 am – 5 pm) – telephone 028
2827 2196/028 2827 6455 or email
clare@drumalis.co.uk

Catholic Schools Week 2019

Catholic Schools Week will run from
27th Jan to 3rd Feb.

The theme this year is

**Catholic Schools: Celebrating the Work
of Our Local Catholic Schools**

The daily themes are as follows:

Monday: Living Tradition

Tuesday: Welcoming Diversity

Wednesday: Grandparents' Day

Thursday: In Service of Our Community

Friday: Supporting Faith

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

30th Anniversary 'Homegrown' Concert celebrating the work of TinyLife,

the premature baby charity.

Friday 1st March at 8 pm in

Clonard Monastery, Belfast

Artists include the cream of Northern Ireland
talent: Karl McGuckin, Malachi Cush, Andrea

Begley, Eimear McGeown, Niamh Perry,

St Dominics Grammar School Choir
& Special Guest Phil Coulter

Tickets £20 available from Clonard office,
TinyLife office (Bloomfield Avenue)

tel: 02890 815050 or online

www.buytickets.at/tinylife

Parkinson's UK. Change Attitudes.

Find a Cure. Join Us!

Thinking about volunteering in 2019?

Parkinson's UK currently have a variety of
volunteer roles on offer. We have roles that
require just a couple of hours of your time per
month, home based roles and roles where you can
help decide priorities within your local area.
So, whether you thrive in a group environment or
enjoy making strategic decisions in a small team,
please call Emma McKeown on 0797 686 6649
for a no obligation chat to kick start your
volunteering journey or email
emckeown@parkinsons.org.uk.

'What's so Good about Virtue Ethics?'

Fr James Keenan, SJ, is a moral theologian who
serves as Canisius Professor and Director of The
Jesuit Institute at Boston College. As a specialist
in virtue ethics and the history of theological
ethics, he is the author of several moral theology
texts, including the recently-updated third
editions of his books Moral Wisdom (2016) and
Works of Mercy (2017).

Fr Keenan will deliver a talk on "What's so Good
about Virtue Ethics?" in the Holy Rosary (Good
Shepherd) Parish Centre, 511 Ormeau Road,
Belfast BT7 3GS, on **Wed 6th Feb at 7.30pm.**
All welcome to attend and Car Parking is
available in the grounds of the Centre.

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.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are a beautiful healing
opportunity for anyone struggling with the
spiritual or emotional pain of an abortion. The
weekend helps you to experiment the love, mercy,
compassion and forgiveness of God. It enables
suffering souls to find a voice and transform the
pain of the past into love and peace and a future
full of hope. For information call Marian in
complete confidence on 07814 748 744 or email
marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk and check us out on
facebook.

Beginning Experience

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

Rome/San Giovanni Pilgrimage

Rome/San Giovanni 15th / 22nd April Easter 2019
with Papal Ceremonies in Rome for the Easter
Period 7 nights €995 pps Payments can be made
in instalments contact James Treacy on
061921470 or 0860572216