

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Saint Nicholas' Church



5th May 2019

3rd Sunday of Easter

Sunday Cycle C

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 £1,462
Easter Offering £1,467
Catholics in the Holyland £713

Many thanks for your generosity

Easter Flowers

Thank you to everyone who made
donations towards the Easter
Flowers in St. Nicholas' and
Our Lady of Lourdes Churches.

Anne Quinn and
Margaret O'Neill

Requiescant in Pace



**Recently Deceased
Anniversaries**

Bridget Murray, Lorraine McKinty,
Sister Rose Fowler,
Jackie and Margaret Butler,
Leo O'Neill, James O'Neill,
James Devine, Francis Devine.

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

Light Refreshments

Will be available in Lourdes Pastoral
Centre after Mass **TODAY**, 5th May.
Everyone welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration

Jesus, You have revealed to us the greatness of
Your love. The first thing You expect of us is
that we believe in Your love. So, we come to
proclaim before you that we do believe in Your
love and that we place all our
trust in You.

Intention for May

We pray for all those taking exams at this time,
that they will be able to demonstrate the fruits
of their preparations and go on to fulfil their
true potential.

Cemetery Sunday 2019

Sunday 23rd June
Mount St Nicholas After 11.30am Mass
Victoria 2.00pm
Prospect 3.00pm

Sunday 30th June
Islandmagee After 9.30am Mass

Date for your Diary

First Holy Communion - 18 May at 11.00am

Parish Repository.



Gifts & Cards for First
Holy Communion
including: Rosary beads,
Prayer books, Photo frames, Pens, etc.



Our Lady's Month of May

Statues, Candles,
Pictures, Rosaries, etc., ideal
for an Altar
in your home.



Trocaire

**"This is the Lord's doing: and it is
wonderful in our eyes."
Psalms 118:23.**

Trocaire thanks all parishioners and clergy
for their support of this year's Lenten
campaign. Please return Trocaire boxes so
donations can be put to use as soon as
possible helping the most vulnerable in the
developing world. www.trocaire.org

Carrickfergus Church Forum

Exploring Brexit through the lens of Ruth
Facilitator: Glenn Jordan, Corrymeela
Tues 7th May 7-30pm, Harbour Faith
Community, Governors Place BT38 7BN

AGM

Tues 11th June 2019
Guest speaker: Sr. Margaret Rose
(Drumalis Centre, Larne)
Theme: 'The Cosmic Christ'
7-30pm, Harbour Faith Community
All most welcome to these events.

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., Malone Rd.,
Belfast. All welcome. For details please
contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie
Tel: 078 9611 9669

Parish Food Bank

All donations of non-perishable, in-date
food gratefully received. Please leave your
donations in the containers provided at the
back of St Nicholas' Church.

Darkness Into Light Walk

**Help save lives by walking from
Darkness Into Light
SATURDAY 11th MAY, 2019
TIME 4.15 A.M.**

All funds raised are going to Pieta House
which offers counselling to families and
children who have been bereaved by suicide,
counselling to those who are self-harming and
those who are suicidal. We also have a 24
hour helpline which is **1800 247 247**.
Darkness Into Light is more than just a walk,
it's a global movement against suicide and
self-harm. As our flagship fundraiser, it keeps
our doors open and allows us to help more
people every year, always free of charge.
To register: <https://www.darknessintolight.ie/>

'Children of the Troubles'

is a project by Joe Duffy and Freya
McClements. They are writing a book to
remember the children who died as a result of
Northern Ireland's 'Troubles'. They wish to
accurately and sensitively record the lives of
these children, who died so young. If your
family or friends lost a child - aged 16 and
under - and you would like to contribute to the
book, please contact Joe or Freya on
**077 4358 9203 or e-mail -
childrenofthetroubles@gmail.com**'.

**SMA Retreat Centre
Dromantine, Newry**

is offering 2 short Retreats.
1. **Awareness and Mindful Living.**
Conducted by Martina and Patrick Sheehan.
10am on Fri. 10 May-Sun 12 May at 2pm.
2. **Forgiveness; the journey from hurt to
healing, freedom and peace.**
Conducted by Fr. Des Corrigan SMA
Sat 22 June 9.30am - 5pm.
Contact Retreat Centre, Tel. 02830821964
E mail: admin@dromantineconference.com

**The Natural Family Teachers
Association of Ireland**

are holding a one-day introductory course
on Natural Family Planning - Sympto-
thermal Double Check Method on
Saturday 18th May from 9.30 am - 4.30
pm, in Corrs Corner Hotel, Glengormley,
Co. Antrim. For more details contact:
deirdregleeson@medwise.ie or
bcunningham29@hotmail.com

ACCORD

ACCORD invites applications for the **Certificate in
Counselling** (Marriage and Relationship), for the academic
year 2019/2020.
The Certificate, validated by St. Patrick's College Maynooth,
is aligned to Level 8,
20 ECTS on the National Framework of Qualifications (Level
6 England, Wales and NI) and is aimed at qualified,
experienced counsellors/psychotherapists who have:
•Degree/Diploma in Counselling/Psychotherapy
•Completed a minimum of 200 client hours and have a current
supervised caseload
•Knowledge/Experience of the Person Centred Approach
Successful applicants' course and supervision fees funded by
ACCORD. Training in Maynooth over eight weekends,
September 2019 to June 2020.
Application Criteria and Form: <http://www.accord.ie/joining-accord/becoming-a-counselor>. Closing date 31st May 2019

TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE

Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator or Associate
Counsellor with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service?
Would you like to share your positive married experience
with engaged and married couples?
For further information contact the N.Ireland Regional Office
on 02890 233002 or email info@accordni.com

The Child in our Midst

St. Patrick's College, Maynooth will host a conference
on the subject of childhood on June 7th - 8th. The
keynote speaker is Annemie Dillen from KULEAVEN
and it will include a number of Plenary and Workshop
sessions on topics as varied as Children and the
Spirituality of Motherhood and Children's Rights and
Catholic Faith. For further information contact
specialevents@spcm.ie.
To register for Conference www.eventbrite.ie

**Living Church - Children's Liturgy
Development Day**

The Living Church will host its third and final 2018/19
**Development Day for Leaders of Children's Liturgy
of the Word on Saturday 11th May from 9.30am-
3.30pm in the Living Church Offices at 120,
Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA.**
**DCU Assistant Prof. of Religious Education, Cora
O'Farrell**, will be our guest speaker. Cora is an expert
in Children's Spirituality and she has a passion for
Montessori inspired forms of Religious Education and
has undertaken training in both Catechesis of the Good
Shepherd (levels 1 and 2) and Godly Play. She will be
sharing some of her insights with us, helping to inspire,
support and nourish all those involved in this valuable
ministry within our Diocese. Attendance at the day is
free and lunch will be provided but it is necessary to
register as spaces are limited. Please contact Caren at
by email: c.collins@downandconnor.org; or
telephone: 028 90 690 920 to register.