

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

Saint Nicholas' Church

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

8th September 2019

23rd Sunday of the Year

Sunday Cycle C

Weekdays 1

Divine Office Week 3

OUR PARISH

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Peter Owens PP

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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 Aidan Kerr, PE, 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 Kevin Browne, 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 £1,127

Medical Missionaries £969

Of Mary

Many thanks for your generosity

Parish Cell Groups

The Parish Cell Groups will resume on **Wed 18 Sept.**

If you wish to know more about the Cell Groups, please contact any of the following :

Matt Monaghan 07428247820
Anne McFerran 07809906792
Maria Flanagan 07803297129
Tommy Mone 07713849471
Ruth Bates 07876420867
Jim Mullan 07841428436

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversary

John Callaghan, Oliver Wilson,
Veronica Walker, Agnes Duffin,
Mary Moore, Teresa Moore,
Christopher Moore,
Juan Gabriel Despot.

*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
MON 9th SEPT.**

**Fr Owens will visit the sick and
housebound this week**

**C'fergus - Tues 10 Sept - am & pm
W'head - Wed 11 Sept - am**

Parish BBQ

The annual Parish BBQ will take place
in Carrickfergus **THIS Sun 8th Sept.**
after the 11.30am Mass.



Carrickfergus & Whitehead

CARING & SERVING TOGETHER

The Parish Assembly will take place on
Wed 25th Sept. at 7.30pm in
St. Nicholas' Primary School Hall.
All are very welcome to attend.



Safeguarding Children Parish Information Session

The Parish Safeguarding Committee is facilitating a
Safeguarding Children Parish Information Session on
Tuesday 10th September
in St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus
from 7pm to 8.30pm.

This session is provided for all adult volunteers and
staff within the parish who need to have basic
awareness of safeguarding children. This includes;
parish groups, Children's Liturgy volunteers,
Sacristans, Altar Server Supervisors and volunteers
involved in the parish 'Do it in Memory' programme
and Preparation for Sacraments. Any parishioners with
an interest in safeguarding children are also welcome to
attend.

**Please confirm your attendance with
Amanda Stewart by phone 07786320611,
or with any member of the Parish Safeguarding
Committee.**

Children's Liturgy Volunteers

Volunteers are urgently required to assist with the
Children's Liturgy Group during the 11.30am Mass in
St Nicholas'. If you feel that you could help out, please
speak with either Fionnuala McAllister, the group
leader, or Fr Owens after Mass.

Thank You.

Theology of the Body - Down and Connor

Invitation to an introduction to Pope John Paul II catechises
on the Theology of the Body starting on Wed 4 Sept running
for 7 sessions until Wed 16 Oct.
Venue: St Patrick's Church, Downpatrick BT30 6DN - in the
Crypt of the Church "Patrick's Place".
Once in the carpark travel to the right around the side of St
Patrick's Church. Light refreshments provided.
Time: 8.10pm - 9.30pm - Over 18s - Contact Maureen T:077
1928 4747 or Geraldine T: 077 1928 4738 or Email:
tobteam@yahoo.com for more information.



FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION

Online bookings for this year's Faith and Life Convention are now open.
We hope that you will be able to us on Saturday 28th September 2019 in Our Lady and
St Patrick's College in Belfast.

This year our theme for the convention is Faith in a Better World and our Keynote Speaker
will be Michel Camdessus. Michel is the former director of the International Monetary Fund
(IMF) and a member of the Pontifical Council on Justice and Peace. Our keynote speech
will be followed by a panel discussion where together we can reflect on the variety of issues
that we face in society today.

The highlight of the day for many people is the variety of workshops on offer and this year
we have an impressive line-up of local and international speakers. The convention is an
excellent opportunity to network with others from the Diocese and beyond. We look
forward to welcoming you and having an enjoyable day where we can encourage one another
to be people of active faith in our society.

**In support of the Parish Faith development commitment if sufficient
numbers of parishioners are interested in attending this convention the
Parish Pastoral Council would consider subsidising the hire of a coach .
Would those interested please put their name and telephone number on
the list at the back of the church and we will contact you.**

Parish Retreat

at Drumalis Larne

Sat 21 Sept 5.00pm- Sun 22 Sept 5 pm

If you wish to attend, please leave your name
and tel number on the form at the back of the
Churches in Carrickfergus and Whitehead and
Ruth Bates (02893 378958) will be in touch
and will then reserve you a room. The price
is £80 for overnight, includes all meals, and
£50 for Sunday only, arriving at 8.30am for
morning prayer and breakfast.

PATHWAYS- Adult Faith Development Programme at Drumalis

Enrol now for 2019-2021 intake. Pathways is a
broad-based adult faith development course which
explores spirituality, theology and prayer. Now in
its fourteenth year, Pathways is geared towards
those who want to reflect about life, faith and
relationships with God and others. The course
takes place in the beautiful surroundings of
Drumalis in Larne. No academic qualifications are
necessary and there is no coursework attached.
This two-year programme supported by the
Diocese of Down and Connor runs from October
to June each year and will be held on nine
Saturdays from 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. For further
information and booking form, please contact
Drumalis - **028 2827 2196/2827 6455** (during
office hours, Mon-Fri, 9 am - 5 pm),
email maura@drumalis.co.uk or see the
Drumalis website: <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

Annual Pioneer Mass

The Belfast Pioneer Region are holding their
Annual Mass on **Wednesday 18th Sept in
St Agnes' Church, 141 Andersonstown
Rd. Belfast, beginning at 7pm.**

If anyone wishes to be presented with gold,
silver or other Pioneer emblems /certificates,
please contact Pat 9262 9959,

Roisin 9064 6957, Josephine 9061 7116 or
Mary 9442 3956 as soon as possible.

All Pioneers and friends are welcome. Light
refreshments afterwards.

SMA Retreat & Conference Centre, Drmantine, Newry.

Days of Prayer / Workshops

9.30am - 5.00pm (with lunch)

Sat. 28th Sept. 'Lectio Divina'

led by Fr. Joseph Ralph OP - £25/€30

Sat. 19th Oct. 'The Green Platform'

led by Mr Declan Coyle - £45/€50

Sat. 9th Nov. 'Finding God in the Mess'

Fr.B.Mc Manus SJ & Jim Deeds £30/€35

NI Blood Transfusion Services

The next blood donation sessions will be
held in Town Hall, Joymount, C'fergus

Mon 23 Sept 1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8pm

Tues 24 Sept 1.30pm - 4pm & 5.15pm - 8pm