

Saint Nicholas'

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes

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8th November 2020 32nd Sunday of the Year Cycle A Week 4

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Mass on the Parish Website
Fr. Peter will celebrate Sunday Mass for
32nd Sunday of the Year from
St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus



'Stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour'

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

Bulletin Notices to be submitted to the parish
Email Address
by 12 noon Wed

Weekly Public Masses

We would invite those with **Surnames** in the following alphabet order to Mass on the assigned **Sundays** over the coming weeks.

Sunday	Carrick 11.30am	Sunday	Whitehead 9.30am
8th Nov	F-L	8th Nov	G-M
15th Nov	M-Mc	15th Nov	Mc-O
22nd Nov	N-Z	22nd Nov	P-Z

Requiescant in Pace



Recently Deceased

Sadie Wilson
Frank McKay
Patricia Herdman
Tony Finn
Bridie Hackett

Anniversaries

Martin Kell (1st Anniv.),
Sally Haveron,
Bob & May McKeown, their
daughter Winifred, and
deceased members of the
McKeown family

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

Mass every Wednesday evening

6.00 pm, Whitehead
7.30 pm, Carrickfergus

These Masses are open to all parishioners, subject to seating availability.

SVP Christmas Appeal

As long standing and generous supporters of St Vincent de Paul, we want to let you know about our plans for celebrating a different kind of Christmas this year. Whilst the need to support families and individuals living in poverty will be greater than ever, the safety of our volunteers, those donating gifts and the families receiving the gifts is paramount. So, instead of collecting toys, we have decided to provide gift vouchers this year, keeping the handling of goods to a minimum and empowering the families to choose the gifts their children wake up to on Christmas morning themselves. If you wish to support our Christmas Appeal, please leave your donation towards the purchase of gift vouchers in the red box at the church **by Sunday 29th November**. Thank you again for your generous support throughout the years.



Parish Repository - Lourdes Pastoral Centre, Whitehead

On Sat 14th Nov, the Parish Repository/Shop will be open in the main hall from 11.30am to 2.00pm.

On display will be a large selection of Advent/Christmas items, including Christmas Cards, Candles, Art Calendars, Nativity Sets, Catholic Diary's, etc., as well as our general stock items.



Anniversary Candle Distribution

As a result of the current pandemic, we were unable to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the opening of St. Nicholas' Church with our planned Lenten Triduum. Instead, the candles which had been prepared for parishioners will be distributed at the end of the Sunday Masses in November. One suggestion is for the candle to be lit during Advent as a reminder of Christ's promises to us. It can also help to dispel the darkness which people can feel at this time of year, especially during the current pandemic. Many thanks to Sarah Dixon and friends for preparing the candles. *The Liturgy Team.*

November - Month of the Holy Souls

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during November and offer up their sacrifice for their deceased relatives and friends. You can do likewise.

Please consider taking the short term Pledge for November and say the prayer daily -

"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November".

StopCOVID NI App. <https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/stopcovid-ni-app-explainer-leaflet>
See the Parish Website for more info.



Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 restrictions we have been unable to carry out visits to bereaved families in the parish.

If you wish to talk to someone call 07598825187, or leave a message and someone from the group will get back to you .

Plenary Indulgences - November 2020

may be obtained, by;
A.- the plenary indulgence for those who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead even if only mentally, **normally established only on the individual days from 1 to 8 November, can be transferred to other days in the month of November.** These days, freely chosen by individual faithful, can also be separated from each other;

B.- the plenary indulgence of November 2 established on the occasion of the commemoration of all the faithful departed for those who visit a church or an oratory and recite the "Our Father" and the "Creed" there, can be transferred not only to the Sunday before or after or on the day of the solemnity of All Saints, **but also on another day of the month of November,** at the free choice of the individual faithful. [Full details on Parish Website.](#)

This Coming Week

9th Nov - 15th Nov

Mon

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Tues

St. Leo the Great, Pope

Wed

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

Thurs

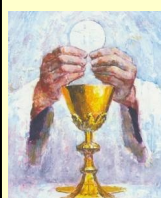
St. Josaphat, Bishop

Sat

St. Laurence O'Toole

Sun

33rd Sunday of the Year
(World Day for the Poor)



First Communion

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Communion in the month of October

On Wednesday 18th November, Bishop Noel will celebrate Mass in Saint Peter's Cathedral, remembering all those who have died this year in the Diocese at 7pm.

This Mass will be streamed on the Cathedral webcam, <https://www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral>

COVID19 Restrictions and Guidance update

Churches will remain open and liturgy may continue subject to guidance in place, informed by our risk assessment. It is mandatory for face coverings to be worn in church and also when entering and exiting the church. There is now a limit of 25 people, who can attend Funerals or Weddings, during this current lockdown.

Readings for Sun 15th Nov

Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Thessalonians 5: 1-6
Matthew 25: 14-30

Mass at St. Mary, Star of the Sea, Whitehouse
<https://www.loughshoreparishes.org/webcam/>

Mass at St. Bernard's, Glengormley
<https://www.churchservices.tv/glengormley/>