



Saint Nicholas'

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes

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15th November 2020 33rd Sunday of the Year Cycle A Week 1

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Mass on the Parish Website
Fr. Peter will celebrate Sunday
Mass for
**33rd Sunday of the Year from
Our Lady of Lourdes, Whitehead**

*'The kingdom of heaven
is like a man on his
way, abroad who
summoned his servants
and entrusted his
property to them'*



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**

Requiescant in Pace



Recently Deceased

Ann Ferguson

Anniversaries

John & Theresa McAllister
Mary Baile

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

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
15th Nov	M-Mc	15th Nov	Mc-O
22nd Nov	N-Z	22nd Nov	P-Z

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.

StopCOVID NI App.

<https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/stopcovid-ni-app-explainer-leaflet>

See the Parish Website for more info.

Parish Advent Liturgy Service

Please come along and join us for an Advent Liturgy Service as we prepare as a Parish family for Christmas. The theme of the service is "Faith and Trust in God in this time of Uncertainty and Fear".
The service will take place in **St. Nicholas' on Tuesday 1st December at 7:00 p.m.** and again in **Our Lady of Lourdes on Thursday 3rd December at 7:00 p.m.**
The services are open to all parishioners, subject to seating availability.

PARISH BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP

Due to the Covid 19 Restrictions it is not possible for us to come together for the Annual Mass for the Bereaved. On **Tuesday 24th November at 7pm**, Fr Peter and the Bereavement Group invite you via the Parish website, to join us for a celebration of the Eucharist for Deceased and Bereaved Parishioners.
Website: www.carrickparish.org

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.*

Cell meeting
Tues 17th
November at 2 pm at Lourdes
Pastoral Centre.
After a cup of tea we will be
READY TO PRAY
All Welcome, stay safe and
bring a mask!
Ruth (02893 378958)

Important Notice

As windows and vents will be open during the winter months Parishioners are reminded to wrap up well with layers of clothes when attending the Church

‘St. Nicholas’ Parish Repository’



The Parish Repository/Shop is open before and after Wednesday & Sunday Mass. If you wish, you can also make an appointment, by contacting Anne on 07449 749476.



Christmas Cards & Stock now available.



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 .

This Coming Week

16th Nov - 22nd Nov

Mon

St. Margaret of Scotland
St. Gertrude

Tues

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wed

Dedication of the Basilicas of
St. Peter & St. Paul

Sat

Presentation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

Sun

Christ the King of the Universe

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.](#)

Readings for Sun 22nd Nov

Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17
1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28
Matthew 25: 31-46

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>

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/>