

Saint Nicholas'

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

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Our Lady of Lourdes

6th October 2024

27th Sunday of the Year

Cycle B Week 3

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Bulletin Notices

to be submitted to the parish Email Address by 12 noon Wednesday

Baptisms

(one month's notice) Whitehead - 1st Sun of the month C'fergus - 2nd Sun of the month Weddings

> (three month's notice) By arrangement

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Funerals



Anniversaries

Joe Boylan (1st) Monica Wilson (1st) Kathleen Maginn Roy Hamilton Valerie Hutton

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

Today's second collection is for the Monthly Stipend.

Weekly Mass Times (** Streamed Masses - see website for link)

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Sun 11.30am **	Sun 9.30am	
Wed 7.00pm **	Wed 10.00am	

Holy Days: As announced.

The Rosary is held before Wednesday Masses at 9.30am in Our Lady of Lourdes and 6.30pm in Mount Saint Nicholas.

The **Sacrament of Penance** is available on the first Wed of the month from 6.00pm to 6.45pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Mount Saint Nicholas.

Eucharistic Adoration is available every Saturday between 11.00 and 12.00 noon in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Mount St. Nicholas.

Tuesday Mass

Starting in October, the Tuesday morning Mass will take place once a month and will include some of the Primary School children attending each month. The Mass for October will be on Tuesday 8th October at 10.00 a.m.

Sacrament Preparation

If you have a child in P3, P4 or P7 who is <u>not</u> attending St. Nicholas' Primary School or Acorn Integrated Primary School, and wish your child to be prepared for the Sacraments please contact the Parish Office or Mary Muir (07971003405) as soon as possible. Classes each Sunday from 10.45am - 11.25am.

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

To celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, the Panel of Catechists will host Visio Divina (Divine Seeing) in St. Nicholas' Church on Monday 7th October at 7.30 p.m. The session will consist of prayer and meditation.

We have extended an invitation to the other churches in our Family of Parishes, which will give us an opportunity to meet and get to know some of our fellow parishioners across our Family.

Light refreshments will be provided and everyone is welcome.

Teas in Whitehead

Light refreshments will be available in the Pastoral Centre in Whitehead after 09.30 Mass today Sunday, 6th October. Everyone is welcome.

Special Belfast Pilgrimage (Limited availability) to Fatima EX Dublin Easter 2025, Flying with TAP airlines, Also 13th June 2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony, 13th October 2025 for Miracle of Sun Contact James Treacy 00353 61921470 jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com Payment by instalments acceptable LAST **REMAINING SEATS**

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Monday 14th October at 7:15pm in the Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or

how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

Prisons Week

Fr Stephen McBrearty Lead Coordinator of Catholic Chaplains Northern Ireland Prison Service would like to highlight the upcoming Prison week. 13th to 19th October which aims to gather the Church in prayer for the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people caring for those affected by crime inside and outside of our prisons.

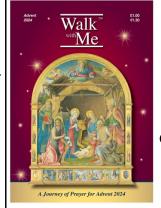
THE PRISONS WEEK PRAYER

Lord, you offer freedom to all people.

We pray for those in prison. Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist. Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends, prison staff and all who care. Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others, especially the victims of crime.

Help us to forgive one another, to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly together with Christ in his strength and in his Spirit, now and every day.

Amen



Parish Shop Call in today.

2024 Advent Walk with Me

Can now be ordered in the Parish Shop. Wide selection of cards and gifts available.

Open before and after Sunday Mass. For more info see

www.carrickparish.org/shop

St. Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage Ireland 2024 DIOCESE OF DOWN & CONNOR ST MARY'S, CHAPEL LANE, BELFAST 15th & 16th October 2024

Be part of this once in a lifetime event and share in the joy and special message of Our Lady of Lourdes. For more information visit: www.downandconnor.org/stbernadette. Or see church notice boards

for further information.



PARISH CELL GROUP MEETING WHITEHEAD

Tuesday, 8th Oct: There will be a Cell meeting at 11.00 am at 4 Marine Parade. Contact: Ruth Bates: 07876420867. All are welcome. "Come and see."

One day pilgrimage to Knock on the feast of All Souls Saturday 2nd November, bus leaving St Agnes at 7.30am, bring packed lunch, price £26 (includes tea and scone). Please ring Pat 07946917354 or Harriet 07812098901.

DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST VACANCY

A vacancy has arisen for a Sacristan, as a Job Share arrangement, within St Gerard's Parish, 722 Antrim Road, Newtownabbey. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at:

http://www.downandconnor.org clicking on the tab: JOB VACANCIES, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. Application

packs can also be obtained from St Gerard's Parish Office, 722 Antrim Road, Newtownabbey. Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Tuesday 15 Oct 2024

ABIDE in His Love Women's Conference. 15th-17th November 2024

The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal. Join us for an inspiring weekend with guest speakers including Lisa Cotter (Denver, Colorado), the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr. Barry Braum (London), Kathleen Nichols & Celine Kelly (Magdala, Israel), Bishop Kevin Doran (Elphin), Catherine DiNuzzo (Kansas), and Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR, among others. This conference will celebrate the beauty and dignity of women in the Church and the world today. It offers a wonderful opportunity to come together, form new friendships, be uplifted by powerful talks, and experience the transformative presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

We encourage you to invite a family member or friend to join you.

To register, visit Eventbrite and search for "Abide in His Love."

Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.

Up and coming Events

Quiz Night - 2nd November 2024, Christmas Party Night with disco - 6th December 2024, St Patrick's Celebrations - 15th March 2025. (Further details, closer to each event.) We are delighted to announce our programme of Faith
Renewal events for the
Autumn/Winter season at
Knock Shrine.
Further information is available on our website www.knockshrine.ie or by phoning Knock Shrine office at 094 93 88100

This Coming Week

7th Oct - 13th Oct

Mon

Our Lady of the Rosary **Wed**

St. Denis & Companions St. John Henry Newman

Thurs

St. Paulinus of York

Fri

St. Canice

St. John XXIII

Sat

St. Wilfred

Sun

28th Sun in Ordinary Time

Readings for Sun 13th Oct

Wisdom 7: 7-11 Hebrews 4: 12-13 Mark 10: 17-30

Contact details for the Belfast 16 Family of Parishes

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Carrickfergus	www.carrickparish.org	Very Rev. Peter Owens, PP VF	(028) 9336 3269
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