

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

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Saint Nicholas'

Our Lady of Lourdes

15th September 2024

24th Sunday of the Year

Cycle B Week 4

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

St. Nicholas' Carrickfergus	Our Lady of Lourdes Whitehead
Sun 11.30am **	Sun 9.30am
Tues 10.00am	
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.

DRUMALIS RETREAT 5th October 5.30 pm - 6th October 5.30pm.
Please find a sheet at the back of each Church where you can leave Ruth your details and she will contact you regarding information and your requirements as to diet and accommodation. Ruth's number is 07876420867

Sacrament Preparation

If you have a child in P3, P4 or P7 who is not 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.

Class begins on September 15th from 10.45am - 11.25am.

Transport to Mass

If you are a parishioner who uses a taxi service to come to Mass and would prefer a lift from another parishioner, please speak to Fr. Peter or contact the Parish Office and enquiries will be made on your behalf, so that you don't have to pay for a taxi service.

PARISH CELL GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, 17th Sept: There will be a Cell meeting in Carrick at 8.00 pm. Contact: Margaret Webb: 07779729505 or Anne McFerran: 07809906792

Wednesday, 18th Sept: There will be a Cell meeting at 11.00 am in the committee room at the back of Saint Nicholas' Church. Contact: Matt Monaghan: 07428247820 or Jim Mullan: 07841428436 All are welcome. "Come and see."

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. **Beginning Experience** is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (28th September, 26th October and 30th November) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Pauline 07519289185 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com If you require any further information please contact any of the above numbers and we will be happy to help.

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

Funerals

By arrangement

Requiescant in Pace



Anniversaries

Catherine Morrison (1st)
Raymond Monaghan (1st)
Brendan McSherry
Sammy & Sue McFerran
Seamus Stewart
Sarah Maxwell
Joanne McGuinness
Darren Myers

*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 Autumn Collection.

Carrick Parish Foodbank

If you can help donate food items, please leave in the green box in the church porch.

- Milk (UHT), Sugar (500g), ● Fruit Juice (Long life carton),
- Soup, ●Cereals,● Pasta Sauces,
- Tinned Goods ●Tea Bags/Instant Coffee, ●Instant Mash Potato,
- Rice/Pasta, ● Tinned Meat/Fish/Fruit,
- Jam, ● Biscuits or snack bars. Etc.

Thank you



Parish Bethany

Bereavement Group are here to support you through your grief, if you would like to speak to someone a member of the Group can be contacted on the Confidential mobile **07598825187**

Parish Shop

Open before and after Sunday Mass. Gifts, Cards & Magazines available.

For more info see our latest offers at

www.carrickparish.org/shop

PATHWAYS ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2024/25

begins on Sat, 12 Oct at Drumalis. The programme takes place one Saturday a month from 10 am – 4 pm between Oct and Jun. **GROWTH IN PRAYER AND REFLECTIVE LIVING** (hosted by Drumalis via Zoom, commencing Mon, 16 Sept). This 20 session course via Zoom between Sept and Mar. is based on the insights of Ignatian Spirituality.

For further information contact Drumalis during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) – 028 28276455/28272196 or email drumalis@btconnect.com

ALPHA

St Colmcille’s Church Ballyhackamore is running an ALPHA programme over 8 weeks in The Hearth pub next door to the church (at 199 Upper Newtownards Road BT4 3JB) - on Tuesday evenings from 8pm to 9.30pm, starting on Tuesday 1st October.

Meet new people and explore the Christian faith together. Alpha is for anyone who’s curious. No judgement, no pressure.

Each session unpacks a big question of life, faith, and purpose, and is designed to spark conversation.

Come along, see what you think. All welcome , especially 18-40 year olds.

Contact the parish office for enquiries: stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org or text to: 07879 498131

Belfast Rosary Festival

Sunday 13th October. The 21st Annual Rosary Procession. From St. John’s Church to St. Peter’s Cathedral 2.30pm. The Procession will be followed by Benediction in St. Peter’s Cathedral and a Catholic Organisations’ Fair afterwards in the Cathedral Hall with refreshments.

The Climate Crisis – what can we do?

In response to the Climate Crisis, you are invited to a Webinar facilitated by Jane Mellett of Trocaire on Thursday 19th September at 7.30 pm. To register for this webinar, click the following link <https://bit.ly/3XDKJct> and enter your name and address

St Louis Grammar School - Centenary Gala Ball

2024 marks one hundred years since St Louis Grammar first opened its doors to Catholic girls from Ballymena and the surrounding areas. As part of the school’s Centenary celebrations a Gala Ball is being held at the Tullyglass House Hotel on Saturday 9th November.

The night will be compered by former pupil Declan Lawn, fresh from the success of series two of ‘Blue Lights’ and will feature a selection of entertainment and performances from past pupils, including the very talented ‘Celtic Woman’, Tara McNeill.

It promises to be a spectacular night celebrating all that is good about Catholic education locally.

To catch up with old school friends and teachers and perhaps even get your picture taken on the Blue Seat you can get your tickets now at www.friendsofstlouisballymena.com

This Coming Week

16th Sep - 22nd Sep

Mon

St. Cornelius

Tues

St. Robert Bellarmine

Wed

St. Januarius

St. Theodore of Canterbury

Fri

St. Andrew Kim Taegon & Companions

Sat

St. Matthew

Sun

25th Sun in Ordinary Time

Columban Way Walk for Peace, Healing and Wellbeing.

A small core group of walkers are walking the entire 361 mile Columban Way from Carlow to Bangor Abbey, Bangor County Down. They are due to arrive at Bangor Abbey on Saturday 21st September, International Peace Day. You can join the group on the final stage from Helen’s Bay to Bangor (4.5 miles)

To join the walk you need to register in advance of the 21st September. For more information and to book visit <https://www.visitardsandnorthdown.com/whats-on/columban-way-peace-walk-helens-bay-to-bangor-p916111> Places on the walk are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

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.)

Readings for Sun 22nd Sep

Wisdom 2: 17-20

James 3: 15, 5:3

Mark 9: 30-37

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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