



Saint Nicholas'

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes

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19th May 2024

Pentecost

Cycle B Week 4

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Mass Times week (** 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

The **Rosary** is held before Wednesday Services 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 a.m. and 12:00 noon in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Mount St. Nicholas.

Pentecost Celebration

The birthday of the Church will be celebrated today, Pentecost Sunday. Both churches have been decorated for the occasion and some of our foreign national parishioners will read the bidding prayers in their mother tongue for us. A special welcome to the children who received their First Holy Communion or were conferred with the Sacrament of Confirmation recently. The hospitality teams will provide refreshments after each Mass. Everyone is welcome. Happy Pentecost Day.

Teas, Art and Photographic Displays in Whitehead

Light refreshments will be available in the Pastoral Centre in Whitehead after 09.30 Mass **today**. There will also be art and photographic displays in the Pastoral Centre, showcasing some of the artwork and photographs from our talented contributors to the event. Everyone is welcome.

Bus Trip to Newcastle Many thanks to Fr. Peter for very generously offering to pay for the cost of the bus taking 44 parishioners on the day-trip to Newcastle on Saturday June 1st. Precise details of the trip (times etc), will be in next Sunday's bulletin.

PARISH CELL GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21st May: There will be a cell meeting at 11.00am in 4 Marine Parade, Whitehead. Contact Ruth Bates 07876420867. There will also be a cell meeting in Carrick at 8pm. Contact: Margaret Webb: 07779729505 or Anne Ferran: 07809906792.

Wednesday, 22nd May: There will be a cell meeting at 11.00 in the committee room at the back of St Nicholas' Church. Contact: Matt Monaghan: 07428247820 or Jim Mullan: 07841428436 All are welcome. "Come and see."

Today's second collection is for the Education of Diocesan Students

Cemetery Sunday in the Parish will take place this year on **Sunday 2nd June** as follows:

Islandmagee - immediately after 9.30am Mass in Whitehead;
Mount St. Nicholas' - immediately after 11.30am Mass in Carrickfergus;
Victoria - 2.00 pm; Prospect - 3.00 pm



Requiescant in Pace



Recently Deceased

Patrick Mc Allister

Anniversaries

Jimmy Mellon
Ronald Walk (Birmingham)

Pat Murray
Eddie Polland
Bernard Shaw
Margaret Gent
Brigid O'Reilly

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

Amen

Mass for the Sick - Sunday 26th May at 3.00 p.m. A Mass specially dedicated to the sick will be celebrated on Sunday 26th May at 3.00 p.m. in St. Nicholas' Church Carrickfergus. A blessing of the sick will be available during this Mass, which will be live streamed. Refreshments will be available afterwards and everyone is welcome.

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 shop.

Open before and after Sunday Mass. See our latest offers at www.carrickparish.org/shop for more info.

Blessed candles are available from the Parish Shop.



ANNUAL NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

We will celebrate this year with our neighbouring Parishes and our theme will be "Creating a Culture of Care"

HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHURCH LIMESTONE ROAD

MONDAY 20TH MAY AND TUESDAY 21ST MAY 9:30 and 19:30

ST GERARD'S PARISH CHURCH, ANTRIM ROAD

SATURDAY 18TH 9:30 and 18:30 & SUNDAY 19TH 9:30, 11:30 and 19:30

St Gerard's Parish warmly invite you to participate in our Annual Novena.

Down & Connor Diocesan Novena to The Sacred Heart: Renew Our Hearts

May 30th to June 7th, the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

As Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ begins his time as bishop of the diocese he would love everyone in the diocese to join him in nine days of prayer, asking Jesus to give us a new heart. He wants us to make a novena for each other, aware that we are brothers and sisters in Christ. The prayers will be available in a booklet you can pick up at Mass or read online. Bishop Alan's hope is that this novena will be prayed either individually or together by parishes, groups, schools or families.

Pray for Life Novena

The Pray for Life Novena from Thurs 23rd May to the Feast of the Visitation on Fri 31st May.

Visit www.prayforlife.ie for the daily novena prayers.



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

All Ireland Rosary Rally - Knock - Sat, June 1st

See www.allirelandrosaryrally.com for more details.

This Coming Week 20th May - 26th May

Mon

Mary, Mother of the Church
St. Bernardine of Siena

Tues

St. Christopher Magallanes

Wed

St. Rita

Thurs

Our Lord Jesus Christ
The Eternal High Priest

Fri

Our Lady Help of Christians

Sat

St. Bede the Venerable
St. Mary Magdalene of Pazzi

St. Gregory VII

Sun

Holy Trinity

Readings for Sun 26th May

Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40

Romans 8: 14 - 17

Matthew 28: 16 - 20

PARISH RETREAT will take place on 5th & 6th October. Further information to follow.

Mediate with Mary in May

An invitation to pray with art, sacred scripture and reflect on the life of Mary
Sacred Heart Hall, Ballyclare. 21st May
7.50pm to 8.30pm For further details email ballyclare@downandconnor.org

Northern Trust Stress Control team to let you know that our stress control classes will continue to be hosted online as a consequence of Covid-19. Jim White, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, will remain as key presenter for these online stress control classes. Instructions on how to access the online classes are available at <https://ni.stresscontrol.org/> The classes are FREE and the next round will commence on Monday 3rd June 2024 at 9am, with session two on the following Monday at 9am (10th June 2024).

Laudato Si' week – 'Responding to the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor'

The week beginning Sunday 19 May 2024 has been set aside by Pope Francis to reflect on 'Care for Creation' with the theme 'Seeds of Hope'.

"We Drink From Our Own Wells"
A Day of Prayer and Reflection
Drumalis, Larne – 10 am – 4 pm, Sat,
1 June 24

Brian McKee who has recently been appointed as Director of Drumalis will lead a day of prayer and reflection for people searching for meaning and purpose in their lives and in their community of faith. The day costs £30 per person (includes lunch and refreshments).

Drumalis Lunch Club: Taster Session

1 pm on Wednesday, 29 May 2024
We are holding a "taster session" for a possible future Drumalis lunch club on Wed, 29 May at 1 pm. Lunch will be served buffet style with a range of delicious home-made options on offer - main course and dessert with tea or coffee. The cost is £14 per person, to be booked and paid for in advance.

For bookings or any other queries, please contact Drumalis on 028 28276455 (Mon-Fri, 9 am-5 pm).

Details are also available on the Drumalis website - <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

Contact details for Loughshore Pastoral Community

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