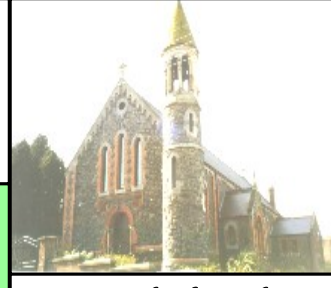




Saint Nicholas'

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes

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17th March 2024 Fifth Sunday in Lent (St Patrick) Cycle B Week 1

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Mass Times this week (** Streamed Masses - see website for details)

St. Nicholas' Carrickfergus	Our Lady of Lourdes Whitehead
Sun 11.30am **	Sun 9.30am
Tues 10.00am	
Wed 7.00pm **	Wed 10.00am

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

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

Baptisms
(one month's notice)
Whitehead 1st Sun of the month
C'fergus 3rd Sun of the month
Weddings
(three month's notice)
By arrangement
Funerals
By arrangement

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.

Envelope Boxes, 2024 - 2025

New Envelope Boxes are now available to collect from the rear of the Church. If anyone wishes to support the Parish financially either by receiving an Envelope Box or through a Standing Order, then please contact the parish office for more information or speak with Patrick Quinn.

Parish Office: Tel: (028) 93363269 or email: carrickfergus@downandconnor.org

Holy Thursday - Eucharistic Adoration

Would you be willing to spend 30 minutes with Jesus? Eucharistic Adoration will take place after Mass on Holy Thursday, 28th March, from 8:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Could you commit to remaining in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament for half an hour during this time? If so, please put your name on the sheet at the back of the church. Thank you.

Children's Liturgy

Please be advised there will be no Children's Liturgy on Easter Sunday 31st March 2024 or Sunday 7th April 2024. Children's Liturgy will recommence after Easter on Sunday 14th April 2024 during 11.30am mass.

LATEST FROM THE EVENTS TEAM

Many thanks for the tremendous support for last night's St. Patrick's Celebration. Thanks especially to Whitehead Golf Club, the Irish Dancers, the musicians and all who donated prizes. You made it a memorable night.


Our next venture is a bus trip to Newcastle pencilled in for Saturday 1st June, leaving Whitehead/Carrick about 10.30am and returning approx 7pm. 2-course meal, tea/coffee included.

Register your interest now with a member of the events team.

PARISH CELL GROUP MEETINGS

Parish Cell Group meeting in Carrickfergus at 8pm on Tuesday, 19th March . Contact: Margaret Webb: 07779729505 or Anne McFerran: 07809906792
Wednesday, 20th March: There will be a Cell meeting at 11.00 in the big meeting room at the back of Saint Nicholas' Church. Contact: Matt Monaghan: 07428247820 or Jim Mullan: 07841428436
New members welcome. "Come and see."

Requiescant in Pace



Recently Deceased
Pat McCavana

Anniversaries
Teresa Boylan (1st)
Seamus Donaghy

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

Whitehead Ladies Choir
Please note that the event on Tues 26 March in Our Lady of Lourdes is now **SOLD OUT.**
This is a ticket only event and all tickets have now been allocated.

Today's second collection is for Needy Parishes

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.



Easter Flowers for Carrickfergus and Whitehead



If you would like to donate towards the Easter flowers in St. Nicholas' or Our Lady of Lourdes churches, please see Anne Quinn in Carrickfergus or Pamela Maginn in Whitehead or put your donation in the boxes provided. Thank you.



Trocaire Lenten Boxes / Envelopes

Please return your Lenten Boxes or Envelopes to the Church for Holy Thursday.

Anyone making a Trocaire donation online through the Parish bank account, please mark your bank reference 'Lent24'.

If you require any further information please contact Patrick Quinn.

Fatima Pilgrimage

9th-14th August

EX Dublin mass in Santarem where bleeding host took place, visit visionaries homes Hungarian stations of the cross, Lisbon with church of Saint Anthony where he was born and baptised, seaside excursion. Payments can be made by instalments, Contact James Treacy 061921470 or email jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com

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

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary presents Matt Fradd, an American-based Catholic speaker who hosts the well-known Podcast Pints with Aquinas. He will give 2 talks on Saturday 23 March 2024 at 7pm in Titanic Hotel Belfast. Tickets can be purchased at universe.com/MattFraddBelfast

Divine Mercy Sunday - St. MacNissi's Larne

Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday with us at St. MacNissi's Church Larne on 7th April 2024.

Programme:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 2-3pm

Confessions: 2pm onwards

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 3pm

Mass begins at approximately 3-15pm

Music provided by Megan Mooney and Richard Barnes.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

26 – 28 April 2024, Co. Kildare: an opportunity to energise communication and romance in your marriage!
Visit: www.marriageencounter.ie/marriage-encounter-weekend

KNOCK Pilgrimage

Mon 29 April - Wed 1st May 2024 only £210 per person sharing! Come along with St Michael's on a Parish retreat to beautiful Knock Shrine staying at the fabulous Knock House hotel for two nights B & B, dinner on both nights & a lunch on the final day of departure included, with bus leaving from and returning to St Michael's Finaghy Road North Belfast.
All very welcome, but places are limited. Please register your interest asap with Catherine on 95904304 at the Parish Office Mon to Thurs 9.30 to 12.30pm or email stmichaels@downandconnor.org

Lough Derg - Young Adults Retreat

Calling all 18 30 year olds!

Do you want to explore your faith with other like-minded young people in a beautiful and reflective location?

Join us for a Retreat for Young Adults at Lough Derg, Pettigo County Donegal on Saturday 27th April 2024 from 10am to 4pm. Refreshments and Lunch provided. This Retreat is organised by The Knights of St Columbanus Omagh and is free of charge.

To Register please visit tiny.cc/loughderg, or Email info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk

This Coming Week

18th Mar - 24th Mar

Mon

St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop

Tues

St. Joseph

Thurs

St. Enda - Ireland

Sat

St. Turibius de Mongrovejo

Sun

Palm Sunday

Readings for Sun 24th Mar

Isaiah 50: 4-7

Philippians 2: 6 - 11

Mark 14: 1, 15: 47

Contact details for Loughshore Pastoral Community

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