



Saint Nicholas'

# Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes

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3rd November 2024

31st Sunday of the Year

Cycle B Week 3

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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
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.

### A Symphony of Prayer

The Lord's Prayer isn't merely a recitation; it's a heartfelt conversation with our Heavenly Father. Join us on **Monday 4th November** at 7.30 p.m. in St. Nicholas' when the Panel of Catechists will host an in-depth look at this beautiful prayer, which summarises the main aspects of our faith in several short lines. Hopefully some parishioners from our Family of Parishes will come along as well.

Light refreshments will be provided and everyone is welcome.

## 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

Maureen Holmes

Johnny O'Neill

Kevin Duffy (1st)

Michael Arkins (Snr)

Harry Bates (1st)

Betty Boyd

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

*Amen*

### Tuesday Mass

The Tuesday morning Mass in St. Nicholas' for November will be on Tuesday 12th November at 10.00 a.m.

### Today is the feast of St Malachy Principal Patron of our Diocese

Saint Malachy was born of Irish nobility in Armagh in 1094. He was ordained at the age of 25 after the death of both of his parents. He served as Abbot at Bangor, Bishop of Connor, Ireland, and Archbishop of Armagh. Saint Malachy introduced uniformity in Ireland by replacing the Celtic liturgy with the Roman liturgy and was a noted healer.

There will be no **Children's Liturgy** in Carrickfergus today Sun 3rd Nov.

### November Dead Lists

Please return your Envelope and leave in the box provided at the back of the church.

### Teas in Whitehead

Light refreshments will be available in the Pastoral Centre in Whitehead after 09:30 Mass today Sunday, 3rd November. Everyone is welcome.

CARRICK PARISH  
EVENTS TEAM

CHRISTMAS  
DINNER DANCE

£35 PP

FRIDAY DECEMBER 6TH | 7:00PM

Music by DJ Barney  
CARRICKFERGUS GOLF CLUB

**Today's second collection is for the Monthly Stipend.**

### Pioneer Pledge

Many people in Ireland offer spiritual support to a relation who is struggling because of alcohol or an addiction problem. "Offering it up for the Holy Souls" or "off the drink for Lent" are expressions which remind us that "the bonds of friendship and affection do not unravel with death" ... or with addiction or sickness. Prayer and penance have been part of the response by many Irish families to the challenges which they have met across the centuries. This tradition is also part of the journey of Lent or of Advent. Pilgrimages to Lough Derg, Croagh Patrick and other holy sites allowed people to "carry the intentions" of their family in prayer.

### Parish Shop

Cards and gifts for Advent and Christmas now available.  
**Advent Calendars, 2025 Diary & Calendars**  
**Cards, Gifts, Nativities & Candles**  
 Open before and after Sunday Mass.



See a selection of gifts from our online catalogue at



[www.carrickparish.org/shop](http://www.carrickparish.org/shop)

### Knock All Night Vigil

Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
 Bus Leaving  
 Clonard Monastery  
 Sat 7th Dec 1.15pm  
 Retuning  
 Sun 8th Dec 12.15pm  
 Cost £60  
 Price Includes Dinner & Breakfast  
 To Book Phone 028 90665211  
 Vigil starts at 11pm and consist of the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Benediction, Holy Hour and finishes with mass at 4am  
 Drop off along Stewartstown, Andersonstown and Falls Road on the way back

**Anam Cara** - supporting parents after bereavement, are hosting their penultimate Online Bereavement Information Evening of 2024. The month of November, can be very difficult for bereaved parents and is the month of Remembrance. This online event will take place on Thurs 7th of Nov at 7pm. Our guest speaker will be Diane Clabby. Diane has a special interest in working with trauma, loss and bereavement, suicide prevention, intervention and postvention. Contact 028 95213120 for further details [www.anamcara.ie](http://www.anamcara.ie)

### Trócaire School Volunteers:

Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children?  
 Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially the vulnerable?  
 Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our 2025 Lent Appeal in the Down & Connor Diocese.  
 If you think you have the right skills and experience and will be available to help over Lent, then we would love to hear from you. Full training and ongoing support will be provided. For more information, please call Naomi Purnell on 028 9080 8033 or email [naomi.purnell@trocaire.org](mailto:naomi.purnell@trocaire.org).

Enjoy a fun-filled night out with **Calamity Jane** by St Agnes' Choral Society  
 One of Belfast's top musical societies returns with the classic musical Calamity Jane. Catch the show at the Grand Opera House from 12th to 16th November. "Whip-crack-away" and grab your tickets at [goh.co.uk](http://goh.co.uk)

### Annual Mass for the deceased teachers of Down and Connor

Mon 11th Nov at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Ballymena & Tues 12th Nov at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church, Belfast. Please forward by 8th Nov the Name & School of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to Fr Colin Grant 120 Cliftonville Rd, Belfast BT14 6LA. Tel: 028 9049 1886 or Email: [dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org](mailto:dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org) (Light refreshments will be served afterwards in All Saints' and Holy Rosary Parish Centres) Anyone unable to attend can join in online.  
 For the Ballymena Mass: [www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams](http://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams)  
 and for the Belfast Mass: [www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net](http://www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net)

### PARISH CELL GROUP MEETING WHITEHEAD

**Tuesday, 5th Nov:** There will be a Cell meeting at 11.00 am at 4 Marine Parade. Contact: Ruth Bates: 07876420867. All are welcome. "Come and see."

**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**



### This Coming Week

*4th Nov - 10th Nov*

**Mon**  
 St. Charles Borromeo  
**Wed**  
 St. Illtud  
 All the Saints of Ireland  
**Thurs**  
 St. Willibrord  
**Fri**  
 All the Saints of Wales  
 Blessed John Duns Scotus  
**Sat**  
 Dedication of Lateran Basilica  
**Sun**  
 32nd Sun in Ordinary Time

**Readings for Sun 10th Nov**  
 1 Kings 17: 10-16  
 Hebrews 9: 24-28  
 Mark 12: 38-44

### Contact details for the Belfast 16 Family of Parishes

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