



Saint Nicholas'

# Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead



Our Lady of Lourdes

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30th April 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter Cycle A Week 4

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### Bulletin Notices

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

### Requiescant in Pace



### Recently Deceased

Anna Slaughter  
Margaret Devine

### Month's Mind

Hugh McHugh

### Anniversaries

Bridget Murray  
May Muir  
Mary McAree, (1st)  
Maisie Polland (1st)  
Lily Poland

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

### Teas in Whitehead

Light refreshments will be  
available in the Pastoral Centre in  
Whitehead after Mass on Sunday,  
7th May.  
Everyone is welcome.

### Readings for this Sunday

First Reading - Acts 2: 14, 36 – 41 Second Reading - 1 Peter 2: 20 - 25  
Gospel - John 10: 1 - 10

### 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 (Eucharistic Service)	
Wed 7.00pm ** (Eucharistic Service)	Wed 10.00am (Eucharistic Service)

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

**Altar servers** training is available in both Whitehead and Carrickfergus after each  
Mass on a Sunday morning, lasting about 20 minutes.  
Come along and join the team.

### PARISH CELL GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, 16th May: There will be a cell meeting at 11.00 in Lourdes Pastoral  
Centre. For more details contact Ruth Bates 02893 378958.  
There will also be a cell meeting in Carrickfergus at 8pm.  
Contact: Margaret Webb: 07779729505 or Anne McFerran: 07809906792  
Wednesday, 17th May: There will be a cell meeting at 11.00 in a meeting room  
at the back of Saint Nicholas' Church.  
Contact: Matt Monaghan: 07428247820 or Jim Mullan: 07841428436  
All are welcome. "Come and see."

### NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

at St Gerard's Church Monday 15th May 2023  
to Tuesday 23rd May 2023 9:30 am and 7:30 pm  
Everyone is Welcome

### Contact details for Loughshore Pastoral Community

**Carrickfergus Parish** [www.carrickparish.org](http://www.carrickparish.org)  
Fr Peter Owens, PP VF Tel: (028) 9336 3269

**Glengormley Parish** [www.stmarysonthehill.online](http://www.stmarysonthehill.online)

Fr Pat Sheehan PP Tel: (028) 9083 2979

Fr Aidan Kerr PE PM Tel: (028) 9083 2488

Fr Brendan Beagon PE PM Tel: (028) 9084 1507

**Loughshore Parishes** [www.loughshoreparishes.org](http://www.loughshoreparishes.org)

Fr David Delargy PP Tel: (028) 9037 0845

**St Gerard's Parish** [www.stgerardsparish.co.uk](http://www.stgerardsparish.co.uk)

Fr Patrick O'Keefe CSsR Adm., Fr Denis Luddy CSsR Tel: (028) 9077 4833

**Apostolic Work, Down & Connor Centenary Celebration 1923 -2023**

The Council and Members invite you to join with them in celebrating this occasion. Most Rev Donal McKeown D.D. will celebrate Mass on Saturday 17th June 2023 at 12 Noon in St Malachy's Church, 24 Alfred Street, Belfast BT2 8EN  
Email: apostolic.work@btinternet.com



**GIFTS & CARDS**

for Holy Communion and all occasions are available from the Parish Repository. (see website for further info.)



**Anam Cara Belfast**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 9th May at 7:30pm in the Balmoral Hotel, Belfast, BT10 ND. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online meeting taking place Monday 15th May at 7pm. To join please contact us on 028 95213120.

**Dates for Cemetery Sunday in Belfast:**

Milltown Cemetery	Sunday 7 May at 3.00pm
City Cemetery	Sunday 14 May at 3.00pm
Hannahstown Cemetery	Sunday 28 May at 3.00pm
Tullyrusk Cemetery	Sunday 4 June at 1.30pm
St Peter's the Rock Cemetery	Sunday 4 June at 3.00pm

**Organ Recital**  
by Aaron Voderholzer (Germany) and Ivan-Bogdan Reincke  
Venue:  
Saint Peter's Cathedral  
Sunday 7th May 2023 at 3:00pm  
Admission free.

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**

17-18 June 2023.  
Staying in the Knock House Hotel. £180 all in.  
If you are interested contact Sally Elliott on 028 90 247587.

**Accord NI Catholic Marriage Care Service**

is recruiting Marriage Education Facilitators to provide Sacramental Marriage Preparation for couples in your diocese.

We are seeking individuals who are good communicators and have an enthusiasm for supporting couples as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage and future family life.

This is an opportunity to formally train within a supportive, nurturing and inspiring community. In 2022, our teams helped 2,140 couples to develop good communication skills, manage conflict and understand the responsibility and significance of the Sacrament of Marriage.

For further details and an application form, please contact Brenda at 028 9023 3002 or email [info@accordni.com](mailto:info@accordni.com)

Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service  
**CARRICKFERGUS TOWN HALL**  
**TUES 2 MAY**  
1pm – 4pm  
& 5pm – 8pm & **WED 3 MAY**  
12.30pm – 4pm & 5pm – 7.30pm  
To book an appointment please call 08085 534 653

**'Who is She?', a day long Conference for Our Lady**

takes place on 13th May 2023. Come to the historic DCU All Hallows' campus for insightful talks, prayer, Mass, good food and great company.

What can we learn from early Irish Christian's Marian devotion?

And how can we love Jesus as His mother loved Him?

To find out, come join us May 13, from 9.30-4.30 in DCU All Hallows. Cost €30.

For more information or to book contact [mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com](mailto:mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com)

**This Coming Week**

1st May - 7th May

**Mon**

St. Joseph the Worker

**Tues**

St. Athanasius

**Wed**

St. Philip & St. James

**Thurs**

The English Martyrs

St. Conleth

St. Richard Reynolds

**Fri**

St. Asaph

Blessed Edmund Rice

**Sun**

5th Sun of Easter

**The Totus Tuus Women of Faith Conference 2023**

will be LIVE on Radio Maria Ireland this coming Saturday May 6th from 2pm.

Speakers include Siobhán Dunniece, Sr. Benedetta (Sisters of Merciful Jesus), Katie Ascough and Mary Anne Collins.

You can follow the conference by:

1. Going online at [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie).
2. Download the Radio Maria IRELAND App to your smartphone or tablet.
3. Listen live via Facebook.
4. Call 01 4373277 and listen live
5. Listen through your TV on SAORVIEW Channel 210

**COVID- 19** Please note that although face coverings are no longer legally required when entering and exiting the church, the Diocese and Parish strongly recommends that face coverings be worn at all times while in the church, even when seated.

**Readings for Sun 7th May**

Acts 6: 1 – 7  
1 Peter 2: 4 - 9  
John 14: 1 - 12