

# Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

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Saint Nicholas'

Our Lady of Lourdes

31st May 2026

Holy Trinity

Cycle A Week 1

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## Baptisms

(one month's notice)

Whitehead - 1st Sun of the month

C'fergus - 2nd Sun of the month

By arrangement with the Parish Office

## Weddings

(three month's notice)

By arrangement

## Funerals

By arrangement

## Confessions

are available on Sunday mornings

from 11.00am to 11.20am

in St. Nicholas' Carrickfergus.

## 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  
Reconciliation Room  
in Mount Saint Nicholas.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is available every  
Saturday between 11.00 and 12.00 noon in  
Mount St. Nicholas' (please enter via the  
back door of the church).

## Bulletin Notices

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

## Mass Times for week starting Sunday 31st May

(\*\* Streamed Masses - see parish website for link)

Holy Days : As announced.

## Requiescant in Pace



## Recently Deceased

Maria del Rosario Ruiz Ramos

## Anniversaries

Bob & May McKeown

Eileen Robinson (Dunfanaghy)

Winnie & Trevor Kay

Eileen Hamilton

Freda Grant

Harry O'Donnell

Mary Mulholland

Sarah McQuillan

Elizabeth (Lily) McQuillan

Tommy Boyd (30th)

Mary Kemp

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

## St. Nicholas' Carrickfergus

## Our Lady of Lourdes Whitehead

Sun 11.30am \*\*

Sun 9.30am

Mon 8.00am

Tues 8.00am

Wed 7.00pm \*\*

Wed 10.00am

Thurs 8.00am

Fri 8.00am

## Prayers of the Faithful on Pentecost Sunday

The Liturgy Group would like to thank Petar, Jijo, Elena, Jijo, Aljo, Marese,  
Lilian, Jacinto and Matias for reading the Prayers of the Faithful on Pentecost  
Sunday.

Your involvement in the Liturgy was very much appreciated.

## Carrickfergus Tea next Sunday, June 7th

Our final tea before the summer will be next Sunday, June 7th, after 11.30am  
Mass. Everyone welcome. The Events Team.

**All-Ireland Rally for Life** takes place in Belfast on Saturday 4th July. Please join  
us to make a stand to protect Ireland's unborn babies. Coaches will be travelling  
from towns across Northern Ireland. To book your seat contact 02890278484/  
07592280522 or email [info@preciouslife.com](mailto:info@preciouslife.com)

## ADVANCE BOOKING FOR PARISH RETREAT

which is taking place on Saturday 3rd  
October 5pm to Sunday 5pm 2026.  
Please phone Ruth Bates  
on 0787 64208 67.

## Pope Leo's prayer intentions for 2026

**June:** For the values of sports. Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace,  
encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values  
such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

**Down & Connor Diocesan  
Novena to The Sacred Heart**

**June 4th to June 12th,  
the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

It is with great joy as a diocese we celebrate the Novena to The Sacred Heart. The Sacred Heart Novena invites you to nine days of prayer, cumulating in the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Come to Me. These words of Jesus are among the most tender in all of the Gospels. They are not a command but an invitation - offered freely, offered personally, offered to each one of us.

To set aside time each day for prayer is to say yes to that invitation.

It is a simple act, yet a profound one. In the busyness of our lives - with all their demands, their joys, and their anxieties - to pause and turn our hearts toward Jesus is itself a form of love.

The prayers will be available in a booklet you can pick up at Mass or read online; it will also include a piece of scripture and a reflection for each day for those who wish to go a little deeper. The images used in this year's Novena book are by students from our schools from across the diocese. Bishop Alan's hope is that this novena will be prayed either individually or together by parishes, groups, schools or families.

Even young children can join in with the short prayers!

**Please collect your booklet when leaving the church today.**

**Cards & Gifts**

available from the Church Shop  
Open each Sunday.  
See parish website for more information

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



Candles

Holy Water  
Bottles

Grave  
lights



**Cemetery Sunday 31st May 2026**

Islandmagee After 9.30am Mass

Mount St. Nicholas' After 11.30am Mass

Victoria - 2.00pm

Prospect -3.00pm

**Anam Cara**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Monday 8th June at 7.30pm in the Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 028 95213120 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

**Down and Connor Vocations** Invitation to Vocation 'Allies' Evening at the Catholic Chaplaincy, Queen's University Belfast. Tuesday 9th June 6.30pm Please contact by emailing [d.goodwin@downandconnor.org](mailto:d.goodwin@downandconnor.org) before Monday 1st June.

**Monsignor Paddy Delargy's book launch.**

Will take place in All Saints Parish and Community Centre, Ballymena, on Friday, 5 June at 11am.

**Traumatic Growth Conference**

Daneo Human & Spiritual Development Services Belfast, are organising a four-day Institute looking at Psychological and Spiritual understandings of Post Traumatic Growth and Transformation through Turmoil, at Tobar Mhuire Retreat & Conference Centre, Crossgar on 7th - 10th July. [www.daneo.org](http://www.daneo.org)

**Pioneer Total Abstinence Association Member consultation meeting**

There will be an online meeting for members on Thursday June 11th June 7:30pm to 9:30pm Members should contact [info@pioneers.ie](mailto:info@pioneers.ie) for the link to join the meeting.

**Daily readings** The link below is found on the Parish Website's Information page. This gives access to today's reading and the following Sunday's reading.  
<https://www.catholicireland.net/readings/?feature=today>

**This Coming Week**  
**1st Jun – 7th Jun**

**Tues**  
St. Peter

**Wed**  
St. Kevin

**Fri**  
St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

**Sat**  
St. Jarlath

**Sun**  
Corpus Christi

**Readings for**  
**Sun 7th Jun**

Deuteronomy 8: 2-3,14-16  
1 Corinthians 10: 16-17  
John 6: 51-58

**Contact details for the 'Stella Maris' Family of Parishes**

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