



Saint Nicholas'

Parish of Carrickfergus & Whitehead

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Our Lady of Lourdes

2nd November 2025 All Souls Cycle C Week 3

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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

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.

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

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).

Weekly Mass Times (** Streamed Masses - see parish website)
Holy Days : As announced.

Requiescant in Pace
Image of a religious figure

Table with 2 columns: St. Nicholas' Carrickfergus, Our Lady of Lourdes Whitehead. Rows show Mass times for Sun and Wed.

Recently Deceased
Una O'Mahoney
Anniversaries
Michael Arkins
John Dowds
Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon them. May they rest in peace.
Amen

Celebration Weekend for the
25th Anniversary of St. Nicholas' Church
Our parish will celebrate 25 years of worship and community in St.
Nicholas' Church over the weekend of Friday 28th - Sunday 30th
November. Fr. Tony Curran, a former Parish Priest, will facilitate our
celebration weekend, along with Fr. Peter.
Bishop Alan McGuckian will also be joining us for the 1.00 p.m. Mass
on Sunday 30th November.
Flyers with all the details of the events that will be taking place over
the weekend are available at the back of the church.
We would like to extend an invitation to all parishioners to come along
and join us in recognising this anniversary of St. Nicholas' Church and
would be delighted if you were able to attend some or all of the events
organised for this special occasion in our parish life.
We look forward to seeing you there.
PPC and Liturgy Group

November Dead Lists
Can be collected as you
leave the church.
Please return your Envelope and
leave in the box provided
at the back of the church before the
31st Oct.

St. Nicholas' Choir
The choir at St. Nicholas' Church is looking for a lead guitarist or pianist. If
anyone is interested in taking up this role with the choir, or knows of anyone who
might be interested, please contact the Parish Office as a matter of urgency.

The second collection
today 2nd Nov
is for Monthly Stipend.

Society of African Missions
The total amount donated was £1,060. We in the SMA are very grateful for the
tremendous generosity shown by the parishioners of both St Nicholas',
Carrickfergus and Our Lady of Lourdes, Whitehead and we would in SMA to pass
on our deep gratitude to you for the support of our missionary work.

Each November, **Trócaire** holds a **Remembrance Mass** in Belfast for our deceased supporters and friends. It is a wonderful opportunity to remember those who are part of the Trócaire family, and who are no longer with us today. We invite you to join us in person or online: 1pm, Thursday 13th November
 St Mary's Church, 2-4 Chapel Lane,
 Belfast, BT1 1HH
 Celebrant: Fr Tim Bartlett
 You can also join us online at
<http://www.stmarysbelfast.org/webcam/>

YOUTH CORNER
YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY
 Wednesday 7pm – 9pm At Greencastle Parish Office.
 Please join the NET Team for a 6-week, young adult (18 – 30) Bible study. This is a time for growing in Faith, building fellowship and having fun.
 Please RSVP the NET team at 07823368504.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & PRAISE AND WORSHIP
 Every Thursday, 7 - 8pm in St James' Church, Whiteabbey. All welcome!

YOUTH 2000 PRAYER GROUP
 On Fridays at 7pm, starting on 7th November, we are hosting a Youth 2000 prayer group. Please join us at St Mary's Greencastle for adoration, bible study, and praise/worship music!



Parish Shop

Gifts and cards for Advent and Christmas now available.

Advent Calendars 2026 Diary Calendars 2026

Open each Sunday Mass.
 See parish website for more information
www.carrickparish.org/shop



PARISH CELL GROUP MEETINGS

There will be a Cell meeting at 7.30 pm on Tues, 4th Nov. For more information, please contact Margaret Webb: 07779729505 or Anne McFerran: 07809906792
 There will be a meeting at 11.00 am on Wed, 5th Nov.
 Contact Matt Monaghan: 07428247820 or Jim Mullan: 07841428436.
 "Come and see."
www.parishcellsireland.ie

Foodbank

WE KNOW IT'S OCTOBER... BUT CAN YOU HELP US BY DONATING SOME CHRISTMAS ITEMS EARLY?

- Selection Boxes
- Family pack/box Biscuits
- Christmas/choc pudding
- Tinned Custard
- Tinned Fruit
- Pringles/Crisps
- UHT Milk
- Shloer/Juice

"Practices for a Synodal Church" – Online Course Begins 3rd November
 The course accompanies the implementation phase of the worldwide Synod and is open to clergy, religious and lay people who wish to deepen the experience of walking together as Church. The opening session, held online on Monday, 3rd November (5.00–7.00 pm Irish time), is open to all. For information and registration links visit www.sophiauniversity.org/centro-evangelii-gaudium or contact focolare.belfast@focolare.org

QUIZ NIGHT

The Parish Events Team, in conjunction with Carrick Golf Club for their preferred charity, are hosting a great night of fun and fund raising!

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER – 8PM
CARRICKFERGUS GOLF CLUB
£5 ENTRY – PAY AT THE DOOR

All proceeds will be divided between Cancer Lifeline and the Parish.

help is at hand...
CANCERlifeline

Help is at hand... together we can make a difference.

The annual **Masses for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor** will be celebrated on:
 Tuesday 11th November 2025 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road, Belfast AND
 Thursday 13th November 2025 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena.
 Please forward by Friday 7th November 2025 the name and school of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to:
 Rev Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA
 Tele: 028 9049 1886 or Email: detrusteeservice@downandconnor.org
 (Light refreshments will be served afterwards in Holy Rosary Parish Centre and All Saints' Parish Centre)
 Anyone unable to attend can join in online at:
www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for the Belfast Mass and
www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams for the Mass in Ballymena.

This Coming Week
3rd Nov - 9th Nov
Mon
 St. Malachy
 St. Martin de Porres
 St. Winefride
Tues
 St. Charles Borromeo
Thurs
 St. Illtud
 All the Saints of Ireland
Fri
 St. Willibrord
Sat
 Blessed John Duns Scotus
Sun
 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Readings for Sun 9th Nov
 Genesis 28: 11-18
 1 Corinthians 3: 9-13, 16-17
 Luke 19: 1-10

Contact details for the 'Stella Maris' Family of Parishes

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Carrickfergus	www.carrickparish.org	Very Rev. Peter Owens, PP	(028) 9336 3269
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Loughshore	www.loughshoreparishes.org	Very Rev. David Delargy PP	(028) 9037 0845