# The Lough Shore Parishes

## Churches. St Mary, Star of the Sea, Whitehouse; St Mary's Greencastle; St James' Whiteabbey; St Colman's Greenisland

MASS TIMES: SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30 pm – Whitehouse

SUNDAY MASS: 9.45 am - St Colman's 11.00 am - St James' 12.15 pm - Greencastle

#### WEEK DAY MASSES:

Monday	10.00 - Greenisland
Tuesday	19.00 - Whitehouse
Wednesday	09.30 - Greencastle
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	10.00 - Whiteabbey

ST PEREGRINE'S NOVENA: First Monday of the month at 7.30 pm in Greencastle

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Every Wednesday in Greencastle - 9.30 am to 7 pm

HOLY HOUR IN HONOUR OF THE DIVINE MERCY: Second Sunday of the month at 6.30 pm in Greencastle

DIVINE MERCY EVENING - Every second Friday 7.30pm – 9.30pm St James' Church

Parish Priest: Fr. David Delargy

#### Parish Office:

824 Shore Road Newtownabbey Co Antrim BT36 7DG Tel: 9037 0845 (open Mon – Fri 9am – 1pm)

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### PARISH SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE:

For information on our Parish Safeguarding procedures, contact Anne Mc Dermott (Chair) - 07948 799039

WEEKLY COLLECTION Whitehouse £389.00, St James' £671.82 St Colman's £344.31, Greencastle £285.00

SECOND COLLECTION Whitehouse £94.00, St James' £100.46 St Colman's £66.91, Greencastle £175.00

MONTHLY COLLECTION Whitehouse £166.00, St James' £807.00 St Colman's £263.00, Greencastle £380.00

Last Will and Testament: Please consider including your parish in your estate planning. The parishes can only exist and function through the funding of their members. Thank you. The names of our parishes for legal purposes are: Parish of Greencastle, Star of the Sea Whitehouse and St James' Parish.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: available to help in times of crisis & give assistance to those in need. Contact 90351561.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Christopher Ferguson, Dominic Coiley (funeral mass on Monday 9th March at 11.30 in St James') Months Mind: Gerard Mann

ANNIVERSARIES: Elizabeth Logan, Margaret, Francie & Gerald Conn, Eileen Rainey, Bibby McKernon, Robert & Teresa Dallas, Charles Bleakley, Sam Wilson, Thomas & Patrick O'Kane, Santina & Chris Gineris, Kathleen O'Kane

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK		
Star of the Sea, Whitehouse		
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> 5.30 pm	Gerard Mann (Months mind)	
	Patricia Mann (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv)	
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> 7 pm	Peter Branagan Snr (Anniv)	
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> 5.30 pm	Henry Jones (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv)	
St. James', Whiteabbey		
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> 11 am	Michael McLoughlin (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniv)	
St. Colman's, Greenisland		
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> 9.45 am	Rose Devlin (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv)	
St. Mary's, Greencastle		
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> 12.15 pm	Gerald McDonald (9 <sup>th</sup> Anniv)	
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> 9.30 am	Elizabeth Logan & Joseph McFarland (Anniv)	
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> 12.15 pm	Patricia Cleary (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv)	
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STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During lent as follows: Star of the Sea, Whitehouse - Tuesday at 6 pm (before Mass) St James', Whiteabbey - Friday after 10 am Mass St Mary's Greencastle – Friday at 6 pm.

St Colman's, Greenisland – Monday after 10 am Mass

LENTEN PIONEER PLEDGE: Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during Lent. Why not take this opportunity to perhaps help yourself or someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering your sacrifice for freedom from addiction? Please consider taking the short term Lenten Pledge and make a difference to someone's life. Register your pledge with local Pioneers and say the daily prayer. PRAYER:" I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and

with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during Lent."

Weekly Collection Counters: Would you be available on a Monday morning (preferable) or Monday evening for 1-2 hours on a regular basis? We are looking to recruit new volunteers for our collection counting teams. Ideally we would like to recruit enough volunteers so that we can rotate teams to share the load. If you want more details or wish to put your name forward please contact Gregory Butler either by telephone 07740781700, through email atgregory.butler@ntlworld.com or speak to him directly before or after Mass in Whitehouse on Saturday 15, 22 or 29 March 2020.

Loughshore Parishes Monthly Draw : March Winners. Congratulations to the following winners: £100 Margaret Butler (London); £75 Terry Mallon (Whitehouse); £50 Elaine Mulholland (Greenisland). The April Draw will take place after mass in Greenisland on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April.

Weekly Envelopes: A letter was issued at all masses last weekend informing parishioners about the introduction of a "Building and Restoration Fund" envelope in Star of the Sea Whitehouse, St James' Whiteabbey and St Colman's Greenisland from April of this year. It also asked all parishioners to update their details regarding their envelopes and to nominate which of the four churches they wish their Weekly/Monthly and/or Building Fund contribution to go to. If you did not get a copy of the letter you can get a copy from any of the churches or the Parish Office. We ask all parishioners complete the form in that letter and return it either to the church in the weekly collection basket or directly to the Parish Office. 824 Shore Road, Newtownabbey BT36 7DG preferably on or before Sunday 15th March 2020.

As we approach the new financial year, could the parishioners who currently hold envelopes with the following numbers please contact the parish office to ensure that we have the correct details for you. St James' envelopes no. 23, 33, 130, & 145 St Colman's envelopes no 39, Whitehouse envelope no 81m Greencastle envelopes no. 62, & 102

8 March: DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS AT GREENCASTLE:

On the second Sunday of each month in St Mary's Greencastle at 6.30pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Divine Mercy Devotions, Rosary, Singing. All welcome.

**NOVENA TO SAINT PATRICK** from 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> March. To download a copy of the novena and other resources for St. Patrick's Day visit www.padraignaofa.ie

12 March: Safeguarding Awareness Training for Parish Volunteers: All Parish Volunteers are invited to attend a Safeguarding Awareness session, in line with Down and Connor Policy and the standards set by the National Safeguarding Board. On Thursday 12th March from 7.00 - 8.30 pm in St James's Parish Hall Who Should Attend: Sacristans, Catechists, Altar Server Supervisors, Children's Liturgy Team, Children's Eucharistic Adoration Team, Eucharistic Ministers who visit homes and hospitals, SPRED Team. We would also like to invite members of our Baptism and Bereavement Teams and any other parish volunteers interested in creating and maintaining a Safe Church environment for all our parishioners.



Glengormley Parish (St Mary's On The Hill; St Bernard's; St Macnissi's) Fr Patrick Sheehan, PP, VF 9083 2979 Fr Brendan Beagon, PE, CC 9084 1507 Loughshore Parishes (St Mary's, Greencastle; St Mary's, Star of The Sea, Whitehouse; St James', Whiteabbey; St Colman's, Greenisland) Fr David Delargy, PP 9037 0845 St Gerard's Parish (St Gerard's, Antrim Road) Fr Kevin Brown CSsR, PP 9077 4833 Fr Patrick McLaughlin, CSsR, CC 9077 4833 Carrickfergus Parish (St Nicholas', Carrickfergus, Our Lady of Lourdes', Whitehead) Fr Peter Owens, PP 9336 3269

13 March: RELENTLESS - A Prayer for North & West Belfast. Day of prayer in Holy Family Church, Limestone Road, on Friday 13th March, 10am -3.30pm. A day to escape the busyness and space to clear your head. "If my people...humble themselves and pray... I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land". (2 Chronicles 7 v 14)

SMA Retreat and Conference Centre, Dromantine LENTEN DAYS of Recollection 'Lord, open my heart as wide as it can open' led by Fr. Damian Bresnahan SMA Sat. 14th March 9.30am - 5.00pm inc. Lunch -£25

'Remember – you're worth it!' led by Fr. John Gallagher SMA Sat. 28th March 9.30am - 5.00pm inc. Lunch - £25

HOLY Week Retreat Wed. 8th - Easter Sun. 12th April The SMA Community. Dromantine invites you to join in reflectively celebrating the Easter Triduum, beginning with the Seder Meal. Cost £260 / €290

28 March: Slow Down for Lent: led by Briege O'Hare. Saturday from 11 am to 3.30pm in Clonard Monastery. Time of gently guided prayer, good music and laughter will give you a chance to declutter and rest. No small group chat, just you and God, taking time out together. Bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee provided. Donation £5. Very popular day. Booking is essential. Ring Clonard at 02890445950.

Could parishioners who have relatives in any of our nursing homes who would like a visit from the Eucharistic Minister please contact the office?

The Hero Project is a project run by Anthony Nolan, a charity which supports blood cancer patients who nee a stem cell transplant. We are looking for retired teachers or people who have an interest, experience and/or expertise in the field of

education/healthcare to provide talks and recruit students on to the stem cell register on a voluntary basis across Northern Ireland. Volunteering is on an ad hoc basis as and when you are available and full induction and training will be provided. Please contact Lili at Anthony Nolan on 07587551991, or emailLilianna.vetter@anthonynolan.org for further details.

**Pilgrimages 2020:** Please see revised notice in porch