



The Loughshore Parishes



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

12th December 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent

MASS TIMES & SERVICES

SATURDAY VIGIL

5.00 pm – Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

6.30 pm – St Mary's, Greencastle

SUNDAY MASS:

9.30 am – St Colman's, Greenisland

11.00 am – St James', Whiteabbey

WEEK DAY MASSES:

St Colman's: Mon 10 am

Star of the Sea, Whitehouse: Tuesday 7pm

St Mary's Greencastle : Wednesday 10am

St James': Fri – 10.00 am

ST PEREGRINE'S NOVENA:

First Monday of the month at 7.00pm in St Mary's, Greencastle

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR:

Every Tuesday at 7pm in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Wednesday in St Mary's, Greencastle – 10.30am – 1pm

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:

After 10am Mass on Friday in St James'

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are taking place on Saturday in St Mary's, Greencastle. Please contact parish office for further information.

Parish Priest:

Fr. David Delargy

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Links to webcam via parish website or

www.churchmedia.tv

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Marie (Grania) Bennett
Months mind: Dan O'Hara, Thomas Geary, Lilly Marley

Anniversaries: Sarah Rose Conway, Mary McFlynn, Patricia McFlynn, Jim Maguire, Brigid Henry, Margaret Begley, Edward & Katie McGurk, Mark Hayes

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Greencastle £473.40, Whitehouse £602.60, St James' £258.70, St Colman's £313.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Greencastle £261.00, Whitehouse £215.00, St James' £28.00, St Colman's £38.00

STIPEND

Greencastle £188.50, Whitehouse £394.00, St James' £36.00, St Colman's £119.00

ONLINE BOOKING

Please continue to use the online booking system on the parish website in order to attend Mass in the parish. If you are no longer able to attend a Mass that you have booked please let the parish office know as soon as possible. Webcam is now installed in all of the churches in the parish. Links to webcam can be accessed via the parish website or via www.churchmedia.tv

COVID- 19

Please note that face coverings are legally required when entering and exiting the church. However, the Diocese and Parish strongly recommend the wearing of face coverings at all times, even when seated.

CAROL SERVICE

The Loughshore Parishes Carol Service will be taking place in Star of the Sea Church at 5pm on Sunday 19th December 2021. Please use the online booking system.

SVP ANNUAL APPEAL

St Vincent de Paul will be taking up their annual collection after Mass in St Mary's, Greencastle on Saturday 11 December. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.



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THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY:

Preparing to speak boldly and listen humbly
On this Gaudete Sunday as we pray with the Gospel we are reminded of our Baptism – a Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the same Holy Spirit that came upon the apostles at Pentecost. As we consider the synodal journey we are embarking on we do so with the courage and joy of the Holy Spirit. Parrhesia refers to the boldness that the coming of the Holy Spirit brought about in the hearts of the apostles at Pentecost. It is the inner courage that sent them out to proclaim the Good News that Jesus is Lord without fear in the days of the Early Church. The Spirit offers us this same boldness to carry out the mission of the Church today. Parrhesia is required in the Synodal Process so that we can speak boldly and listen humbly. This week we encourage you to pray with this prayer:

Heavenly Father we ask that we become attentive to the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. May we be faithful witnesses to the Holy Spirit at work in our lives. May the fruits of the Spirit; love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control be evident in our lives and in the Church's synodal journey. Amen

MARY'S MEALS BIG FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Join our [Big Family Christmas](#) and help feed even more hungry children with Mary's Meals. For just £15.90 you can set a place for yourself or a loved one at our virtual Christmas dinner table. Your name will appear online alongside the names of Mary's Meals supporters around the world, and you'll receive a beautiful digital placemat. And thanks to [Double The Love](#), each place set will give two children the gift of life changing school meals for a whole year – bringing them food, joy and hope this festive season. Set your place at the [Big Family Christmas](#) dinner table.

RECOMMENCEMENT OF POSTPONED 2019/20 PARISH DRAW

We are pleased to announce that the postponed 2019/20 draw recommenced on Sunday 5th December and the winners were:

£100 – Patrick Leonard, £75 – Patrick Hughes, £50 – Paul Durnien

The final 6 months of the draw will be truncated into 3 months:

Draw and Original Date	New Date	Prizes
7th and 8th Month May and June 2020	2 Jan 2022	2 of £75, 2 of £50 and 1 of £500
9th and 10th Month July and August	6 Feb 2022	2 of £75, 2 of £50 and 1 of £500
11th and 12th Month Sept and Oct 2020	6 March 2022	2 of £75, 2 of £50 and 1 of £500

Parishioners who are fully paid-up need take no action. Parishioners who pay monthly can pay their double monthly subscription (2 x £5) to either Gregory Butler or Michael Mulholland. Anyone wishing to join the draw for the remaining 6 months (£30) should contact Gregory Butler either by email gregory.butler@ntlworld.com by telephone 07740781700 or Michael Mulholland mulhollandm56@gmail.com You can also speak to directly to Gregory after Mass in Star of the Sea Whitehouse or Michael Mulholland in St Colman's Greenisland. The new 2022/23 draw will start in April 2022. Thank you for your ongoing support.

WEEKLY COLLECTION COUNTERS

We would like to recruit new volunteers. The count for all four churches will now be taking place in Greencastle on Monday mornings. It is anticipated it will take approximately one hour to complete the counts. Please contact Gregory Butler either by telephone 07740781700, WhatsApp or email gregory.butler@ntlworld.com