



The Loughshore Parishes



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

20th February 2022

7th Sunday of the Year

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 10am

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 7.00 pm 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:

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Links to webcam via parish website or

www.churchmedia.tv

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased:

Months Mind: Hugh Coyle, Teresa Shannon, Nicky Scott

Anniveraries: Margaret Park, Patsy

Mulholland, Danny Moore, Greg McKinley,

Lena and Peter Grogan, Margaret

McConnell, Eilish Mohan

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Greencastle £283.00, Whitehouse £338.00,

St James' £201.00, St Colman's £240.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Greencastle £60.00, Whitehouse £52.00,

St James' £10.00, St Colman's £0

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 and throughout liturgical celebrations, even when seated.

BLESSED TRINITY COLLEGE MASS

The students and staff of Blessed Trinity College are delighted to have been invited to celebrate Mass which will be broadcast on RTE One on Sunday 27th February 2022 at 11am. We are honoured that we have been given this opportunity and would love you to tune in to celebrate with us.

ST NICHOLAS' REPOSITORY:

will have a selection of Holy items, Cards and Gifts for sale, including St. Patrick's Day and Easter cards for sale in St Colman's on Sun 6th March after 9.30 am Mass.



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TRÓCAIRE LENT WORKSHOPS

It is this time of the year again and we are delighted to tell you that Trócaire will be hosting four Lent workshops again this year. Our first workshop is on Tuesday, 22nd of February at 2pm and this workshop is on our Lent parish resources and the context in Zimbabwe. Please register on this link for our workshops-

<https://forms.gle/jbb8mxLt8t1NpSzU8>

TRÓCAIRE LENT LECTURE 2022:

This year's Trócaire Lent Lecture: How women of faith are responding to the call of Laudato Si' will be given by Dr. Carmody Grey, (Associate Professor of theology at Durham University & research fellow at the Laudato Si' Institute) & Lucy Vokhiwa, (Chairperson of the Catholic Women's Association of Malawi). This lecture will take place online only on International Women's Day, March 8th, 2022. Details for registration will be released shortly

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 and say the following 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."

PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

Following the recent lifting of Covid-19 restrictions, the Parent and Toddler group at St Mary's, Greencastle will be re-opening on Tuesday 1 March - Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am – 11.45am

COVID-19 GUIDANCE UPDATE

Following the recent announcement of the significant easing of Covid-19 regulations this week, the diocese has issued updated guidance recommending a graduated and cautious approach going forward. There are no immediate changes to our current measures. However, the parish Covid Team is undertaking a review and the following changes will begin on 26th/27th February.

- Parishioners will no longer need to use the Booking System, but COVID teams are asked to tape off a section of each church where social distancing can be retained for those vulnerable parishioners who feel they would prefer some space.
- There is no longer a need to record contact details.
- Stewards/Volunteers should continue to meet and greet parishioners and show them to their seats.
- Facemasks and Sanitizer to be retained.
- No need to use wipes etc to clean pews.
- Readers may return to the Ambo.
- Church choirs may reform at the discretion of the Director of Music in each of the churches.
- Eucharistic Ministers may be re-instated in each church. Fr David will meet with each team of Eucharistic Ministers to review their role.
- Stewards will continue to guide parishioners at Communion and help manage the flow of people around the church.
- Parishioners will be reminded to leave the church quickly and not congregate in porch areas.
- Parish Halls should re-open for social gatherings
- Parish Teams should resume their liturgical and catechetical activities.
- Further guidance on Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings will be agreed shortly.