

The Lough Shore Parishes

Churches of Our Lady Star of the Sea Whitehouse; St Mary's Greencastle; Saint James' Whiteabbey; St Colman's Greenisland

1st Sunday of Advent
2nd December 2018

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Whitehouse £760.00, St James' £277.90
St Colman's £340.67, Greencastle £390.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Whitehouse £154.00, St James' £53.47
St Colman's £75.84, Greencastle £285.00

SHRINES: Greencastle £238.00

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

ROSARY - St Mary's Greencastle: will be prayed every Monday at 6.45pm. All Welcome.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Johnny Gallagher

ANNIVERSARIES: Elizabeth Smyth, Maria Donnelly, Nora Smyth, John McCarron, Arthur (Arty) Kinlan, Hugh Magee, Billy Talbot, Dominic Butler, Mary Theresa Butler, Kathleen Timperley, Brian Dubois, William McQuillan, Joseph Heron, Paul Tomlinson (1st anniversary), Michael Lillis (1st anniversary)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

Sat 1 st 5.30 pm	Elizabeth Smyth (4 th Anniv)
Tue 4 th 7.00 pm	Joseph Kearney (recently deceased)
Sat 8 th 5.30 pm	Brian Conway (Months Mind)
	Maura Gilmore (10 th Anniv)
	Molly Fennell (21 st Anniv)

St. James', Whiteabbey

St. Colman's, Greenisland

Sun 2nd 9.45 am Mary Goodfellow (Anniv)

St. Mary's, Greencastle

ADVENT PRAYER EVENINGS: The Parish Pastoral Council has organised a series of Evening Prayer sessions to help us celebrate the season of Advent. This is an opportunity for us to prepare for Christmas by taking time out of our busy schedules to pray together. The sessions are based on the Sunday Gospels and the Evening Prayer of the Church, and include time for quiet personal reflection and group discussion.

Venue: Monday evenings in St James, Whiteabbey (3rd, 10th, 17th December) led by David and Clare O Connor

Or

Thursday evenings in St Mary's Greencastle (6th, 13th, 20th December) led by Jacinta Crockford and Velvyn Riddell
Time: 7.00pm – 8.00pm (including tea/coffee)

SVDP Christmas Dinner for Seniors: Whitehouse SVDP - Wed 5th Dec at 7.30 pm in Corr's Corner Glengormley.

Christmas Gifts – St Nicholas' Repository will have a selection of Christmas gifts (Nativity & Crib sets, Art Calendars, 2019 Diary, Candles, Advent Calendars etc) for sale in St James' Church, Whiteabbey, on Sunday 2 December after 11am Mass.

2nd December - Advent Gathering – Emmaus Centre would like to invite families, couples and singles to celebrate the First Sunday of Advent. Enjoy live music performances and partake in an Advent Prayer Service followed by delicious treats, a nice cup of hot chocolate, coffee and tea.

8th December – Commissioning of Loughshore Parishes Lectors: 5.30pm in Star of the Sea Whitehouse.

Open Day at St Mary's Star of the Sea Primary School, 730 Shore Road: Tuesday 4th December 2018 9.00am – 11.00am and 4.00pm – 6.00pm. Come along and see what we have to offer your child.

St James's Primary School and Nursery Unit Open Night is on Tuesday 4th December at 6.30pm – 7.30pm. The School Choir will be performing and you will have the opportunity to see around our school and talk with the staff. Everyone welcome.

Advent Programme at Clonard. Fodhla McGrane, whom we know from our Lector Training Weekend, invites you to Clonard Monastery to celebrate the beautiful season of Advent and to continue study of the Word. On three consecutive Tuesdays (Dec 4, 11 and 18), she will lead evenings in the conference room of Clonard Monastery from 7.15-8.30pm. She'll reflect on the Gospels for Advent, using prayer, videos, art and music. Refreshments from 7pm.

JESUS HEALS: Koinonia John the Baptist Ireland invites you to join us for a special moment of prayer in **Saint Bernard's Pastoral Centre, Glengormley**, this **Friday 7th December** from **7pm-9.30pm**. It's a perfect opportunity to draw close to Christ, and make room for Him in our hearts and homes this Advent season. Sr. Christine Sawey will guide us in reflecting on God's Word and ask Him for His gift of restoration. The evening will conclude with refreshments and a chance to chat. If you have any questions please contact **Anne** on **07796 540465** or **Ellen** on **07708 022478**.

8th December – Feast of the Immaculate Conception – Holiday of Obligation: Mass times:
Vigil Friday 7th December at 7pm in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse.

Saturday 8th December at 10am in St James', Whiteabbey and 11am in St Mary's, Greencastle.

St Mary's Nursery School (at the bottom of Gray's Lane) invite you to an Open Enrolment Afternoon on Tuesday 11th December between 2.30pm and 3.30pm or an Open Enrolment Evening on Tuesday 15th January between 7.00pm and 8.30pm. If your child is in their preschool year, please come along, meet the staff and visit our purpose built Nursery School. All applications must be submitted by 12.00 midnight on Thursday 31st January 2019.

16th December - Our Annual Christmas carol service for the Loughshore parishes, will take place in St James' Church on Sunday the 16th December at 4pm followed by refreshments in the parish Hall. All are very welcome.

10th December - Art by Syrian and Palestinian refugee women - Trócaire invites you to the launch of an exhibition of powerful art work by Syrian and Palestinian refugee women on Monday, 10th December at 1pm in the Falls Rd Library. A light lunch will be served. The exhibition can be viewed until the end of December. Free & all welcome.

7th – 9th December Youth 2000 invites all young adults between ages of 16-35 to a Catholic weekend retreat taking place from 7 -9 December at Newbridge College, Co Kildare. This will be an exciting weekend attracting over 600 young people from all over the country. The weekend is being organised by young people for young people. Parental consent is essential for all those under 18. All meals are provided for and accommodation is on site. Don't let money be an obstacle, just bring a donation and a sleeping bag. Newcomers very welcome! There will be free buses picking up from various areas throughout the country, see our website for the stop near you. **Booking is essential** and this can be done on our website. For more information on the event or to book your place, see www.youth2000.ie, **Youth 2000 Ireland Facebook or Instagram pages** or **Tel: 00353 (0) 1 6753690**

14th December- Divine Mercy Evening – Come Let Us Adore Him: An evening of Praise and Worship, Eucharistic Adoration and Healing Prayers with family and friends. St James' Church, Whiteabbey, every second Friday of the month 7.30pm -9.30pm. Divine Mercy chaplet, rosary, singing and praising, sharing the Word of God, separate session for children. Preaching, Benediction and Healing Prayers led by. Info. Thomas Carey 07967620435 or Sr Kathleen Gill 02890 863128

A Christmas Message from the Welcome Organisation for the Homeless: We really value the very generous contributions made by the parishioners of the Loughshore Parishes every year. As always, gifts of new clothing are very much appreciated and we particularly need the following items: Sleeping Bags, Underwear, Socks, Trainers/Boots, Hoodies, Tracksuit Bottoms, Winter/Waterproof Coats, Rucksacks, Hats/Gloves/Scarves & Toiletries. Parcels will be collected from Star of the Sea Church on Wednesday 19th December. Cash Donations are also gratefully accepted.



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 Fr Darren Brennan, CC 9083 2488

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