

The Lough Shore Parishes

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 24th March 2019

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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PARISH SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE:

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Whitehouse £, St James' £558.12

St Colman's £335.90, Greencastle £300.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Whitehouse £, St James' £81.93

St Colman's £76.93, Greencastle £268.00

NEDDY PARISHES COLLECTION

Whitehouse £, St James' £132.00

St Colman's £89.50, Greencastle £120.00

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: Monday at 6.45pm.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patricia Cleary, Margaret Lennon

MONTHS MIND: William (Bibby) McKernon

ANNIVERSARIES: Maura McDonald, Billy Gault, Peter Branagan snr, Owen & Margaret O'Hara, Josephine Dempsey

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

Sat 23rd 5.30 pm Owen & Margaret O'Hara (Anniv)

Sat 30th 5.30 pm Rosaleen McCrystal (Anniv)

St. James', Whiteabbey

Sun 31st 11 am Mayor McGovern (Months Mind)

St. Colman's, Greenisland

Sun 24th 9.45 am Josephine Dempsey (Anniv)

St. Mary's, Greencastle

Sun 24th 12.15 pm Maura McDonald (1st Anniv)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent as follows:

St Mary's Greencastle - Every Friday at 7 pm.

St James' - after 10am Mass every Friday in place of the Rosary.

St Colman's Greenisland - after 10am Mass each Monday

Star of the Sea, Whitehouse - Each Tuesday at 6.30pm

TAIZE STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Lenten Stations of the Cross on

Friday 29th March will be at 8.00pm in Holy Family Church,

Limestone Road.

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS: will run in Holy Family Church on Tuesday nights during Lent, 7.30pm-9pm, beginning 12th March.

SLOW DOWN FOR LENT: Clonard 30 March, 11.00 – 3.30pm. Quiet prayer, gently guided reflection, led by Breige O'Hare. Space and time for you and God.. to think.. to pray.. to rest. Popular day – booking essential. To book, ring Clonard: 02890445950. Suggested donation £5. Bring a packed lunch.

ST COLMAN'S SVP LENTEN CLOTHING & BRIC-A-BRAC APPEAL: Have you any old clothing or bric-a-brac that you wish to dispose of. Please bring them along to St Colman's Church and support our Lenten Appeal. All donations will be forwarded to the SVP shop.

ST COLMAN'S SVP EASTER DRAW: Tickets £1. Prizes 1st –Easter Basket, 2nd – 2 bottles wine, 3rd - Easter Egg. Ballot will be drawn on Sunday 14th April.

Defend the Defenders: Free screening of a short documentary by Trócaire examining the impact of serious human rights violations by some private companies on communities in Guatemala. A short discussion will follow. The Sunflower Bar, Union St on 26th March at 7pm

Envelopes for the New Financial Year – your new church envelopes for 2019/2020 can be collected from our four churches on Sunday 31 March. If you wish to receive a box of envelopes, please write your name, address and postcode on the sheet of paper provided in the church gathering space. If you are a Tax Payer, the church can claim 25p in every pound donated by you. Please complete the Gift Aid Declaration included in your box of envelopes and return it to the collection basket at Mass.

7th Antrim Scout Group: On 31st March we are hosting a community skills day. We'd like to invite families to join us to experience some of the many skills and experiences our scouts enjoy. We'll be demonstrating backwoods cooking, emergency first aid, camping, hill walking and pioneering and participants will be able to join in on many of the activities. We'll also have refreshments and activities for younger kids too. The event runs from 2pm through to 4pm at St James' Parish Hall.

SUPPORTING OUR TEENS: The Staff of Blessed Trinity College would love to welcome you to our 'Supporting our Teens' evening in the Antrim Road site on Tuesday 26th March from 7-8.30pm. Over 30 organisations will be in attendance so it promises to be a very informative evening. The evening will be a chance for you to gather information on groups which may be of use to both yourself and your teen. Please call in between 7 and 8.30 and see what support is available in North Belfast.

PARISH VISITATION: As a caring parish, we would like to keep in touch with those parishioners who are sick or housebound and unable to join us at Mass. Our Parish Visitors will call with them, bring news of parish events and ask for their prayers. If you know of anyone who would like a visit, please leave contact details with Father Delargy via the parish office: 02890 370845, email loughshore@downandconnor.org or any member of the Parish Pastoral Council. We are also looking for new members to join the team of Parish Visitors. Could you spare some time each month to help us? Contact Josephine Nicholl mjn45@hotmail.co.uk for further details.

Lenten Pioneer Pledge: 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."

Tobar Mhuire: Wed 27th March at 7pm: Finding Hope through Dark Days - Personal Reflections on the Loughinisland Massacre.

Youth 2000: The next Youth 2000 Ulster retreat will take place in St Macartans College in Monaghan from 12-14 April. Ages: 16-35 year olds. Cost: Donation only. For more information, details and questions email office@youth2000.ie

St Mary's Parent & Toddler Group are delighted to announce that they have been awarded "Best Parent & Toddler Group" by Families First NI. They attended an award ceremony at Titanic Belfast with over 500 childcare groups and came away with this prestigious title. Many thanks to everyone who voted for them. This non-funded group is run entirely by volunteers and has great community support for children from birth to pre-school age. Open each Tuesday and Thursday, 10am, St Mary's Pastoral Centre. Newcomers welcome.

Shalom Retreat – Fri 5th to Sun 7th April in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. Book now £150 per person. Full board with coffee/tea breaks. Register at www.shalommedia.org/retreat or contact Roshni George T:07737 430 680 or Jacinta T:07756 225 114.

Faith And Friendship Group: are a Catholic Faith and Friendship group sharing information, conversation in the hope of growing in the knowledge and love of God. In developing our own prayer life as we go along. Giving Praise and glory to God. ALL AGES FROM 18 YEARS and over are welcome! Contact details are: faithandfriendship19@gmail.com or telephone 07512031874

The Benedictine Monks, Rostrevor: invite men (18-40) to an Easter Triduum Retreat from Holy Thurs 18 April until Sun 20 April. Take time to reflect & examine your life and consider your call. If interested, please contact: Fr Thierry: +44 (0)28 4173 9979 benedictinemonks@btinternet.com / Facebook: Benedictine Monks Rostrevor / Twitter: @rostrevormonks

Tobar Mhuire: Wed 3rd April at 7pm: Creating a Future of Hope - A Spirituality of Penance for a World in Need of Hope. The Passion of Christ is enfleshed in the lived experience of people and of communities dealing with suffering and trauma. It is an act of solidarity by the God who threw his lot in with the poor. Penance, rather than an individual act of sacrifice or denial, is a response by the Christian Community to the invitation from the Cross to bring hope and meaning to lives wounded and hearts broken.



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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