



The Loughshore Parishes



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



26 July 2026

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS TIMES & SERVICES

SATURDAY VIGIL

5.00pm – Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

6.30pm – St Mary's, Greencastle

SUNDAY MASS:

9.30am – St Colman's, Greenisland

11.00am – St James', Whiteabbey

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Star of the Sea, Whitehouse: Tuesday 7.00pm

St Mary's, Greencastle: Wednesday 9.30am

St Colman's: Thursday 10.00am

St James': Friday 10.00am

MORNING PRAYER & COMMUNION SERVICE

St Colman's: Monday 10.00am

ST PEREGRINE'S NOVENA:

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

NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR:

Every Tuesday at 7.00pm in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Wednesday in St Mary's, Greencastle – 10.00am – 1.00pm

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:

After 10.00am Mass on Friday in St James'

DIVINE MERCY EVENING – Rosary, preaching, healing prayers and Eucharistic Adoration on the second Friday of the month 7.00pm – 9.30pm St James' Church.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are taking place on Saturdays in St James', Whiteabbey. Please contact the parish office for further information.

Parish Priest:

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(open Mon – Fri 9.00am – 1.00pm)

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Links to webcam via parish website or www.churchmedia.tv

The Loughshore Parishes is a member of a Family of Parishes, comprising the parishes of St Mary's on the Hill, St Nicholas', Carrickfergus and the Loughshore Parishes (Greencastle, Whitehouse, St James' & St Colman's)

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Ann Marie McMillan, Hugh Smith, Caolam Diver, Jacqueline Morris, Gerard McCourt

Anniversaries: Elizabeth Picken, Margaret O'Kane (3rd), Hannah McKernon (1st), Tony Bannon, James Murray, Joe Cannon, James Rolston, Tom McFlynn, Samuel Anderson

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

Whitehouse 5pm – Margaret O'Kane 3rd anniversary

Sunday St Colman's 9.30am – Tony Bannon anniversary

St James' 11am – Hannah McKernon 1st anniversary

Tuesday Whitehouse 7pm – Joe Cannon anniversary

Friday St James 10am – James Rolston anniversary

MASS TIMES IN THE LOUGHSHORE PARISHES DURING COMING WEEKS

	<i>Vigil Mass</i>	<i>Sunday Mass</i>
25 th /26 th July	Whitehouse 5pm	St Colman's 9.30am St James' 11am
1 st /2 nd August	Greencastle 5pm	St Colman's 9.30am St James' 11am
8 th /9 th August	Whitehouse 5pm	St Colman's 9.30am St James' 11am
15 th /16 th August	Greencastle 5pm	St Colman's 9.30am St James' 11am
22 nd /23 rd August	Whitehouse 5pm	St James' 11am
29 th / 30 th August	Greencastle 5pm	St James' 11am

24 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS FEAST OF ST JOHN VIANNEY

Date: 3rd –4th August *Venue:* St Colmcille's Church
The vigil will begin with Holy Mass at 7pm on Monday, 3rd August, and conclude with Holy Mass at 7pm on Tuesday, 4th August.

Whether you can stay for an hour, join us for Mass, or simply drop in to pray, your presence and your prayers will make a real difference.

AN EVENING WITH SAMUEL MUNAYER

Belfast Jesuit Centre, 4th August, 7pm – 9.30pm
Palestinian Christian theologian, Samuel Munayer, will explore how liberation theology emerges from the lived experience of Palestinian Christians. Registration essential. Visit  [An Evening With Samuel Munayer](#)



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WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

July 26th "I will never forget you." (Isaiah 49:15)
"I will never forget you" is the theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV for the Sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which seeks to emphasise how God's love for every person is never lacking, even in the fragility of old age. Taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah, the chosen verse is intended to be a message of consolation and hope for all grandparents and the elderly, especially those who live in solitude or who feel forgotten. At the same time, it is a reminder to families and church communities not to forget them, recognising in them a valuable presence and a blessing. World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, established by Pope Francis in 2021, is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of July, and offers an opportunity to bring the Church closer to the elderly and to acknowledge their contribution to families and communities. This year, the date coincides with the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

FLEADH CHEOIL NA hÉIREANN

Is coming to Belfast from Sunday 2nd to Sunday 9th August 2026. The city will be welcoming many visitors to this event. For a full programme of events, visit fleadhcheoil.ie.

As part of the festivities, Mass will be celebrated in Irish by Bishop Alan McGuckin, in St Patrick's Church on Sunday 9th August at 11am. All welcome.

DISCUSSION: THE ETHNIC CLEANSING OF THE WEST BANK

Friday 7th August at 11am in St Mary's University College Belfast, 191 Falls Rd, Belfast BT12 6FE. Trócaire presents a discussion with Ori Givati, Director of Global Partnerships of Trócaire partner B'Tselem, as part of the Belfast Féile.

Join Ori Givati, Director of International Relations at B'Tselem, for a discussion on the violence of Israel and settler militias against Palestinians in the West Bank, and how it forms part of Israel's ethnic cleansing of the territory. This event will be facilitated by Trócaire who partner with B'Tselem in standing up for justice and human rights.

No booking required but room may fill up.

ST JAMES' SUNDAY TEAS - There will be no tea served after Sunday Mass in St James' this week while work is ongoing in the hall.

FUAIMLAOI IN CONCERT

Thursday 6th August at 7.00pm in St Peter's Cathedral
Experience the soul of Ireland with Fuaimlaoi—a captivating ensemble that blends ancient Irish tradition with powerful sacred music by renowned Irish liturgical composer Ronan McDonagh.

Their rich harmonies, lyrical beauty and authentic spirit create a deeply moving concert experience, connecting audiences with Ireland's heritage, faith and timeless song. This unforgettable performance is sure to be one of the highlights of the Fleadh Belfast Fringe programme. 📞 Tickets: £5.50 Book now:

<https://fleadhfringe.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/173683951>

FÉILE TOURS OF ST PETER'S CATHEDRAL

Officially opened with great ceremony on 14 October 1866, St Peter's Cathedral, with its iconic twin spires, has stood at the heart of West Belfast ever since.

This special guided tour, led by Stevie Corr, offers a unique opportunity to explore areas of the Cathedral that are rich in history and significance, including:

🏰 The Chapel of the Resurrection, where three Bishops of Down and Connor are laid to rest.

🏰 The Sanctuary, home to the Bishop's Cathedra (official seat).

🏰 The Aumbry, which houses the Holy Oils donated in memory of Fr Hugh Mullan and Fr Noel Fitzpatrick, who lost their lives while anointing the wounded during the Ballymurphy shootings.

Tours will take place at 3pm on the following dates: Monday 3rd August, Tuesday 4th August, Wednesday 5th August & Thursday 6th August.

📞 Tickets: £5 per person, payable at the entrance (please bring the exact amount).

Come and discover the history, heritage, and stories of one of Belfast's most treasured landmarks.

BEREAVEMENT BREAK WEEKEND AT KNOCK HOUSE HOTEL 2026

Our *Finding Light in Loss – Bereavement Support Weekend*

Friday 13th & Saturday 14th November 2026

Cost: €300 per person | *No Single Supplement*

Each Bereavement Weekend is a small, supportive gathering designed to ensure everyone feels welcome and at ease. Places are limited, so early booking is recommended. Phone: 094 93 88088

Book Online: www.knockhousehotel.ie

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE - 26 JULY 2026 KNOCK SHRINE

CELEBRATING WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

‘I will never forget you’ (Isaiah 49:15)



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- Chief Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin, Primate of all Ireland
- Director of Music Una Nolan & Choirs
- Special Guest Dana Rosemary Scallon
- Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica - 2:30pm
- Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - 3:00pm
- Rosary Procession after Mass (weather permitting)
- Children's Prayer Appeal for Grandparents, send or bring prayers to the CGA office at Knock Shrine
- Plenary Indulgence granted for the occasion

**** Please organise transport with your local parish.**



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