The Loughshore Parishes

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



31st August 2025

22nd 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

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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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: Sherry Agnew, Anne Marie Doyle,

Sinead Liddy, Joe Conlon *Months Mind:* Eileen Curran

Anniversaries: Maurice Kelly (2nd), Susan Rea,

Elizabeth McNally, Mary Lillis, Daniel McCambridge,

Francis Xavier Maguire

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday

St James' 11am – Eileen Curran Months Mind & Maurice Kelly 2nd anniversary and other deceased members of the Kelly family

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN AUGUST

Vigil Mass

23/24th Whitehouse 5pm

30/31st Greencastle 5pm

Sunday Mass
St James' 11am
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ST PEREGRINE NOVENA is usually held on the first Monday of each month. However, in September, St Peregrine Novena will be on **Monday 8th September** at 7pm in St Mary's, Greencastle (not on Monday 1st September).

WHY SUNDAY MATTERS

A new pastoral resource from the Irish Bishops' Conference entitled *Why Sunday Matters* is available to read on the <u>parish website</u> and <u>Facebook page</u>. As we journey through this Jubilee Year of Hope, the Irish Bishops warmly invite all Catholics to reflect on the immense significance of Sunday Mass and, for those who no longer attend, to return with renewed joy to the celebration of the Eucharist.



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SEASON OF CREATION 2025 1 SEPT - 4 OCT

This year's Season of Creation has as its theme "Peace with Creation", inspired by the passage from Isaiah 32:14-18; "My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places."

The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since the late Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

OPENING MASS FOR SEASON OF CREATION

6.00pm on Sunday 31st August in St. Patrick's Church Celebrant: Fr Tom Layden SJ, with interfaith contributions. This Mass marks the beginning of the Season of Creation (1 Sept–4 Oct), a time when Christians worldwide commit to prayer and action for our common home under the theme "Peace with Creation". 1st September is also World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. In his message for the occasion, Pope Leo said, "Now is the time to follow words with deeds. "Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience" (Laudato Si', 217)".



ANAM CARA the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Monday 8th September at 7.30pm in the Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Beginning Experience is a peer ministry to the bereaved, separated and divorced, based within the Family Ministry of the Diocese of Down and Connor. The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (20th September, 18th October and 15th November) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Pauline 07519289185 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

LUMEN DOMINICAN CENTRE OPEN DAY

Our Open Day takes place on Friday 5th September. We invite you to join us from 10:30am to 12:00pm and we are pleased to welcome guest speaker Dr. Cathriona Russell, who will present a talk on Sustainability and Laudato Si. We hope to see you then.

Have a look at our new website to view our Autumn 2025 courses, that are now open for bookings. You can reserve your place online at www.lumenop.ie or by calling us at 00 353 1 288 2075.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS IRELAND are holding our Annual National Mass on Saturday 6th Sept at 12pm in Church of St James, Kilbeggan, Co. Westmeath. Activities in the Hall afterwards, bring a packed lunch

DAY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

In memory of Fr Brendan Smyth on Saturday 4th October. A day of thanksgiving for Priesthood. Bus leaves Downpatrick @ 6:45am - Crossgar - Saintfield

Contact Hugh 07724771595

Accompanied By Fr Derek Kearney SMA £35 per person.