



The Loughshore Parishes



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



30 August 2026

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Wednesday in St Mary's, Greencastle 10am – 1pm

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.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a lay association of pious, Marian Catholics, who specialise in both prayer and work. They meet at 7pm every Friday in St. Mary's Church, Greencastle.

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

Parish Priest:

Fr. David Delargy

Parish Office:

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(open Mon – Fri 9.00am – 1.00pm)

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website: www.loughshoreparishes.org

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: John O'Hara

Months Mind: Catherine Donaghy

Anniversaries: Mary Doherty, Peresita Mullet, George McCourt, Daniel McCambridge, Francis Maguire, Neilly McGuire

MASS INTENTIONS

[Saturday](#) Greencastle 5pm – Catherine Donaghy MM

[Sunday](#)

St James' 11am – Peresita Mullet anniversary

COMMUNION SERVICES

There will be no weekday Masses in the Loughshore Parishes this week. Communion Services will be held instead at the usual Mass times.

MASS TIMES IN THE LOUGHSHORE PARISHES THIS WEEK

	Vigil Mass	Sunday Mass
29 th /30 th Aug	Greencastle 5pm	St James' 11am

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS NEWSLETTER

The Diocese of Down and Connor Vocations Summer Newsletter is now available. It is hoped that this will provide some insight and encouragement into what is happening across our Diocese in terms of vocations.

 [Vocations Newsletter](#)

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC, OR WANT TO DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE FAITH?

The Diocesan RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a journey of faith, formation, and community for adults wishing to explore the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. It is open to anyone unbaptised, those baptised in another Christian tradition, or Catholics wishing to reconnect with their faith.

The 2026 – 2027 programme begins on Wednesday 23rd September and runs weekly from 6.30pm to 8.00pm in St Mary's Hall, Chapel lane, Belfast. Sessions include prayer, teaching, discussion, and time for questions. Spouses, fiancés and friends are also very welcome to attend alongside participants.

All are welcome, whether you are exploring faith for the first time or returning after time away.

To find out more, scan the QR code to visit our information page or email rcia@downandconnor.org to register.



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NET TEAM 2026/2027

We are very grateful for the opportunity to have had a Net team serving with us last year, and for all the welcome, encouragement and support the parishioners of the Loughshore Parishes gave to the missionaries. It was a real blessing to see the fruit of their ministry in the parish.

A new Net Team will be joining us in September. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for the year ahead. We look forward to all that God will do through the team in the Loughshore Parishes this coming year.



BAPTISM WELCOME MEETING

We invite parents considering Baptism for their child in October to join us at 7.30pm on Monday 5th October in St James' Parish Hall for

our Baptism Welcome meeting. Both parents and godparents are invited to be present. We look forward to meeting you. Refreshments provided.

CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT - STANDING IN THE BREACH

A Catholic Men's Retreat will take place at Portglenone Monastery on Saturday 19th September 2026, from 9am to 1pm.

The theme of the retreat is "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me" (Galatians 2:20).

The morning will include prayer, teaching, fellowship and men's testimonies, with Fr Eddie McGee as keynote speaker.

All men are very welcome.

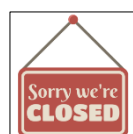
For further information, contact Thomas Carey on 07967 620435 or email sean@catholicminute.co.uk.

ROSARY VIGIL FOR LIFE

A Rosary Vigil for Life will be held outside Belfast City Hall on Sunday 30th August at 2.00pm.

Join Precious Life in prayer to uphold the sacredness and dignity of unborn life, and pray that Belfast Council will reject plans to illuminate the City Hall in celebration of abortion. For more information, contact 028 9027 8484 / 07592 280522 or email

info@preciouslife.com.



BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

Monday 31st August is a Bank Holiday and the Parish Office will be closed, reopening on Tuesday 1st September.

URGENT: STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE - POSTCARDS AVAILABLE

The vote on assisted suicide is on 11th September in Westminster. Not Dead Yet UK have provided postcards you can send to your MP to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide in the vote in the House of Commons on 11th September. Please take action now - collect a red and white postcard, fill out your details, add a stamp and post it to your MP today!

LOURDES COFFEE MORNING - THANK YOU!

We would like to thank everyone who attended or baked for the Lourdes Coffee Morning held in St Colman's Hall 21st June, as well as those parishioners who contributed to our church collections.

The Loughshore parishioners overwhelmed us with their generosity, raising an amazing £1,792.06.

This enabled us to provide equipment for and support to the assisted pilgrims we looked after in the hospital where we volunteer. The remainder was sent to Down and Connor pilgrimage fund to support doctors, nurses, youth team etc. Your generosity made such a difference to the lives of the very vulnerable pilgrims in our care. We placed a large candle at the grotto beside the Down and Connor candle for the intentions of the Loughshore parishioners. All our parishioners' petitions were placed at the grotto prior to the Down and Connor Mass. Photographs are on the parish website and Facebook.

- Peri Mullan & Liguori Dobbins



PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

The Parent & Toddler group will be restarting on Tuesday 8th September in the Pastoral Centre at St Mary's,

Greencastle. The group meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10.00am – 11.30am.

CANTOR TRAINING

Adults (18+) involved in parish music are invited to take part in Cantor Training at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Dunloy. Training takes place on Saturday 3 October, 17 October and 7 November, from 10.00am to 3.00pm (registration from 9.30am). To request an application form, contact your parish office.

RECHARGE is a young adult group based in St Colmcille's parish. Come along and join us!

Tuesday 1st September @ 7.30pm - Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 15th September @ 7.30pm - Group Study Course

COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO THE PRIESTHOOD?



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"What are you looking for?"

— John 1:38

Do not be afraid to ask the question

"Do not be afraid. Open wide the doors to Christ."

— St John Paul II



Fr Conor McGrath

Vocations Director

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, raise up generous men and women who will courageously answer Your call to serve Your Church as priests and religious. Open the hearts of those whom You are calling, and give them the faith, courage and freedom to say "yes" to You.

May our families and parish communities always be places where vocations are prayed for, encouraged and joyfully supported. Amen.

STANDING — IN THE — BREACH

CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT



NO LONGER I WHO LIVE
but Christ who lives in me

— Galatians 2:20 —



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

FR EDDIE
MCGEE

+ MEN'S TESTIMONIES



SATURDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER 2026



9AM – 1PM



PORTGLENONE MONASTERY



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DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST

BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE

VACANCY

“PASTORAL MINISTRY CO-ORDINATOR”

(FIXED TERM CONTRACT FOR 2 YEARS)

We are seeking to recruit into a 2-year Fixed Term Contract role as Pastoral Ministry Co-Ordinator based within the Jesuit Centre at 193-195 Donegall Street, Belfast, BT1 2FL.

The Pastoral Ministry Co-Ordinator will support the Director of the Belfast Jesuit Centre & Chaplain to the Ulster University, Belfast. The role holder will help nurture the emerging community involved in the growing programme of formation initiatives and offer pastoral, spiritual and community support to students of all faith backgrounds and none.

This is an exciting opportunity where you will be at the heart of creating opportunities for people to feel supported in their spiritual lives and be empowered to serve others. You will design and deliver pastoral programmes, nurture volunteers, and offer spaces of welcome, reflection, and renewal.

The post will be for 35 hours per week. In order to meet the business and pastoral needs of the role, flexibility will be required in relation to attendance and hours worked including evening work.

Salary: £29,000 gross per annum

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: **JOB VACANCIES**, also on the Community NI website, <https://belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk> and nijob.com. Terms and conditions relating to the role are available via the above links, by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form.

We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing an active role within the Diocese of Down and Connor

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 10 September 2026

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

Down and Connor Cantor Training

MUSIC MINISTRY FORMATION

This training is for adults ready to serve more fully in parish music ministry.



THIS TRAINING IS FOR YOU IF:

- ✓ you are aged 18+
- ✓ you are already involved in music in your parish
- ✓ you want to take on a more active leadership role as a parish cantor

Attendance at all 3 days of training is required to be commissioned as parish cantors.

To request an application form or for more information please contact the Pathways team at pathwaystothefuture@downandconnor.org



DATES:

Saturday 3rd October,
17th October, 7th
November



TIME:

Registration at 9.30am
for a 10am start,
finishing at 3pm



LOCATION:

St Joseph's Parish
Centre, Dunloy

*This training will be delivered at venues in Belfast
and Down in 2027.*



RECHARGE

Young Adult Group

Join us on the first and third Tuesday of every month to recharge your spiritual batteries through prayer, study and friendship.

First Tuesday - Adoration with Guided Meditation and Confession

Third Tuesday - Group Study Course

**St Colmcille's
Church Belfast**

7.30 PM



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<https://linktr.ee/rechargebelfast>



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Join our WhatsApp Group

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TRADITIONAL MUSIC

2026/27 TERM

STARTS: 17 SEPTEMBER 2026

COME & TRY: OPEN DAY

Visit us on **Sunday 6 September**
2pm - 4pm

Try an instrument, chat with teachers, register for classes!



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