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



5 October 2025

27th 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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Fr. David Delargy

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(open Mon – Fri 9.00am – 1.00pm) **E-mail**: loughshore@downandconnor.org **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: Colin Taplin, Denis Kelly, Stephen O'Hanlon

Anniversaries: Anne Kelly (1st), Dessie Taplin (10th), Stephen Mullan (7th), Alice O'Kane, Lynda Logan

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Saturday</u> Greencastle 6.30pm – Stephen Mullan (7th) <u>Sunday</u> St Colman's 9.30am – Desmond Taplin (10th) <u>Friday</u> St James' 10am – Lynda Logan anniversary

ST PEREGRINE NOVENA will be on Monday 6th October at 7pm in St Mary's, Greencastle.

YOUTH CORNER

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday 7pm – 9pm At Greencastle Parish Office. Please join the NET Team for a 6-week, young adult (18 – 30) Bible study. This is a time for growing in Faith, building fellowship and having fun. Please RSVP the NET team at 07823368504.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Every Thursday, 7 - 8pm in St James' Church, Whiteabbey. All welcome!

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR SEPTEMBER

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Greencastle £1,069.40, Whitehouse £2,544.00 St James' £2,593.93, St Colman's £780.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Greencastle £421.95, Whitehouse £591.00, St James' £166.50, St Colman's £142.90

STIPEND: Greencastle £298.00, Whitehouse £837.00,

St James' £386.68, St Colman's £216.00 **DIOCESAN CATHEDRAL COLLECTION**

Greencastle £30.15, Whitehouse £76.00, St James' £25.00, St Colman's £4.00

DONATIONS FOR NET TEAM

Thank you to those of you who have made donations towards the cost of accommodating and providing for the team of five young people who will be staying in the parish until June 2026. The amount raised to date is £5,850. Your generosity is much appreciated.

We need and appeal for financial assistance to support our youth ministry team for the next nine months and very much welcome any donations. St Mary's, Greencastle; St Mary, Star of the Sea, Whitehouse; St James', Whiteabbey & St Colman's, Greenisland



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1700TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST **COUNCIL OF NICAEA -** This year is 1700th anniversary of the first council of Nicaea. On Sunday 5th October 2025 we join with Christian Churches throughout Ireland to mark and remember Nicaea and the Nicene Creed which came from it. We hold this creed in common with Christians for the last 1700

years, around the world and across the traditions. This Sunday is an opportunity for shared witness and reflection on the core beliefs that unite us in Christ.

DO THIS IN MEMORY MASSES

We are using the parish programme of preparation, Do**This In Memory**, to help our children and their families as they prepare for these sacraments. This programme aims to help parents and parish become more actively involved in the sacramental preparation for First Penance and First Eucharist. The programme requires children to attend parish Mass once each month throughout the school year. At each of these Masses, the gospel readings and the homily will be 'child-friendly'. The Programme will commence on Saturday 11th October at the 6.30pm Mass in St Mary's, Greencastle and on Sunday 12th October at the 11am Mass in St James' Church, Whiteabbey. At the Mass, the children will be officially enrolled for the sacraments and parents/guardians and the parish community will be invited to commit ourselves to supporting the children in their sacramental preparation.

LIFE CHAIN - Join Precious Life on Saturday 18th October 2025 at Belfast City Hall at 2pm for a Life Chain to mark the 6th Anniversary of Westminster imposing abortion on Northern Ireland. Stand with us in remembrance of the innocent babies lost since then, as we advocate for the protection of life. For more information, please contact Precious Life 028 90278484 or 07592280522

RECHARGE is a young adult group based in St Colmcille's Church in East Belfast for 18 to 35 year olds. We meet twice a month to "recharge" our spiritual batteries through prayer, intellectual formation and friendship. All are welcome!

Dates for your diary for October:

Tuesday 7th October @7.30pm: Holy Hour with Adoration followed by social in the church hall. Tuesday 22nd October @7.30pm: Group Study -Growing in Prayer. Followed by social.

MARY'S MEALS -GOOD NEWS

The charity Mary's Meals is now reaching over 3 million children with daily school meals across 16 countries. Mary's Meals invites you to continue to pray for this work that we can reach the next child waiting and to consider volunteering your time locally to help us raise awareness and funds individually or as part of a group so we can keep the promise of a daily meal to the children we currently feed. Visit our website www.marysmeals.org.uk or contact Caoimhe on 07394564065 to find out more.

PAUSE FOR HOPE - Bringing together in prayer those who have and have had cancer and their loved one, and those who care for them. Sunday 26th October at 3.30pm in Clonard Church.

AFTERNOON TEA AT ST. COLMAN'S

St. Colman's invite you to Afternoon Tea in the Hall on Sunday 12th October 2025 at 2.30pm.

WANTED - Single bed or two single beds to borrow or to keep for the Youth Team. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

ABIDE IN HIS LOVE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Nov 21-23. A few tickets remaining! The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Donegal. A beautiful event for women exploring the beauty & gift of their feminine identity in Christ. Check Eventbrite for tickets.

FR PETER MCVERRY in conversation with author and journalist Martin O'Brien. An evening of sharing with this social justice campaigner who has worked with Dublin's poorest for decades, providing homes and shelter. The Saint Patrick Centre, Downpatrick, October 23, 7:30pm. Tickets are £10 and available by phoning 02844 - 619000.

SLIMMING WORLD - St. James' Hall - Thursdays at 5.30pm & 7pm and Fridays at 9.30am & 11am

THE WEST BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The October meeting will take place on Friday 10th October at 7.30pm in St. Michael's Parish Centre, Finaghy Road North. The October talk is entitled: "BELFAST'S BURIAL GROUNDS" The guest speaker will be Mr. TOM HARTLEY



Children's Liturgy St James' Church

When: First Sunday of Every Month
At 11am Mass
Suitable for: children in P1-P4



Pause for Hope

Bringing together in prayer those who have and have had cancer and their loved ones, and those who care for them.

Sunday, October 26 at 3.30pm in Clonard Church



Young Adults Bible Study









Wednesday 7:00 - 9:00 P.M At Greencastle Parish Offices BT36 7DG

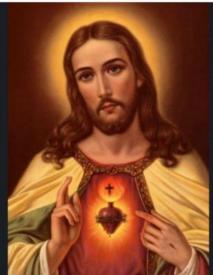
Please join the NET team for a 6 week, young adult (18-30)
Bible study. This is a time for growing in Faith, building
fellowship, and having fun. Each week we wil look at a
different scripture passage, followed by discussion
questions.

Dinner will be provided at the 1st meeting. Please RSVP the NET team at +447823368504 St. James Church, White Abbey

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

& Praise and Worship







Every Thursday, 7-8pm

Starting 25th September 2025

All are welcome!