The Loughshore Parishes



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



19 January 2025

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:

St Colman's: Monday 10.00am Star of the Sea, Whitehouse: Tuesday 7.00pm St Mary's, Greencastle: Wednesday 9.30am St James': Friday 10.00am

MORNING PRAYER & COMMUNION SERVICE St Colman's: Thursday 10.00am

ST PEREGRINE'S NOVENA: First Monday of the month at 7.00pm in St Mary's, Greencastle

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR: Every Tuesday at 7.00pm in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Wednesday in St Mary's, Greencastle - 10.30am -1.00pm

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: After 10.00am Mass on Friday in St James'

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

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are taking place on Saturdays in St Mary's, Greencastle. Please contact parish office for further information.

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The Loughshore Parishes is a member of the Loughshore Pastoral Community comprising the parishes of St Gerard's, St Mary's on the Hill, St Nicholas', Carrickfergus and the Loughshore Parishes

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Christopher Coiley, Bernadette McCrea, Catherine Johnston (née Murphy), Mary Dorrian Months Mind: Karen Clements, Maura Feenin

Anniversaries: John Murphy, Terence Murphy, Aaron O'Kane, Laurence McCarron (4th), Hannah Kelly, Kim Tepe (1st), Hugh Coyle (3rd), Jim Wilgar

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Whitehouse 5pm – Kim Tepe (1st) Greencastle 6.30pm – Maura Feenin (MM) & Hugh Coyle (3^{rd}) Wednesday Greencastle 9.30am–Mass for Grandparents Day

MASSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

There will be Youth Masses for young people in the Loughshore Parishes this weekend, 18th & 19th January. The following weekend, there will be a Do This in Memory Mass for children preparing for confession and communion on Saturday 25th January at 6.30pm in St Mary's Greencastle and on Sunday 26th January at 11am in St James', Whiteabbey.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

19th January – 25th January As part of Catholic Schools Week, Mass for Grandparents Day will be celebrated in St Mary's, Greencastle at 9.30am on Wednesday 22nd January.

THE JUBILEE PRAYER



Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanguished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

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APPEAL IN SUPPORT OF LEPRA FOR WORLD LEPROSY DAY 26TH JANUARY 2025

Leprosy is a disease that affects the nerve endings in the hands and feet and can affect the blink reflex of the eyelids. If not treated early enough it can cause lifechanging disabilities and even blindness. Evidence shows over 3 million people are living with undiagnosed leprosy and over 4 million people are living with a life-changing disability caused by leprosy. But it is curable!

2024 was Lepra's Centenary Year and for over 100 years Lepra's research has led to new and innovative approaches to healthcare programmes. Lepra seeks to provide better detection, treatment and support mechanisms, to advocate for those without a voice, to challenge prejudice wherever it exists, to strengthen local health systems and to help provide sustainable healthcare in partnership with local communities for a future free from the terrible impact of the disease. With your help we can find, diagnose and treat more people affected by leprosy so that they will have a brighter future, full of hope.

If you would like further information, please contact LauriceJ@lepra.org.uk

Please help us beat leprosy – even the smallest contribution can help treat and rehabilitate people trapped by this disease.

A collection will be taken up after all Masses in the parish next weekend for Lepra.

MARRIAGE PREPARTATION FACILITATORS

Accord now seeking marriage preparation facilitators. Might this be you ... ?

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you: •are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and, •have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage

... then Accord wishes to hear from you! An Accord marriage preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling role, blending life experience and faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training in the Accord marriage preparation programme and be part of a team delivering programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie and for further information see www.accord.ie 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR LADY OF LOURDES NOVENA

In 2025, the National Shrine and Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Moneyglass, celebrates its centenary. There will be a number of events to celebrate beginning with the annual novena. We would love to welcome as many people as possible to these nine days of prayer, from $3^{rd} - 11^{th}$ February 2025 at 7pm in Parish of Duneane, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Moneyglass.

LENTEN PROGRAMME AT BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE

Dr Kieran O'Mahony OSA will return to the Belfast Jesuit Centre this Lent to lead a programme entitled, *Salvation in The Gospel Of John: Keys for Unlocking the Message Today.*

The programme will run at 7.00pm, on each of the Thursdays of Lent, beginning on the 6^{th} March and concluding on the 10^{th} April.

A suggested donation of between $\pounds 80 \pounds 120$ is suggested for the course but a small number of subsidised places are available for those unable to pay.

Early registration is advised as numbers are limited. To register, visit our Facebook page or website: www.belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk

4 CORNERS FESTIVAL 2025

Morning Service Sunday 2nd February 9.30am in St John's Church, Falls Road. Join us in person or via the radio for our annual broadcast service on BBC Radio Ulster. Speaker Lorna Gold will share thoughts on our responsibilities within our shared home. Music will be provided by Canticle Sacred Music Society, the choir of the Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University, Belfast. A full list of festival events can be found on the website <u>4cornersfestival.com</u>



AFTERNOON TEA in St Colman's Hall on Sunday 26th January from 2.30pm. Come along, bring friends and family. An afternoon of Music, Chat and Sing-along. There is no charge, but donations will be gratefully

received. There will be a ballot with lots of prizes. Contact Linda 07780726667 or Barbara 07754448138.

CEILI DANCING

It is hoped that, if sufficient numbers are interested in attending, that Ceili dancing classes will start up again on Monday 3rd February in St James' Parish Hall for 6 weeks. If interested, please leave your name with the parish office.