



The Loughshore Parishes



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



4 January 2026

2nd Sunday of Christmas

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.

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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: Terence Chester, Elizabeth Crawford, Gertrude Delargy, Laura Cleary, Ellen Allen, Mary Clements

Months Mind: Gerard Clements, Ciaran Logue

Anniversaries: Mollie Webb, Catherine Kelly (née Donnelly), Catherine Johnston (1st), Thomas O'Neill, Thomas Logan, Susan Logan

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Whitehouse 5pm – Mollie Webb anniversary
Greencastle 6.30pm – Catherine Kelly (née Donnelly) anniversary

Sunday St Colman's 9.30am – Kathleen Turner RIP
St James' 11am – Catherine Johnston (1st)

Friday St James' 10am – Requiem Mass for Terence Chester

ST PEREGRINE NOVENA will be held on Monday 5th January at 7pm in St Mary's, Greencastle.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY - Tuesday 6th January is the Feast of the Epiphany. Mass will be celebrated in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse at 7pm.

COLLECTION TOTALS

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Greencastle £1,150.40, Whitehouse £2,455.35,
St James' £2,932.84, St Colman's £1,415.70

SECOND COLLECTION

Greencastle £564.10, Whitehouse £588.50,
St James' £259.00, St Colman's £306.00

STIPEND

Greencastle £342.40, Whitehouse £833.00,
St James' £468.00, St Colman's £351.00

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Greencastle £469.40, Whitehouse £1,073.00,
St James' £780.00, St Colman's £360.00



THE CLOSE OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Bishop Alan McGuckian will celebrate the Rite of the Closing of the Jubilee Year with Mass at 3.00pm in St Peter's

Cathedral, Belfast on Sunday 4th January 2026. He would like to invite as many as possible, from across the Diocese, to join him for the Mass and some refreshments afterwards in St Comgall's Centre. While the Jubilee Year of Hope will formally close, the task ahead will be to carry its Message of Hope with us into the New Year 2026.



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POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR 2026

January: For prayer with the word of God. Let us pray that praying with the word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

February: For children with incurable diseases. Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

March: For disarmament and peace. Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

April: For priests in crisis. Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

May: That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

June: For the values of sports. Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

July: For respect for human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

August: For evangelisation in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

September: For the care of water. Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

October: For mental health ministry. Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

November: For the proper use of wealth. Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

December: For single-parent families. Let us pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, that they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, and help and strength in the faith during difficult times.



NEW YEARS MESSAGE

– World Day of Peace 2026 from Bishop Alan McGuckian can be read on the parish website

[New Year Message 2026](#)

ANAM CARA, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Monday 12th January 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

ST MARY'S NURSERY SCHOOL

Open evening on Wednesday 14th January between 7.30pm – 8.30pm. If your child is in their pre-school year, please come along, meet the staff and visit our purpose-built Nursery School. All applications must be submitted by 12 noon on Wednesday 21st January 2026.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

Edmund Rice College on Thursday 8th January
Principal's address – 3.30pm & 7pm
St Dominic's Open Day on Saturday 10th January 2026
9am – 1pm. Principal's Address – 9.30am & 11.30am
Blessed Trinity College on Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th January 2026. Principal's Address at 7pm
St Malachy's College on Wed 14th & Thursday 15th January 2026 7pm – 9.30pm Principal's Address at 8pm
Dominican College Fortwilliam on Sat 17th January
9.30am – 1pm. Principal's address – 9.30am & 11am

PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th January.