



The Loughshore Parishes



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



25 January 2026

3rd 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 – 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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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: William Sheppard, Eleanor Doonan, Terence Chester

Anniversaries: Terry O' Dempsey, Annie O Kane, Andrew Hegarty (27th), Hugh Coyle (4th), Jim McDonald (15th), Margaret Ferguson, Margaret Mary Coiley, Joseph King, Daniel Hickland, Jackie Flynn, Eilish & Davy Bingham, Mary Goodall, Patrick Walsh, Winifred & Thomas McKeown, Jackie Lundy (9th), Philip Donaghy, Al Sloan, Billy Quinn

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

Whitehouse 5pm – Andrew Hegarty 27th anniversary
Greencastle 6.30pm - Hugh Coyle 4th anniversary

Tuesday

Whitehouse 11am Requiem Mass for William Sheppard

Wednesday

Greencastle 9.30am – Mass for Grandparents

St James' 1pm – Requiem Mass for Eleanor Doonan

CHILDREN'S MASSES will be celebrated this Saturday at 6.30pm in Greencastle and on Sunday at 11am in St James'. Tea will be served afterwards in the Parish Hall in both Greencastle and St James'.

SPECIAL MASS FOR GRANDPARENTS will be celebrated on Wednesday 28th January at 9.30am in St Mary's, Greencastle. All grandparents in the parish are invited to join us in thanksgiving for your special contribution to family life.

YOUTH CORNER

FAITH STUDY Wednesday 7pm – 9pm Parochial House, St Mary's, Greencastle. Building community, reading scripture, a shared meal and prayer & reflection
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - For children (P1 – P7) at the Vigil Mass in St Mary's, Greencastle each Saturday and at the 11am Mass in St James' each Sunday. (except on weekends when there are Children's Masses)

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

On Tuesdays at St James' Church from 7 – 7.45pm. For likeminded women of God to come together and read scripture and build community.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

On Tuesdays after the Novena Mass in the hall at Whitehouse. For likeminded men of God (18+) to come together and read scripture and build community.

ADORATION & PRAISE AND WORSHIP

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



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TAIZÉ PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

You are warmly invited to Taizé Prayer Around the Cross on Friday 30th January, 2026, from 8-9pm in Holy Family Church, Limestone Road. This is an opportunity to take time out to pray with the beautiful Taizé chants and to be still. Everyone is very welcome, please come along and bring your friends. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gathering Space.

ST BRIGID'S DAY LECTURE 2026

As part of the celebration to mark the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, Pope Leo XVI gave an important address, at an Ecumenical Prayer Service, at the ancient site of the town of Nicaea, in Turkey. The Pope stated, "Faith in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages... consubstantial with the Father (*Nicene Creed*) is a profound bond already uniting all Christians. In this sense, to quote Saint Augustine in the ecumenical context, we can also say that, "although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one" (*Exposition on Psalm 127*).

This year, The St Brigid's Day Lecture will be given by Fr Tom Layden, S.J. Fr Layden is a Jesuit priest, living and working in Belfast. The theme of his lecture, "The Nicene Creed: A foundation for Ecumenism", is based on Pope Leo XVI's address at Nicaea.

The Lecture will be in St Brigid's Parish Centre, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast BT9 6FP, on Sunday 8th February, at 4.00pm. All welcome.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

will take place in Holy Family Church, Limestone Road, on 7th February 2026

10.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions and Act of Consecration, Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

11.00am Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES: 5 DAY SILENT IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR MEN

Led Benedictine monks from St. Joseph Abbey, in France. Starts Thursday 30th April (3pm). Benburb Priory, Co. Tyrone (1.5 hrs from Dublin). €450 (all meals & single room included).

Daily Mass - Ordinary Form (Latin & ad orientem). Discover the strength that only comes when you stop running and let God speak.

Book at: <https://soutenir.clairval.com/retreat-benburb-priory>

ST BRIGID CROSS MAKING

Saturday 7th February in the North Down Museum Bangor: Enjoy a demonstration of St Brigid Cross Making and using the materials provided make your own cross. Refreshments provided. Limited number of places. For more information and to book now go to

www.visitardsandnorthdown.com

4 CORNERS FESTIVAL

The Good Journey Tue 3 Feb 2026 7.30pm – 9.30pm Jennymount Methodist Church, North Queen Street Few figures in Northern Ireland embody the word "journey" quite like Rev Dr Harold Good. Harold's memoir All In Good Time has been falling off shelves this past year telling the story of a man whose faith has taken him from Indiana to the Shankill Road, from quiet pastoral care to the heart of peace building.

In this special evening of conversation, Shannon Campbell joins Harold to explore the milestones, encounters, and moments of grace that have shaped his remarkable life. Together, they will reflect on what it means to stay faithful to Christ's call in divided times — and on how the journey toward peace and understanding is one that never ends.

With warmth, honesty, and gentle humour, The Good Journey invites us all to consider where God's Spirit is leading us next.

Click on [this link](#) to register for this event.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE


29th July - 5th August 2026 - an opportunity to experience the Peace of Medjugorje and the absolute Joy of our faith with the Mladifest Youth Festival.


7 nights £755 pps (£705 with January discount).

Contact Éadaoin for details 07706288095.

BIG BELFAST CHOIR

We are running a free taster session in The American Bar, Belfast on Wednesday 28th January 2026.

 Blokes Choir 6.30-7.30pm

 Main Choir 7.30-9.15pm

Everyone welcome - no need to read music, or audition - simply turn up, have FUN and SING! Give it a go - make 2026 your year for trying new things!



CEILI DANCING will be starting on Monday 9th February at 7.30pm in St James' Hall. Cost will be £25 for five weeks. Please register at the parish office on 02890370845.