



The Loughshore Parishes



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



15 March 2025

4th Sunday of Lent

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.

Parish Priest:

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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: Bernie Mulholland, Joseph Quinn

Months Mind: Teresa Mills

Anniversaries: Robert & Teresa Dallas, Sam Wilson,
George Roe (5th), Catherine Roe (12th), Margaret
McNamara (1st), Dolores & Dessy McCartan, Gemma
Reynolds

MASS INTENTIONS

[Saturday](#) Whitehouse 5pm - Margaret McNamara (1st),
Dolores & Dessy McCartan anniversaries
Greencastle 6.30pm – Gemma Reynolds anniversary

ST PATRICK'S DAY - Mass will be celebrated on St
Patrick's Day (Tuesday 17th March) at 11am in Star of
the Sea, Whitehouse. There will be no Stations of the
Cross and no Novena Mass on that evening.

ST PATRICK'S DAY MASSES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

St Bernard's 9am & 11am (with Glengormley Trad
School of Music playing at 11am Mass.)

St Therese of Lisieux 7pm Vigil Mass on Monday 16th
March & 10am Mass

Holy Family 11am Mass

YOUTH CORNER

FAITH STUDY Wednesday 7pm – 9pm Greencastle
Parochial House. 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!

CHILDREN'S MASSES will be celebrated in the
parish next weekend at the 6.30pm Vigil Mass in St
Mary's, Greencastle and at the 11am Mass in St James',
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MIGRANT COLLECTION

A Message from Bishop Alan McGuckian

As the Body of Christ, we are commanded to uphold the dignity of every human person and to walk with all who have left their home in search of a new life. We in Ireland are very aware of the causes and impacts of emigration and the need for so many of our people to leave home and find solace in other lands.

As we approach St Patrick's Day, we remember and pray for all Irish people overseas – those who have recently emigrated and those who left our shores many years ago. There are few families in the country who do not have a loved one living overseas or that have not experienced emigration at some point. Many continue to struggle abroad with the loneliness of missing family and friends at home. And there are those people and families who have travelled to this country to begin new lives in Ireland, whether to escape war or persecution or in search of a better life. The vast majority of them are making vital contributions to the economy of this island across a range of sectors. We pray that they receive the same welcome that we would wish for our own emigrants far from home.

A Migrant Collection will be taken up in the Loughshore Parishes next weekend, 21st & 22nd March. Funds raised through this collection will be used to support the work of the Council for Migrants, Refugees and Justice and Peace and other projects that provide pastoral outreach to marginalised and vulnerable communities within Ireland and among Irish people abroad.

BETWEEN CROSS AND RESURRECTION

27th – 29th March 2026

with Paschal Somers and John Thornhill.

Paschal and John will take us on a reflective journey through the key events of Holy Week using art and iconography. Visio Divina, sacred seeing, is an ancient form of Christian prayer. Visio Divina invites us to carefully interact with iconography and art through meditation and prayer.

Art becomes the "sacrament" that opens our hearts to the indwelling Spirit of God.

From: the afternoon of Friday 27th March to the afternoon of Sunday 29th March 2026.

Location: Tobar Mhuire Retreat and Conference Centre, 6A Downpatrick Rd, Crossgar, Downpatrick BT30 9EQ

Find out more: <https://www.tobarmhuire.com>

SAINT PATRICK'S DAWN PRAYER

GATHERINGS - Christians from all denominations will gather at Saint Patrick's grave in Downpatrick at 5:45 am, 17th March, to pray The Our Father/ Lord's Prayer, one hundred times for peace and unity in Christ. Everyone welcome. Please spread the word and consider organising a Saint Patrick's Dawn Prayer Gathering in your own area - For a straightforward guide contact legacyofsaintpatrick@gmail.com

LENTEN RETREAT DAY

With Fr Michael McCabe, SMA at Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre on 28th March starting at 10am.

Lent is a season which prepares us to open our hearts to "the joy of the Gospel" (Pope Francis).

What is this joy and how can we recover it, and so celebrate the great feast of the Resurrection with minds and hearts renewed?

Price £40 includes 3 course lunch with tea/coffee.

For more information, contact 02830821964 or email:

admin@dromantineconference.com

BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE: FAITH & FILM NIGHT – SILENCE (2016)

You are warmly invited to our next Faith & Film evening on Thursday 26th March from 7–10pm, where we will watch Silence, Martin Scorsese's powerful film about faith, courage, and perseverance in 17th-century Japan. A short reflective conversation will follow for those who wish to stay. No need to register, just come along and bring a friend. Light refreshments provided.

SCOUT LEADERS REQUIRED

6th Antrim Scout Group, Scouting Ireland are urgently looking for new Scout Leaders (Scouters) for all sections—Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and Venturers—each meeting just once a week. Our location is behind St. Bernard's Church, 165 Antrim Rd, Glengormley, and we are a registered charity (NIC106234). For more information, contact Peter Weiniger Phone: 07921 801038 <https://www.6thantrimscouts.co.uk>

THE BALLYCLARE MALE CHOIR will be performing a concert to raise funds for the Youth Ministry in the Loughshore Parishes on Friday 20th March in Star of the Sea, Whitehouse at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £15 and will be available from the parish office. Tel. 02890370845. email loughshore@downandconnor.org



Between Cross and Resurrection

27 — 29 March 2026 – with Paschal Somers and John Thornhill

Using the practice of Visio Divina, or “holy seeing,” we will explore the key events of Holy Week from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday through iconography and art.

“Visio Divina is the practice of praying with a sacred image or art. By incorporating art into reflection and prayer, Visio Divina invites us to bring our sense of sight as well as our imagination into our relationship with God.”



Paschal studied Divinity at Heythrop College in London, worked in Education and is coordinator for the Community of the Passion. He is a Trustee for Project Bonhoeffer.



John studied Theology at Cambridge University and Union Theological Seminary, New York. He is a member of the Community of the Passion and a Trustee for Positive Catholics.