



# The Loughshore Parishes



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



8 February 2026

5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Parish Priest:

Fr. David Delargy

### Parish Office:

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(open Mon – Fri 9.00am – 1.00pm)

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website: [www.loughshoreparishes.org](http://www.loughshoreparishes.org)

Links to webcam via parish website or [www.churchmedia.tv](http://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:* Noel McCullough, William  
Sheppard, Eleanor Doonan, Rosemary Donnelly,  
Claire O'Connor, Kathleen Hamilton

*Anniversaries:* Frank Quinn, Frank & Bernie McWade,  
George Joseph, Laura Cobbold, Marie Montgomery,  
Paul McCullough, Margaret Hall, Jamesy Murphy,  
Major McGovern, Sara Gemmell, Sadie McKinley,  
Kathleen McGivern, Irene McGivern, Philomena  
McGivern, Teresa McAteer, Joe McAteer, John Lynch,  
Elizabeth Kerr, Daniel Coiley (1<sup>st</sup>), Josephine O'Hara

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday

Whitehouse 5pm – Frank McWade (11th) & Bernie  
McWade (25th) and George Joseph anniversaries  
Greencastle 6.30pm – Laura Cobbold (5th), Marie  
Montgomery (17th), Paul McCullough (2nd)

### Sunday

St Colman's 9.30am - Margaret Hall anniversary  
St James' 11am - Jamesy Murphy & Major McGovern  
anniversaries

Monday Whitehouse – Requiem Mass for Noel  
McCullough at 10.30am

## COLLECTION TOTALS FOR JANUARY

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Greencastle £915.25, Whitehouse £2,229.00,  
St James' £1,922.69, St Colman's £944.00

### SECOND COLLECTION

Greencastle £344.90, Whitehouse £697.00,  
St James' £181.00, St Colman's £174.00

### STIPEND

Greencastle £275.00, Whitehouse £715.00,  
St James' £339.00, St Colman's £216.00

### FAITH & PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT

Greencastle £75.80, Whitehouse £60.50,  
St James' £47.00, St Colman's £22.00

**COMMUNION SERVICES** - There will be no  
weekday Masses this week and Communion Services  
will be held at the usual Mass times.

## 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



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## 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!

## ST. VALENTINE'S THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Accord (NI) and Couples for Christ (NI/Ireland) are having a St. Valentine's Thanksgiving Eucharistic Celebration with the Blessing of Rings for Engaged Couples and the Renewal of Marriage Vows for Milestone Celebrants.

The main celebrant is Auxiliary Bishop Michael Ruter, Archdiocese of Armagh, and concelebrants Fr. Conor McGrath, Fr. Manuelito Milo and Fr. Eddie Creamer. This will take place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2026 in St. Colmcille's Church, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, at 2pm, followed by a meal in Stormont Hotel. This special occasion is an opportunity to highlight Sacramental Marriage and honour married and engaged couples who have chosen the Sacrament of Matrimony as their vocation in life. As services rooted in Catholic values, Accord (NI) and 'Couples for Christ' believe in the dignity of marriage and commend the need for effective marriage preparation, particularly in the areas of self-awareness and emotional literacy.

Couples availing of Accord's Marriage Preparation Programme learn that bringing hope into their future marriage is about nurturing connection, understanding, and a shared vision, even when challenges feel overwhelming. We affirm the irreplaceable value of specialized Couple Counselling, especially when undertaken early and the potential for healing through forgiveness, communication, and support.

## DOWN & CONNOR PILGRIMAGE TO

**LOURDES 2026:** 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> July.

5 & 7 Night options available. Please visit [www.downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/lourdes) for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or email [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org) Youth Team (10-17th July): applications now open (see website for details)



## DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS OF ABUSE

In Ireland, a Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse is marked each year on the Friday immediately

following Ash Wednesday. This year it will be marked across Ireland on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

This day is not only for victims and survivors who have been so severely injured inside our Church, but also for the families and communities affected by the pain and grief of their loved ones.

Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ will celebrate Mass in St Peter's Cathedral on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 6pm. Chairs and members of Parish - Family of Parishes Safeguarding Committees are invited to attend the Mass in St Peter's Cathedral and join with Bishop Alan in praying for all those who have been affected by abuse.

## DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

\*For young men who are open to the question: "Is God calling me to be a priest?"

\*A chance to step away from the noise and busyness of everyday life.

\*Time for prayer, silence, and honest conversation.

\*No pressure to decide anything — just space to listen and reflect.

For more information, contact Fr Conor McGrath

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**WOLFE TONES GAC** is excited to announce the return of our training sessions, starting **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February** at 11am at The Valley V36.

Whether you're a beginner, a returning player, or just looking for some fun and fitness, we've got something for everyone. Come along! Now recruiting for Juveniles ages 4 and Up, Gaelic For Mothers and Others, Senior Men & Ladies Football, Hurling, Camogie and Mixed Rounders. For more information, follow us on socials or contact us directly. [Wolfe Tones GAC - Greencastle on Facebook](#)



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



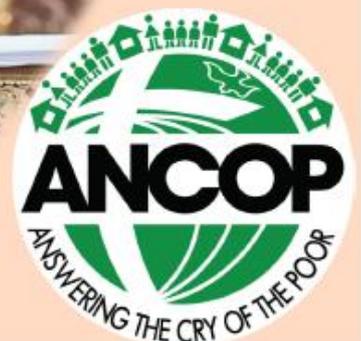
# COUPLES FOR CHRIST IRELAND



The Filipino Community (Couples for Christ) and Accord (NI) invite you to a St. Valentine's Thanksgiving Eucharistic Celebration for Engaged and Married Couples, officiated by Bishop Michael Router in St. Colmcille's Parish, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast BT14 3JB.

Following the celebration of Mass there will be a meal in the Stormont Hotel, Belfast at 4pm (£75 per couple).

RSVP [info@accordni.com](mailto:info@accordni.com) / 02890 233002,  
by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026.



# Discernment Retreat *for* Diocesan Priesthood



*They left everything at once  
and followed him.*

*Luke 5:11*

6th - 8th March 2026  
at Drumalis Retreat House, Larne

*For more details, contact*  
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# LOURDES 2026

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9-14 July (5 nights):

-Hotel from £899  
-Accueil Notre Dame  
for pilgrims requiring care £779

8-15 July (7 nights):

-Hotel from £1035  
-Youth Team - £810

PRICES ARE PER PERSON SHARING, ADDITIONAL CHARGES MAY APPLY  
THIS TOUR IS OPERATED BY NORTHERN STAR TRAVEL LTD  
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