



The Loughshore Parishes



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



10th December 2023

2nd Sunday of Advent

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: Weekdays 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

EUCCHARISTIC 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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Links to webcam via parish website or

www.churchmedia.tv

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

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Brendan Curran, Carmel Norton, Tony Murray, Kevin Devenney, William Martin

Months Mind: Josephine Norton, Billy McIlwaine

Anniversaries: Margaret Begley, Gerry & Deirdre Convery, John McCarron, Nuala Leonard, Jim Maguire, Mary McFlynn, Tricia McFlynn, Christina McCoy, William McQuillan

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

Whitehouse 5pm – Margaret Begley (3rd)
Greencastle 6.30pm- Gerry Convery (9th) & Deirdre Convery (1st)

Monday Greencastle 9.30am – Rosemary Birmingham recently deceased

Tuesday Greencastle 9.30am – Hugh McCausland anniversary

Thursday Greencastle 9.30am – Gerry Chapel recently deceased
Greencastle 7.30pm – Gerry Chapel rec dec.

Friday Greencastle 9.30am – Mass for the Living – Stuart family

St James 10am – Mark Hayes anniversary

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR NOVEMBER

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Greencastle £1,082.60,

Whitehouse £2,698.32

St James' £1,544.24, St Colman's £801.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Greencastle £408.40, Whitehouse £546.50,

St James' £166.00, St Colman's £181.50

STIPEND

Greencastle £289.20, Whitehouse £816.25,

St James' £281.00, St Colman's £344.00

DIOCESAN COLLECTION

Greencastle £82.20, Whitehouse £125.00,

St James' £100.00, St Colman's £30.00



ST JAMES' CAROL SERVICE

The annual carol service will be held in St James' Church on Sunday 17th Dec at 4pm followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.



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Light the second purple candle
- the candle of love



PRAYER FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

God of Love, during the Advent season, when life is busy and excitement is in the

air, we take time to think about the awesome gift of the birth of Jesus.

We reflect on the great love you have for us that will be shown through your Son, Jesus. May the light of this candle reflect the light that resides within each of us, the love that we can bring to this world, and the healing we can offer those who are suffering. Amen.

MISA DE GALLO

Greetings from St. Vincent De Paul Parish, Ligoniel. For over ten years the Filipino Community have gathered in our Parish Church to celebrate an early morning Mass in preparation for Christmas. The Mass takes place at 6am each day from the 16th to the 24th December 2023 inclusive and is followed by traditional Filipino food in the Church Porch and on Christmas Eve in the Parish Hall.

Although the 'Misa De Gallo,' (Mass of the Rooster,) is a tradition among the Filipino Community it is a great way for everyone to spiritually prepare for Christmas.

FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS - CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY QUB

The Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University Belfast will host its ever-popular Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols in St Malachy's Church, Alfred Street, Belfast this Sunday 10 December at 6pm. The Chaplaincy Choir, Canticle, will provide music and song, with readings from members of the University community. Festive refreshments will be served afterwards. A retiring collection will be taken up by QUB Order of Malta for the Holy Family Maternity Hospital in Bethlehem. Everyone is welcome.

SVP COLLECTION SVP will be collecting for their annual Christmas appeal after all Masses this weekend. Thank you in advance for your generous support of the vital work of the St Vincent de Paul Society in the Loughshore Parishes.

TRÓCAIRE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2024 in the Down & Connor Diocese Area. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will have a few free hours during Lent then we would love to hear from you! For more information call Casey Schell on 02890 808033 or email casey.schell@trocaire.org

DOWN AND CONNOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 2024

Spiritual Directors Fr G McCloskey, Fr M Graham, Canon S Gilmore 20 Aug 2024. 7 Nights £799 per person sharing (£100 off per person if paid in full by 8th December 2023) Direct return flights from Dublin to Lisbon 7 Nights Hotel Avenida. Full board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day. Guided tour of the Sanctuary & Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary. For further information, contact Joe Catney: 07776 425 631/02890714001

ST MARY'S NURSERY SCHOOL (at the bottom of Gray's Lane) invite you to an Open Enrolment Afternoon on Tuesday 12th December between 2.15pm and 3.15pm or an Open Enrolment Evening on Tuesday 16th January between 7.30pm and 8.30pm. If your child is in their preschool year, please come along, meet the staff and visit our purpose-built Nursery School. All applications must be submitted by 12.00 noon on Friday 26th January 2024.