



The Loughshore Parishes



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



15th December 2024

3rd 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: Wednesday 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: Marian Gibson, Kathleen McSorley

Months Mind: Rose Byrne, Roisin Patton, Colum Boal

Anniversaries: Michael Mullan, James & Eilish

Doherty, Daniel McStravick, Mary Scallan, and George

McStravick, James & Margaret Rolston, Mark Hayes,

Hannah Doherty, Stanley O'Kane (3rd), Jim Maguire,

Eddie & Katie McGurk

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Whitehouse 5pm – James & Margaret Rolston
anniversaries

Sunday St Colman's 9.30am – Mark Hayes anniversary

Tuesday

Whitehouse **6pm** – Hannah Doherty anniversary

DO THIS IN MEMORY MASSES

will be celebrated in the parish this weekend.

6.30pm St Mary's Greencastle - Sat 14th December

11 am St James', Whiteabbey - Sun 15th December.



CHRISTMAS ARRANGMENTS 2024

Penitential Services in Preparation for Christmas

Mon 16th December at 7pm - St Nicholas' Carrickfergus

Tuesday 17th December at 7pm - St Bernard's

Wednesday 18th December at 7pm – St Gerard's

Tuesday 24th December – Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

Star of the Sea, Whitehouse at 5pm

St Mary's, Greencastle at 7pm

Wednesday 25th December – Christmas Morning Mass

St Colman's, Greenisland 9.30am

St James', Whiteabbey 11am



CHANGE OF TIME FOR NOVENA MASS ON 17th DECEMBER

The Novena Mass in St Mary, Star of the Sea,
Whitehouse on Tuesday 17th December will be
at **6pm**, instead of at the usual time of 7pm.

A COMMUNION SERVICE will be held in St
Mary's, Greencastle at 9.30am on Wednesday 18th
December instead of the usual weekday Mass.



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INVITATION TO OPENING OF JUBILEE YEAR – 29TH DECEMBER

On Christmas Eve 2024, Pope Francis will open the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica and the Jubilee of Hope will begin in Rome. The theme the Holy

Father has chosen for this year of special graces is 'Pilgrims of Hope' and he invites the whole People of God – clergy and laity – to celebrate God's Gift of Grace through their expressions of Deep Faith, Lively Hope and Active Charity. The Holy Year in the Diocese will begin on the Feast of the Holy Family. All parishioners are warmly invited to join Bishop Alan McGuckian at the Solemn Opening Mass of the Jubilee Year of Hope on Sunday, 29th December at 3pm in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast.

We encourage everyone to attend and be part of this celebration for the Jubilee Year. The webcam will allow for people to view the Mass from home:

www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral

More information about the Jubilee can be found on the parish website or by [clicking on this link](#).



LOUGHSHORE PARISHES CANDLELIGHT CAROL SERVICE

Please come and join us at our
Candlelight Carol Service today,

Sunday 15th December at 4.30pm in St James',
Whiteabbey.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS OPEN DAYS & EVENINGS

St Dominic's Open Day

Saturday 11th January 2025 9am – 1pm.
Principal's Address – 9.30am & 11.30am.
Primary 6 and 7 pupils are welcome.

Blessed Trinity College Open Evenings

Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th January

St Malachy's College Open Evening

Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th January 2025 7pm –
9.30pm. Tours from 7pm (Guided and non-guided
tours available). Principal's Address – 7.45pm &
8.30pm in the College Hall

www.stmalachyscollege.com

Follow us on social media for further updates

Dominican College Fortwilliam Open Day

Saturday 18th January 2025 9.30am – 1pm.
Principal's Address – 9.30am & 11.00am.

ST MARY'S NURSERY SCHOOL (at the bottom or
Gray's Lane) invite you to an Open Evening on
Tuesday 14th 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 24th January 2025.

"IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE" AT THE BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE

As part of our Faith and Film series, we will be
screening everyone's favourite Christmas film, It's a
Wonderful Life, in the Belfast Jesuit Centre on
Thursday 19th December at 7.00pm.

Join us to watch and discuss this timeless classic.

Refreshments provided. Cost: Voluntary Offering

To register, complete the form on the [Belfast Jesuit
Centre website](#)



CELTIC CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT FOR ST VINCENT DE PAUL

St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane, Belfast, is the venue
for a special event in aid of this year's St Vincent de
Paul Annual Appeal. Celebrating 180 years in Ireland,
the Society is experiencing an increase in calls for help
every day due to the crippling increased costs
associated with day to day living and, although it can be
the most wonderful time of the year, for some families
at this time of year they wonder whether they will have
Christmas at all. Local Belfast man Patrick Davey of
Davey Music is a respected performer, teacher and
composer of traditional Irish music, and he will be
hosting Celtic Carols by Candlelight in St Mary's
Church, Chapel Lane, Belfast, on Sunday 22nd
December at 5.00pm. There will be music and readings
for the season from the Celtic nations and proceeds
from the event will be donated to this year's SVP
Annual Appeal. www.svp.ie