## **The Loughshore Parishes**

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



23 February 2025

7<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:**

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

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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.

## **Parish Priest:**

Fr. David Delargy

## Parish Office:

824 Shore Road Newtownabbey BT36 7DG

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(open Mon – Fri 9.00am – 1.00pm) **E-mail**: loughshore@downandconnor.org **website**: www.loughshoreparishes.org

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: Daniel Coiley Months Mind: Selina Crangle

Anniversaries: Victor & Grace Archer, Joe O'Hagan, Margaret McConnell, Margaret Maguire, P J O'Kane, Hannah McMahon, Paul McCullough (1st), Jamesy Myrrhy, Major McCoyarre

Murphy, Major McGovern

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday Whitehouse 5pm – Hannah McMahon anniversary Greencastle 6.30pm – Paul McCullough (1st)
Sunday St James' 11am – Jamesy Murphy & Major McGovern anniversaries

**DO THIS IN MEMORY MASSES** will be celebrated this weekend on Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb at 6.30pm in St Mary's, Greencastle and Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb at 11am in St James'.

#### JUBILEE PRAYER CARDS

Specially printed bookmarks are available in the porches of all the churches of the Loughshore Parishes this weekend. Please take one home.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.



## DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

Pope Francis has invited Bishops around the world to establish a special

day of prayer in the Church year to support the journey of human and spiritual recovery. This day is not only for victims and survivors who have been so severely injured, either inside or outside our Church, but also for the families and communities affected by grief for their loved ones. Within Down and Connor, Mass will be celebrated on Friday 7th March 2025 in Saint Patrick's Church, Donegall Street, Belfast at 1:00pm to pray for and remember victims and survivors of abuse within our Church. At this Mass, the Candle of Atonement will be lit. You are invited to attend this important Diocesan event.

## TAIZÉ PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

You are warmly invited to Taizé Prayer Around the Cross on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025, from 8-9pm in Holy Family Church, Limestone Road. This is an opportunity to take time out to pray with the beautiful Taizé chants, to be still and to be refreshed.



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#### JUBILEE OF DEACONS

22nd – 23rd February 2025 The Jubilee of Deacons has a theme: 'Deacons: Joyful Witnesses of

Hope', reminding us that Deacons help bring the hope and love of Christ to a world which has lost hope.

#### PRAYER FOR DEACONS

Mary, who as teacher of faith, by your obedience to the word of God, has co-operated in a remarkable way with the work of redemption, make the ministry of deacons effective by teaching them to hear the Word and to proclaim it faithfully.

Mary, teacher of charity, who by your total openness to God's call, has co-operated in bringing to birth all the Church's faithful, make the ministry and the life of deacons fruitful by teaching them to give themselves totally to the service of the People of God.

Mary, teacher of prayer, who through your maternal intercession has supported and helped the Church from her beginnings, make deacons always attentive to the needs of the faithful by teaching them to come to know the value of prayer.

Mary, teacher of humility, by constantly knowing yourself to be the servant of the Lord you were filled with the Holy Spirit, make deacons docile instruments in Christ's work of redemption by teaching them the greatness of being the least of all.

Mary, teacher of that service which is hidden, who by your everyday and ordinary life filled with love, knew how to co-operate with the salvific plan of God in an exemplary fashion, make deacons good and faithful servants, by teaching them the joy of serving the Church with an ardent love.

Amen.

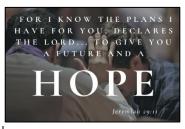
# HUMAN LIFE INTERNATIONAL IRELAND SPEAKING TOUR:

"Ireland! Let us turn back to Christ The King, and the tender love of His Mother".

Thursday 6th March, The Devenish Complex, Belfast, 7:00-9:30pm.

Speakers include former London Gangster and bestselling author John Pridmore, Patrick McCrystal HLI Ireland and Fr Shenan Boquet President of HLI International; guest speaker from the USA.

Plus, Veneration of Relics of St Therese, and the Holy Face. Free entry, bring a friend!



## "HOPE"

## - A RETREAT FOR THOSE DISCERNING THE PRIESTHOOD

Are you considering the call to the priesthood?

Join us for a Vocation to

the Priesthood Retreat from 7th–9th March at Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. This year's theme, "Priests as Men of Hope," invites us to reflect on the joy and strength that come from trusting in God's plan. To book a place or for more information, contact the Vocations Director: Fr Conor McGrath at c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org.

Let us all continue to pray for vocations in our diocese:

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,

You are the source of all hope and the giver of every good gift.

Raise up men with hearts open to your call, ready to serve your Church as priests, bringing hope, healing, and the light of Christ to the world.

Give them courage to say "yes" to your will, and bless our diocese with holy and faithful shepherds. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### A MUSICAL EVENING WITH DANA

Singer-songwriter Dana will sing Our Lady of Knock, and her new songs for St Patrick (Light The Fire) and St Brigid at a special evening at The Saint Patrick Centre, Downpatrick, on Friday March 14 at 7:30. Dana will also share stories of her life and faith journey and perform the songs which brought her around the world including her Eurovision hit, All Kinds of Everything. Tickets are £20 and can be obtained from Eventbrite. More information from The Saint Patrick Centre Tel. no. 02844 619000.

## A SERIES OF TALKS ON THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY FROM APOSTOLIC TO MODERN TIMES.

Time 11am – 1pm. Last Saturday of each month. St Colmcille's Parish, 191a Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast. Delivered by Kieran Downey.

For more information, email:

stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org