



Parish of St Gerard Loughshore Pastoral Community

Sunday 10 th. March 1st. Sunday of Lent

Welcome to Celebrate Today's Liturgy

Mass Times

Daily Monday to Friday 9.30am
Plus Thurs Novena Mass 7.30pm

Weekends **Saturday** 9.30am &
6.30pm Vigil (Sat)
Sunday 9.30am & 11.30am : 7pm

Holy Days Vigil 7.30pm Morning 9.30 & 11.30am

Confessions Wednesday & Friday mornings
after 9.30am Mass & Saturday 5.30pm to 6.30pm or
by arrangement at the Parochial House

Baptisms 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month @
12.45pm or by appointment

Novena Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena held
every Thursday @ 7.30pm

Contact Details

Priests Fr Gerard Cassidy CSsR/PP

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Priest in Residence : Fr Brendan Mc Convery CSsR

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Church Services : MCN Media Webcam

This week's Counters

Robert McCann, Mary Shields, Ursula Ferguson.

2nd. Collection :

Building Fund

**Weekday Masses during Lent 7.30am and
9.30am .Monday to Friday. Usual Novena on
Thursday 7.30pm**

Reality Magazine : March issue now on sale at back
of Church

Children's Choir : This Sunday at 11.30 am .Mass.
Preparation begins at 10.45am Newcomers are
welcome—anyone interested (P4 upwards) please
come along in time for rehearsals.

Do This in Memory: Programme for those children
preparing for 1st Holy Communion this year will
held at the 11 30 am, Mass on Sunday the 17th.
March.

"Journey Through the Bible" A series of talks will
be held in Portglenone Monastery each Sunday during
Lent starting 10th March @ 5pm More details contact
Thomas Carey 0796 762 0435

Lenten Days @ Dromantine : 16th March "A Lenten
Encounter: Looking up & Reaching Out" by Fr
Damian Bresnahan SMA 10am to 5pm Cost £25 (lunch
included)

Clonard School of Prayer dates :

12th March : "Desert Days" Speaker : Clare Gilmore

19th. March : "Prayer of Alphonsus"

Speaker Fr Dan Baragry CSsR

26th. March : "Prayer Ministry" led by Belfast City
Vineyard with Fodhla Mc Grane

Children's Rooms: Parents are reminded that there are
children's rooms located at either side of the front of
the church. Children will have better view of what is
happening on the Altar.. **Toilets**: We would like to

May They Rest In Peace

Recently Deceased Agnes Kane, Joseph O'Byrne, Katie Cairns, Eamon Gilmore,

Anniversaries: Annie O'Callaghan, Moya Lewis, Patrick O'Kane, Vincent Healey Fr. Frank Mullaghy
CSsR. Michael McGuinness, Alice & Patrick McDonnell, Paddy O'Kane, Patricia Hamilton.
Winnie Mc Ardle.

We also remember all those whose names are on the Parish List of the Dead



Entrance gate on the Antrim Road (Alterations)

Over the years many people have remarked how narrow our entrance gate is. That will be remedied soon. After St. Patrick's Bank Holiday, work will begin on enlarging the entrance. It will entail removing the pillars, and landscaping and resurfacing the road way.. It will be inconvenient at times and entrance can be gained through the smaller gate (exit gate) Work will be for best part of 3 weeks.

Gift Programme for Year 8 Young people. First meeting on Thursday 21st March in the Community Centre and continues each Thursday until 11th. Of April. Everybody welcome. Contact Claire: 07866655095

Apostolic Workers St Patrick's Day Quiz : Completed sheets to be returned to Quiz Box at back of Church from 10th March. Winners will be drawn from completed correct sheets and winners announced at Masses on St Patrick's Day Please support - proceeds to: Apostolic Workers Missionary Work.

St Patrick's College Maynooth : Are you taking Religion @ A Level & interested in taking it for a degree along with an Arts Subject? St Patrick's College Maynooth has 5 **Cardinal Tomas O'Fiaich Scholarships** especially for N. Ireland Undergrad. Students. They include 1500Euro and offer on-campus accommodation. Closing date 28/06/2019. For more info and Application Form contact by email : admissions@spcm.ie or on line @ <http://bit.ly/2DXuell>

Beginning Experience for those suffering the loss of a partner (widowed, separated and divorced people) each Wednesday Night in St Bride's Hall Derryvolgie All welcome For more details contact 9020 7645 or 0789 611 9669

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats : Is a Beautiful opportunity for anyone struggling with the spiritual or emotional pain of Abortion. For more information please contact Marian (in complete confidence) on 0781 474 8744

St Vincent de Paul Society : are always available to help in times in crisis and to give assistance to those in need. Contact 9035 1561

St Gerard's Friendship Club (Senior Citizens) : meets every Tuesday 11.30am—2.00pm in the Community Centre. New members welcome—if interested call @ Community Centre any Tuesday or contact Parish Office 90774833 (1to 5pm)

Calligraphy Classes : will be held in room above Sacristy each Tuesday 10.30– 12noon starting 5th March. All age groups welcome Contact Joseph @ 90587255 / 0748 413 4574 for more details.

SOLAS are seeking Retired Teachers for their "**Back On Track**" programme to support children with additional Educational Needs (Stage 1-3) on a 1:1 basis. I morning per week (2/3 hrs) for 15 weeks Contact Kate 9024 7600 for further details and information pack

LOUGHSHORE PASTORAL COMMUNITY

St Mary's on the Hill Fr Darren Brennan CC

Mass Times : Sunday 10am & 12noon
Holydays .7.30am & 9.15am

St Bernard's Fr Patrick Sheehan PP/VF

Mass Times: Vigil (Sat) 6.00pm
Sunday 9am:11am :1pm :6pm
Holydays 10am 7pm

St Mac Nissi's Fr Brendan Beagon PE/CC

Mass Times Vigil (Sat) 7.00pm Sun 10.30am
Holydays Vigil 7pm

St Nicholas Carrickfergus Fr Peter Owens PP

Mass Times Vigil (Sat) 6pm Sunday 11.30am
Holydays : as announced

Our Lady of Lourdes Whitehead

Mass Times Sunday 9.30am
Holydays : as announced

Loughshore Parishes Fr David Delargy PP

Fr Samuel Kerr PE/CC

St Mary's Greencastle

Mass Times Sunday 12.15pm
Holydays As Announced

Star of Sea Whitehouse

Mass Times Vigil (Sat) 5.30pm
Holydays As Announced

St James Whiteabbey

Mass Times Sundays 11.00am
Holydays As Announced

D&C Youth Team "Strictly Come Dancing" in aid of the Dioc. Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be held in Carryduff Parish Centre on Fri 15th March @ 7.30pm Tickets £15 Adults & £7.50 children. Contact 9081 2238for tickets/more info.

D&C Diocesan to Lourdes : 7 nights 9-16th July / 5 nights 10-15 July. Application Forms now available in Parish Office 9077 4833

Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & Cascia 27/4 to 3/5 : Due to cancellations spaces are available £945pps— Spiritual Directors Fr Conor McGrath & Fr Dominic McGrattan Contact 9081 2238 (opt 2) for details.

D&C Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima—Led by Bishop Noel Treanor 15th—22nd August 2019 £715.00 (Discount of £100 if paid by 14th Dec) Pilgrimage Directors Fr G Mc Closkey PP & Fr S Gilmore PP May For more details contact Joe Catney 9071 4001

Friends of St Therese Pilgrimage to Medjugorje : 18th-25th May Spiritual Director Fr G. Cassidy CSsR See poster at back of Church for more details.

Medjugorje Irish Centre : April—Oct 2019—7