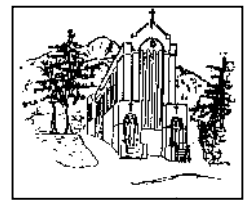


Parish of St Gerard Loughshore Pastoral Community



Sunday 2nd December : 1st Sunday of Ad-

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

Fr Pat Mc Laughlin CSSR/CC

Priest in Residence : Fr Brendan Mc Convery CSsR

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Collections : This week's Counters

C. Deazley : E. Mc Cormack : PJ O'Grady
2nd Collection this week : Monthly Community

Saturday 8th —Feast of Immaculate Conception : is
a Holy Day of Obligation Mass times Vigil Mass -Fri
@ 7.30pm Sat @ 9.30am & 11.30am (Normal Sat
Night Vigil Mass @ 6.30pm)

1st Friday : This is 1st Friday week and the priests will
visit the sick & housebound. If you, or any of your
family, would like a priest to call please contact the
parish office 9077 4833

Eucharistic Ministers : New Rotas now available—
please collect from Church

Advent Penitential Services (all @ 7pm)

Monday 17th December St Nicholas Carrick

Tuesday 18th December St Bernard's Glengormley

Wednesday 19th December St Gerard's

Eucharistic Adoration & Praise : will be held in
Adoration Chapel Falls Rd on Sunday 9th Dec @ 3pm

Advent at Clonard : Reflect on the Gospels during Ad-
vent—every Tues in December 7pm - see poster

Jesus Heals (Koinonia John the Baptist) : will be held
in St Bernard's Pastoral Centre on Fri 7th December
7pm—9.30pm see poster for more details.

Reality Magazine : December issue of Reality is now
on sale in the Church.



We welcomed the following chil- dren into the Church during De- cember

Saorlaith Peggy Fryers

Orlaith Catherine Gillen

Jenna Anne Williamson

Grace Ann Mc Ardle

Piaras James Rafferty

Ollie Robert Mallon **Baptism Course :**



May They Rest In Peace

Recently Deceased

Brendan Matthews : Pauline Treanor

Month's Mind

Anniversaries

James Bermingham Ellie & Joe Nagle Patrick O'Hara
Bro Xavier Mc Donald CSsR Maureen Roe Margaret Holmes
Kathleen & Charles Martin

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



St Gerard's Christmas Fair : will be held this Sunday 2nd December in Community Centre

Open Days for Schools

Our Lady of Lourdes (Park Lodge) PS : Friday 14th Dec @ 10am

St Marys Nursery School (Grays Lane) Tuesday 11th Dec 2.30pm & Tuesday 15th Jan @7.00pm

BSL NI Sign Language Mass : provided via Webcam from St Vincent de Paul Parish . See poster - Website

<https://www.saintvincentdepaulilgoniel.com/webcam>

Catholics Caring : Sponsors will be contacted shortly with the names of children requiring Christmas Gifts If you would like to become a sponsor please contact a member of SVP

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 Vincent de Paul Annual Collection** will be taken up next weekend (8/9th) Gift Aid envelopes will be available at back of Church.

Trocaire—Gift Cards : will be on sale in the Church on Weekends 9th & 16th December

Children's Liturgy : The next meeting will be held this Sunday 2nd Dec @ 11.30 Mass

Children's Choir & Instrumental Group : Next meeting will be on 9th Dec @ 11.30am Mass –rehearsals held at 10.45am prior to Mass Newcomers are welcome—anyone interested (P4 upwards) in joining either please come along in time for rehearsals.

Carols at Christmas—Tuesday 4th Dec. in Ulster Hall in aid of Alzheimer's Society—see poster

"The Spirit of Christmas" : Concert in Good Shepherd on Saturday 15th December Tickets £15 available www.marionjordan.com or pay at Door. Proceeds to St Michael's PTA and PIPS Charity

Trocaire Art Exhibition Launch : by Syrian & Palestinian refugee women will be held in Falls Rd Library from Mon 10th Dec 1pm to 2pm. Exhibition can be viewed until 31st Dec. See poster for details.

Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat : For youth aged 16-35 Fri 7th—Sun 9th Dec in Newbridge Co Kildare. For more details contact 00353 0 16753690

Christmas Fayre St Peters Church Antrim Road : on Saturday 8th Dec 10.30am Admission £3 (includes tea/coffee) Children £2 (includes Santa)

"Edmund Rice College presents "A Christmas Carol": Tues/Wed 11/12th Dec Adults £5 Children £3

West Belfast Historical Society : next meeting will be held @ 7.30pm in St Michael's Parish Centre Finaghy Rd North Topic "Vere Foster" by Mr Clive Scoular

Karate Classes : will be held in Community Centre every Thursday—contact Niki 0778 897 1597 for details.

Yoga Classes for Beginners & Over 60 : Will be held in the Community Centre each Thursday 2pm-3pm £8 per session Reduced price for OAPs Please bring own

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

Pilgrimages - 2019

11 Day Pilgrimage to Holy Land : Feb 11th to 21st 2019 : Price 1,450Euro/pps (Deposit 450 Euro asap) Contact Philip 00353 87 2508043 to book

Drumbo Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & Cascia : 27th April to 3rd May £945pps For more details contact Drumbo Parish Office 9081 2238 (t 2)

Rome/Tuscany—18th June 2019 ex Dublin (includes Assisi, Florence & Pisa). £1090 pps. Includes guided tours & most meals Contact Downe Travel 4461 3288

Pilgrimage to Fatima 4th July 2019 : 7 nights ex Dublin £639pps For more details contact Rita O'Neill 9062 3186

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 30th July : 7 nights H/B 725 euro pp (100euro off if paid by 10th Dec) ex Dublin See poster for more 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 &