



Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**
Resurrection of the Lord [Year B] (1st April, 2018)
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Thought for Holy Week: "Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." *Pope St. John Paul II*

Liturgy Schedule for the Easter Octave [Year B] (Sunday 1st April – Sunday 8th April)

Saturday 31st March Holy Saturday	St. Patrick's	9.00pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday 1st April Resurrection of Lord [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am 11.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo) Mass
Monday 2nd April	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass
Please note that there will be NO MASS between Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th April			
Friday 6th April	St. Patrick's	7.30pm	Mass: Noelle Conway (1st Anniversary)
Saturday 7th April St. John the Baptist de la Salle (priest)	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass: Joseph McGarvey (10th Anniversary)
		6.00pm	Vigil Mass: Felix McAneney (6th Anniversary)
Sunday 8th April Second Sunday of Easter [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am 11.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo) Mass

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS BOTH HERE AND AWAY FROM HOME

Many thanks to all those who made our Easter ceremonies so prayerful by their help in organising and by their participation. Special thanks to our sacristans and those who prepared our churches for the Easter ceremonies. Have a blessed Easter
Fr. Eddie Gallagher PP

COLLECTIONS **Weekly Collection:** £1,360 • **Clerical Education:** £845 *Thank you for your generosity*

Remembering Our Dead: We remember and pray for the repose of the souls of **Noelle Conway (1st)** and **Joseph McGarvey (10th)** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes to Mark 160th Anniversary of Apparitions

Sunday 1st to Friday 6th July. Led by Bishop Donal McKeown
Address: 164 Bishop Street, Derry BT48 6UJ • **Email:** derrypilgrim@outlook.com • **Tel:** (028) 7126 0293

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes – Nurses Needed: Sunday 1st to Friday 6th July

Led by Bishop McKeown • 2018 marks the 160th anniversary of the apparitions at Lourdes
Address: Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ • **Tel:** (028) 7126 0293 • **Email:** derrypilgrim@outlook.com

Family Care Adoption Services: We are seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children

For a free information pack contact us using any of the following details
Tel: (028) 9069 1133 / (028) 7136 8592 • **Email:** anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org • **Online:** familycaresociety.co.uk

Red Cross: Can you spare 1 hour a week? Would you like to help the Red Cross care for people in your local community? We are looking for volunteers for our wheelchair service and volunteer drivers to help with deliveries and collections. No experience necessary. Full training provided and volunteer expenses reimbursed.
Call Julie White on (028) 7186 3764 / (078) 0302 4011

Cappagh / Badoney CCE – Cherish the Ladies Concert: Friday 28th September in Mellon Country Hotel.
Tickets (£15) • For more info call Tom Blee on 07704 526 870

St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: For those in need of assistance please call 07738 837 992

Next Week's Readings: Acts 4:32-35 • Psalm 117:2-4, 22-27, R/ v 1 • 1 John 5:1-6
 John 20:19-31 • Lectionary 1:441 **Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 2]**

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Saturday 31st March (9.00pm Easter Vigil) The family of Katie Donnelly	Offertory Gift Rota Easter Sunday	9.00am Sunday Morning Sunday 1st April The family of Darragh Morris
Saturday 7th April The family of Leah Fox	Divine Mercy Sunday	Sunday 8th April The family of Patrick Morris

Institute of Irish Leadership – Upcoming Events **Email:** kathleenburnsiil@gmail.com • **Tel:** (028) 8775 7800
Gaeltacht Thir Eoghain: Monday 2nd to Thursday 6th July
Walking Group: Monday 9th April, 11.00am-12.00pm with MUSA co-ordinator. Meet in forest park
Month's Mind Masses: Now taking bookings for light refreshments afterwards

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Dromore Trad Fest – One-Day Irish Course: Saturday 7th April from 10.00am to 4.00pm in St. John's College, Dromore. The course will cater for learners at Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced levels. There will also be classes available for GCSE and A-Level students in preparation for their upcoming exams.
Cost: £10 for adults and £5 for students
For more info, register for Irish course or for any of Dromore Trad Fest music workshops visit dromoretradfest.com

ACCORD – Relationship Counseling: A service which facilitates couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and resolve difficulties in their marriages and relationships in a confidential, sensitive, respectful and non-judgmental setting.
An appointment can be arranged by calling the Omagh Centre on (028) 8224 2439 or emailing omagh@accordni.com

Accord Counselling Services: Available to couples regardless of their faith or denomination.
If you would like to avail call (028) 8224 2439 or email omagh@accordni.com
Accord Marriage Preparation Course (2018 / 2019): 11th and 12th May • 1st and 2nd June • 22nd and 23rd June
accord-ni.co.uk

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service – Facilitator Required: Ireland's leading provider of marriage preparation courses. Professional training provided - Certificate in Marriage Education (Special Purpose Award). Accredited by Pontifical University, St. Patrick's College Maynooth.
Email: omagh@accordni.com • **Tel:** (028) 8224 2439 • **Website:** accordni.com

Emma Hood Health and Fitness – Spring Classes (6-week blocks):
Indoor Group Classes: Starts Wednesday 11th April at 7.30pm and Saturday 14th April at 9.30am
'Spare Tyre' Outdoor Boot Camp: Starts Saturday 14th April at 10.30am
 £25 per 6-week block payable on registration • To book call Emma on 07881 345 003

Fun with Fitness – Upcoming Classes: 1 class (£25) 2 classes (£45) 3 classes (£60)
Registration is Thursday 5th April and classes begin Monday 9th April, 7.00pm to 7.30pm in Greencastle GAC
Monday HIIT at 7.00pm **Wednesday** Box Fit at 7.00pm **Thursday** Running Group at 7.00pm
If interested call Darryl McCullagh on 07979 378 732

Children in Crossfire – Walk the Path of the Camino De Santiago:
 Tuesday 31st July to Monday 6th August • Help the children of Tanzania and Ethiopia
Website: childrenincrossfire.org • **Email:** roman.mcxay@childrenincrossfire.org • **Tel:** (028) 7126 9898

World Meeting of Families 2018 Prayer

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, one family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love. Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray [PAUSE AND REMEMBER FAMILY MEMBERS AND OTHERS BY NAME].
 Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen. Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.
 Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.
 Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us. Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us

Pope Francis' Intention for April (please remember this in your personal prayers)

Universal – For Those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters:

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

Foyle Hospice – Become a Compassionate Neighbour: Do you have 1-2 hours free once a week to support Foyle Hospice's Compassionate Communities 'Reach Out' voluntary befriending service. It might be as simple as calling in for a cup of tea and a chat, or taking someone out to do a bit of shopping. A volunteer's visit is invaluable to someone who is feeling lonely and isolated due to an illness. Full training and ongoing support with additional training opportunities are offered to all volunteers.

Call Tracy Gray, Volunteer Coordinator on 07841 101 932 or email tracy@compassionatecommunitiesnw.com

Drink Wise, Age Well: Are you over 50? Are you worried about your own or someone else's alcohol use?

For confidential information, advice and support call (028) 8283 9240

Support Foyle Hospice by hosting a Coffee / Tea Morning with friends, family, groups or work colleagues:

All funds you raise will play a vital role in funding the essential care and support Foyle Hospice provide to people in our communities affected and living with terminal illness

For a free pack and more info call Michelle McGinn on (028) 7135 9888 or email michellemcginn@foylehospice.com

Towards Peace: A spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to 9 sessions are offered and they are free.

Website: towardspeace.ie • **Tel:** 01 505 3028 • **Email:** towardspeace@iecon.ie

MARA (Maximising Access in Rural Areas): Find out if you're missing out on benefits, services or grants by booking your FREE home visit. Referrals can be made for benefits checks, home safety visits, occupational therapy assessments as well as others. You'll also receive a FREE bag containing £25 worth of items to help keep you warm this winter.

Call Carol on (028) 8225 1559 to book

String Instrument Music Lessons: Every Thursday evening in Greencastle Hall

For kids to learn banjo, guitar and violin with qualified tutor Frank Nugent

Beginners: 6.00pm to 6.45pm • **Advanced:** 6.45pm to 7.30pm • Call Sinead on 07788 266 387 to book a place

Rural Support: We could help you with financial stress by

Providing free, confidential face-to-face support • Easing the burden of dealing with debt

Helping you identify a way forward • Supporting you to take action

Email: info@ruralsupport.org.uk **Website:** ruralsupport.org.uk

To speak with someone in confidence call our helpline on 0845 606 7 606

ASPIRE Employability Programme – Free CSR Card and Forklift Licence Training

To be eligible you must be unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week.

Omagh Office: (028) 8224 6535 • **Enniskillen Office:** (028) 6632 6478 • **Facebook:** Aspire Employability Programme

The Aspire Employability Programme is part funded by the European Social Fund and Department for the Economy

Dún Uladh Cultural Heritage Centre – Traditional Music and Singing Classes:

Every Tuesday night. Why not learn an instrument or a song or two in 2018?

For details and booking call (028) 8224 2777 or visit dunuladh.ie

Volunteer at White Oaks Acorn Organic Farm: If you have an interest in organic growing and have a few hours to spare, why not spend them with us? Contact us using the details below.

Address: IOSAS Centre and Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Road, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal

Tel: (00353) (0) 74 9384866 • **Website:** celticprayergarden.com • **Facebook:** IOSASCentre • **Twitter:** IOSASCentre

Parish Liturgy for April, 2018	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Nuala Glass	Monica Coyle	Sean Teague
Eucharistic Ministry	Frankie Bradley	Maria Bradley	Josephine Clarke
Prayers of Intercession	Eimear Bradley	Lauryn Hollywood	Grace Conneely
Collectors	Megan Coyle Orla Coyle	Peter Tracey Leo Donnelly	Perry McCrory Sean McKenna
Altar Society	Rosemary McCullagh, Nuala Glass, Louise O'Brien and Alannah Coyle		Ann McDermott, Carmel McCrory, Lucy-Marie McCrory and Leanne Morris

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages: 7 nights B&B and Airport Shuttle Service from €279 per person

Book any flight, any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service

To book dates call 00353 1443 4510 or (020) 3239 8662 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Monday 2nd April – St. Francis of Paolo (hermit) [1416-1507] Was a hermit and attracted others to his way of life, later called the Order of Minims.

Saturday 7th April – St. John the Baptist de la Salle (priest) [1651-1719] Devoted his life to the care and education of poor children and to the training of teachers. Formed his companions into the Brothers of the Christian Schools. Patron Saint of teachers.

Kindercare Fostering NI: Could you help a child in need? Northern Ireland is currently experiencing a severe shortage of foster carers and particularly carers from the Catholic Community. We are a not-for-profit organisation which works to find safe, secure and loving homes for children and young people in need in Northern Ireland. If you are interested in finding out more:

Tel: (028) 90941690 • **Email:** gillian.devlin@kindercare.co.uk • **Website:** kindercareni.co.uk

Join the Derry Youth Community (DYC) Adventure: If you are between the ages of 18 and 25 and considering a Gap Year experience why not consider one with a difference? The DYC are a community of faith and service located in the heart of Derry City and serving the young people of the Diocese of Derry.

If faith is important in your life, and you are attracted to the ideal of service, you can find more information by visiting derryyouthcommunity.com or emailing dyc@derrydiocese.org

Guidelines on Use of Modern Technology when Working with Children – Use of Photography and Video:

The use of photography and video is an issue of great concern among those working with children. The Diocese recognises that every parish has their own arrangements in relation to its use in schools, youth groups and for the sacraments however the guidelines have been devised below to aid parishes and diocesan groups:

- It is always good practice to seek *written* permission from a parent or guardian before taking any photographs or video footage of children. This written permission must be sought from the parent/guardian or the person who owns the photograph before it can be displayed on promotional materials or websites. This can be incorporated in the registration form when a child joins a group (template permission Resource 10);
- Neither names nor any personal information should be displayed alongside any photographs;
- Special consideration should be given where taking photographs or video footage might be misinterpreted, or the images could be seen as provocative (e.g. beach trip or gymnastics display etc.). It is not to say, however, that with the right planning, these events cannot be recorded and enjoyed.

Photography and video recording are important methods of recording social activity and providing an historic record – illustrating and validating important moments in people's lives. This process is a powerful and personal one, and therefore we must respect the rights of all to make the choice whether or not to be photographed.

From Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, published on behalf of the **Diocesan Safeguarding Committee**

Child Safeguarding: If you or anyone you know has a concern or wishes to report an allegation directly to the statutory authorities, please contact the PSNI / Local Health and Social Care Trust. If you are contacting the latter, ask to speak to the Duty Social Worker. Alternatively, if you have a child safeguarding concern in relation to any member of Church personnel and wish to report it to Church authorities, please contact one of the diocesan designated persons, who will in turn report your concern to the relevant statutory authorities. See poster at entrance

DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2018

Sunday 1st April Easter Sunday	Sunday 22nd April at 2.00pm Confirmation
Saturday 19th May at 12 noon First Holy Communion	Tuesday 21th to Sunday 26th August in Dublin World Meeting of Families
Saturday 30th June at 6.00pm in St. Patrick's Cemetery Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead	
Sunday 1st July at 11.00am Mass in Our Lady of the Wayside Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead followed by Broughderg Old Cemetery	

ASPIRE: Kickstart your career for the new year with the launch of new learning and training opportunities. ASPIRE provide assistance to anyone aged 16 years old and over who is currently unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week and is seeking paid work. The ASPIRE programme is part funded through the Northern Ireland European Social Fund 2014-2020 and the Department for the Economy.
For further information on the ASPIRE Programme, please contact the Omagh Office on (028) 8224 6535 or the Enniskillen Office on (028) 6632 6478. Alternatively, you can find us on Facebook

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Musings – Be a Person Who Sings Life! *Pope Francis – Address (Saturday 3rd May, 2014)*
Be people who sing life, who sing faith. This is important: don't just recite the Credo, recite faith, know faith, but sing faith! That's it. Tell faith, live faith with joy, and this is called 'singing faith'.
And it's not me saying it! Saint Augustine said it 1600 years ago: 'sing faith'!

Strule Arts Centre – Irish Cultural Activities Every Wednesday
Sean-Nós and Set Dancing 6.00pm to 7.00pm • **Singing in Irish** 7.00pm to 8.00pm
Irish Language Classes for Beginner, Improver and Advanced Levels 8.00pm to 9.30pm
Email: kevin.goodwin@fermanaghomagh.com • **Tel:** 07747 899 249

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession: The Sacrament of Reconciliation better known as Confession is very important and vital part of our lives as Catholics. The times for Confession will be as follows.
St. Patrick's: Eve of First Friday from after 10.00am Mass until 11.00am when mass is celebrated with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during that time except when there is a funeral or no mass
 First Saturday of each month from after mass until 11.00am with Adoration unless there is a 12noon wedding
 Each Saturday Evening 5.30pm-5.45pm and after Vigil Mass on request after Mass
Our Lady of the Wayside: Each Sunday 10.30am to 10.45am and after 11.00am Mass on request after Mass

Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants – Emigrant Information Pack: Contains practical information for intending Irish emigrants, such as visa requirements, advice on health insurance, gaining employment, accommodation and other information pertaining to each of the main receiving countries. It also provides information for Irish emigrants planning to return to Ireland after a period living abroad as well as other articles and information on the theme.
If interested in receiving a free copy(s) of this booklet please contact Teresa at the Derry Diocesan Office
Email: t.mcmenamin@derrydiocese.org • **Tel:** (028) 7126 2302 • **Website:** catholicbishops.ie/tag/emigrants

2017 PARISH STATISTICS

Baptisms (26) 10 Boys • 16 Girls	First Holy Communions / Reconciliations (14) 8 Boys • 6 Girls	Confirmations (15) 7 Boys • 8 Girls
Marriages (5) 2 within parish • 3 outside parish		Funerals (12) 11 within parish • 1 outside parish
April: Parishioners and pupils of Dean Maguirc College took part in Holy Thursday mass in RTÉ Studio in Dublin on Thursday 13 th April		
December: Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament began 13 th December in St Patrick's Church		

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – John 20:1-9: *John Byrne OSA (jpbyrneosa@gmail.com)*

In some ways this gospel is a difficult one for prayer. It only presents a part of the story and the full unfolding of the good news the story contains lies in the next part of the text. However, even with this section there is plenty of material for reflection and for prayer.

- The disciples are in a state of shock and suffering from a traumatic loss. Jesus, the one in whom they had placed so much hope, has been murdered and buried. Then, before they have time to recover, comes another shock – the body of Jesus is missing. Have you had experiences in which one tragedy or crisis follows quickly after another? What was that like for you? How did you cope? What, or who, sustained you then?
- Mary and Peter, and possibly others, came and discovered that the tomb was empty. The part of the story we have in this text gives no explanations of what has happened. They are left in a state of bewilderment 'for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.' Have you been in that kind of a situation, faced with events you cannot explain, possibly events which have dashed your hopes in another person, or in God? What has that been like for you?
- Yet in spite of the lack of explanation, the beloved disciple 'saw and believed'.
 Have there been times when others have done something that you could not understand, and which they could not explain at the time and yet you believed that all was not as it seemed; times when you decided to trust in spite of the evidence?
 Have there been times when others have shown this kind of faith in you when you were not able to offer satisfactory explanations, and all you could say was 'trust me'?
 Have there been times in your relationship with God when you have felt that you were faced with an empty tomb and still you believed?
 Where have you found life in such experiences?

The Deep End – For As Yet They Did Not Understand: *Jane Mellett (mellettj@gmail.com)*

Today we celebrate the highpoint of the Christian calendar, Easter. The gospel tells us that Mary Magdalen is the first witness to the Resurrection. 'It was still dark ...' when Mary went to the tomb but it was also the 'first day of the week', a new beginning. We might recall those situations in our lives which seemed so dark, where we felt that there was no light at the end of the tunnel.

Whatever our 'death' experiences may be, we revisit them, going to the tomb as usual. And then we realise that something has changed, the stone has rolled away. Let the stone and linen wrappings in this text today represent all that keeps us from being free; all that keeps us captive, emotionally, physically, spiritually, in our broken relationships and struggling communities. However big that stone appears to be, our faith in the resurrection of Jesus tells us that this stone can be moved. Think of all the situations in our world which need transformation, the homelessness crisis, the violence on our streets, our own sorrow. The Easter gospel shows us that these situations can be transformed, even though it is often a painful journey. Once we experience the resurrection we are called to radical change and to share this transformative joy with others.

Jesus you are with us. Keep us ever mindful of how you are a part of our lives in a deep and profound way. Surprise us with a touch of your love in places where we never thought that we would find you. *Joyce Rupp*