

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg
Fifth Week of Lent [Year A] (2nd April, 2017)
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Thought for Lent: "Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism."
Pope Benedict XVI

Liturgy Schedule for the Fifth Week of Lent [Year A] (Sunday 2nd April, 2017 – Sunday 9th April)			
Saturday 1st April	St. Patrick's	6.00pm	Vigil Mass
St. Ceallach (Celsus) (bishop)			
Sunday 2nd April	St. Patrick's	9.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
Fifth Sunday of Lent	Our Lady of the Wayside	11.00am	Mass
Monday 3rd April	St. Patrick's	6.45am	Mass
		10.00am	Mass
Tuesday 4th April	St. Patrick's	9.00am	Mass
Wednesday 5th April	St. Patrick's	7.30pm	Mass: Joe McGarvey (9 th Anniversary)
Thursday 6th April	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass followed by Exposition and Confessions until 11.00am
Friday 7th April	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass
St. John the Baptist de la Salle (priest)		7.30pm	Mass: Margaret Hagan (25 th Anniversary)
Saturday 8th April	St. Patrick's	6.00pm	Vigil Mass:
<i>Do This in Memory (week 8)</i>			Felix McAneney (15 th Anniversary)
Sunday 9th April	St. Patrick's	9.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
Palm Sunday	Our Lady of the Wayside	11.00am	Mass
	St. Patrick's	3.30pm	Lent Penitential Services

Weekly Collection: £910 • **St. Patrick's Clerical Education:** £975

Marriage Congratulations: Dessie Rafferty (Termonmaguirc) and Coleen McBride (Greencastle)
 Friday 24th March in St. Oliver Plunkett's Church, Creggan

Remembering our Dead: We pray for the souls of **Felix McAneney (15th)**, **Joe McGarvey (9th)** and **Margaret Hagan (25th)** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick and Housebound: Fr. Gallagher will visit on Friday 7th April at the recently established times.

Palm Sunday: The Vigil Mass in St Patrick's for Palm Sunday on Saturday 8th April 6.00pm will begin at the Calvary in the Cemetery with Blessing of Palms and Procession to the Church. Mass for Palm Sunday on Sunday 9th April in Our Lady of the Wayside at 11.00am will also begin at the Calvary in the Cemetery there. *If weather is poor both will take place in the Churches*

Trócaire Lenten Message: The UN has said that with 20 million people facing starvation in Africa, the world is facing the greatest humanitarian crisis since the Second World War. Trócaire is working in Somalia, South Sudan, Kenya and Ethiopia to support thousands of people facing famine in the coming months.
Find out more at trocaire.org/lent

"There I shall provide for you - for there are five years of famine still to come - so that you, your household and all yours are not reduced to penury." *Genesis 45:11*

RTÉ Holy Thursday Mass – Rehearsal: Tuesday 4th April from 4.00pm in the Dean Maguirc College Assembly Hall for those who have been asked to carry out a particular role during the mass.
Please set aside several hours for this rehearsal

Rise up for '1 AM ALIVE': Sunday 16th April (Easter Sunday) from 8.00pm in St. Columb's Hall, Derry. Come join Derry's own worship band on their one-year anniversary as they celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. A musical celebration and a night not to be missed.
Tickets are £10 (available at Veritas, Derry)

L'Arche – Changing the World, One Heart at a Time: The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th April at 7.00pm in the Holywell Trust, 10-14 Bishop St, Derry.
All welcome • Call Anne on (028) 7126 6722 or Carmel on (028) 7151 3763

Dromore Tradfest: Friday 7th to Sunday 9th April. Action packed traditional music festival with Gala Concert featuring Angelina Carberry, Dan Brouder, Alan Kelly, Tadgh Maher and more (Friday 7th April at 8.00pm) and music / singing / Irish workshops with guest artists (Saturday 8th April)
Booking recommended • 07514 100 058

Palm Sunday Procession: Matthew 21:1-11 • Lect. 1:343 **Next Week's Readings:** Isaiah 50:4-7 • Psalm 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24 R/ v 2 • Philippians 2:6-11 • Matthew 26:14-27:66 • Lect. 1:346
Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 1]

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gift Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 1 st April The family of Charles Conway	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Sunday 2 nd April The family of Caelum Tracey
Saturday 8 th April DTIM (week 8) The family of Lee Coyle	Palm Sunday	Sunday 9 th April The family of Eoin Bradley

If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented

Altar Servers Practice for Holy Week: Wednesday 12th April at 6.30pm (full attendance please). Concludes at 7.25pm.

10th Annual Award Ceremony for The Pope John Paul II Award Celebrations:
Knock Shrine: Wednesday 5th April from 11.00am to 4.00pm (Mass at 3.00pm)
Rome Pilgrimage: [Group 1] Sunday 29th October to Thursday 2nd November
 [Group 2] Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November (including an audience with Holy Father, Pope Francis)
 God our Father, Saint John Paul II tells us to trust Christ;
 To listen attentively to his teachings, To fix our eyes on his face, To persevere in listening to his Word,
 To allow him to focus our search and our aspirations and all our ideas and the desires of our heart.
 Help us Father, to do this so that all the actions and decisions of our lives are done
 with Jesus who is our Saviour and friend for ever and ever. *Amen*
 Our Lady of Knock pray for us and for the young people in Ireland

Badoney Lower – Lenten Talks: The following Lenten Talk events will be held in St. Patrick's Church, Gortin
Monday 3rd April, 7.30pm: Confessions and Reconciliation with God (presented by Teresa Lappin)
Wednesday 5th April, 7.30pm: What does adult faith look like? (presented by Dr. Tony Hanna)
Friday 7th April, 7.30pm: Youth Mass assisted by members of the Diocesan Youth

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service – Facilitator Required: Ireland's leading provider of marriage preparation courses. Would you like to share your positive married experience with engaged couples preparing for their married life together? ACCORD is a voluntary Catholic organisation that aims to promote a deeper understanding of Christian marriage and to offer people the means to safeguard and nourish their marriage and family relationships. Professional training provided - Certificate in Marriage Education (Special Purpose Award). Accredited by Pontifical University, St. Patrick's College Maynooth.
Email: info@accordni.com • **Tel:** 02890 233002 • **Website:** accord-ni.co.uk • **Closing Date for Applications:** Monday 15th May

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

MA in Catholic School Leadership: Offered by the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre working in partnership with St. Mary's College, Twickenham. The third cohort will begin Autumn. This is a post graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to, or have an interest in, leadership roles within the Catholic School system.
For more information call the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 004428 7126 4087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org

Catholic Grandparents Association – First Annual Retreat / Conference: *Speakers include Fr. Benny McHale*
Theme: *Helping our Children and Grandchildren to know, love and serve God in these highly-secularised times*
 Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th April in the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24
 (Day only and overnight attendance options available). Inspiring talks, lively discussion
Tel: Connie on +353 098 24877 • **Email:** catholicgrandparents@gmail.com

Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo – All-Ireland Rosary Rally: Saturday 3rd June
Main Celebrant: Bishop Brendan Kelly DD • **Homilist:** Fr. Thady Doyle
 Also the 25th Anniversary of the death of Servant of God Fr. Patrick Peyton, the Rosary Priest

The Net – April Edition: Now on sale, with coverage including:
 Youth enjoy thought-provoking faith talks • Derry Youth Community seeking new members • New name for Clonmany NS
 Guides celebrate World Thinking Day • Slaughtneil camogs' prayerful path to success
 Ballinascreen music gathering helps STEPS to hope • Uplifting night of music in Strathfoyle
 Christ the King Youth Choir to 'Let It Shine' • Lavey Confirmation • Cappagh 'Life in the Spirit' seminars
 Long Tower Knights of Blessed Sacrament • Granaghan Station Mass • Trad for Trocaire in Errigal
 New St Eugene's choir director relishing his role • Ruby celebration for Aghyaran missionary priest
 Iskaheen launches funeral guidebook • Ardmore hosts Syro Malabar celebration • Waterside parishioner shares faith story
 L'Arche feature • Musical tribute to Bishop Daly • Ardmore parish reflects on Family and Marriage
 New group exploring how lay missionaries and returned volunteers can help parish life
 Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Group to help reinvigorate parishes, Honduras Diary – Part 2
 Contemplating Laudato Si • Historic Hinterland • Children's Catechism Club

<p>Pope Francis' Intention for April (please remember this in your personal prayers) Young People: That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.</p>
<p>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</p>
<p>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. <i>See poster at entrance</i></p>
<p>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</p>
<p>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. <i>Call Carol on (028) 8225 1559 to book</i></p>
<p>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 of emigration. If interested in receiving a free copy(s) of this booklet please contact Teresa at the Derry Diocesan Office Email: t.mcmenamain@derrydiocese.org • Tel: (028) 7126 2302 • Website: catholicbishops.ie/tag/emigrants</p>
<p>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. <i>An appointment can be arranged by calling the Omagh Centre on (028) 8224 2439 or emailing omagh@accordni.com</i></p>
<p>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</p>
<p>Family Care Society: We are presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For more information contact us via the following details (offices open weekdays from 9.00am to 1.00pm) Tel: (028) 9069 1133 or (028) 7136 8592 • Email: email@familycaresociety.org • Website: familycaresociety.co.uk</p>
<p>St. Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests: The co-ordinators in the Derry Diocese wish to raise awareness of the Apostolate of Prayer for Priests and to invite people from across the diocese to join in this prayer initiative. The Apostolate prayer card offers us a special opportunity to spend ten minutes each day in prayer for a priest. The co-ordinators for the diocese and their contact details are: <i>prayerforpriests.com</i> Rosemary Johnson 07810 387 825 - brendan_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk • Ethna Hill 07528 249 838 - ethna776@yahoo.com Siobhan Sweeney 07880 588 041 - siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk • Eamon Cassidy 077435 02165 - e_cassidy@hotmail.com</p>
<p>Annual Diocesan Mass for those with special needs and their families and friends: Saturday 6th May at 2.00pm in St. Joseph's Church, Galliagh, Derry – Bishop McKeown will celebrate the Mass <i>If you have a child who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or First Communion at this Mass please call the Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087</i></p>

<p>Parish Liturgy for April, 2017</p>	<p>St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)</p>	<p>St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)</p>	<p>Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)</p>
<p>Readers</p>	<p>Martin McCullagh</p>	<p>Monica Coyle</p>	<p>Sean Teague</p>
<p>Eucharistic Ministry</p>	<p>Frankie Bradley</p>	<p>Eileen McKenna</p>	<p>Josephine Clarke</p>
<p>Prayers of Intercession</p>	<p>Ryan Clarke</p>	<p>Lauryn Hollywood</p>	<p>Cara-Rose Brogan</p>
<p>Collectors</p>	<p>Noel McElhatton Francis McLaughlin</p>	<p>Colm Keenan Michael Clarke</p>	<p>Pat McGuigan Brendan Daly</p>
<p>Altar Society</p>	<p>Alice Keenan, Anne Donnelly and Anne Tuohey</p>		<p>Anne McDermott Carmel McCrory</p>
<p>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. <i>Call Julie White on (028) 7186 3764 / (078) 0302 4011</i></p>			
<p>Drink Wise Age Well: Are you over 50? Are you worried about your own or someone else's alcohol use? <i>For confidential information, advice and support call (028) 8283 9240</i></p>			
<p>Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages: Airport Transport and 7 nights B&B €279 – Call for flight info. Tel: 01 443 4510 • Email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com</p>			
<p>Pilgrimage to Medugorje: Wednesday 6th to Wednesday 13th September Direct flights from Belfast, half board in the Leone Hotel and all tax and insurance £579 <i>Contact Maria on (028) 8164 8357 or 07768 395 038 for more details</i></p>			
<p>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</p>			
<p>Family Care Society – Interested in Adoption? We specialise in finding forever families for children aged 3 years old and upwards and for brothers and sisters. This year we have successfully placed more brothers and sisters together and half of them were over the age of 3. Many more children need forever families. Could you be their new family? We are also seeking families who would be interested in becoming concurrent carers for babies under 2 years old. If you want to talk to one of our specialist adoption practitioners contact: Rachael (Belfast Office): (028) 9069 1133 • Julie or Brian (Derry Office): (028) 7136 8592 Email: email@familycaresociety.org • Website: familycaresociety.co.uk</p>			
<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is always good practice to seek <i>written</i> 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. <p>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. <i>From Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, published on behalf of the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee</i></p>			

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Sunday 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.

Friday 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.

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – John 11:1-45: *John Byrne OSA (jbyrneosa@gmail.com)*

1. Martha and Mary were people of faith but Jesus led them to an even deeper faith. Who were the people who led you to a deeper faith in Jesus? Remember them and give thanks.
2. Martha and Mary were struggling to come to terms with their bereavement. What has helped you in similar situations?
3. The concern of Jesus is palpable and touching. Recall those who matter to you and to whom you matter. Such love mediates God's love, which surpasses human love with the gift of new life and Easter joy.
4. One can imagine Lazarus as a symbol of people and groups that are written off as dead (sometimes by themselves), and yet through faith come back to life again. Have you had the experience of being revived by faith? Has faith helped to free you from what held you in bondage, or was destructive of your life?

Musings – A Human Heart: *From Gospel Reflections for Sundays of Year A: Matthew by Donal Neary SJ Messenger Publications*

His was a human heart. He liked friends and he found a home and a safe place with them, over the hill and away from the mob. We might picture him there – the talk, the chat, the prayers, the love; meals with other friends who dropped in, times of prayer and silence. The one who can share a laugh, eat a scone, have a drink or a cuppa. The one who'd give a wink at the sign of peace! Not always so serious, even about religion. There's no such thing as a sad saint!

He is a good friend. Friendship gives new spirit.

When life is ending we will give thanks for friends, and regret the way we have drifted from or hurt each other. Real friendship is when another's thoughts and life become at least as important or more so than our own.

So the resurrection and the life is not just for after death. It is for now. We raise each other up in friendship and in love. In that is the grace of the Lord, himself a friend, for when we love, God lives in us.

Picture your friends and those you love and give thanks to God for each of them.

Lord, help me to keep love and friendship alive in my life.

The Deep End – Come Forth Lazarus: *Triona Doherty, Athlone, Co. Roscommon (trionad@gmail.com)*

In today's Gospel Jesus is surrounded by a culture of death. The disciples are afraid to go back to Bethany, the Jews want to stone Jesus to death, Mary and Martha are distraught over the death of their brother Lazarus, and Lazarus himself lies bound in the darkness of the tomb. It appears as if there is no hope. Jesus weeps for his friend and for those around him.

Yet, surrounded by a culture of violence and despair, Jesus gives hope, compassion, and resurrection to those in turmoil. It is easy to say that nothing can be done when we are faced with difficult situations in our own lives. Yet Jesus says 'Lazarus, come out' and to the people he says 'Unbind him, let him go.' It is a message for all of us to come away from a culture of death; to help unbind one another and to also allow ourselves to emerge from the tomb. We are called to take away the stone. Today's Gospel is a story of liberation. Jesus gives a new insight into the power of faith over death.

Hope means to keep living amid desperation and to keep humming in the darkness. Hope is knowing that there is love, it is trust in tomorrow, it is falling asleep and waking to work when the sun rises. In the midst of a gale at sea, it is to discover land. In the eyes of another, it is to see understanding. As long as there is hope, there will also be prayer. And God will be holding you in his loving hands. *Henri Nouwen*

Thornhill Ministries – Lenten Programme: *Thornhill House, 121 Culmore Road, Derry*
Lent from the Inside Thursdays from 10.30am to 2.30pm **Into the Twilight** Mondays from 6.00pm to 7.00pm
 Five short retreat days as we reflect on the road of life An hour of silent meditation
Opening to the Word Tuesdays from 10.30am to 11.45am
 Lectio: Quiet guidance in Scripture-praying
Tel: (028) 7135 1233 • **E-mail:** thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org • **Online:** thornministries.co.uk / find us on Facebook

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

Greencastle St. Patrick's GAC and Greencastle Community Association are working together to begin developing a shared Community Hub

This is essentially a 10-15 year plan to improve the facilities in our community for the benefit of our residents.

We now have eighteen groups who use the facilities at the community centre and our resources are stretched to accommodate everyone—we need more space.

An Caisleán Glas Community Hub will take the form of a 3-phase development with the first phase incorporating a new shared / educational space, a multi-purpose gym/spinning studio, an exhibition area and additional multi-purpose rooms.

To allow this development plan to proceed we need as many people as possible to complete our community questionnaire which will be available at the community centre through the various groups/classes, the shop and school.
The questionnaire will also be available online

Everyone who fully completes the questionnaire is entered into a draw to win £50.

We would also like to invite people to come along to the club rooms to see the plans at 'design concept stage' and participate in a unique opportunity to influence this plan.

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

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

2016 Parish Statistics		
Baptisms (18) 7 Boys 11 Girls	First Holy Communions / Reconciliations (16) 10 Boys 6 Girls	Confirmations (21) 10 Boys 11 Girls
Marriages (16) 7 within parish 9 outside parish	Funerals (10) 8 within parish 2 outside parish	Station Masses in October 8
Events	The death of retired Bishop of Derry Most Rev. Dr. Edward Daly is announced on Monday 8 th August Mass with Padre Pio Relic Celebrated in St Patrick's Church on Wednesday 5 th October	

DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2017

Thursday 30th March at 7.30pm

First Confession (Primary 4 Children and Families)

Sunday 9th April

Palm Sunday

Friday 14th April

Good Friday

Sunday 16th April

Easter Sunday

Saturday 6th May at 11.00am

Confirmation

Saturday 3rd June at 12.00noon

First Holy Communion

Saturday 1st July at 6.00pm in St. Patrick's Cemetery

Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead

Sunday 2nd July at 11.00am in Broughderg Cemeteries

Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead