



**Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)**  
**St. Patrick's, Greencastle**      **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**  
**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B] (4<sup>th</sup> November, 2018)**  
 Parochial House, 164, Greencastle Road, Sheskinshule, Omagh, BT79 7RU  
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**Pope Francis speaks to Ireland**

*Festival of Families, Croke Park [Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August]*

"I am grateful to all of you for your warm welcome. It is good to be here! It is good to celebrate, for celebration makes us more human and more Christian. It also helps us to share the joy of knowing that Jesus loves us, he accompanies us on our journey of life, and each day he draws us closer to himself."

**Liturgy Schedule for Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time [Year B] (4<sup>th</sup> November – 11<sup>th</sup> November)**

<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b> St. Otteran (monk)	St. Patrick's	<b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass: Jim McCullagh (5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b> Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	<b>9.00am</b> Mass (Missa Pro Populo) <b>11.00am</b> Mass
<b>Please note that there will be NO MASS between Monday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>Adoration will be Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 12 noon to 7.00pm concluding with Rosary</b>		
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b> St. Leo the Great (Pope and Doctor of the Church)	St. Patrick's	<b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass: Michael Conway (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b> Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	<b>9.00am</b> Mass (Missa Pro Populo) <b>11.00am</b> Mass

**COLLECTIONS**      **Weekly:** £990      •      **Mission Sunday:** £710      *Thank you for your generosity*  
**Mission Appeal:** Next weekend a Mission Appeal will take place in our parish made by a representative of the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Assumption. The Little Sisters of the Assumption have been in Ireland since 1891. They would greatly appreciate any support you can give to their missionary work among some of the poorest people of today's world, particularly in Latin America. *A second collection will be taken up at all masses*

**Baptism:** We offer our prayers and best wishes to the family of **Zaralee Josie May McCullagh** who was received into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October in St. Patrick's Church.

**Remembering Our Dead:** We pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Michael McCullagh (Binnefreaghan)** who died during the week. We remember and pray for the souls of **Ita McDermott, Joanne Tracey** and **Mickey Bradley**, recently deceased and enrolled in the Derry Diocesan Society and for the souls of **Jim McCullagh (5<sup>th</sup>)** and **Eileen Smyth (7<sup>th</sup>)** whose anniversaries occur at this time.  
*During this month of November we remember and pray for all our deceased relatives, parishioners and friends*

**Pilgrimage to Rome and Tuscany:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June for nights, ex Dublin (includes Assisi, Florence and Pisa). Spiritual Director: Fr. Brian Donnelly. Guide: Kieran Troy  
 £1,090 per person sharing (single room supplement £280) Includes guided tours and most meals.  
*Call Paul or Marie at Downe Travel on (028) 4461 3288 or email marie@downetravel.co.uk*

**Annual Diocesan Pioneer Mass:** Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 3.00pm in St. Mary's Church, Killyclogher  
 Chief Celebrant will be the Most Reverend Donal McKeown  
*Refreshments afterwards in Parochial Hall • All Pioneers and friends are invited to attend*

**Annual Pioneer and Friends Retreat:** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November in Termonbacca.  
 A great opportunity to prepare for Advent! Cost including lunch is £25.  
 Contact Maria on (028) 8164 8357 / 07768 395 038 or any Committee member before Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November

**Anam Cara, Belfast – Evening for Bereaved Parents:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 7.20pm in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Belfast, BT8 7XP. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

**Catholic Engaged Encounter Course:** For details / booking: marriageencounter.ie • (028) 2763 8512  
 Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March in Our Lady and St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Ballymoney, Co. Antrim.

**Next Week's Readings:** 1 Kings 17:10-16 • Psalm 145:7-10, R/ v 2 • Hebrews 9:24-28  
 Mark 12:38-44 • Lectionary 1:822      **Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 2]**

<b>6.00pm Saturday Vigil</b> Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November The family of <b>Grace Teague</b>	<b>Offertory Gift Rota</b> Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00am Sunday Morning</b> Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> November The family of <b>Eoghan Conway</b>
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> November The family of <b>Kayleigh Brogan</b>	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> November The family of <b>Caioleann Maguire</b>

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

**Dean Brian Maguire School Reunion – Class of 1998:** If you were a pupil and or a teacher from '93 to '98 you are cordially invited to the 20 year reunion night on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 8.30pm in The Charm Inn Carrickmore.  
*Admission £5*

**An Caisleán Glas CLG – Cultural Youth Concert:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm sharp in the Community Centre. Come along and enjoy an evening of singing, drama, music and dance!  
*All are welcome*

**Rouskey Community Centre – Upcoming Events:** *Call Bridie on 07591 047 556*  
**Christmas Shopping Trip:** Rouskey CDA organising bus trip to Belfast Castle Craft Fair and then onwards to Belfast Shopping or St George Market on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Leaving Gortin at 10.00am, onwards to Rouskey 10.10am, Greencastle 10.20am and Creggan 10.30am.  
*£10 deposit will secure seat*  
**Free drop-in Hearing Aid Maintenance Support Session in Rouskey:** We run free, drop-in support sessions for those who need a bit of help with everyday issues like comfort, maintenance, changing ear mould tubing and batteries, and adapting to life with their NHS hearing aids. This month's session will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00am to 11.00am in Rouskey Community Centre.

**Jiving Classes with Christopher Bradley:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November – 11<sup>th</sup> December from 8.30pm to 9.30pm in the Greencastle Community Centre.  
*For more info call Bronagh Maguire on 07917 155 629*

**Pilates Classes:** 6-week block from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November in Greencastle Community Centre  
**Beginners** 7.15pm • **Intermediate / Advanced** 8.15pm  
*Led by a chartered physiotherapist • To register call Roisin on 07437 762 005 or email roisin@sperrinphysio.com*

**Saturday Morning Spin Class:** Starts Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00am for 6 weeks at a cost of £25

**The Priory Institute – Open Day:** enquiries@prioryinstitute.com • 00353 1 404 8124 • Tallaght Village D24  
 Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Meet current students and teaching staff and attend a lecture in theology

**Public Meeting on Alcoholism:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 8.30pm in Greencastle Credit Union  
 Speakers from AA, AI Anon and a medical professional will be there  
*All welcome*

**Come and See – Now is a great time to be a priest. No Ordinary Life: Exploring Priesthood**  
 Who am I called to be? How am I called to live? What am I called to do?  
 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November in Mount St Anne's Portllington, Co Laois (€30)  
 Organised by the National Vocations Office. For more info email info@vocations.ie or Fr. Gallagher  
 "A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people." *Pope Francis*

**The Big Knit for Age NI** Calling all knitters! For every hat knitted Age NI receives 25p.  
*To register or find out more call Dorothy on (028) 9024 5729, email bigknit@ageni.org or visit ageni.org/thebigknit*

**Crib Festival:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Would anyone be willing to lend a crib to Thornhill Ministries for their annual Crib Festival? If so, please contact the secretary.  
*As it takes time to organise the displays, it would be much appreciated if you could get in touch fairly soon*  
**Monica Retreat Day:** Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Anyone who feels the loss of family members who are choosing not to practice their faith this is a day for personal healing. *Led by Fr. Paschal McDonnell*  
 Thornhill Ministries, 121 Culmore Road, Derry • (028) 7135 1233 • thornhillministries@derrydiocese

**Fr. Shields Camogie Club – Black Bag Unwanted Clothes Fundraiser:** *We appreciate your support*  
 Every Monday in November from 6.00pm to 8.00pm a member of the club will be at the hall to receive any items

*Congratulations to Kira Donnelly of Fr. Shields Camogie Club who has been nominated for an All-Star Award for Young Camogie Player of the Year. Kira is a talented and deserving Camog and you can vote for her from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November when the link becomes available and is printed in next week's bulletin*

**The Derry Diocesan Pastoral Plan is available to download on the Derry Diocesan website (derrydiocese.org)**  
**For a hard-copy, request it from the Diocesan Office (email office@derrydiocese.org or call (028) 7126 2302)**

**Pope Francis' Intention for November (please remember this in your personal prayers)**  
**Universal – In the Service of Peace:** That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

**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](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com)

**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

**Commercial Free Catholic Talk-Radio Station for Ireland – Radio Maria Ireland (RMI):**  
 Prayer, catechesis, uplifting music, talks, interviews and testimonies  
 Listen via the app 'RADIO MARIA IRELAND' on mobile devices, streaming on [radiomaria.ie](http://radiomaria.ie) or listened to on the phone via a live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply) • Join our faith family!

**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](mailto:omagh@accordni.com)

**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](http://derryyouthcommunity.com) or emailing [dyc@derrydiocese.org](mailto:dyc@derrydiocese.org)

**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](mailto:tracy@compassionatecommunitiesnw.com)

**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](mailto:michellemcginn@foylehospice.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](mailto:omagh@accordni.com)

**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

**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](http://celticprayergarden.com) • **Facebook:** IOSASCentre • **Twitter:** IOSASCentre

**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](mailto:info@ruralsupport.org.uk) **Website:** [ruralsupport.org.uk](http://ruralsupport.org.uk)  
 To speak with someone in confidence call our helpline on 0845 606 7 606

**The Priests – Christmas Concert:** Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Omagh.  
 Tickets: £25, available from Drumragh Parish Office, 48 Brook St, Omagh, (028) 8224 2092 (office hours), or Top News, George St, Omagh, (028) 8224 0084. Purchase early to avoid disappointment. *Perfect as a Christmas gift*

Parish Liturgy for November, 2018	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
<b>Readers</b>	Nuala Glass	Siobhan McKenna	Barry Maguire
<b>Eucharistic Ministry</b>	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
<b>Prayers of Intercession</b>	Ronan Hollywood	Erin Hood	Cara-Rose Brogan
<b>Collectors</b>	John Bradley Colum Devlin	Brendan Conway Eugene Tracey	Brendan Daly Brian Gillen
<b>Altar Society</b>	Alice Keenan, Anne Donnelly, Mary McCrory, Louise O'Brien, Alannah Coyle and Clodagh McKenna		Ann McDermott, Martina McBride, Lucy-Marie McCrory and Leanne Morris

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

**Family Care Adoption Services** Presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children  
 For a free information contact **Tel:** (028) 7136 8592 / (028) 9069 1133 (Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm)  
 us using any of these details **Email:** [anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org](mailto:anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org) • **Website:** [familycaresociety.co.uk](http://familycaresociety.co.uk)

**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

**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

**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

**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

**Foster Carers Needed:** The Western Trust urgently needs people to come forward who can offer a loving home to foster children. At present there is a greater number of children in need of homes than there are foster carers available. If you have room in your home and in your heart to care for a child, please contact:  
 Vanessa Nelis – WHSCT Recruitment Officer for Fostering  
**Tel:** (028) 8283 5264 **Mob:** 07554 552 989 **Email:** [vanessa.nelis@westerntrust.hscni.net](mailto:vanessa.nelis@westerntrust.hscni.net)

**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](mailto:gillian.devlin@kindercare.co.uk) • **Website:** [kindercareni.co.uk](http://kindercareni.co.uk)

**Trocaire – Recruiting Volunteers:** To support their fundraising, campaigning and education work in Ireland.  
 If you are interested in volunteering visit [trocaire.org/getinvolved/volunteer](http://trocaire.org/getinvolved/volunteer) or call (028) 9080 8030 for more info

**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@fermanaghmagh.com](mailto:kevin.goodwin@fermanaghmagh.com) • **Tel:** 07747 899 249

**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*

**This Week’s Calendar of Feasts and Saints:**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November – St. Willibrord (bishop and missionary) [658-739]** Northumbrian missionary saint known as the "Apostle to the Frisians" in the modern Netherlands. He became the first Bishop of Utrecht and died at Echternach, Luxembourg.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November – St. Leo the Great (Pope and Doctor of the Church)** Taught the two natures of Christ at the Council of Chalcedon, 451, and the primacy of the See of Peter. Died in 461.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November – St. Martin of Tours (bishop) [335-397]** Bishop of Tours, apostle of rural Gaul and founder of monasteries. Patron Saint of France, soldiers, beggars and inn-keepers.

**Seeing your life through lens of Gospel – Mark 12:28-34:** *John Byrne OSA (jpbymeosa@gmail.com)*

1. Today’s gospel brings us right to the heart of what a Christian life involves: love of God and of neighbour. Jesus tells us that having life both now and in the future is the fruit of living in a spirit of love. How have you experienced the power of love given, and received, as a source of life and vitality?
2. If you were asked what is most important in life, what would your answer be? Recall the experiences and relationships you have had. Which are the ones that you treasure most? What has particularly enriched your life? How would you encourage another person who asked you how s/he could live a full life?
3. Jesus praises the questioner as one who had answered wisely. Recall some of the wise people you have known, people who in their words and actions impressed you with their capacity to see and treasure what is important in life.

**Musings:** Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. These ancient and sacred words are for the faithful Jew the key source of individual identity and social cohesion... Those of us who are older remember a time when we Catholics derived a similar confidence in our personal identity and our community belonging from the private piety and public worship of the tradition handed down to us. I remember too as a child being truly impressed at the sight of Belfast Jews, the men and boys sporting their skull caps, as they took the bus to the Synagogue on Saturday mornings. Nowadays it is our Moslem brothers and sisters who take the prize in our cities for an easy, unselfconscious fidelity to their religious practices. *Fr. James O’Kane (Shortish Homilies for 2017 / 18 [Year B])*

**The Deep End – The Greatest Command of All:**

*Jane Mellett (mellettj@gmail.com)*

Today we hear a very famous Gospel passage which we might dismiss easily because we feel we know it so well. Love God. Love your neighbour. It sounds simple, yet it can be so difficult. Loving God in our world today means being counter-cultural; often we are afraid to even admit that we are believers. Finding time for God can be impossible due to our hectic lifestyles; we are addicted to ‘busy’ and have become ‘time poor’. Yet we can learn to see God in the everyday, right before us, in each task, in nature, in our friends and family. We might ask ourselves today, what prevents me from loving God, for making time for God in my life? For nourishing my relationship with God?

The love of neighbour which Jesus speaks of is a controversial love. It involves a love of people we don’t know or like. It is a radical love of those that society wants to dismiss: love of the migrant, love of the homeless family, love of the drug addict, love of the prisoner, love of the earth, love of the climate refugee. Love God and Love Neighbour – it sounds so simple yet these are the toughest, most radical lines in the Gospel. It sounds like two commandments and yet they are one, interconnected and inseparable, for to love God we must love our neighbour. And by loving our neighbour we are loving God. Today let us all ask ourselves how we can live more fully this great commandment and be a shining example of Christ’s love in the world.

**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@jecon.ie

**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*

**Accord Marriage Preparation Courses:** Planning to get married in 2018 / 2019?

Book with Accord by visiting [accord-ni.co.uk](http://accord-ni.co.uk). Course dates available in 2018 are as follows:  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November • Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Service of Light (P7)** Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 7.30pm • **First Confession** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm  
**Confirmation** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 12 noon • **First Holy Communion** Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 12 noon

**2017 PARISH STATISTICS**

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