



Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**
Second Sunday of Easter [Year B] (8th April, 2018)
Divine Mercy Sunday
 Parochial House, 164, Greencastle Road, Sheskinshule, Omagh, BT79 7RU
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Thought on the Divine Mercy: "All grace flows from mercy, and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God's merciful grace, and then God will do the rest." *St. Faustina's Diary No. 1507*

Liturgy Schedule for the Second Week of Easter [Year B] (Sunday 8th April – Sunday 15th April)

Saturday 7th April	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass: Felix McAneney (6 th Anniversary)
Sunday 8th April Second Sunday of Easter [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 11.00am Mass
Monday 9th April	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 10th April	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass
Wednesday 11th April	St. Patrick's	12 noon to 7.20pm Adoration 7.20pm Confessions • 7.30pm Mass
Thursday 12th April	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 13th April	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday 14th April	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 15th April Third Sunday of Easter [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 11.00am Mass

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the repose of the soul of **Felix McAneney (6th)** whose anniversary occurs at this time.

Confirmation Retreat: Please pray for the children of Primary 7 of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School who will have a One-Day retreat on Thursday 12th April in the Community Centre in preparation for their Confirmation on Sunday 22nd April.

Adoration Meeting: Wednesday 18th April after 7.30pm mass. A special meeting for those committed to or interested in an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our parish. The meeting will include a Spiritual Talk by Fr. Gallagher on the Eucharist and an opportunity to review how Adoration has operated in our parish since beginning last December.

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

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

DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2018

Sunday 22nd April at 2.00pm Confirmation	Tuesday 21st to Sunday 26th August in Dublin
Saturday 19th May at 12 noon First Holy Communion	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	

Padre Pio Devotions: Wednesday 11th April after 7.30pm Mass. A *First Class Relic* will be present for veneration

Next Week's Readings: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 • Psalm 4: 2, 4, 7, 9, R/ v 7 • John 2:1-5
 Luke 24:35-48 • Lectionary 1:46 **Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 2]**

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Saturday 7 th April • Leah Fox	Offertory Gift Rota Divine Mercy Sunday	9.00am Sunday Morning Sunday 8 th April • Patrick Morris
Saturday 14 th April* • Seonag Harte	Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday 15 th April • Trea Clarke
If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented *Do This in Memory Programme (week 9) We need new volunteers in every aspect of life		

Institute of Irish Leadership – Upcoming Events Email: kathleenburnsill@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

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

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

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:** ronan.mcxay@childrenincrossfire.org • **Tel:** (028) 7126 9898

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 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

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

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

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.

Greencastle Community Association Registration: Saturday 14th April, 7.00pm to 8.30pm.

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

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

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

Beginning Experience – Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change: The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th March in Drumalis, Larne. The Support group continues Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm in St. Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast.
To find out more call Phil on (028) 9020 7645, Marie on 07896 119 669 or email bebelfast@hotmail.com

Derry Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage: Sunday 1st to Friday 6th July. Led by Bishop Donal McKeown. Cost £669
Address: 164 Bishop Street, Derry BT48 6UJ • **Email:** derrypilgrim@outlook.com • **Tel:** (028) 7126 0293
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 11.00am to 1.00pm from Saturday 3rd February

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 • **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 **Website:** ruralsupport.org.uk
 To speak with someone in confidence call our helpline on 0845 606 7 606

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

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

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

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

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

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

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*

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

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – John 20:19-31: *John Byrne OSA (jbyrneosa@gmail.com)*

1. 'Peace be with you' was the greeting of Jesus on meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing peace at times when you were frightened? For whom have you been an agent of peace?
2. Thomas, doubting and questioning, is possibly a person with whom we can identify. What part have doubting and questioning played on your faith journey? How has your faith been strengthened by such moments?
3. Note the way Jesus dealt with Thomas. He did not give out because he doubted. He took him where he was and led him along to see the truth of his resurrection. Who has been that kind of a teacher for you, gently taking you where you were and leading you on to a deeper knowledge of some truth about life? For whom have you been that kind of teacher?
4. 'Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed.' That requires great trust. Perhaps you have had the experience of being trusted without having had to prove every step along the way. What was it like to be trusted in that way? Who have you been able to trust in a similar manner?

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

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

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 • **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

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		

Musings – The Seasons of Our Love:
Written by Stephen Cummins and taken from The Family Prayer Book published by Veritas
 In the springtime of our marriage grant us growth and hope
 In the summertime grant us warmth and celebration
 In our autumn grant us harvest and affirmation
 And in our winter grant us closeness and support
 In all the seasons of our marriage be our constant companion
 the guest invited to our wedding who has remained faithful and ever present
 We ask this through Christ, our Lord
Amen

The Deep End – The Peace of Jesus: *Jane Mellett (mellettj@gmail.com)*
 We do not come through suffering and difficult times unscarred. We are changed by them. Often they bring some sort of growth into our lives and that is usually not a pleasant experience. Today's gospel shows us that even in those difficult times, faith can be transformative. Jesus came and stood amongst the disciples even though the doors were firmly closed. The peace that he gives them (shalom) is a peace of body, of mind and of spirit; it moves the disciples from despair and being 'locked away' to 'rejoicing'. Jesus then asks the disciples to be an unending witness to God's love. They, and we, must be for others what Jesus has been for them. The risen Jesus is active in all our lives and in the world around us, but we must be careful not to close ourselves off or let fear take over. This is not easy as we often meet cynicism and doubt. Yet, John tells us that he writes these things so that we may come to believe and have life; reminding us of the importance of the Word of God for our lives. Through the Word we come to know Jesus more deeply and can experience this peace that he offers us.
 For even if the whole world believed in resurrection, little would change until we began to practice it. We can believe in CPR, but people will remain dead until someone breathes new life into them.
Shane Claiborne