

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion [Year A] (9th April, 2017)
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Thought for Palm Sunday: "Crowd, celebration, praise, blessing, peace: it is a climate of joy that is being experienced. Jesus has reawakened many hopes of the heart, above all in the humble people, the simple, poor, forgotten, those who do not count in the eyes of the world. He understood that human misery, he manifested the face of God's mercy and deigned to heal the body and soul. This is Jesus. This is his heart that looks upon all of us, that looks upon all of our afflictions, our sins. Jesus' love is great. And so he enters into Jerusalem with this love, and looks upon all of us. It is a beautiful scene: full of light—the light of Jesus' love, the light of his heart—of joy, of celebrating."
Pope Francis (Palm Sunday Homily, 2013)

Liturgical Schedule for the Holy Week and the Easter Triduum [Year A] (Sunday 9th April, 2017 – Sunday 16th April)

Saturday 8th April <i>Do This in Memory (week 8)</i>	St. Patrick's	6.00pm	Vigil Mass: Felix McAnaney (15 th Anniversary)
Sunday 9th April Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside St. Patrick's	9.00am 11.00am 3.30pm	Mass (Missa Pro Populo) Mass Lent Penitential Services
Weather permitting we will gather at Calvary in Cemetery with Blessing of Palms and Procession at 6.00pm Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday on Sat. 8th April in St. Patrick's and 11.00am Mass of Palm Sunday on Sun. 9th April in Our Lady of the Wayside			
Penitential Services 3.30pm (Greencastle) • 5.00pm (Gortin) • 7.30pm (Newtownstewart)			
Monday 10th April	St. Patrick's Sacred Heart, Omagh	10.00am 7.30pm	Mass Penitential Service
Tuesday 11th April	St. Patrick's Sacred Heart, Plumbbridge	9.00am 7.30pm	Mass Penitential Service
Wednesday 12th April	St. Patrick's Christ the King, Strathroy	6.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Practice for Altar Servers Mass Penitential Service

Easter Triduum

Thursday 13th April Holy Thursday	St. Patrick's	7.30pm 11.30pm	Mass of Lord's Supper Rosary, Night Prayer and Conclusion of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 14th April Good Friday <i>Day of Fast and Abstinence</i>	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	10.00am 3.00pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer followed by confessions Celebration of Lord's Passion and confessions Stations of the Cross followed by confessions
Saturday 15th April Holy Saturday	St. Patrick's	10.00am 9.00pm	Morning Prayer followed by confessions Easter Vigil
Sunday 16th April Resurrection of the Lord [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am 11.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo) Mass

Weekly Collection: £1,045
Church Door (Retiring Collection): Will take place on Good Friday in support of the Christian Community of the Holy Land

Remembering our Dead: We pray for the repose of the souls of **Rosaleen Clarke (9th)**, **James Clarke Snr. (30th)** and **James Clarke Jr. (36th)** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

St. (Padre) Pio Devotions: Wednesday 12th April immediately after mass on In St. Patrick's Church.
A 1st Class relic of St. Pio will be present for veneration

Please remember to return your Trócaire Boxes any time from Holy Thursday onwards

Trócaire Lenten Message: The palm is a symbol of peace and on this Palm Sunday we pray for the millions of people around the world who are affected by conflict and have had to flee with their families to face an uncertain future. Trócaire is working in many areas of conflict to ensure people have a chance of a better future.
Find out more at trocaire.org/lent

"They took branches of palm and went out to receive him, shouting:
 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who is coming in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel'" *John 12:13*

Next Week's Readings: Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43 • Psalm 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 R/v 24
 Colossians 3:1-4 • John 20:1-9 • Lectionary 1:417 **Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 1]**

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Saturday 8 th April <i>DTIM (week 8)</i> The family of Lee Coyle	Offertory Gift Rota Palm Sunday	9.00am Sunday Morning Sunday 9 th April The family of Eoin Bradley
Thursday 13 th April, 7.30pm – Mass of The Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday) The family of Danielle Gumley		
Saturday 15 th April, 9.00pm (Holy Saturday Vigil) The family of Katelyn Gumley	Easter Sunday	Sunday 16 th April The family of Nicole Cahill
If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented		

RTÉ Mass on Holy Thursday: The Parish of Greencastle in association with Dean Maguirc College and Trocaire are participating in the live broadcast of the Mass of the Lord's Supper for the RTÉ Studios in Dublin on Thursday 13th April. The broadcast begins at 4.40pm on RTÉ One and will last for 55 minutes. Those travelling to Dublin are asked to be at Dean Maguirc College for 8.30am that morning. Cars can be left in the school car park. We hope to return around 10.00pm that evening.
The parish will welcome Fr. Paul McCafferty, one of the Vicars General of the Diocese to celebrate the Holy Thursday Mass in St. Patrick's Church that evening at 7.30pm

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

Single Farm Payment Forms (IACS): Tuesday 11th April, 6.30pm to 8.30pm in the Broughderg Community Centre.
Completed by 2 NIAPA Reps

Meeting of Overseas Returned Volunteers and Lay Missionaries: Tuesday 11th April at 7.30pm in Bishop McKeown's house, 21A Buncrana Rd, Derry next to St Columb's College. If you are interested and have not attended a previous meeting you are most welcome to come along to this one.
For more info email jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone / text + 353 83 842 2468

**10th Annual Award Ceremony for The Pope John Paul II Award Celebrations:
 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

Annual Coffee Morning and Cake Sale: Tuesday 11th April at 10.00am in Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School. The Easter Bonnet Parade will take place after this event at approximately 11.00am.
All proceeds will go to Trócaire and Foyle Hospice

Rise up for 'I 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)

Dún Uladh – Term 3 Music Lessons: Returns Tuesday 25th April. Registration takes place Tuesday 18th April from 6.30pm 7.30pm
 Classes available in banjo, flute, tin whistle, accordion, harp, concertina, uilleann pipes, guitar and bodhrán
 Call (028) 8224 2777 or admin@dunuladh.ie for more information

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

Life in the Spirit Seminars – An Introduction to a Life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit
 Every Thursday from 20th April 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church, Killyclogher for 7 weeks
"Let him who is thirsty come; let him who desires, take the water of life without price" Revelations 22:17
PLEASE PRAY FOR AN OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ON OUR PEOPLE

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<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>			

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – Matthew 26:14-27:66: John Byrne OSA (jbyrneosa@gmail.com)

The account of the Passion is a vivid story with a variety of characters and much action. To enter into the passage we can read the story slowly and see if we can identify with different characters in the story. Also any one scene within the story can provide us with much food for reflection and prayer. Keep in mind that one of the aims in reflecting on the passage is to discover the good news the story has for us. Here are just a few general pointers for prayer:

1. The identity of Jesus is revealed as the Messiah and the Son of God, not with a display of human power, but as one who was prepared to suffer unto death to show us how our God loves us. How does the Passion story speak to you as a revelation of how God loves you?
2. Jesus gives us an example of patient endurance and faithfulness in suffering. Suffering is something we all encounter. It is not something that anyone likes but sometimes we cope with it better than others. What have you found helps you to cope better with suffering?
3. As you read through the narrative of the Passion where do you find yourself resonating with a character in the action? Is there any message there for you that is life-giving?

Musings: *From Sacred Space for Lent 2017 – Messenger Publications*

Humility is above all God's way: God humbles himself to walk with his people, to put up with their infidelity. This is clear when we read the Book of Exodus. How humiliating for the Lord to hear all that grumbling, all those complaints against Moses, but ultimately against him, their Father, who brought them out of slavery and was leading them on the journey through the desert to the land of freedom.

This week, Holy Week, which leads us to Easter, we will take this path of Jesus' own humiliation. Only in this way will this week be 'holy' for us too! *Pope Francis*

Look at Judas and watch him – fearfully betraying Jesus. Look at Jesus as his heart goes out to the weakness of his disciples. In all sorts of weakness in our lives, the love of God is triumphant. Let him be the strength in your weakness and sinfulness.

Is Judas motivated by anger and disappointment? Had he a different vision of the messianic kingdom than Jesus? Did he resent that Jesus saw through him when he protested at the waste of Mary's costly ointment at the feast? One thing is clear: he refused to accept Jesus as he was. Like us, he didn't see that it is we, not God, who must change

The Deep End: *Jane Mellet (melletj@gmail.com)*

Today we read Matthew's account of the death of Jesus; yes it is the long Gospel but we should not miss out on the journey that spending time with this account offers. As you read perhaps you might notice the various characters and their roles, their words and actions. A good question to ask as we enter into this text is 'Where do I stand?' Are you looking on as a bystander, are you in the group of disciples or some other character: Pilate? Pilate's wife? Perhaps it is a more difficult journey as you relate to Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, a Jesus who is 'grieved' because of many things: isolation, the disappointment he must feel because of the abandonment of his friends, betrayal, loneliness, mocking, torture? This is not an easy journey. We know the story does not end here, but for this week we enter into the reality of betrayal, trial, suffering and death.

We might remember today those who stand for justice, those who are counter-cultural, those who stand against oppressive systems even though the path is often dangerous and lonely. We might recall times we felt betrayed, abandoned or times we were in despair.

Try to return to this text during the week, perhaps reading a small section each day as we continue to ask ourselves: 'Where do I stand?'

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Thornhill Ministries – Lenten Programme: *Thornhill House, 121 Culmore Road, Derry*
Lent from the Inside Thursdays from 10.30am to 2.30pm
 Five short retreat days as we reflect on the road of life

Into the Twilight Mondays from 6.00pm to 7.00pm
 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

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)	First Holy Communions / Reconciliations (16)	Confirmations (21)
7 Boys 11 Girls	10 Boys 6 Girls	10 Boys 11 Girls
Marriages (16)	Funerals (10)	Station Masses in October
7 within parish 9 outside parish	8 within parish 2 outside parish	8

Events The death of retired Bishop of Derry Most Rev. Dr. Edward Daly is announced on Monday 8th August
 Mass with Padre Pio Relic Celebrated in St Patrick's Church on Wednesday 5th October

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

For coverage of your parish or school faith activities just send an email to editorthenet15@gmail.com or call/text 07809 292 852

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