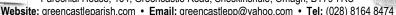


Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry) St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A] (12th November, 2017)

Parochial House, 164, Greencastle Road, Sheskinshule, Omagh, BT79 7RU



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Thought for Week: "To have a right to do a th	ning is not at all the same a	s to be ri	ght in doing it." GK Chesterton
Liturgy Schedule for Thirty-Second Week in Ord	inary Time [Year A] (Sunday	/ 12 th Nov	ember – Sunday 19th November)
Saturday 11th November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm	Vigil Mass:
St. Martin of Tours (bishop)			John McCullagh (Month's Mind)
Sunday 12th November	St. Patrick's	9.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	Our Lady of the Wayside	11.00am	Mass
Monday 13 th November	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass
Tuesday 14th November	St. Patrick's	9.00am	Mass:
St. Laurence O'Toole (bishop)			Brendan Morris (20th Anniversary)
Wednesday 15th November	St. Patrick's	7.30pm	Mass
St. Albert the Great (bishop and Doctor of the Church	1)		
Thursday 16th November	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass:
			Katie Teague (5th Anniversary)
Friday 17th November	St. Patrick's	10.00am	Mass:
St. Elizabeth of Hungary (religious)			Charlie Donnelly (2 nd Anniversary)
Saturday 18th November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm	Vigil Mass: Mickey (3rd),
Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, F	Rome Mary (24th) and	Mick Holl	ywood (10th) and Eileen Clarke (2nd)
Sunday 19th November	St. Patrick's	9.00am	Mass (Missa Pro Populo)

Weekly Collection: £1,045 • Mission Sunday: £1,160 Thank you for your continued generosity

Our Lady of the Wayside 11.00am Mass

This weekend we welcome Bishop Donal McKeown to the parish as he celebrates the 11.00am Sunday Mass in Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg. We thank him for his presence, solidarity and support

Baptism: We welcome in to the family of God *Blain James McDermott* who was baptised Sunday 5th November in St. Patrick's. We offer our best wishes to his parents, godparents and family circle at this time of joy.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently deceased and enrolled members of the Derry Diocesan Society *May Coyle* and *Nellie O'Brien*. We also pray for the souls of *Abina Coyle* (3rd), *Brendan Morris* (20th), *Katie Teague* (5th), *Charlie Donnelly* (2nd), *Katie Fox* (6th) and *Peter McCaffrey*.

Adoration Renewal: Next weekend we look forward to welcoming members of the Diocesan Adoration Committee who will address us on the importance of Eucharistic Adoration in parish life and assist us here in the parish as we endeavour to establish Adoration on a weekly basis.

All Ireland Consecration to Jesus through Mary: Sunday 5th November to Friday 8th December.

Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith: Sunday 26th November (Feast of Christ the King) at 2.30pm.

The Rosary on the Coast Ireland Group invite us to go to the coasts of Ireland to pray the Rosary for the Preservation of Faith in Ireland and the Protection of Life in Ireland. Individuals, families, prayer groups etc. are asked to participate. Email: kathysinnott@gmail.com • Tel: +353 87 2786 552 • Find us on Facebook

Padre Pio Prayer Group – Christmas Meeting [reschedule]: Due to our parish holding their annual Novena to Our Lady on a Monday night our Christmas meeting, will be held on Tuesday 14th November in the Holy Family church, Ballymagroarty, Derry, starting with Mass at 7.15pm. There will be a 1st class relic at the meeting

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

Next Week's Readings: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 • Psalm 127:1-5, R/ v 1 • 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Matthew 25:14-30 • Lectionary 1:725 Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 1]

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gift Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 11th November	Thirty-Second Sunday	Sunday 12 th November
The family of Michael McElduff	in Ordinary Time	The family of Amy McGurk
Saturday 18th November	Thirty-Third Sunday	Sunday 19th November
The family of Cailum McKenna	in Ordinary Time	The family of Caolan McKenna

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association – *Draw to Promote Temperance in Ireland and the Developing World*Starts mid-November • £6.50 per month to subscribe for six months (or £38 if paid in advance)

Prizes 1st €1,000 • 2nd €400 • 3rd €200 • 4th €100

To enter call Robert Glackin on (028) 7134 1647, Andrew Doherty on (028) 7135 2285,

Danny Gorman on (028) 7135 2725 or Kathleen Chambers on (028) 7134 7833 no later than Monday 6th November

Fr. Shields Old Clothes Collection: Please call / text Siobhan on 07909 734 893, Tracey on 07470 626 782 or Fiona on 07879 252 29 who will arrange to collect any bags you have for return.

They will be available after 6.00pm mass in Greencastle on Friday 17th and Saturday 18th November to collect bags

Camowen Farmers Group Meeting – Speaker: Basil Walker. Topic: Farm Safety: Monday 13th November at 8.00pm in the Milestone Centre, Carrickmore. This is an important issue, farmers often work alone in a dangerous environment and under pressure. Most dangers are animals, machinery, falls and slurry.

Everyone Welcome

Holy Trinity College, Cookstown – *Sister Act*: Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th November at 7.30pm in the College Assembly Hall. Tickets are £10 and can be purchased from the general office or online by following the link from the college website or Facebook page

Crib Festival: Friday 24th November (12.00pm to 6:30pm) and Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th November (10.30am to 6.00pm) in Thornhill House, Derry. A truly inspirational event with all sorts of cribs (creative, contemporary, traditional and in augmented / virtual reality).

Selection of seasonal gifts available. Proceeds in support of the work of Thornhill Ministries. All welcome!

Alcohol Awareness Week – **Alcohol and Families:** Monday 13th to Friday 19th November. Al-Anon Family Groups and Alateen meetings provide a safe and confidential environment for anybody who is or has been affected by someone else's drinking. For a copy of the Al-Anon publication 'Families Surviving Alcoholism' or for information about the help available and availability of meetings call Colette on (028) 9068 2368 or email al-non@btconnect.com

Cappagh / Badoney CCE – Singing Classes with Ciara Fox: Sunday 12th November at 2.30pm in Plumbridge
There will also be classes on Sunday 26th November and Sunday 10th December
Call Tom Blee on (028) 8164 8719 / 07704 526 870 or Roisin Hood (028) 8077 1495 / 07789 697 238 for info

Greencastle Youth Club have been selected for ASDA Cookstown's Green Coin giving scheme so anytime that you are shopping in ASDA Cookstown please vote for them by asking for Green Coins at the till and putting them in our box at the door.

This runs until December so please keep voting until then

Marriage Encounter Residential Weekend – The Joy of Love in Marriage:

Friday 17th to Sunday 19th November in The Lake Hotel, Killarney. Offers married couples (of all age ranges) private time to rediscover the joy of their love. For information and to book visit marriageencounter.ie or call (087) 784 0408 or (01) 832 4429

Prayer to Blessed Michael Arch\angel: Blessed Michael the Archangel, defend us in our hour of conflict.

Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God restrain him,
we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God,
thrust Satan down to hell and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen

Pope Francis' Intention for November (please remember this in your personal prayers)
Christians in Asia: That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed,
may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

Strule Arts Centre – Irish Cultural Activities Every Wednesday

Sean-Nós and Set Dancing 6.00pm to 7.00pm

Singing in Irish 7.00pm to 8.00pm

Irish Language Classes for Beginner, Improver and Advanced Levels 8.00pm to 9.30pm

Email: kevin.goodwin@fermanaghomagh.com

Tel: 07747 899 249

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 • Website: familycaresociety.co.uk

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

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

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

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

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

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

Rural Support: We could help you with financial stress by

Providing free, confidential face-to-face support

Helping you identify a way forward

Email: info@ruralsupport.org.uk

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

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

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

Parish Liturgy for November, 2017	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Roisin Hood	Monica Coyle	Sean Clarke
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
Prayers of Intercession	Maeve McCullagh	Michaela Gillen	Caoileann Maguire
Collectors	Noel McElhatton	Frank Keenan	Pat McGuigan
Collectors	Raymond Bradley	Leo Donnelly	Brendan Daly
Altar Society	Siobhan McKenna, Ciara McKenna		Anne McDermott
Altar Society	and Alannah Coyle	n Coyle	Martina McBride

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 Safequarding Policy and Procedures, published on behalf of the **Diocesan Safequarding 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

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.mcmenamin@derrydiocese.org • Tel: (028) 7126 2302 • Website: catholicbishops.ie/tag/emigrants

Children in Crossfire Recruitment – Office Based Volunteer and Parish-Based Volunteers for Advent:

Please call (028) 7126 9898 or email shauna.oneill@childrenincrossfire.org as soon as possible

By volunteering together we can make a difference! Thank you.

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

Musings:

Fr. Willie Doyle, SJ [1873-1917]

Each fresh meditation on the life of our Lord impresses on me more and more the necessity of conforming my life to his in every detail if I wish to please him and become holy. To do something great and heroic may never come, but I can make my life heroic by faithfully and daily putting my best effort into each duty as it comes round.

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

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel - Matthew 25:1-13: John Byrne OSA (jpbyrneosa@gmail.com)

- While the parable has clear end-of-time applications it can also be applied to any moment of grace.
 It reminds us that moments of grace come unexpectedly, and we need to be awake to receive them.
 Recall times when you were alert for such a moment. What were the consequences for you?
- 2. Grace can also be disturbing. We can be coasting along in life and suddenly an opportunity or a graced moment arrives and we are shaken out of our routine in order to respond. Perhaps you can recall both moments when you were unprepared, and moments when you were able to respond. What lessons have you learned from such experiences?
- 3. We may be tempted to judge the wise virgins as being selfish for not sharing with the others, but perhaps Jesus is teaching us that there are some things that other people cannot provide for us. We have to acquire them ourselves. What qualities in life do you see as the essential oil that you must provide for yourself?

The Deep End - Are You Ready?

Triona Doherty, Athlone, Co. Roscommon (trionad@gmail.com)

It's a terrible thing, I think, in life to wait until you're ready. I have this feeling now that actually no one is ever ready to do anything. There is almost no such thing as ready. There is only now. And you may as well do it now. Generally speaking, now is as good a time as any.

Hugh Laurie

I'm not ready – we all think it or say it from time to time. It could be as simple as not being able to find your shoes to leave the house, or a more serious situation like being under-prepared for a work presentation. It can also refer to our emotional state – we might not be ready to talk about an experience, to change a habit, to enter into a relationship, or to let go of a loved one. No one else can tell us if we are ready for a situation or not. It is something only we know. But there is some wisdom in the quote above, in that sometimes we need to push ourselves, to just dive in.

The parable in today's gospel pits two groups in stark contrast – the foolish bridesmaids who failed to prepare, and the sensible ones who were ready with their lamps and oil. Both groups fell asleep on the job, but only one group had laid the groundwork and so were ready for action. Jesus tells us we need to be watchful and ready. As well as having the light of faith, we need the fuel – the actions – to keep it lit so we are ready when the Lord comes.

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Tuesday 14th November – St. Laurence O'Toole (bishop) [1128-1180] Lorcán Ua Tuathail, also known as St. Laurence O'Toole, was born at Castledermot, Kildare, Ireland and died at Eu, Normandy, France, he was canonised in 1225 by Pope Honorius III..

Wednesday 15th November – St. Albert the Great (bishop and Doctor of the Church) [1206-1280]

Dominican theologian who taught in Cologne, was called the 'Universal Teacher' for the vast range of his interests. Patron Saint of scientists.

Friday 17th November – St. Elizabeth of Hungary (religious) [1207-1231] Queen at 14, widowed and exiled at 20, Franciscan tertiary until her death at 24. A woman of prayer and service of the poor.

Saturday 18th November – Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, Rome This feast celebrates the dedications of two of the four major basilicas of Rome. These two churches continue to draw millions of faithful pilgrims each year as well as many visitors from other faiths.

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@iecon.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

The Net – November Edition: Now on sale, with coverage including:

St. Columba's Clady celebration • Kilrea 'Jealous of the Angels' Charity Concert
St. Mary's Limavady and St. Patrick's Maghera prizegiving ceremonies • Faughanvale Mission
Remembering Susan at Ballerin Coffee Morning • Lavey 'Darkness into Dawn' Walk
Carnhill Fatima Statue Crowned • Inishowen War Memorial Unveiled in Iskaheen
Long Tower 'Mary and Mercy' feature • Galliagh farewell to Bro Patrick • Moville Ecumenical Walk
St. Eugene's Choral Evening • Bishops' pilgrim walks from Claudy to Strabane and Limavady to Glenullin
'The Joy of Love' Ardmore talk • Fahan heritage feature • Termonbacca Triduum honours St. Therese
Annual Pioneer Diocesan Gathering • Safeguarding Thanksgiving Mass • Parishes gather for WMOF2018 talk
New Trócaire award has family focus • Children's Catechism Club • In the Garden • Quiz Time
Diocesan Diary • Parish Post-its • Apostolate Activities • Community Calendar.

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

2016 Parish Statistics		
Baptisms (18)	First Holy Communions / Reconciliations (16)	Confirmations (21)
7 Boys	10 Boys	10 Boys
11 Girls	6 Girls	11 Girls
Marriages (16)	Funerals (10)	Station Masses
7 within parish	8 within parish	in October
9 outside 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