

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**
Third Sunday of Easter [Year A] (30th April, 2017)
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Thought for Eastertide: "The joyful news that He is risen does not change the contemporary world. Still before us lie work, discipline, sacrifice. But the fact of Easter gives us the spiritual power to do the work, accept the discipline, and make the sacrifice." *Henry Knox Sherrill*

Liturgy Schedule for the Third Week of Easter [Year A] (Sunday 30th April, 2017 – Sunday 7th May)

Saturday 29th April <i>Do This in Memory (week 9)</i>	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 30th April Third Sunday of Easter [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 11.00am Mass: Rose Hollywood (5 th Anniversary)
Monday 1st May	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass: John McCullagh (7 th Anniversary)
Tuesday 2nd May	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass
Wednesday 3rd May	St. Patrick's	7.30pm Mass
Thursday 4th May	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass followed by Confessions and Exposition of Blessed Sacrament until 11.00am
Friday 5th May	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass 7.30pm Mass: Noelle Conway (Month's Mind)
Saturday 6th May	St. Patrick's	11.00am Confirmation Mass 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7th May Fourth Sunday of Easter [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 11.00am Mass

COLLECTIONS **Easter Sunday:** £1,190 • **Sunday 23rd April:** £1,060 • **Trócaire:** £4,745

Remembering our Dead: We pray for the repose of the souls of **Rose Hollywood (5th)** and **John McCullagh (7th)** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick and Housebound: Fr. Gallagher will visit those in his care on Friday 5th May.

Confirmation: On Saturday 6th May at 11.00am the Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered to the 15 children of Primary Seven in Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School. We pray that their reception of the Holy Spirit in this Sacrament will bring many graces and blessings on them as they begin the journey into a mature Christian discipleship in the future. *COME HOLY SPIRIT*

Mass for Students Doing Exams: Friday 12th May at 7.30pm in St Patrick's Church for all our students in school, university or elsewhere who are doing exams at this time.
Students and their families are especially invited to this special mass

ACCORD – Facilitator Recruitment: 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 is provided - Certificate in Marriage Education (Special Purpose Award) Accredited by Pontifical University, St Patrick's College, Maynooth. 9 centres in N. Ireland and a regional office.
Tel: (028) 9023 3002 • **Email:** info@accordni.com • **Web:** accord-ni.co.uk • **Closing date for applications:** Monday 15th May

Tyrone AOH – Rosary to Mark 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima: Every night from Monday 1st May at 7.30pm at the beautiful Statue of Our Lady of Fatima at Mass Rock on Mullydoo Road near Greencastle Community Centre.
For more information call Helen on 07585 950 724 or email helen.a.t@hotmail.com

Pope Francis' Intention for May (please remember this in your personal prayers)
Christians in Africa: That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

Next Week's Readings: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41 • Psalm 22:1-6, R/ v 1 • 1 Peter 2:20-25
 John 10:1-10 • Lectionary 1:487 **Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 1]**

Parish Liturgy for May, 2017	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Mary Slane	Catriona McCullagh	Sean Clarke
Eucharistic Ministry	Brigid Keenan	Eugene McCullagh	Patricia Donnelly
Prayers of Intercession	Michaela Gillen	Rosemary McCullagh	Conan Maguire
Collectors	Patrick McElhatton Raymond Bradley	Peter Tracey Leo Donnelly	Sean McKenna Brian Gillen
Altar Society	Maria Morris and Kathleen Tracey		

6.00pm Saturday Vigil		Offertory Gift Rota		9.00am Sunday Morning	
Saturday 29 th April <i>DTIM (week 9)</i> The family of Alice McGlinchey		Third Sunday of Easter		Sunday 30 th April The family of Aoibhin Coyle	

Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday 6th May at 11.00am

Saturday 6 th May The family of Caillan McDonald	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 7 th May The family of Cara Brogan
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If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented

Blood Donation Session in Greencastle: Returns Monday 12th June as a result of the fantastic turnout at the first session. We would encourage as many people to come along.
#GiveBloodSaveLives

Children in Crossfire – Ben Nevis Climb: Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th June flying from Derry. *Places are limited*
Tel: (028) 7126 9898 • **Email:** events@childrenincrossfire.org • **Web:** childrenincrossfire.org

GCSE Irish – Intense 1 day Revision Course: Saturday 6th May, 9.00pm to 3.00pm in Our Lady of Lourdes PS.
£5 charge • Contact Sinéad Wamock 07849 394 001 to book a place

Western Health and Social Care Trust – Information Evenings (all at 7.30pm)
 Foster Carers needed urgently in the area
 Thursday 11th May in Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane • Monday 15th May in Roe Park Resort, Limavady
 Tuesday 16th May in Silver Birches Hotel, Omagh • Wednesday 17th May in Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen
 Thursday 18th May in Da Vincis Hotel, Derry
 If you cannot attend an information evening but are interested in fostering or require some additional information call the Derry Office on (028) 7131 4244 or the Omagh Office on (028) 8283 5264

Precious Life – Stormont Rosary for Life: Please join us in praying the Rosary for the protection of Ireland's unborn babies at Parliament Buildings, Stormont (meet at Massey Avenue Entrance - off Belmont Road) at 2.30pm on Saturday 13th May (100th anniversary of Feast of Our Lady of Fatima) beginning with a 9 Day Novena of Rosaries on Friday 5th May. *For more information contact Rosary Crusade for Ireland on (028) 9027 8484 or info@preciouslife.com*

Lough Derg 2017 – Upcoming Seasons

One Day Retreats *Advance booking is essential*
 Begins Monday 1st May and continues on 6th, 7th, 9th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 27th, 28th and 29th May

Three-Day Pilgrimage *Pre-booking not required*
 Begins Thursday 1st June. You are invited to walk in the spiritual footsteps of your ancestors and be part of the unbroken link of Lough Derg as a place of continuous prayer for over 50 generations (1,500 years).

The Little Way Novena in St Eugene's Cathedral – 'To live out of love means to banish all fear'
 The Novena will begin at the 7.30pm Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick on Saturday 6th May. Devotions and talk on Sunday 7th May at 6.00pm. Monday to Friday (8th to 12th May) Novena Masses at 6.30am and 10.00am each morning and an evening service with a guest speaker at 7.30pm. Saturday 13th May 10.00am Mass for those who have died. The Novena will close on Sunday 14th May at 3.00pm.
Everyone is welcome • An opportunity to come and pray for a special intention and to ask St Thérèse to intercede

Rouskey Community Fundraising Event – May Ball (dress informal): Saturday 13th May at 8.00pm sharp in Shepherd Rest. Music by Five Star Country Band. £25 per person includes 3 course meal. Tickets will be available in the centre during class times, from committee members, local shops / venues and after mass each Sunday (30th April and 7th May). Dance only from 10.30pm. £8 per person and £15 per couple.
 Call Bridie on 07591 047 556 / to register for classes call 07847 459 428
 Sheena on (028) 8164 8186 for hire of equipment and booking of Rouskey Community Centre
 Clare Ann by Txt/WhatsApp 07798941452 or Email: rouskeycommunity@yahoo.com

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

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

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*

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

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

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

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

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

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: prayerforpriests.com
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

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
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

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

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

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

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

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Wednesday 6th to Wednesday 13th September
Direct flights from Belfast, half board in the Leone Hotel and all tax and insurance £579
Contact Maria on (028) 8164 8357 or 07768 395 038 for more details

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

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

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – Luke 24:13-35: John Byrne OSA (jbbyrmeosa@gmail.com)

1. Jesus joined the despondent disciples and listened to them. 'We had hoped ...' When you have been upset or disappointed, who has joined you along the road? To whom have you been able to pour out your heart? Who was a 'Jesus person' to you, listening to you in respectful silence? To whom have you been a Jesus person?
2. Jesus then helps them to see things in another light by opening the scriptures to them. When did you have the experience of finding your heart 'burning within you' with new hope for the future? Who/what helped you to change after a setback?
3. The disciples invite Jesus to join them at table – there follows a recognition of who he is. We meet many people on the road of life. Usually we meet and pass on. Occasionally we meet someone whom we invite into our homes, into our hearts, in a deeper way, in a way we had not done before. With whom has this happened for you? Where in these relationships have you experienced the presence of God or of Jesus?
4. After Jesus had gone the disciples went to bring the good news to others. When have you met others who told you what happened to them along their road? What effect did this sharing have on you? When have you done this with others? When was such a conversation 'good news' for you or others?

Musings: Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB (CEO Salt + Light Catholic Television Network)

Pounding hearts, wounded hearts and burning hearts ... the image of the human heart permeates the beautiful Easter Gospel of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. It is a very human story, full of pathos; stylized in pattern, and suggesting a Eucharistic celebration. The disciples come with their questions and doubts; the Scriptures are recited; words of clarification and instruction are exchanged on the road; and finally, the moment of recognition comes in the context of a meal.

The stranger on the road to Emmaus takes the scepticism and curiosity of the disciples and weaves them into the fabric of the Scripture. Jesus challenges them to reinterpret the events of the past days in light of the Scriptures.

At table in Emmaus, the disciples' hearts began to gradually burn within them as they came to understand with their minds the truth about the suffering Messiah. The 'Good News' descended from their head to their heart, and they experienced that strange and wonderful feeling of their hearts gradually on fire. The analogy of the 'burning hearts' is the only way for them to adequately describe their recognition of the Lord.

I remember a beautiful phrase of the great French Catholic author of the last century, François Mauriac: 'If you are friends with Christ many others will warm themselves at your fire ... On the day when you no longer burn with love, many will die of the cold.'

The Deep End – Didn't Our Hearts Burn Within Us? Pdraig O'Connor (Co. Louth)

Today's Gospel finds Jesus' friends downcast and confused at all that happened in their world. His death had devastated them; rumours of his resurrection amazed and confused them. Into their sadness and confusion Jesus comes; walking with them, talking with them even though they didn't recognise him and yet they said later 'didn't our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road?' It's a reminder to us that he is always with us as believers even if we don't recognise him. Sometimes he speaks to us through the love and kindness of others; the friendly word or gesture, the willingness to listen, the acceptance of us for all our faults and failings. There is surely someone in all our lives who makes us feel better just for knowing them; they reflect God's goodness and love and care in the simplest ways.

The great gift that Jesus left his followers to remind them of his constant presence was the Eucharist when he promised to be with us wherever it was celebrated in memory of him. And when we have listened and nourished ourselves in communion with each other we go to bring this word and this nourishment to others. Because the religion that Jesus Christ taught was one of giving and forgiving; of living life to the full and making the most of each day. In the words of St Catherine of Siena, 'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.'

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

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

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.

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

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@jecon.ie

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

Knock Shrine – Upcoming Events:	
Day Retreats	Saturday 6 th May – 'Resting in the Arms of God' with Deirdre Ní Chinnéide Retreats take place in the Taize Room, Prayer Guidance Centre, Knock Shrine from 10.00am to 4.00pm. €30 fee includes lunch at Knock House Hotel. <i>To book call (094) 93 75355 or email faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie</i>
Official Pilgrimage Season Begins Sunday 30 th April	All details of the coming season, including Mass Times, Pilgrimages and upcoming Faith Renewal events can be found by visiting knockshrine.ie or calling (094) 93 88100

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

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

DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2017	
Saturday 6th May at 11.00am Confirmation	Saturday 3rd June at 12.00noon First Holy Communion
Saturday 1st July at 6.00pm in St. Patrick's Cemetery Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead	Sunday 2nd July at 11.00am in Broughderg Cemeteries Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead