



Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C] (3rd July, 2022)
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Thought for the Week: "It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness; He is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you; He is the beauty to which you are so attracted; it is He who provoked you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise; it is He who urges you to shed the masks of a false life; it is He who reads in your heart your most genuine choices, the choices that others try to stifle. It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives, the will to follow an ideal, the refusal to allow yourselves to be ground down by mediocrity, the courage to commit yourselves humbly and patiently to improving yourselves and society, making the world more human and more fraternal." *Pope St. John Paul II*

Saturday 2nd July	St. Patrick's	5.30pm to 5.45pm Confession	6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 3rd July	Our Lady of Wayside	11.30am Mass: John and Mae Coyle (7 th and 5 th Anniversaries) followed by Confession	
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C]			
Tuesday 5th July	St. Patrick's	9.30am Mass	
Wednesday 6th July	St. Patrick's	2.00pm to 4.00pm Adoration	
Thursday 7th July	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass	
Friday 8th July	St. Patrick's	NO MASS	
St. Killian (bishop and martyr)			
Saturday 9th July	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass	
Sunday 10th July	Our Lady of Wayside	11.30am Mass	
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C]			

COLLECTIONS **Weekly:** £660 **Peter's Pence:** £340 *Thank you for your generosity*

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Peter Tuohy (Cookstown, formerly Formil)** who was buried this week and for family members here in the parish who mourn his death. We also pray for the happy repose of the souls of **John (7th) and Mae (5th) Coyle and Jane McDermott (20th)** whose anniversaries are at this time.

Weekday Mass: During the months of July and August there will only be mass on a Friday evening at 7.30pm in St. Patrick's Church if a Month's Mind or Anniversary Mass is booked. Please check the Parish Bulletin each week and if you are booking a mass please do so through the Parish Office on (028) 8164 8203 well in advance to ensure it appears in the bulletin during the summer (sometimes a couple of weekends bulletins are prepared and printed in advance due to holidays).

Sacrament of Confession: Saturday 2nd July from 5.30pm to 5.45pm in St. Patrick's Church and Sunday 3rd July after 11.30am Mass in Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Matt Talbot Prayer Society – Freedom from Addiction Mass: Monday 4th July at 7.30pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry. We welcome you to join us at this Mass to pray for all those battling addiction, their families and all those affected by addiction. We pray specifically at this Mass for all those enrolled in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. *If you wish to enrol someone call (028) 7126 2894 or email vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com*

Epilepsy Action NI: Are you, or someone you care for, living with epilepsy or brain injury? Epilepsy Action NI and Headway work in partnership to deliver a community-based counselling service in Omagh. The Counselling service is for people over the age of 18 who are affected by epilepsy and / or brain injury or are caring for someone with epilepsy / brain injury and would like some emotional support.

Next Week's Readings: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 • Psalm 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37, R/ cf. v 33
 Colossians 1:15-20 • Luke 10: 25-37 • Lectionary 1:875
Sunday [Year C] • Weekday [Year 1]

Safeguarding and Child Protection
 If you are worried about the welfare of a child or young person, please contact Social Services on (028) 7131 4090 (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm)
 If you think a child is in immediate danger – Don't delay! Call the police on 999
All concerns can be reported anonymously

Greencastle Vintage Club – Vintage Cars, Tractors and Machinery • Bouncy Castle:
 Saturday 2nd July at Greencastle Community Centre from 2.00pm to 6.00pm
Food and drink available • Donations welcome at Gate

Short Questions and Answers from the Catechism – How is moral conscience formed?
 Catechism of the Catholic Church, section 1,785
 Moral conscience is formed by
 1. The Word of God 2. The regular examination of our conscience
 3. The gifts of the Holy Spirit 4. The witness or advice of others 5. The authoritative teaching of the Church

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. All are welcome and encouraged to spend some time, however long or short, with our Eucharistic Lord. Following the request of Bishop McKeown, we set aside the first hour from 2.00pm to 3.00pm to pray for the intention of Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. The hour from 3.00pm to 4.00pm will be to pray for the needs of the Parish of Greencastle.
Stay here, keep watch with me, watch and pray

Cappagh / Badoney CCE Present Máirtín O'Connor Trio in Concert: Friday 16th September at 8.30pm in Plumbridge Parochial Hall. Tickets can be purchased at £20 each by calling Bridget on 07710 990 616.
Tickets are limited and selling fast • A fantastic concert guaranteed

Mid Ulster Agewell: Are you over 50 years old? Do you live in the Mid Ulster Council area? Would you like a free phone call in the morning to reduce the feeling of loneliness and isolation, reassurance and a listening ear and help keep you up to date with social activities in your local area? A phone call can be arranged between 8.30am and 12.30pm from Monday to Friday.
For more info call Marie Devlin on (028) 796 32170 or email marie.devlin@agewellpartnership.org

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel: *John Byrne OSA (jpb Byrneosa@gmail.com)*

- Jesus sent out his disciples on a mission to let people know 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' Recall when you have reached out to another in word or in deed to help them realize that they were cherished, perhaps by a word of sympathy or encouragement, or by giving a hand with a difficult task. What was it like for you to experience yourself as a person bringing help and encouragement to another?
- Recent events (Covid pandemic, the war in Ukraine, and poverty and famine in some countries) have created situations of dire need for some. These crises have also brought out great generosity as people reached out in caring for the sick and refugees and contributing money when they could. Perhaps there are individuals or groups that have particularly inspired you. Remember them and ask God's blessing on them.
- Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. When have you found it beneficial not to be working alone, but with another by your side? How did companionship change the experience? What you were able to achieve together that you could not have done on your own?
- When the disciples returned Jesus warned them not to focus on the thrill of what they had been able to achieve. It was more important that their 'names are written in heaven'. Sometimes we also need reminders that who we are is more important than what we do. Who have been the people who brought this home to you? Have there been experiences that helped you to appreciate this?

Derry Diocesan Prayer for Vocations
 Lord Jesus Christ, gentle shepherd, you know your sheep, and you know how to reach their hearts. Give to the people of the diocese of Derry hearts that are open to the call of the Holy Spirit. Speak to the hearts of the faithful men and women of our diocese, that they may hear your call to follow you and serve you people as priests, consecrated religious and consecrated virgins. Awaken in them the courage to answer: "Here I am, Lord. Send me." St. Eugene, pray for us. St. Columba, pray for us. St. John Vianney, pray for us.

Pope Francis' Intention for July (please remember this in your personal prayers)

For the Elderly: We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

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

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

The Spiritual Benefits of Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

It helps us to grow in holiness. Jesus is ready to lavish on us, many extra graces and blessings, when we come and spend time with Him in Adoration. It helps us to appreciate Priesthood. Remember, "No Priests, no Eucharist". It is an established fact that where Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is worshipped and adored vocations flourish. When we spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration each week or more often, we experience a great peace and contentment.

"...of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the Sacraments themselves". *Pope St. John Paul II*

National Vocations Office: "It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit and then you will be my disciples." Are you being called to love the Lord and His people as a diocesan priest? If you are considering such a vocation, contact your local priest or the Diocesan Vocations Director Fr. Pat O'Hagan, PP Merville at pgoh2111@gmail.com or email the National Vocations Office: info@vocations.ie

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

Parish Liturgy for July

St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil)

Our Lady of the Wayside (11.30am)

Readers	Anne Coyle	Anne McDermott
Prayers of Faithful	Orla Scullion	Ciaran Morris
Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Tracey	Mary McCrory
Altar Society	Anne Donnelly, Alice Keenan, Tish McElduff and Bridget Conway	Anne McDermott

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

Accord Counselling Services: Ireland's leading agency supporting marriage and relationships, nationwide through its 60 Centres. Our aim is to help couples prepare for, achieve and sustain their marriage and family relationships, offer ongoing support and assist them in times of difficulty or crisis. Available to couples regardless of their faith, denomination or none. *To avail of this call (028) 8224 2439 or email omagh@accordni.com*

Sisters of Mercy, Bethany House of Prayer, Dundalk – Prayer by Telephone

For those wishing to request confidential prayer call 00353 42933 1602 between 9.00am and 9.00pm every day

One of the Sisters will be happy to listen and pray with you

Pope Francis' Prayer for Protection: O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine. Love to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Prayer for Synod on Synodality (2021 – 2023)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. *Amen*

Radio Maria Ireland: An Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station with commercial-free broadcasting of Prayer, Catechesis, Music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies based at St. Anthony's Business Park, Ballymount Road, Dublin 22. If you are not already a follower of the station Radio Maria Ireland encourage you to join their growing faith family! Prayer / song requests welcome. "A Catholic voice in your home". Fr Eamonn McCarthy is Director.

You can tune in to the station in a variety of ways:

Digital TV - Saorview Channel 210 / Freeview TV (Channel number varies per location in NI)

Download FREE App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND"

Streaming on radiomarie.ie (subscribe and donate here also)

'Listen Live Radio' link on Facebook Page. (Like, Share and Follow us on Facebook)

Phone – get live radio feed by calling 003531 437 3277 (no extra charges apply).

Eucharistic Adoration Prayer Intentions for each hour of weekly Adoration

12noon – 1.00pm Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life

1.00pm – 2.00pm Married couples and those preparing for Marriage

2.00pm – 3.00pm Sick and the Housebound • **3.00pm – 4.00pm** Strengthening of Faith in our young people

4.00pm – 5.00pm Parish Unity • **5.00pm – 6.00pm** Protecting life and the Earth

6.00pm – 7.00pm The Holy Souls and the Bereaved

The Millennium Forum – Changing Place Facility: This is a space which provides a private area for people who require an adult changing bench, hoist and toilet. Over ¼ million people need Changing Places toilets to enable them to get out and about and enjoy the day-to-day activities many of us take for granted. The Millennium Forum Changing Place is open to all members of the public, not only people attending the theatre.
Call our Access and Inclusion Officer Lisa Heaney on (028) 7126 4455 (choose option 1) or email lisah@millenniumforum.co.uk

What Is Spiritual Communion? It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace him at a time or in circumstances when one cannot receive Him in sacramental Communion. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

Barnardo's NI – Can You Foster? Could you give a home to a vulnerable child when they need it most? Fostering is about giving them a safe, secure place to live for a few weeks, months or even years. Barnardo's Fostering NI is looking for foster carers. Foster placements can be long-term, short-term, emergency, short breaks and parent and child together. You must be over 21 to foster and must have a spare bedroom in your home. Foster carers are offered a fostering fee and allowances; they are given training and support.
To learn more call (028) 9065 2288 or visit barnardos.org.uk/foster

Our Faith – Developing What We Were Taught in School:

- Was RE just a subject in school? Would you like to really to understand it in practice?
- Are you open to deepening your understanding of your Catholic Faith?
- Do you want to better understand the Mass - the celebration to the Eucharist?
- Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to your everyday life?

The Pathways Adult Faith Programme by Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, addresses these questions and more. This two-year faith development programme, delivered one Saturday per month from October to June is available either in-house at Drumalis or by Zoom video-conferencing. *More info, enrolment visit drumalis.co.uk/pathways*

Kindercare Fostering NI: Could you help a child in need? 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) 9094 1690 • **Email:** gillian.devlin@kindercare.co.uk • **Website:** kindercareni.co.uk

A Prayer for Now: God of the present moment, God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; Bring hope and courage to us as we wait in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make us the equal of whatever lies ahead. Bring us to endure what cannot be avoided, for your will is health and wholeness; you are God and we need you. *Amen*

Wednesday 2nd March Ash Wednesday	Thursday 31st March at 7.00pm First Confession (Greencastle)	Saturday 9th April at 11.00am Confirmation (Greencastle)
Saturday 14th May at 11.00am First Communion (Greencastle)	Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th June Blessing of the Graves in Greencastle / Broughderg	

2020	PARISH STATISTICS	2021
(17) 8 Boys • 9 Girls	Baptisms	10 Boys • 7 Girls [17]
(11) 4 Boys • 7 Girls	First Communion	7 Boys • 9 Girls [16]
(14) 7 Boys • 7 Girls	Confirmation	10 Boys • 6 Girls [16]
0 within parish • 1 outside parish	Weddings	5 within parish • 2 outside parish [7]
8	Deaths and Burials	12

Deanery of Tyrone Statistics
 17 Parishes in West Tyrone and East Donegal. An estimated Catholic population of 65,670 people are currently served by 20 Derry Diocesan priests under retirement age with assistance of 3 priests in residence and a chaplain to the Polish community.
 8 parishes (47%) have a Catholic population of less than 3,000
 6 parishes (35%) have a Catholic population of 3,000-7,000 people
 3 parishes (18%) have a Catholic population of greater than 7,000 people
 The largest parish serves an estimated 11,500 Catholics
 7 parishes have 1,500 parishioners or less (7,900 combined) each with a resident priest. Is this sustainable?
 In 2008 there were 27 diocesan clergy under retirement age ministering in the Tyrone Deanery, as of 2018 that number is 20. 7 Parish Priests currently serving in the deanery will reach 75 before 2025.
 The maximum number of ordinations across the Derry Diocese by 2025 is 3.
 Age profile: 1 priest is in his 30s, 1 in 40s, 7 in 50s, 6 in 60s and 5 in 70s
 The clergy population has dropped 26% between 2008 and 2018 and by 2025 will have dropped by 52%

Gamblers Anonymous: Is gambling affecting your life? Perhaps we can help. Call us on (028) 7135 1329

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:
Friday 8th July – St. Killian (bishop and martyr) Was probably born in the parish of Mullagh in the diocese of Kilmore. With 11 companions he left Ireland and became known as the apostle of Thuringia and Eastern Franconia. With two others he was put to death c. 688. There is a very strong devotion to him in Wurtzburg, where his remains lie, and also throughout the Bavarian countryside.

Prayer for the End of the Virus: Almighty and merciful Father, who show your love to all your creation. We come before you asking for an end of the Coronavirus currently ravaging our world. Hear graciously the prayers we make for those affected by the virus in various parts of the world. Grant healing to the sick, eternal life to the dead and consolation to the bereaved families. We pray that an effective medicine to combat the sickness be speedily found. We pray for the relevant governments and health authorities, that they take appropriate steps for the good of the people. Look upon us in your mercy and forgive us our failings. *Amen*

Northern Ireland Adoption and Foster Care:
 With an increase in children and young people needing foster homes across Northern Ireland, we need you now. Every child deserves to have a happy, loving and safe home where they'll feel cared for, valued and supported.
 It's always the right time for fostering.
 Call us on 0800 0720 137 or visit adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net
 #HSCNIFosterCare #FosterForYourCommunity #CouldYouFoster

Fr. Shields Camogie Club, Greencastle: An invitation is extended to anyone who would like to try camogie for the first time or return to the game they love. We welcome anyone who would like to try at the following training sessions:
 Mondays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm (seniors) Wednesdays, (post-primary, 7.00pm to 8.00pm (U14s and U16s)
 Thursdays, 6.30pm to 7.10pm (U6s and U7s) *Support will be given to those who have never played before*
 We can assist with online registration, sticks and helmets can be provided during training sessions and matches
 Add our club page and message us or come on the nights at the above times
 @frshields.greencastle or call Kira on +44 7833 4188 50