

Diocese of Derry, Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone

Saint Patrick's Church
Greencastle

Our Lady of the Wayside Church
Broughderg

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 6th July, 2008

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Mass Schedule for the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time. 7th July – 13th July, 2008

Monday 7 th July Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 8 th July Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 9 th July Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday 10 th July Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 11 th July St. Benedict, Patron of Europe	Saint Patrick's	8.00pm Mass
Saturday 12 th July Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday 13 th July Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9:00am Mass – 'Misso Pro Populo' 11:00am Mass

Confession Schedule

Saturday 12 th July	Saint Patrick's	5:30pm (before Vigil Mass)
Sunday 13 th July	Our Lady of the Wayside	10:30am (before Mass)

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£1020**. Thank you also for your contribution to Pope's collection taken up last weekend, amounting to **£860**. **A special collection for the support of the Sisters of Nazareth will be taken up next week.**

Remembering Our Dead: We extend our prayerful support to the immediate and extended family and friends of **John Clarke (Tybane West, Rouskey)** who died this week.

Sick and housebound will be attended Monday 7th July, **beginning after 10.00am Mass**. Please let them know if you live nearby. If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit please inform Fr. Hasson.

Greencastle Sports Day: This Sunday at the GAA Centre.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 16th – 21st July, 2008: There are **29** places still available. Contact the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 7126 0293 on Tuesday / Thursday between 11.00am and 2.00pm or Saturday between 11.00am and 1.00pm, and 2.00pm and 4.00pm.

Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry. Community Fun Day: Sunday 13th July, if you are willing to help contact us. **Carmelite Pilgrimage to Knock:** Sunday 20th July, pick up point at Melmount Centre, Strabane at 8.15am, fare: £30. Contact us at (028) 7126 2512 during office hours for details.

Ordination to Priesthood: The Reverend Daniel McFaul, a native of the parish of Iskaheen (Muff, Co. Donegal) will be ordained a priest in St. Eugene's Cathedral at 3.00pm this afternoon for service in the diocese of Derry. Fr. McFaul will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Muff on Monday 7th July at 7.30pm. Please pray for him and the ministry he is about to embark upon.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association: Presentation of Pins to Young Pioneers on Friday 11th July at the 8.00pm Mass. If there is anyone eligible for gold or silver pins please contact the PTAA committee immediately.

Lotto Numbers: 10, 11, 12, 24 (3 winners with 3 numbers – £20 each) **Next Jackpot:** £7,400

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 64; Romans 8:18-23;
Matthew 13:1-23 (Lectionary I, page 675)

Youth 2000 Summer Festival at Clonmacnois, Co. Offaly: Thursday 14th – Sunday 17th August. For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed, to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new friends. Donations only. Free buses available from around the country. For more information, contact (01) 6753690 or check out our websites: www.youth2000.ie and xx-youth2000-xx.bebo.com

WORLD YOUTH DAY – Sydney Australia (15th – 20th July): The WYD '08 theme is: *'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses'*, Acts of the Apostles 1:8. Please pray for the young people of the Church and of the world this week.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 16th – 21st July, 2008: For the attention of all pilgrims anyone who has not booked their place on the bus for Belfast airport needs to do so before Wednesday 9th July. Telephone (028) 7126 0293

Medjugorje Irish Centre: Owned by the Mullan family from Omagh. Provides information, restaurant, laundry, phone, internet and foot massage. Website: www.medjugorje-properties.com

DUBLIN, SITE OF NEXT INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS. VATICAN CITY, 22ND JUNE, 2008 (VIS) - Benedict XVI today announced that the next International Eucharistic Congress will take place in 2012 in Dublin, capital of Ireland. The Pope made the announcement during his homily, transmitted by satellite from the Vatican to thousands of faithful gathered on the Plains of Abraham in Quebec, for the closing Mass of the 49th International Eucharistic Congress, held in that Canadian city from 15 to 22 June. The Eucharistic celebration was presided by Cardinal Jozef Tomko, pontifical legate and president emeritus of the Pontifical Committee for International Eucharistic Congresses. Commenting on the theme of the congress - "The Eucharist: gift of God for the life of the world" - the Holy Father said: "The Eucharist is our most precious treasure. ... It is the Sacrament par excellence ... It contains all the mystery of our salvation, it is the source and the summit of the activity and the life of the Church". "It is, then", he continued, "particularly important that pastors and faithful should always seek a more profound understanding of this great Sacrament. Each will thus be able to strengthen his faith and better achieve his mission in the Church and in the world, recalling the fecundity of the Eucharist for his personal life, and for the life of the Church and the world". "Participation in the Eucharist", said Pope Benedict, "does not distance us from our fellow man; quite the contrary, being the most exalted expression of God's love, it calls us to commit ourselves alongside our brothers and sisters to facing the challenges of the present and to making the planet a pleasant place to live. To this end, we must struggle tirelessly so that all people may be respected from conception to natural death, that our rich societies may welcome the poorest and restore their dignity, that everyone may feed themselves and their family, and that peace and justice may shine out on all continents". The Pope, who had been speaking French, then pronounced a few words in English: "I sincerely hope that this Congress will serve as an appeal to all the faithful to make a similar commitment to a renewal of Eucharistic catechesis, so that they themselves will gain a genuine Eucharistic awareness and will in turn teach children and young people to recognise the central mystery of faith and build their lives around it". After encouraging pastors and faithful "to renew their concern for their preparation for receiving the Eucharist", the Pope said that "despite our weakness and our sin, Christ wishes to dwell within us. ... For this reason we must do everything possible to receive Him with a pure heart, ever seeking to regain - through the Sacrament of Confession - the purity that sin has blemished". Benedict XVI pointed out that "sin, and especially grave sin, opposes the action of Eucharistic grace in us. ... People who because of their situation cannot take communion, will find strength and salvific effectiveness in a unity of desire and in participation in Mass", he said. "The Eucharist is not a meal among friends. It is a mystery of alliance", said the Pope. "We are called to enter this mystery of alliance, conforming our everyday lives to the gift received in the Eucharist". The Pope called on people to ask God for new priests for the Church, and to pass this invitation on to the young, "that they may joyfully and fearlessly respond to Christ. They will not be disillusioned. May families be the birthplace and the cradle of vocations". Before concluding his remarks, the Holy Father called on everyone "to join me in praying for the success of the next International Eucharistic Congress, which will take place in 2012 in the city of Dublin".

B.A.D.A. An Bruach Dearg Community Centre. Upcoming Events:

Sunday 6th July | Dancing to 'Country Cousins'

Parish Website: In the month of June the website received **867** visits bringing the overall total to **5,754**.