



Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)

St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A] (9th October, 2011)

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Liturgy Schedule for the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time [Year A] (10 th October, 2011 – 16 th October, 2011)		
Saturday Evening Vigil (8th October)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 5.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary before 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 8.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: John Gerald Conway (1 st Anniversary) 11.00am Requiem Mass
Sunday 9th October Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	
Monday 10th October Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	Our Lady of the Wayside	
Tuesday 11th October Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before 10.00am Mass
Wednesday 12th October Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time Station Mass in the home of Francis and Brigid Keenan (Aughascribba)	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before 10.00am Mass 7.30pm Mass with confessions beforehand
Thursday 13th October Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time Station Mass in the home of Joanne Beggs (Maryville)	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before 10.00am Mass 7.30pm Mass with confessions beforehand
Friday 14th October Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	7.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary before 8.00pm Mass: John Heagney (Month's Mind)
Saturday 15th October St. Teresa of Avila (virgin and Doctor of the Church)	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before 10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening (15th October)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 5.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary before 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday: <i>Do This In Memory Programme</i> 8.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: Michael O'Neill (14 th Anniversary)
Sunday 16th October Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	
Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to £1,000 <i>Please support your community by using your envelope even if you must attend Mass outside your parish, thank you.</i> <i>Envelopes received from visitors coming to Mass in Greencastle are returned to those parishes.</i> Please remember the parish when making your will. If you are a taxpayer please consider a Gift-Aid declaration, your contribution will be worth 25% more to your parish.		
Remembering Our Dead: As a parish faith community we pray for Freddie (Francis Anthony) McCullagh (Boughderg) , his Requiem will take place at Our Lady of the Wayside Church on Monday, We extend to his family, friends and all who mourn him our prayerful support. We also pray for John Gerald Conway , whose anniversary occurs at this time.		
Baptisms: As a parish community we welcome into our Christian family Kailagh Mary-Anne Bradley, Caoimhe Maguire and Caoimhe Geraldine Coyle who were baptised recently. May our adult community offer our newly baptised, their parents and godparents prayerful support and good example in our commitment to Christian living.		
Do This In Memory Programme: Our parish programme in preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will continue at the Vigil Mass in Greencastle next weekend. (Saturday 15 th October).		
Holy Family Padre Pio Prayer Group – Monthly Meeting: In the Holy Family Church, Ballymagroarty, Derry, on Monday 10 th October starting with 7.15pm Mass. There will be two 1 st class relics of St. Pio at the meeting. <i>All are welcome</i>		
Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 45:1 4-6; Psalm 9,,5; Thessalonians 1: 1-5; Matthew 28: 16-20; Lectionary I (page 714kkk) (Sunday: Year A) (Weekday: Year 1)		
Lotto Results: D – H – Q – S – Y (5 people with 3 letters – £10 each) Next Jackpot: £5,950		

A sum of money was found at Our Lady of the Wayside Church after Mass on Sunday 25th September and can be claimed from Fr. Hasson

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 8 th October The family of Shona McKenna	Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 9 th October The family of Leanne Morris
Saturday 15 th October The family of Enda McKenna	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 16 th October The family of Corey Morris
Saturday 22 nd October The family of Alisha McKenna	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mission Sunday)	Sunday 23 rd October The family of Clodagh McCullagh
Saturday 29 th October The family of Shauna McGurk	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 30 th October The family of Aimee McGuigan
Saturday 5 th November The family of Shona McKenna	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 6 th November The family of Leanne Morris
As the wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this important task.		
Parish Stations: If you are willing to host a Station Mass in your home during the month of October, 2011 please contact Fr. Hasson. Hosting a 'Station Mass' is a long tradition in the life of our parish communities in the Catholic Church. It reflects our openness to God and our hospitality to our neighbour. Hospitality should be kept as simple as possible. It is important that our priorities have the right focus. Mass in our homes is a blessing to the family and to the local area.		
Time	Townland	In the Home of
Monday 17 th October at 7.30pm	Crockanboy	P. Joe and Patta McDermott
Thursday 20 th October at 7.30pm	Sheskinshule	Colm and Josie Devlin
Monday 24 th October at 7.30pm	Teebane East	Michael and Maria Bradley
Wednesday 26 th October at 7.30pm	Formil	In the Family home of the late John Heagney
Thursday 27 th October at 7.30pm	Sheskinshule	Monica Coyle
Confessions are available 30 minutes before Mass. Thank you to all families who have volunteered to host a Station Mass for your townland during the month of October. <i>Anyone who wishes to host a Station Mass in their home during October should book it now in the Sacristy in Greencastle</i>		
Mission Month October – Together in Faith: This theme focuses on the newly independent Republic of South Sudan. World Missions Ireland (the work of the Pontifical Mission Societies) brings prayers, solidarity and financial help of the Church in Ireland to Christian communities in other parts of the world, especially those in greatest need. Please support.		
During the month of October members of the Legion of Mary supported by others in our congregation will lead us in praying the Rosary 30 minutes before the beginning of Mass each day. Please join them or make the Rosary your special family prayer during this month.		
Hike to Croagh Patrick: Do you fancy a trip to Westport, Co Mayo combined with a hike of one of Ireland's most famous mountains, 'Croagh Patrick'? The trip will be on Sunday 23 rd October for those aged 16-35 and it will cost £20. This fee will include transport from Derry and dinner in Hotel Westport. <i>For further details or to book a place please contact the Catechetical Centre on 028 71264087 or email ddcc@derrydiocese.org</i> <i>Places are limited so please book early</i>		
Sacred Heart College – Romanian Orphanage Appeal: Lucy Hood will be travelling to Romania on 22 nd October as part of the annual volunteer group from Sacred Heart College to work in an orphanage for one week. Each year the group take out medical supplies from here and purchase nappies etc. out in Romania. As part of their fundraising there will be a collection outside the church gate next Sat 8 th and Sunday 9 th October after mass. <i>Give what you can - every little brings us nearer our target</i>		
Institute of Irish Leadership (20 The Diamond, Pomeroy): Enrol now for classes in Irish,Essentialskills in IT.Spaces are still available for day classes. Coffee morning to take place after 11.00am mass in the institute.Proceeds for Action Cancer.Volunteers and Donations appreciated. Inst of Irish leadership - Tom Mc Grath -6 Counties Run (5th-15th Oct 2011).Proceeds for Action Cancer.Be part of it on Tuesday 11th Oct.Join the run from Carrickmore .To arrive at the institute in Pomeroy at 7.00pm.Alsoa talk will be given by a representative of Action Cancer Group in the Institute. Niamh Louise Foundation meeting 17th Oct 2011 at 8 30pm in the institute. Ken Mc Gilloway to give talk on 20th October 2011at 8.00 pm on Dr Sigerson, the famous son of Tyrone. Adm£5.00 .Signed copies of his book will be available. For further details contact kathleenburnsiii@gmail.com or tel:028 87 757800.		
Greencastle Youth Club Rota		
Monday 10 th October	6.30pm – 8.00pm	P6 and P7
	8.00pm – 9.30pm	Years 8, 9 and 10
Tuesday 11 th October	6.30pm – 8.00pm	P4 and P6
An Bruach Dearg Community Centre: Wednesday nights: Zumba classes 8pm to 9pm - Beginning Friday 14th October Card playing at 8.30pm refreshments provided - All Interested In Basic Computer classes please forward names to Post Office 02886751633 or text 07809568719. Plus those wishing to complete their Internet/Email from previous Classes.		

Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish (St. Patrick's)

Wednesday 19th October	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 2nd November	St. Patrick's	8.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died during the year)

Couples planning to Marry in 2011 please confirm your details with Fr. Hasson as soon as possible.

Pope Benedict XVI's Intentions for October (please remember these in your personal prayer)

- General:** That the terminally ill may be supported by their faith in God and the love of their brothers and sisters.
- Missionary:** That the celebration of World Mission Day may foster in the People of God a passion for evangelisation with the willingness to support the missions with prayer and economic aid for the poorest Churches.

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses (St. Columba's Pastoral Centre, 48 Brook Street (028 8224 2439)):

21st and 22nd October, 11th and 12th November, 2nd and 3rd December, 13th and 14st January, 10th and 11th February, 9th and 10th March, 20th and 21st April, 11th and 12th May, and 1st and 2nd June

Couples are encouraged to complete their course six months before their wedding date

Vincent's, Castle Street, Omagh: Vincent's is the only SVP shop in this district. It depends on donations from you. Our customers really appreciate your gifts, especially good quality clothing. The shops profits are a steady source of income towards the work of SVP (St. Vincent DePaul Society). We realise there is a lot of competition from commercial and charity sources for your donations. We thank you for your ongoing support and appeal to you to continue to support SVP work in the seven SVP conferences in Omagh and district.

Please leave your donations at the shop or place them in the blue bin near St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle.

Our SVP van can collect larger amounts of goods or furniture. Our shop number is (028) 8224 9839.

ACCORD – Time for a New Challenge: ACCORD is a voluntary agency of the Catholic Church providing services to couples preparing for or seeking a deeper commitment within the sacrament of marriage. The Omagh Centre is seeking new members to train as facilitators. We are looking for people who are currently married 5 years in the Catholic Church or currently in a marriage recognised by the Catholic Church, have the ability to convey a positive attitude to marriage, have an openness and commitment to working within a Catholic organisation, relate easily to people, are able to be part of a team and are sensitive, warm, caring and accepting. An Information evening regarding this will be held in Mount St. Columba Pastoral Centre, 48 Brook Street, Omagh on Tuesday 3rd May at 8.00pm. Please feel free to come along, no commitment needed, have your questions answered and learn more about what ACCORD can offer you. *Tel: 028 82242439*

Knock Marriage Introduction Bureau: The aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. Over 800 marriages have taken place as a result of these introductions. If you are searching for a suitable partner, why not consider applying? For further information contact the Bureau at Knock, Co. Mayo. Phone 00353 94937 5960 or visit our website at www.knockmarriagebureau.com and read about the workings of the Bureau.

Foyle Hospice – Free Adult Counseling Service: Offered on Tuesdays to help support those with a life limiting illness and their families / carers. Counseling is also available for the bereaved and there is a children's bereavement support group. *For more info please contact the Hospice on (028) 7135 1010*

Family Care Society – Adoption: Could you make a child happy again after a difficult start in life? Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 0 and 8 years and who need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family. Could this be you? *For more information contact Family Care Society on (028) 9069 1133 (Belfast) or (028) 7136 8592 (Derry) email@familycaresociety.org familycaresociety.net*

Thornhill Centre (121 Culmore Road, Derry) – Courses starting soon: Liturgy – Theology/Spirituality
(028) 7135 1233

Catholic Schools Week 2012 – Diocesan Mass for Catholic Schools Week: This will be held in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry on Tuesday 7th February at 10.00am.
The theme is *Catholic Schools – Christ's Body Active in Our World*

Trócaire Fundraiser: Tommy Sands, is teaming up with Comhaltas and Dún Uladh in an effort to raise much needed funds for the work of Trócaire worldwide. Tommy will play a "Trad for Trócaire" concert at the Dún Uladh Centre in Omagh on Sunday the 23rd October at 8.00pm, tickets cost £10.

More details can be found on dunuladh.ie or by calling (028) 8224 2777

Introduction of the new edition of the Roman Missal – Diocesan Sung Mass:

Feast of St. Cecilia (22nd November) at 7.30pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral. Led by Bishop Hegarty to formally welcome the use of the new edition of the Missal in the Diocese. All involved in Church ministries are welcome – Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of the Word, Musicians, Choirs and Flower Arrangers. Parishes are invited to bring their copies of the Missal to the celebration for blessing by the bishop.

Posture during Mass: Bishop Hegarty commends the following common posture, as set down in the *General Instruction* (43) for observation throughout the diocese:

1. Standing from the beginning until the end of the Collect;
2. Standing from the *Orate Fratres* (pray brothers and sisters...) until the end of the *Sanctus*;
3. Standing from Concluding Prayer until the end of Mass.
4. The practice of kneeling during the Eucharistic Prayer and Communion is laudably retained.

If you or anyone you know has a child safeguarding concern or wishes to report an allegation directly to the statutory authorities, please contact the PSNI or 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.

Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre News

- A new Diocesan Youth Co-Ordinator, Dominic O'Reilly has been appointed to replace Justin McMahon.
- Sunday 23rd October – pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick. The cost per person is £20 which includes bus, travel and a meal.
- Sunday 6th November at 3.00pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry – Mass for all deceased young people.
- Wednesday 16th November at 7.30pm in St. Columba's Church, Long Tower, Derry – Mass for deceased teachers.
- Annual Award Ceremony for Pope John Paul II Award will take place on Monday 6th / Tuesday 7th February in the Millennium Forum, Derry.

Age NI First Connect Service: First Connect offers emotional and practical support at difficult times to people later in life. The First Connect Coordinator will visit each client at home or at an alternative suitable venue, to discuss their needs and provide them with information on the services that are available. This could be as simple as involving them in the community by organising access to a day centre or community group, a benefits check to ensure they are getting what they are entitled to, providing home safety measures, etc. In agreement with the client, the First Connect Coordinator will signpost them to the services and make sure they are in place.

For more information or to make a referral to the First Connect service contact Age NI at: Freephone 0808 808 7575. Alternatively you can contact the First Connect Coordinator for the Western Area, Eimear McKeamey on 07425 620 194 or email eimear.mckearney@ageni.org

Camara: This is a charity which takes in used computers, refurbishes them and sends them to schools and colleges in Africa. In 2011 we will refurbish over 10,000 computers which will be supplied to schools in Uganda, Lesotho, Kenya, Ethiopia, Zambia, Tanzania and Rwanda. Every summer Camara sends teams of Volunteers for four very Telephone/Email on busy weeks to Africa to assist our local partners deliver essential training to teachers in the schools we supply. The assignment is for four or five weeks, departing Ireland in early July or early August depending on destination.

Camara Belfast, Unit 23 and 24 Townsend Enterprise Park, Townsend Street, Belfast BT13 2ES

Tel: (028) 9033 2470 **Email:** belfast@camara.ie **Online:** camara.ie

Questions people ask:

- Q. Do you expect great problems when the changes come into the Mass?
- A. It will be difficult for people who find it hard to read the new translation on leaflets or missalettes. But once people get familiar with the new translation there should be no problem. People adapted very quickly to the Euro currency and to the ban on smoking in public places. And the Lord won't be one bit upset if, through years of habit, some people say the old responses. *Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)*

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – Matthew 22: 1-14:

1. Scripture often speaks of the kingdom of God as a banquet. The image of people being at a meal where everyone is happy and welcome and where all hunger and thirst is satisfied gets across the idea that God loves, accepts and welcomes us and wants us to make that experience available to one another. Think of times in your life when you have had 'banquet' experiences and when you have felt accepted and loved?
2. The host enlists the help of his servants to invite people to the banquet. We are commissioned by the Lord to invite people to the banquet of the kingdom, to the fullness of life – as parents, teachers, friends, etc. What has it been like for you to play a part in leading others to a fuller life?
3. As in the parable last week there is a message about being alert to invitations that offer a fuller life and the danger of losing out if we neglect to respond to such invitations. Perhaps there have been opportunities offered to you that you missed, and now regret. Think also of the blessings you received because you seized the moment and took an opportunity that presented itself.
4. The second parable puts the focus on how we respond to invitations. Some invitations are ones that challenge us to change, to conversion, to make an effort and to put on a 'wedding garment'. What has been your experience of changing in response to an invitation you received?

John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)

The Deep End – A Real Royal Wedding:

Today's Gospel is difficult. Stories of judgement, weeping and gnashing of teeth just don't appeal to most people. Failure to turn up to a dinner party was of course bad manners. To refuse an invite to a royal wedding was even more serious. To kill the servants or messengers who came to you with the invite... well that is pushing things a bit far. As with all parables, there is more to this than meets the eye. God wants to be in a relationship with each of us. We are all invited to his banquet. We exclude ourselves from being in fellowship with him, from his hospitality, when we give God the brush-off. We sometimes do our best to put ourselves outside of his presence. So what host would not be offended? And what about that poor chap who did come but was not suitably dressed? If we accept the invitation we should be ready for change and not just change of an outer garment. The issue for Matthew is the replacement of the unworthy in the community with those who have responded to Jesus' demands for his Kingdom. And as usual, they are not the people you would expect!

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