

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
 St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg
 Third Sunday of Easter [Year C] (10th April, 2016)
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Year of Mercy Quote from Pope Francis Misericordiae Vultus (paragraph 15)
 "Jesus introduces us to these works of mercy in his preaching so that we can know whether or not we are living as his disciples. Let us rediscover these corporal works of mercy: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead."

Liturgy Schedule for the Third Week of Easter [Year C] (10th April, 2016 – 17th April, 2016)

Saturday Evening (9th April)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm – 5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Felix McAnaney (14 th Anniversary)
Sunday 10th April Third Sunday of Easter [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am – 10.45am Confession 11.00am Mass
Monday 11th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 12th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass
Wednesday 13th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	7.30pm Mass: Frank Conway (15 th Anniversary)
Thursday 14th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 15th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening (16th April)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm – 5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 17th April Fourth Sunday of Easter [Year C] <i>Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am – 10.45am Confession 11.00am Mass: Rosaleen Clarke (25 th Anniversary)

Weekly Parish Collection: We thank you for your generosity which amounted to **£1,440** including **£35** loose plate.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the repose of the souls of **James McCullagh (4th Anniversary)**, **Felix McAnaney (14th Anniversary)** and **Frank Conway (15th Anniversary)** whose anniversaries occur now.

Derry Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage (Friday 1st to Wednesday 6th July): *Places are still available*
 Lourdes has been designated as one of the International Jubilee sites for this Year Of Mercy.
 For more info call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 7126 0293 (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 11.00am to 1.00pm) or 07517 965 751 (Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 6.00pm)

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver: Pat McHugh, a lay helper will be in the parish this weekend to appeal on behalf of the missions. Pat will tell us about the Sisters' work and will be grateful for your support.
A collection will be taken up after communion at all masses this weekend

Lough Derg Jubilee Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Season: Opens Sunday 1st May with One Day Retreats which continue on 2nd, 7th, 8th, 10th, 14th, 15th, 17th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 28th, 29th and 30th May. Booking is essential.
 Tel: 00 353 71 9861518 • Email: info@loughderg.org • Website: loughderg.org

Next Week's Readings: Acts 13: 14, 43-52 • Psalm 99: 1-3, 5, R/v 3 • Apocalypse 7: 9, 14-17
 John 10: 27-30 • Lectionary I, page 493 **Sunday [Year C] • Weekday [Year 2]**

Any notices which do not make the print version of the bulletin can be found on the parish website

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 9 th April* The family of Eoghan Conway	Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday 10 th April The family of Kerrie McLaughlin
Saturday 16 th April The family of Aoife Coyle	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 17 th April The family of Aidan Morris
Saturday 23 rd April The family of Tiernan Coyle	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 24 th April The family of Claire O'Brien
Saturday 30 th April The family of Ella Kane	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 1 st May The family of Eimear Tracey

If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented
 As the wider parish community we support these young people and their families with our prayers and thank them
***Do This In Memory Week 8** We need new volunteers in every aspect of life

Vigil of Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life: Friday 22nd April at 7.30pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Derry. Bishop McKeown will celebrate the Mass which will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration. The event will be hosted by the St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society and the Apostolate for Eucharistic Adoration. *All welcome*
 The theme of the Holy Father's Message for Vocations Sunday 2016 (17th April) is *The Church, Mother of Vocations*. In his message Pope Francis urges all the faithful to assume their responsibility for the care and discernment of vocations. The Church is the House of Mercy, and it is the "soil" where vocations take root, mature and bear fruit." *The full text of the Pope's Message for Vocations Sunday 2016 can be accessed on catholicnews.ie*

Holy Family Padre Pio Prayer Group – Monthly Meeting: Monday 11th April in the Holy Family church, Ballymagroarty, Derry starting with Mass at 7.15pm. There will be two 1st class relics at the meeting *All welcome*

Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Cathedrals of Ireland with the Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help
 The Icon will visit St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd May
Monday: Opening Liturgy and Veneration of Icon (4.30pm) • Concelebrated Mass (7.30pm) • Holy Hour (9.00pm)
Tuesday: Morning Prayer (7.45am) • Mass (8.00am) • Concelebrated Mass (10.00am) • Veneration until 11.00am

Ards Friary Retreat & Conference Centre, Creeslough, Co. Donegal – Legion of Mary, Strabane Curia Retreat.
 Friday 6th May to Sunday 8th May • Directed by Fr. Tom Forde • £105 / £145 • Open to all
For more information call Kathleen McSwiggan on (028) 8164 8436

Dean Maguire College, Carrickmore – Past Pupils' Reunion: Friday 22nd April in The Patrician, Carrickmore.
 The school will be open for past pupils to visit from 6.00pm to 8.00pm and will be followed by the reunion at 8.00pm.
 Supper (9.00pm) and dancing 'til late • Tickets (£15) available from school on (028) 8076 1272

Derry Youth Community: Are you a young person aged between 18 and 25? Are you interested in a gap year experience with a difference? The DYC is a group of committed young people who live in a community based in Derry City who serve the Diocese of Derry. You will live in a structured, secure environment, from where you will be given the opportunity to reach out to other young people in schools and parishes to facilitate faith-based activities and youth ministry. You will also live in mutual co-operation with others; explore and deepen your faith; participate and share in leisure activities such as music, art, sport and drama. If you feel you are equal to the very real challenges of the initiative. **Web:** deryyouthcommunity.com • **Closing Date:** Friday 27th May

Clogher Valley CCE – Health, Craft, Pamper and Shop Day: Saturday 16th April from 11.00am to 4.00pm (lunch available until 2.30pm) in Drumragh Sarfields GAA Club, Clanabogan. Stalls include angle/ tarot reading, colour therapy, reflexology, organic juicing, Irish wheatgrass ltd, holistic treatments, local crafts, jewellery and many more.
Admission is FREE • Fantastic prize draw for only £1, all proceeds will be used to host the Tyrone Fleadh in Ballygawley on the weekend of 24th and 25th June • Everyone Welcome

Work to Rouskey Footpaths: The Finance Committee are looking to seek quotations from suitable contractors to replace the concrete footpaths, steps and channel drainage around the perimeter of Rouskey chapel.
For more information and discussion call the Parochial house on (028) 8164 8203

Notices for bulletin should be left with or sent to Fr. Gallagher no later than 10.00am on Thursday mornings

Pope Francis' Intentions for April (please remember these in your personal prayer)
Universal – *Small Farmers*: That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labour.
Evangelisation – *African Christians*: That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

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

ACCORD Pre-Marriage Courses: All couples intending to be married in the parish are expected to have completed a Pre-Marriage Preparation Course. Please book well in advance of your wedding date.
 6th and 7th May • 3rd and 4th June • 24th and 25th June
To book (opening time can be found on the website):
Website: accord.ie • **Tel:** (028) 8224 2439 • **Email:** omagh@accordni.com

Lourdes Pilgrimage (Friday 1st to Wednesday 6th July):
 The Lourdes Pilgrimage Office is now open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 11.00am to 1.00pm.
Forms available from Lourdes Pilgrimage Office: (028) 7126 0293 / 07517 965 751 (Mon. to Fri. 9.00am to 6.00pm)

Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre – *Master of Arts in Catholic School Leadership*: A post-graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to leadership roles or with an interest in the Catholic School system.
For more info call the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org

Thornhill Ministries 8-Day Retreat Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:
 Thursday 15th to Friday 23rd September. There are still a few places are still available.
 For more details call Sr. Perpetua on (028) 7135 1233 or email thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org

The Good Ship Lollipop – *Appeal For Child Refugees*: The Belfast children's charity Tuesday's Child is working with catholic missionaries in Sicily to help child refugees rescued in the Mediterranean. Funds will go towards providing essential aid items and care for children, young people and their families and helping high risk children who come in unaccompanied on the boats. *Tuesday's Child gives 100% of donations received, plus gift aid*
Website: tuesdayschild.ie • **Email:** info@tuesdayschild.ie • **Tel:** (028) 9064 6104 / 07545 452 362
Donation by Texting: TUES75 and amount to 70070 (e.g. TUES75 £5)

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

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

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 11.30am with Adoration unless there is a 12noon wedding
 Each Saturday Evening 5.30pm-5.50pm and after Vigil Mass
Our Lady of the Wayside: Each Sunday 10.30am to 10.50am and after 11.00am Mass

Yoga with Margaret Franklin: Every Tuesday at 7.15pm in An Creagán

Parish Liturgy for April, 2016	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Francis McDermott	Mary Clarke	Sean Teague
Eucharistic Ministry	Frankie Bradley	Maria Bradley	Josephine Clarke
Prayers of Intercession	Clare Tuohey	Rosemary McCullagh	Shauna Morris
Collectors	Raymond Bradley Lawrence McBride	Peter Tracey Cathal Keenan	Sean Clarke Brian Gillen
Altar Society	Anne Donnelly, Alice Keenan and Anne Tuohey		Anne McDermott Carmel McCrory

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/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. *See poster at entrances*

Towards Peace: A new 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@iecon.ie

2015 Parish Statistics			
Baptisms	Confirmations	First Holy Communion / Reconciliation	Marriages
6 Boys 8 Girls	8 Boys 8 Girls	10 Boys 9 Girls	10 within parish 5 outside parish
Station Masses in October	Induction of Fr. Edward Gallagher as 13th Parish Priest of GREENCASTLE		
7	Celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry on Thursday 17 th September in St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle		
Funerals	Farewell Concert and Presentation Night for Fr. Eugene Hasson		
13	Former Parish Priest of GREENCASTLE and now Parish Priest of the Parishes of Lavey and Greenlough took place on Friday 13 th November in GREENCASTLE Community Centre		

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 24th April at 2.00pm Confirmation	Saturday 14th May at 12 noon First Holy Communion
Sunday 26th June at 3.00pm in St. Mary's Church, Melmount, Strabane Ordination of Rev. Christopher McDermott to the Priesthood for Derry Diocese	
Saturday 2nd July Intercession for the Dead in Greencastle Cemetery	Sunday 3rd July Intercession for the Dead in Broughderg Cemeteries
Wednesday 2nd November Mass for the Dead	Sunday 27th November First Sunday of Advent
	Sunday 25th December Feast of the Nativity (Christmas)

Year of Mercy – Local, National and International Pilgrimages as Arranged by the Diocese

LOCAL (beginning at 2.00pm with Sacrament of Reconciliation, procession and Mass)			
Carndonagh Sunday 8 th May	Dungiven Sunday 5 th June	Omagh Sunday 10 th July	Long Tower Thursday 11 th September
NATIONAL			
Lough Derg	Friday 17 th to Sunday 19 th June (some pilgrims will be walking to Lough Derg, leaving Derry on Wednesday 15 th June and going via Castlefin and Pettigo) • Early August (date TBC)		
Knock	Wednesday 20 th to Sunday 24 th July (Cursillo Walk to Knock) • Croagh Patrick September (date TBC)		
INTERNATIONAL			
Lourdes Friday 1 st to Wednesday 6 th July	Krakow (World Youth Day) Thursday 21 st to Sunday 31 st July	Rome and Assisi Friday 2 nd to Thursday 8 th September	

St. Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests: The Apostolate offers us a special opportunity to pray for a priest each day. The co-ordinators in the Derry Diocese wish to raise awareness of the St Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests and to invite people from across the diocese to join in this prayer initiative. The co-ordinators for the diocese, and their contact details, are as follows.

Rosemary Johnson • (028) 8225 9541 / 07810 387 825 • otmail_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk
 Siobhan Sweeney • (028) 8224 8479 / 07880 588 041 • siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk
 Ethna Hill • (028) 8226 9245 / 07528 249 838 • ethna776@yahoo.com
 Eamon Cassidy • 07743 502 165 • e_cassidy@hotmail.com *prayerforpriests.com*

Alzheimer's Society Carer Information and Support Programme (CrISP)

CrISP is a series of workshops for people caring for a family member or friend with dementia. It provides an opportunity for you to talk in a friendly and confidential environment about your experiences and the impact they are having on you.

Week 1 – Induction and Welcome Welcoming everyone to the programme

Week 2 – Understanding Dementia Explores the physical, psychological and emotional impact of dementia

Week 3 – Legal and Money Matters Explores legal and financial issues to help you understand the importance of planning for the future

Week 4 – Providing Support and Care Explores concerns/challenges that may arise when supporting a person with dementia

Week 5 – Coping Day to Day Looking at the physical, psychological and Emotional impact that dementia may have on you as a carer

The free workshops are run by Alzheimer's Society staff and volunteers for a group of up to 12 people who care for a family member or friend with dementia

If interested Paula Canney on (028) 8225 0103 / 07718 322 726 or email paula.canney@alzheimers.org.uk

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – *John 20: 19-31*:

John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)

- The disciples spend a fruitless night fishing and catching nothing. Things change dramatically when Jesus appears and invites them to try again. Remember those who came to you and encouraged you to try again when you felt discouraged. Perhaps on some of these occasions the results were beyond your expectations.
- The story can serve as a reminder that sometimes we are wasting our time if we try to work on our own without the Lord's help. When have you found that your work or life was more fruitful when you acknowledged that you needed God's help and you spoke to God about your need?
- Peter is given the chance to be fully reconciled with his Master after his denial during the Passion. Remember those who have given you an opportunity for reconciliation after you had hurt them or let them down. What was it like for you to be given this chance? To whom have you offered the possibility of reconciliation?

Lectio Musings

*Fr. Declan O'Loughlin (Diocesan Advisor for Religious Education, Post-Primary)
Parochial House, 30 Newline Road, Dromintee, Killeavy BT35 8SZ*

Lord when things go badly wrong on us we so often resort to the familiar. We have a daily groove where we feel happy and where the world can be kept at bay. No wonder after Golgotha that Peter and his friends took to fishing. The wind and sound of the waves, the sea breeze and the paying out of ropes and net all had a calming and centring effect. Perhaps there was a craving to return to the past, to live as if nothing had occurred. Lord I know that feeling so well. He dawn arose and with the light came the Master. He asked them questions but it was only when he suggested they cast again that something stirred the memory and heart of John. 'It is the Master' And then there was Easter breakfast on the shore. In feeding them the Master could then ask that they and we in turn reach out to feed others. Feed my sheep.

Lord urge us see your face in those who come with out-held hands or needy hearts. In our turn let us be your broken bread given for many. Let us like Simon Peter realise that it is in self-abandonment into your love that we can only hope to be builders of your kingdom. In that spirit I hear your call as then 'Follow me'.

The Deep End – *Come and Have Breakfast*

Jane Mellett (mellettj@gmail.com)

During these Easter weeks we read from St John's Gospel. The passages are very deep and in today's text there are many things going on. Perhaps we might focus on Peter and the journey he has made.

We all have experience of friendships and relationships that break down. When that happens it feels like a death – we grieve, we get angry, we have regrets, we wonder 'what if?' Three times Peter denied Jesus and today we hear Peter express his love for Jesus three times. Jesus welcomes Peter back into community with him. Peter experiences Resurrection; he is given new life. There is no situation, no matter how terrible, that Jesus cannot transform, forgive, welcome back, restore. Peter says to Jesus – 'Lord you know everything' and we too must remember that Jesus knows our hearts, as He knew Peter's heart. The questioning here is perhaps so that Peter can hear it for himself. The relationship is restored and we, like Peter, are once more invited in to 'Follow me!'

Lord, we thank you for people who have forgiven us, not a mean, calculating forgiveness, not harping on the ways in which we wronged them, but forgiving with the forgiveness of Jesus, so that it was like coming back from a hard night's work, and seeing some bread there and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it and the very person we had hurt saying, 'Come and have breakfast.' And we not having to ask any questions because we knew that everything was forgiven.
Michel de Verteuil