

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

St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time [Year A] (12th October, 2014)

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Liturgy Schedule for the Twenty-Fighth Week in Ordinary Time [Year A] (13th October, 2014 – 19th October, 2014)

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Saturday Evening (11th October)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions and Public Recitation of Rosary		
		6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday		
Sunday 12th October	St. Patrick's	8.35am Confessions and Public Recitation of Rosary		
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in	Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)		
Ordinary Time [Year A]		10.30am Confessions and Public Recitation of Rosary		
		11.00am Mass: Freddie McCullagh (3rd Anniversary)		
Monday 13th October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of Rosary		
_		10.00am Mass (sick and housebound will be visited)		
Home of Paddy and Nuala McD	Dermott (Benefreaghan)	7.30pm Station Mass (confessions available before)		
Tuesday 14th October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of Rosary		
St. Callistus I (pope and martyr)		10.00am Mass		
Wednesday 15th October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of Rosary		
St. Teresa of Avila (virgin and doctor of the Church)		10.00am Mass		
Home of Sean and Kerri	e McCrory (Coneyglen)	7.30pm Station Mass (confessions available before)		
Thursday 16th October St. Patrick's		9.35am Public Recitation of Rosary		
St. Gail, St. Hedwig and St. Margaret M	Mary	10.00am Mass		
Friday 17th October	St. Patrick's	7.35pm Public Recitation of Rosary		
St. Ignatious of Antioch (bishop and ma	artyr)	8.00pm Mass		
Saturday Morning (18th October)	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of Rosary		
St. Luke the Evangelist		10.00am Mass		
Saturday Evening (18th October)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions and Public Recitation of Rosary		
Do This In Memory Week 2		6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday: Patrick Daly (1st Anniversary)		
Sunday 19th October	St. Patrick's	8.35am Confessions and Public Recitation of Rosary		
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in	Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)		
Ordinary Time [Year A]		10.30am Confessions and Public Recitation of Rosary		
World Mission Sunday		11.00am Mass		
Throughout October members of the	Legion of Mary will lead u	s praying the Rosary 25 minutes before the beginning of Mass		

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity last week which amounted to £937 and £23 loose change. Next Sunday a special collection will be taken up in aid of our brothers and sisters currently on mission allowing them to continue their difficult but vital work reflecting this year's Mission Sunday theme. See the special envelope in your box of envelopes and be as supportive as you can.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray today for Charlie Morris whose Requiem took place on Friday, we offer our sympathy and prayerful support to his Jeannie and Marie and all who mourn him. We also pray for Freddie McCullagh, Rose Devenney and David Morris, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Request from Sr. Breege McKenna via Frank Bodley: Sr. Breege McKenna (Poor Clares) is earnestly requesting we pray, and get as many people as possible to pray, for those lay Missionaries who are helping the hungry and destitute, particularly Christians in North East Irag. They have decided to remain with the people in the ISIS overrun areas where they will likely be beheaded like their charges. Please pray they will remain steadfast in their Faith and overcome the overpowering fear.

Mission Month October

This year's theme is 'That You May Have Life' Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in

his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect... so that "everything that breathes may praise the Lord" Psalm 150.6 from the message of Pope Francis for the Day of Life 2013

World Mission Sunday - That You May Have Life: Next week marks the annual worldwide Catholic celebration of Mission Sunday. Our prayers and donations on Mission Sunday help to support missionaries and those they reach out to in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. Our support allows Catholic communities throughout the world to become selfsufficient and progress according to their own needs and traditions.

Parish Finance Committee Meeting: Monday 20th October at 9.00pm.

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6: Psalm 95: 1, 3-5, 7-10: r/v 7: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5: Matthew 28: 16-20:

(Lectionary I, page 714) Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 2]

GAA Lotto Results: B • E • H • Q • Z (2 with 3 letters winning £25 each) Next Jackpot: £3.400

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 11th October	Twenty-Eighth Sunday	Sunday 12th October
The family of Tara Haughey	in Ordinary Time	The family of Joseph Hagan
Saturday 18th October*	Twenty-Ninth Sunday	Sunday 19th October
The family of Sorcha Hughes	in Ordinary Time	The family of Ruanai McDermott
Saturday 25th October	Thirtieth Sunday	Sunday 26th October
The family of Lennon Mayton	in Ordinary Time	The family of Shauna McGurk
Saturday 1st November	Thirty-First Sunday	Sunday 2 nd November
The family of Matthew McGlinchey	in Ordinary Time	The family of Alisha McKenna
Saturday 8th November	Thirty-Second Sunday	Sunday 9th November
The family of Michael McGlinchey	in Ordinary Time	The family of Enda McKenna

As a wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this valued task of leadership. What can you volunteer to do in your parish? Thanks to all who participates in the life and work of our parish faith-community. *Do This In Memory Week 2 We need new volunteers in every aspect of life

Stations Masses in October: Hosting a Station Mass is a long tradition in the life of our Catholic parish communities. 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.

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Monday 13th October at 7.30pm	Benefreaghan	Paddy and Nuala McDermott	
Wednesday 15th October at 7.30pm	Coneyglen	Sean and Kerrie McCrory	
Wednesday 22nd October at 7.30pm	Formil	Martin McGurk	
Monday 27th October at 7.30pm	Sheskinshule	Michael and Caroline Coyle	

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 1st to 6th July. The Youth Team will be part of this pilgrimage. Young people participating in the Pope John Paul II Award can apply to be part of the Youth Team. There will be opportunities for the Youth Team to be actively involved in the pilgrimage, including involvement in various liturgies and ceremonies, and assisting the sick or less able pilgrims. Applications can be downloaded from derrydiocese.org and sent via any of the following methods before 31st October derrypilgrim@outlook • Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, Derry Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ Please note that places are limited

Youthlife - Growing through Change Programme: Friday 17th October to Sunday 19th October in The Sanctuary, Muff. Co. Donegal. For those between 11 and 25 years of age who have experienced bereavement and loss as a result of death, divorce or separation. There is no charge for this programme.

RTÉ Nationwide Interviews: Friday 17th October at 7.00pm. Interviews are with Sr. Cora Richardson (Holy Rosary Sister), Fr. Bobby Gilmore (Columban priest). Sr. Louis Marie O'Connor (St. Joseph of Cluny sister) and Jackie Pallas. National Secretary. Society of Missionary Children at World Missions Ireland, highlighting the work of Irish missionaries.

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

Faith of Our Fathers Conference: 25th and 26th October at the Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo. "The Catholic Family: Cradle of the Culture of Life" 9.00am – 6.00pm tickets are €7.5 per day. For more information email info@catholicvoice.ie

Care for Cancer - Health and Wellbeing Fair: Thursday 16th October from 7.30pm to 10.00pm in the Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh. Focusing on the prevention and awareness of prostate and lung cancer in men

Charis Cancer Care Fundraising Efforts: Sinéad Warnock would like to thank everyone who helped out and contributed. £5.125 in total was raised by the people of Greencastle. Go raibh maith agaibh

Irish Language Class for Beginners: Every Thursday in Greencastle GAA Hall from 8.00pm to 9.30pm. Call Sinéad Warnock on 07849 394 001 Teenagers and adults welcome.

Precious Life: Northern Ireland's leading Pro-Life organisation would like to acknowledge and thank everyone from the parish who signed a submission postcard for the Project Justice campaign. The submissions were presented to the Justice Committee in Stormont on Wednesday 17th September, 35,000 people signed one of our Project Justice Postcards which was by far the largest response to any consultation the Northern Ireland Assembly has ever received.

For more information on how you can help with future campaigns call us on (028) 9027 8484 or email info@preciouslife.com

Mary McKenna offers us this article for reflection: A Problem With Wind Power [aweo.org] by Eric Rosenbloom

Greencastle	Manaday 20th Oatabaa	6.30pm to 8.00pm (P4 – P6)	Michelle Meenan / Mickey Morris
Youth Club Rota	Monday 20th October	8.00pm to 9.30pm (P7 – Year 10)	Noel McElhatton / Martina Cullen

Pope Francis' Intentions for October (please remember these in your personal prayer)

Universal: That the Lord may grant peace to those parts of the world most battered

by war and violence.

For Evangelisation: That World Mission Day may rekindle in every believer zeal for

carrying the Gospel into all the world.

Book by Fr. Neal Carlin of Columba Community - They That Wait on the Lord: An Uncharted Journey:

Having recently celebrated 50 years in the priesthood this new book reveals Fr. Carlin's journey of both joy and pain. From ministering in the Maze prison during the troubles to establishing a rehabilitation centre for those in the despair of addiction, this is a story of hope and trust in the Lord for those who wait in faith.

Available from Columba House, 11 Queen St, Derry, IOSAS Centre, Derryvane, Muff and Veritas bookshops • (028) 7126 2407

Scor Na nOg: The first round will take place on Saturday 18th October in Dun Uladh at 6.30pm.

All support will be greatly appreciated for our competitors

Jiving Lessons from Experienced Jiving Instructor Christopher Bradley:

Wednesday 22nd October from 8.00pm to 9.30pm in Greencastle Community Centre.

£5.00 per person per night

Annual Christmas Fayre: Scheduled for Sunday 30th November in the Greencastle Community Centre. Anyone interested in having a stall can call either Leona on 07789 687 564 or Caroline on 07733 114 210 for more details

Comhaltas Concert Tour of Champions: Macalla na hÉireann will perform at Dun Uladh, Omagh on Tuesday 14th October. Tickets will be £10.00. For details call (028) 8224 2777

Derry Diocesan Society Mass in our Parish

Wednesday 29th October St. Patrick's

Saturday 1st November St. Patrick's

6.00pm Vigil Mass: Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died in 2013)

Jack and the Beanstalk: Monday 22nd December at 3.00pm. A relaxed performance designed to create an enjoyable atmosphere for young people with learning and sensory difficulties and their families to experience theatre. Early bird offer £10 before 31st October

Rural Support: Provides a listening and signposting service for farming and rural families through its helpline. Rural support can provide practical and emotional support with regards to a variety of issues including farm paperwork, financial concerns, physical and mental health and general stress. The helpline is confidential and operated from 8.00am to 11.00pm seven days a week (voicemail and support options available at all other times). The helpline number is 0845 606 7607. Rural support is currently recruiting volunteers for various roles within the organisation. If you would be interested in volunteering with Rural Support you can visit rural support.org.uk

Musings

Salvador Ryan (St. Patrick's College, Maynooth)

The First Reading from Isaiah today will be familiar to many, as it is often the reading chosen for funeral Masses. It promises a time of feasting when the tears of mourning will be wiped from our faces and death will be no more. When Gaelic Irish bardic poets spoke of heaven, they loved the idea of the wine-feast where 'cup-bearer never fails' and the hostess (the Virgin Mary) quickly fills up empty wine vessels. At that feast the only thing missing would be a bouncer at the door, for a hospitable God would not want to keep anyone away.

Irish Catholic Catechism for Adults: A new resource from the Irish Episcopal Conference, designed to complement the Catechism of the Catholic Church. It has been adapted for an Irish audience and is written in accessible, easy to understand language. Whilst it can be used as an Individual private resource for reflection, it is also particularly useful for Parish Study Groups, Liturgy Groups, Parish Pastoral Councils and any individuals/groups working in parishes to promote catechesis / deepening of adult faith formation. A Study Guide to complement the Catechism has also been published. The Catechism is available from Veritas bookshops, at a cost of £19.99 / €24.99 and the Study Guide costs £11.00 / €12.99. Good discounts are available for multiple purchases. Tel: 02871 266888 or E-mail: derryshop@veritas.ie

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2014-2015

St. Columba's Pastoral Centre, 48 Brook Street (028)8224 2439 accordomagh@accordni.com 14th and 15th November • 5th and 6th December • 9th and 10th January • 6th and 7th February 6th and 7th March • 10th and 11th April • 8th and 9th May • 12th and 13th June

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

Parish Liturgy for October, 2014	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	John Enright	Nuala Glass	Sean Teague
Eucharistic Ministry	Kathleen Bradley	Louise Coyle	Peter Noel McAleer
Prayers of the Faithful	Seoirse Conway		Claire Coyle
Collectors	Margaret Morris	Cathal Keenan	Brian Gillen
	Michael McNamee	Patrick Tuohey	Pat McGuigan
Altar Society	Caitriona McCullagh, Siobhan McKenna		Anne McDermott
	and Ciara McKenna		Martina McBride
New choir members will always be welcome - Contact Sinead			

Our Lady's Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo - Pilgrimage Season: Sunday 4rd May to Sunday 12th October. You might consider a private pilgrimage or go with an organised group this year

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Tuesday 14th October - St. Callistus I (pope and martyr) After a life of slavery and imprisonment for criminal offences he was freed and became a deacon in charge of catacombs that bear his name. He became Pope in 217, opposed by Hippolytus. Later died at the hands of a mob in 222.

Wednesday 15th October - St. Teresa of Avila [1515-1682] Established Carmelite convents under a reformed rule and wrote much on prayer and the spiritual life. Patron of lacemakers, and headache sufferers.

Thursday 16th October - St. Gall Monk of Bangor and set out with Columbanus for the continent. When Columbanus was exiled from France, Gall accompanied him to Bregenz on Lake Constance. When Columbanus crossed into Italy. Gall remained in Switzerland. He lived in a hermitage, which later became the monastery of St. Gallen. Died around 630.

> St. Hedwig [1174-1243] Wife of the Duke of Silesia, mother of seven children, some of whom caused her trouble, devoted herself to charitable works.

St. Margaret Mary [1647-1690] Visionary and ascetic, revived devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and was exemplary in her patience and trust.

Friday 17th October - St. Ignatious of Antioch (bishop and martyr) Died a martyr in Rome c.107. He urged Christians to unity in and through the Eucharist and around their local bishop.

The Deep End - Black Tie Only:

Tríona Doherty, Athlone, Co. Roscommon (trionad@gmail.com)

Weddings can be a stressful time. Have you ever seen the TV show 'Bridezilla', which pokes fun at the demands certain brides place on their families and wedding guests? Inevitably the bride ends up falling out with family and friends in her quest to organise the 'perfect' wedding.

Admittedly the wedding industry can be mind-boggling. Some wedding invitations even come with a dress code for guests. But it is difficult to imagine what sort of bride or groom, or their parents, would evict a wedding guest just for wearing the wrong style of clothing.

Yet here is Jesus telling us that the kingdom of heaven is just like that. Those who are not prepared for this banquet will find themselves 'thrown out'. It is hard to reconcile a loving, merciful God with such a heavy-handed approach. Except, it's not really up to God, is it? Look again at the reaction of the different groups to the king's generous invite. The first group were a no-show. The second group were not interested despite a reminder of the hospitality on offer. and some were openly hostile. And of those who accepted the invitation, some did not embrace the experience wholeheartedly. The guest who had no wedding garment was unprepared, and unappreciative of the gifts on offer. Perhaps his heart just wasn't in it.

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

John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)

- 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 put on a 'wedding garment'. What has been your experience of changing in response to an invitation you received?