



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

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

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B] (13th September, 2015)

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Liturgy Schedule for the Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time [Year B] (14th September, 2015 – 20th September, 2015)

Saturday Evening (12th September)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Rose-Ann McGarvey (5 th Anniversary) 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
Sunday 13th September Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: Michael Clarke (9 th Anniversary)
Monday 14th September Exaltation of the Cross	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 15th September Our Lady of Sorrow	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 16th September St. Cornelius (pope) and St. Cyprian (bishop) (both martyrs)	St. Patrick's	NO MASS
Thursday 17th September St. Robert Bellarmine (bishop and doctor of the Church)	St. Patrick's	7.30pm Mass of Induction of Fr. Edward Gallagher as our new parish priest (PP)*
Friday 18th September Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass: Imelda Tracey (14 th Anniversary) Followed by visitations of the Sick and Housebound
Saturday Morning (19th September) St. Januarius (bishop and martyr)	St. Patrick's	NO MORNING MASS
Saturday Evening (19th September) <i>Do This In Memory (week 1)</i>	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Rose McGurk (3 rd Anniversary) 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
Sunday 20th September Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: Ferdinand & Lizzie McCrory (Anniversary)

Collection: Thank you for your kindness in last week's collection of **£864.50** and **£25.50** in loose change.

If you are a taxpayer please consider a Gift-Aid declaration, your contribution will be worth 25% more.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for **Rita Fox (Leaghan)** whose Requiem took place on Sunday 6th September, we offer our sympathy and prayerful support to all who mourn her passing.

We also pray for **Brian Hollywood, Imelda Tracey** and **Michael Clarke**, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

***Induction of Fr. Edward Gallagher as Parish Priest of Greencastle:** The Ceremony of Induction of our new Parish Priest will take place during the celebration of Mass on Thursday 17th September at 7.30pm in St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle. Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry will be the main celebrant at the mass which all parishioners are cordially invited to attend.

You are also invited to the Greencastle Community Centre for tea and refreshments after the mass

Liam Bradley Tours: Wicklow, Monday 19th October for 4 days. 3 dinners, B/B, 2 teas. Daily tours are £210 pps, Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Loughaire. Departs from Omagh at 9.00am.
For more information call 07707 166 717

World Youth Day 2016: This will be held in Kraków, Poland from Friday 24th to Monday 1st August. If you are aged between 18 and 35 and would like to be part of this Derry Diocesan pilgrimage or know of anyone who would, then email wyd@derrydiocese.org or call (028) 7126 4087 before Monday 30th November • World Youth Day, founded by St. John Paul II, is the largest gathering of its kind in the world. It is celebrated every three years, each year moving to a different country, with the Pope presiding over the event. WYD is an excellent opportunity for young people from across our diocese to come together, in fellowship, with other young Catholics from around the world, to share and engage in their faith.

Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre – Master of Arts in Catholic School Leadership: Beginning this Autumn in partnership with St. Mary's College, Twickenham. This is 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*

Holy Family Padre Pio Prayer Group – Monthly Meeting: Monday 14th September in the Holy Family church, Ballymagroarty, Derry starting with Mass at 7.15pm. There will be two 1st class relics at the meeting.
Everyone is welcome

Second Muff Vintage Car and Tractor Show and Family Fun-Day: Sunday 13th September at 1.00pm in Muff Community Park. Admission: €5 / £4 adults, Kids FREE. Proceeds in aid of Muff Community Park and Friends of Letterkenny Hospital, Oncology Bus Service.
Please note, the park will be closed to traffic on the day

Next Sunday's Readings: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 • Psalm 53:3-6, 8, r/v 6 • James 3:16-4:3 • Mark 9:30-37
(Lectionary I, page 799) **Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 1]**

6.00pm Saturday Vigil <u>Saturday 12th September</u> The family of Aoife Coyle	Offertory Gifts Rota Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am Sunday Morning <u>Sunday 13th September</u> The family of Ryan Coyle
<u>Saturday 19th September (DTIM Week 1)</u> The family of Tiernan Coyle	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<u>Sunday 20th September</u> The family of Cayla Donnelly
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.		
Altar servers Needed: You may have noticed the important role of altar servers in the prayer life of our faithful community. We currently need new volunteers to strengthen the teams already serving so if you will commit, please do so as soon as possible.		
Fundraising Event for MacMillan Cancer Support – World's Biggest Coffee Morning: Friday 25 th September. I (Bridie) am organising a coffee morning in memory of my mother Regina in Rouskey Community Centre from 10.00am to 12.30pm on that day. Homemade cupcakes will be our speciality. <i>Please support this worthwhile cause</i>		
Derry Diocesan Youth Choir is Now Recruiting! A great opportunity for young people from across the dioceses to come together in fellowship, and engage in their faith through music. Being part of the youth choir will provide performance opportunities at diocesan and parish events. <i>If you are aged between 12 and 21 and are interested in becoming a member then call Naoimh Moore on 07714 882 955 or email n.moore@derrydiocese.org</i>		
Diocesan Knock Pilgrimage: People from the diocese intending to join Bishop McKeown on pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 26 th September are invited to gather behind the Diocesan banner for 1.15pm at the Apparition Chapel. <i>For further details call Geraldine on 07517 965 752</i>		
Youth Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick: Friday 9 th October for those aged between 16 and 35. Do you fancy a trip to Westport, Co Mayo combined with a hike of one of Ireland's most famous mountains 'Croagh Patrick'? Well now could be your chance! <i>To register your interest, contact Naoimh Moore at The Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 or on 07714 882 955. Alternatively, you can drop her an email at n.moore@derrydiocese.org</i>		
The Catholic Chaplaincy (28 Elmwood Avenue) – University Students: Re-opens Monday 21 st September. Sunday Mass begins 27 th September at 8.00pm. Daily Mass is Monday to Friday at 12.15pm (12.45pm during exams) from Monday 28 th September. Trust Café is opened from 9.30am with free tea and coffee, food served from 12.00pm to 2.15pm. Dedication of Studies Mass will be on Sunday 11 th October at 8.00pm.		
Pathways: A two-year course for adults who wish to explore their faith. There are no exams and no written work. Each day consists of input and group discussion. Cost: €250 for the coming academic year (October-June). Booking is now open. First Saturday of every month beginning 3 rd October (10.00am to 4.30pm). Website: raphoepastoralcentre.ie • Tel: +353 (74) 9121853 • Email: gdohertryaphoediocese@gmail.com		
Fundraising Event for MacMillan Cancer Support: MacMillan Cancer Support are holding the world's biggest coffee morning on Friday 25 th September. In memory of my mother Regina, Bridie is organising a coffee morning in Rouskey Community Centre from 10.00am to 12.30pm on that day. A selection of homemade bakes and cupcakes will be served • Please support this worthwhile cause by attending		
Canowen Farmers Group Trip to National Ploughing Championships: Tuesday 22 nd , Wednesday 23 rd and 24 th September in Rathenskea, Co Laois. Leaving Milestone Centre Carrickmore at 11.00am on 22 nd September and returning at 3.30pm on 24 th September Price includes coach for 3 days, 2 nights B&B in 4-star Osprey Hotel & Spa in Naas, Co. Kildare, 3 Dinner, entry to Show on 23 rd September and 1 lunch, all for £250. Few places left, all welcome • For more info or to book a place call Mary / Colleen on (028) 8076 1339 / 07789 067 231		
Dún Uladh Omagh – Traditional Music Classes: Returns Tuesday 29 th September. Registration will take place on the Tuesday 22 nd September between 7.00pm and 8.00pm. New "Tap & Clap" programme for Children 3-7years.		
Greencastle Marathon: Would you like to go out for a stroll now that the good weather has arrived or are you fit for a bigger challenge? The club is happy to announce we are supporting the Mary Anderson Foundation, which is inspired by the life of Mary Anderson. It supports local causes relating to child welfare, education and care giving in local communities. On Saturday 19 th September Greencastle are hosting Philip Anderson and his team as they complete one of their 52 marathons for the year. It will be held in the Greencastle area, but don't worry; you don't need to complete a full marathon. Philip will run the 26.2 miles in stages that always begin and end at the clubrooms, starting at 8.30am and finishing at approximately 1.00pm. The circuits range from 3.5 miles to 9 miles but if you don't feel up to that, come join us all for the final mile from Greencastle crossroads to the clubrooms and help Philip cross the finish line. There is no entry fee, but donations are very welcome. More details will be posted on Facebook, including maps of all the stages and their approximate starting times. For more information visit maryandersonfoundation.org or facebook.com/maryandersonfoundation		
Cappagh / Badoney CCE Upcoming Events	Monthly Seisiun	Friday 18 th September at 9.00pm in Plumbidge Parochial Hall Admission Free • Supper Served • Everyone welcome
	Music Classes	Begins Monday 21 st September at 6.30pm in St. Peter's Primary School, Plumbidge <i>Call Roisin on (028) 80771495 for more details</i>

Pope Francis' Intentions for September (please remember these in your personal prayer)
Universal – Opportunities for the Young: That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.
Evangelisation - Catechists: That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

St. Vincent DePaul Society: Gratitude is offered for your support towards the clothes bank located in the car park at St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle. Their clothes shop is located in Castle Street, Omagh.

Derry Diocesan Society for Sick and Infirm Priests: 1. Any person may become a member, sharing in all its privileges by paying at least £20. 2. Likewise, any person whomsoever may have a deceased relative or friend placed on the Register of Members of the Society, the deceased person thereby becoming a sharer in all the Masses and prayers offered for members. These Masses go on all the time. **Privileges of members: Deceased:** 1. A Mass every day in a parish in the Diocese (*this will take place in St. Patrick's Church on Tuesday 8th September*). 2. The prayers of every congregation in the Diocese on the first three Sundays of each quarter. **Living:** 1. Mass will be offered each month, as listed on the Church notice board. 2. When a living member dies the name is transferred to the list of deceased members without further payment.

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

Diocesan Safeguarding Training Notification: As part of the Safeguarding training programme in the Diocese, a series of Adult Safeguarding training events has been arranged, to take place during the month of September for those involved in Eucharistic Ministry to hospitals, nursing homes and the housebound. If you currently undertake this parish role, please contact one of our Parish Safeguarding Representatives to book a place at your designated session. Alternatively, to book a place:
Address: Safeguarding Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry • **Tel:** (028) 7136 2475 • **Hours:** Mon. and Tues., 9.00am to 5.00pm

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*

Musings *Salvador Ryan (St. Patrick's College, Maynooth)*
Today's Gospel has Jesus disclose to his disciples that he must suffer and die, a revelation which prompts immediate protest from Peter and, in turn, a strong rebuke from Christ. The spectre of the cross is a reality in all of our lives – and never a welcome one. The problem of human suffering remains a huge stumbling block to faith in a benevolent God. And yet C.S. Lewis (who lost his young wife to cancer) reminds us that, while suffering is never good in itself, it can nevertheless prompt good actions in others, including the multiple acts of compassion of those who attend to the person who suffers.

Parish Liturgy for September, 2015	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Martin McCullagh	Siobhan McKenna	Geraldine McNamee
Eucharistic Ministry	Brigid Keenan	Eugene McCullagh	Patricia Donnelly
Prayers of Intercession	Caoileann Conway	Brianna Clarke	Brianna Gillen
Collectors	Michael McElhatton Noel McElhatton	Colm Keenan Patrick Tuohey	Tony Donnelly Brendan Daly
Altar Society	Mary McNamee, Patta McDermott and Mary McCrory		Anne McDermott Mary Bradley

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Monday 14th September – *Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross* The discovery of the true cross is dated to 14th September, 320. On 13th September, 335 the churches on Calvary were dedicated and the cross that St. Helena discovered was venerated there the next day. The annual commemoration of that event has been celebrated since, in praise of the redemption won for us by Christ.

Tuesday 15th September – *Feast of Our Lady of Sorrow* Mary standing by the cross, "suffered intensely with her only begotten Son and united herself as his Mother to his sacrifice, consenting with love to the offering of the victim who was born of her," whom she also offered to the Eternal Father' *Marialis Cultus*

Wednesday 16th September – *St. Cornelius (pope and martyr)* Became Pope in 251 and died in exile at Civitavecchia in 253. Patron of cattle and domestic animals.
St. Cyprian (martyr) [210-258] Bishop of Carthage, teacher and preacher, martyr.

Thursday 17th September – *St. Robert Bellarmine (bishop and doctor of the Church) [1542-1621]* Jesuit, Cardinal Bishop of Capua, involved in theological controversies of the time. Patron of catechists.

Saturday 19th September – *St. Januarius (bishop and martyr)* While no contemporary sources on his life are preserved, later sources and legends claim that he died during the Diocletianic Persecution, which ended with Diocletian's retirement in 305.

Sunday 20th September – *St. Andrew Kim Taegon (priest), St. Paul Chang Hasang and Companions (all martyrs) [1839-1867]* St. Andrew Kim Taegan, the first Korean priest, Paul Chang Hasang, a catechist and 101 others were martyred during the persecution of the Church in Korea. [NOT CELEBRATED THIS YEAR]

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – Mark 8: 27-35: *John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

1. 'Who do you say that I am?' Imagine Jesus putting this question to you. How would you answer it? How would you answer it, not in words taken from a catechism or textbook, but from your own experience of the significance of Jesus in your life? What does Jesus mean to you? What does his good news mean to you?
2. Jesus went on to teach his disciples that following him would be hard at times. There would be a price to pay. Perhaps you also have found that imitating the love and compassion of Jesus is not an easy road? Nor does it come easy to have the constant trust in God that Jesus had. Yet Jesus tells us that this is the way to life. Would you agree?
3. There is a natural human tendency to shy away from what is painful or difficult. Yet if that is our standard pattern of behaviour we will not get far in reaching our potential. We will never find who we are capable of being. When have you found it worthwhile to face difficulties, persevere, 'carry your cross' for a while in order to achieve some goal that was important to you?

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2015		
Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish	Thursday 29 th October St. Patrick's	
	Morning Masses will be celebrated as above unless a Requiem is needed	
Monday 2 nd November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died in 2015)

The Deep End – *By My Works I Will Show You My Faith*.

Jane Mellell (janemellell@yahoo.com)

According to the 'World Giving Index' Ireland is listed as the fourth most generous country in the world. There is no denying the generosity of the people of this country, especially in times of crisis and in spite of tough economic situations. The injustice currently threatening our world will not be solved by charity giving alone. During this special season of 'Creation Time' we are being asked to reflect deeply on how we can come together as local communities to tackle climate change. We are being asked to reflect on how we can live more sustainable lives and encourage others to do the same.

In the Second Reading today St James encourages us to look at our attitudes and actions and how they can affect those around us: 'I, by my works, shall show you my faith'. We have a responsibility to be a positive influence in the world.

Can we as parish communities reflect together on these important issues? Do we recycle; do we support local produce and therefore local communities; is our parish FairTrade and if not, how can we get started? How is our use of green spaces in our parish? These small actions can be a prophetic example to others, where we can say to our communities:

We require a new and universal solidarity... All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own cultures, experience, involvements and talents.

Pope Francis, Laudato Si', 1, 14