



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

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

Third Sunday of Easter [Year C] (14th April, 2013)

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Liturgy Schedule for the Third Week of Easter [Year C] (15th April, 2013 – 21st April, 2013)

Saturday Evening (13th April) Vigil Mass for Sunday	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions
Sunday 14th April Third Sunday of Easter [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	6:00pm Mass: Do This In Memory (week 8) 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: Rosaleen Clarke (Anniversary)
Monday 15th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 16th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 17th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday 18th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 19th April Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	8.00pm Mass: Paddy Lennon (Month's Mind)
Saturday Morning (20th April) Third Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening (20th April) Vigil Mass for Sunday	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6:00pm Mass
Sunday 21st April Fourth Sunday of Easter [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: John Anthony and Sara-Ann McCullagh (Anniversaries)

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£900**.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for **Fr. John McCullagh, Rosaleen Clarke** and **Barney McCullagh**, whose anniversaries occur.

Fill their hearts with your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of understanding, joy, fortitude and peace

We offer congratulations and prayerful support from our parish community to

Pearse McCullagh (Greencastle) and Nuala McErlean (Greenlough) Saturday 23rd March

Tony Glass (Greencastle) and Rosaleen Rafferty (Termonmaguirc) Saturday 6th April

They recently committed themselves to each other in the sacrament of Christian Marriage.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Congratulations to the young people *Confirmed in their faith* by Monsignor Eamon Martin last Wednesday evening (10th April). May you continue to grow and mature individually and as members of our Church faith community in every way throughout your lives. Our new-confirmed are

*Sean Conneely • Tara Conneely • Matthew Conway • Eoin McCullagh • Shea McElhatton • Sorcha-Rose Meenan
Eunan Morris • Serene Morris • Luke O'Connor • Lauren O'Neill • Jamie Wilkinson*

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making last Thursday such a blessed experience in our parish.

Next Sunday (21st April) Monsignor Martin will be ordained Coadjudator Archbishop of Armagh, please continue to keep him and his challenging ministry in your prayers.

Emeritus of Clogher and formally launched by Monsignor Eamon Martin coadjutor Archbishop elect of Armagh.

Copies will be available at the launch at a pre-publication price of £15 / €20.

Pope Greets his Soccer Team: *Vatican City (Wednesday 10th April, 2013) [VIS]*
Among those present at this morning's general audience was a group from the St. Lawrence Athletic Club of Buenos Aires, Argentina, of which Pope Francis has been member number 88235N since 2008. The Holy Father gave a warm greeting to "The Ravens", as the team's fans are called, saying: "Ah, this is very important!"

BADA Events **Every Friday Night at 8.30pm** Card playing **Every Wednesday Night at 8.30pm** Local History

Next Sundays Readings: Acts of the Apostles 13: 14, 43-52; Psalm 99: 1, 3, 5; Apocalypse 7: 9, 14-17;
John 10: 27-30; Lectionary I, page 493 **(Sunday: Year C) (Weekday: Year 1)**

Lotto Results: A – C – Q – S – Z (8 people with 3 letters, 5 drawn – £10 each) **Next Jackpot:** £3,250

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 13 th April* The family of Ciaran Morris	Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday 14 th April The family of Eoin McCullagh
Saturday 20 th April The family of Kerrie McLaughlin	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 21 st April The family of Shea McElhatton
Saturday 27 th April The family of Claire O'Brien	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 28 th April The family of Sorcha-Rose Meenan
As the wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this important.		*DTIM (week 8)

A Song for Columba: The year 2013 has been designated as the "Year of Faith", as well as the city of Derry celebrating its year as the "City of Culture". This year also marks the 1,450th Anniversary of the Departure of St. Columba from Derry to Iona. The Parish of Templemore is organizing a series of events to celebrate this anniversary. One of the central events is "A Song for Columba" – composers and musicians are invited to set to music a text attributed to or connect with Saint Columba. The winner will be awarded a prize of £500 and the performance of the winning entry at a special concert on Sunday 2nd June in St. Cecilia's College, Derry. *Poster in church porch notice board / entry form in sacristy. Musicians and composers should respond*

Time for a New Challenge: ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service is a voluntary agency of the Catholic Church, providing a nationwide professional service to couples preparing for or seeking a deeper commitment within the sacrament of marriage. The Omagh Centre are 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 Monday 22nd April at 8pm. Please feel free to come along, no commitment needed, have your questions answered and learn more about what ACCORD can offer you. (028) 8224 2439

ACCORD Associate Counsellor Recruitment: ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service is a voluntary agency of the Catholic Church, providing a nationwide professional service to couples preparing for or seeking a deeper commitment within the sacrament of marriage. The Omagh Centre are seeking new members to join their team as Associate Counsellors. Applications are invited from graduates of an approved counselling training programme that included 100 hours of supervised client work and that meets the criteria for accreditation by a recognised counselling accreditation body. Preference will be given to applicants who have delivered 100 hours or more of supervised counselling, post-graduation. An Information evening regarding this will be held in Mount St. Columba Pastoral Centre, 48 Brook Street, Omagh on Monday 22nd April at 8.00pm. Feel free to come along, no commitment needed, have your questions answered and learn more about what ACCORD can offer you.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Monday 1st – Saturday 6th July): The cost is £575. An application form is available from Rosemary at The Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry BT48 6UJ – (028) 7136 2475 (Monday to Thursday, 9.30am to 1.30pm). Special forms for registered sick, youth and helpers are also available. Gift vouchers are also available for whatever amount you wish to give, contact Rosemary. The office is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 11.00am to 1.00pm.

Year of the Gathering: When Irish people are being invited home. The Columba Community is inviting Christian missionaries to a special celebration at the IOSAS Centre, Lenamore Road, Muff 7th to 9th June. Please contact us if you have a family member who is a missionary. We would be delighted to invite them. *For further details contact Fr. Neal Carlin (00353)7493 84866*

Diocese of Derry – Making of Medieval Derry (by the late Fr. Ciaran Devlin): Launch's Monday 15th April at 6.30pm in St. Columb's College, Derry. The book will be introduced by Most Rev. Joseph Duffy, Bishop Emeritus of Clogher and formally launched by Monsignor Eamon Martin coadjutor Archbishop elect of Armagh.

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Supporting Families and Carers of Addicted Persons: The Columba Community (supported by IFI) are hosting two drop-in sessions to provide information on support services for those affected by a loved one's addiction or substance misuse on Tuesday 16th April from 6.30pm to 8.00pm at Columba House 11 Queen St Derry and Wednesday 17th April from 6.30pm to 8.00pm at White Oaks Rehab Centre, Derryvane, Muff, Co Donegal. *For more info call Columba House on (028) 7126 2407*

Walking Hand in Hand in this Year of Faith with a 16th Century Spanish Woman Mystic: Fr. Tom Hamill, Archdiocese of Armagh, will facilitate an Introduction to Teresa of Avila. Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th April, 10.00am-3.30pm at Da Vinci's Hotel, Culmore Road , Derry. £35 including lunch and refreshments *Call 07734 417 824 for more info or to book a place*

Sperrin Wheelers Cycling Club – First Cycle: Sunday 28th April with registration commencing at 9.00am, cycle leaving at 10.00am. There will be an 8, 25 and 60 mile route and all money raised on the day will be going to two local suicide awareness charities; The compassionate friends and PATHS support group.

Excerpt from Online Blog (posted earlier in the week): The life of the Church is really in our parishes. What I have seen so far is really hopeful with our Pope Francis. But in my parish Baptism goes on; Confirmation goes on, we help the poor thanks to our wonderful priests who also give good homilies; our school is vibrant. All of these things, incidentally with both liberals and conservatives working together, give life to the Church. Maybe we are lucky, but I bet there are other parishes that do likewise.

Additional Parish Notice: A notice came for **Rural Support – Emergency Fund** requesting inclusion in the newssheet this week, there is not enough room but it is made available on the online version.

Pope Francis' Intentions for April (please remember these in your personal prayer) General – Life-giving Worship: That the prayerful and public celebration of the faith may be a source of life for the faithful. Missionary – Churches in Mission Territories: That the Churches in mission territories may be a sign and instrument of hope and resurrection.			
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Parish Liturgy for April, 2013	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Anne Coyle	Emmet Bradley	Helen McKenna
Eucharistic Ministry	Frankie Bradley	Maria Bradley	Josephine Clarke
Prayers of Intercession	Seoirse Conway	Emmett Bradley	James McCullagh
Collectors	Gerry McCullagh Mary Bradley	Emmett Clarke Eoghan Clarke	Colm Beggs Perry McCrory
Altar Society	Siobhan McKenna, Ciara McKenna and Caitriona McCullagh		Anne McDermott Carmel McCrory

New choir members will always be welcome, contact Sinead

Altar Servers Needed: Please notice 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 soon.

Rural Support: Emergency Fund: Rural Support has established an Emergency Fund to assist farmers and rural dwellers who have been adversely affected by the recent severe weather conditions. Applicants must be experiencing exceptionally difficult circumstances and priority will be given (but not exclusively) to applicants in the Dromara Hills, the Glens of Antrim, the Mourmes and the Sperrins. Given the limited resources available, funds will be limited to a maximum of £300 per application. Rural Support requests that a one page application form be completed and returned to our office. The form can be requested from the Rural Support office by telephone 028 867 600 40 and is also available to be downloaded from our website www.ruralsupport.org.uk

Rural Support fully recognises that this small amount of money will not alone solve people's problems, but it is hoped that this will help to bridge a gap for some vulnerable individuals and families who find themselves in difficult financial situations at this time. The fund will only consider applications that require financial support for emergency situations and where the applicant can provide evidence of the hardship that has been caused by recent weather. As an example the fund will consider applications that require financial support for emergency feed for livestock or emergency home heating.

A panel will assess all applications and in some instances a telephone conversation or home visit may be required to assess the application. The panel's decision is final and it is regrettable that not all applicants will be successful.

Closing date: Friday 10th May

Cappagh Badoney CCE – Monthly Seisiun: Friday 19th April at 9.00pm in the Plumbridge Parochial Hall. Come along, fell free to join in or sit back and enjoy a good night's entertainment.
Free Admission - Tea and Home Baking served - Everyone will be made welcome

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 in Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg on Sunday 7th April at 11.00am**). **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.

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2012-2013 (028)8224 2439 accordomagh@btopenworld.com
12th and 13th April 10th and 11th May 7th and 8th June
Applications to Secretary, ACCORD, Mount St., Columba Pastoral Centre, 48, Brook Street, Omagh BT78 5HD
Courses are limited to 15 couples and must be completed at least 6 months before your wedding

Omagh Volunteer Centre Supports Volunteering in the Omagh Council Area: We are based at Community House in the town. Current opportunities include Promotional and Fundraising roles (Foyle Hospice) and Volunteer Mentoring (Include Youth). For further information on these and other volunteering opportunities, contact us on (028) 8224 0772. If you have a little spare time and think you might like to volunteer, or if you have volunteering opportunities that you would like us to promote for you, please get in touch.

Prayer for the Diocese of Derry at this time
God our Father, we your people of the diocese of Derry, turn to you in prayer, as our ancestors have done, In good times and bad, since the days of Saint Columba and Saint Eugene, Saint Lurach and Saint Mura. Although aware that we are unworthy of your grace, with confidence in your love we ask your help. Support and care for our bishops in their retirement, give courage and vision to those who are called on to administer the diocese at this time. Grant your wisdom and discernment to those charged with the task of choosing your next bishop. We ask you this in the name of Jesus, your Son, our Lord.
Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us, Saint Columba, pray for us, Saint Eugene, pray for us, Saint Lurach pray for us, Saint Mura pray for us, all you saints of the diocese pray for us.
Fr. Kieran Devlin P. Em (Badoney Lower, 2012)

We need a little bit of silence. We need a space without the constant bombardment of images.
Pope Benedict XVI encouraging the priests of the Rome diocese in "fasting from words and images"

London Marathon (Sunday 21st April): Why not join team Foyle Hospice for a thrill of a lifetime running/walking one of the world's most exciting marathons, the Virgin London Marathon which takes place Sunday 21st April? This run takes in all the major sites and attractions in London with thousands of spectators all along the course. Places in this event will be difficult to get, but Foyle Hospice has some guaranteed entries for the marathon.
*For further information contact Noel McMonagle, Community Fundraising Manager
noel@foylehospice.com / (028) 7135 9888*

Youth Trip to Croagh Padraig: Following on from the hike last year we will be running a Diocesan Youth Trip to Croagh Padraig again this year. The hike will take place on Friday 12th April and it will be for young adults aged 16+ and students registered for the Pope John Paul II Award. We are also looking for a few priests to accompany us and celebrate Mass on the summit, booking forms and details for the hike are available from the Catechetical Centre.
Places will be limited so booking is essential. The pilgrimage will cost £25 per person

Pilgrimage to Rome and San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy (Monday 26th August – Monday 2nd September):
With Father Francis Bradley. Staying four nights at the Irish College, Rome taking in the sights of the Eternal City and an Audience with the Holy Father, and three nights at the Shrine of Padre Pio, taking in the shrine of Manoppello and the Abbey of Montecassino. Price £850, including all coach transfers to/from Dublin and whilst in Italy, flights with Aer Lingus, accommodation on a half board basis in Rome and full board in San Giovanni, and the assistance of a Travel Representative throughout (single supplement at £20 per night). A £200 deposit before Thursday 31st January will secure you a seat.
For more info call Fr. Bradley on (028) 7136 2475 [W] / (028) 7135 1718 [H] or email fbradley@derrydiocese.org

Looking for a book for your parish study group? Consider The Mystery of Work: This is a book that teaches how to turn ordinary acts into acts of prayer, a collection of insights by saints, popes and mystics about how work itself can be prayer. Recommended for spiritual development by Fr. Raphael Simon, OCSO, Trappist monk and Retreat Master. Excerpt: "I believe quite simply that it is Jesus Himself, hidden deep in my poor little heart, who works within me in a mysterious manner and inspires all my daily actions." (St. Therese of Lisieux) Free Study Guide downloadable from our website. Purchase indiv. copies at Amazon.

Our Parish cemeteries are special places providing a focus for our prayerful remembrance of the dead. Please cooperate in their maintenance and care with respect, dignity and honour. Remove flowers and wreaths that have withered. Please do not dump them anywhere in the graveyard. Ask Monumental Sculptors who have completed their work to take rubble away and not dispose of it at the side of the cemetery.

Barnardo's Main Office Line for the Child Bereavement Service in Belfast Number Change:
Please note that this number is no longer (028) 9069 4000 anymore and is now (028) 9066 8333.

I always see advertisements for Bullying Prevention and We Teach Bully Prevention. Bullying, or the perception of bullying cannot be prevented as long as people interact with each other; the only possible way would be to stay isolated, forever. However, you can teach kids how to handle and deal with people who they feel are bullying.

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 everyone to make the choice whether or not to be photographed.

*The notice comes from the Safeguarding Policy and Procedures and is published on behalf of the **Diocesan Safeguarding Committee***

Support Care for Cancer for just £3 a week: Care for Cancer facilities are available to all cancer patients and their carers within a 20mile radius of Omagh. Services currently offered by the charity include:

- Transport to hospital appointments
- Free provision of recliner chairs
- Professional counselling for patients, family and friends
- Massage and reflexology therapy / Bra fitting service
- Listening ear/ Public Information evenings/talks to heighten awareness and offer better understanding of cancer
- Courses / coffee mornings / fund raising events
- Care for Cancer Drop-in -Centre is located at 1 Campsie Place, Omagh (near Bank of Ireland) where you can call in for a cuppa and a supportive listening ear. Opening hours are 10.00-15.00hrs Mon-Friday.

In order to continue our vital work, Care for Cancer will recommence the lottery syndicate on Sat 2nd Feb 2013. If you think you could support the Charity by giving £3 per week for 12 months call Jean on 07711885239 or 028 82250696 in order to set up payment by 23rd January 2013 you will then be issued with a copy of the 50 lines of numbers entered each week.

The £3 is used as follows:
 £1 is used to purchase a lottery line each Saturday of this year commencing on Saturday 2nd February 2013. Care for Cancer receives the other £2, the winnings will be divided at the end of the year among the syndicate members, for every 10 members the Charity receives £1000.
 Your support is very much appreciated so that the Charity can continue the valuable work it undertakes locally.

Thank you

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – John 20:19-31: *John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

1. 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.
2. 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?
3. 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?

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2013
Sacramental Celebrations

Sunday 12th May Feast of the Ascension	St. Patrick's	11.00am First Holy Communion
Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		
Sunday 5th May	St. Patrick's	
Sunday 25th August	Our Lady of the Wayside	
Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish		
Wednesday 22nd May Thursday 11th July Friday 30th August Saturday 19th October	St. Patrick's	
Sunday 7th April	Our Lady of the Wayside	
Public Prayers for our Deceased (Cemetery Sunday) (6th and 7th July)		
Saturday 6th July	St. Patrick's	Directly after 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7th July	Our Lady of the Wayside	Directly after 11.00am Mass
Saturday 2nd November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died during the year)

'Do This In Memory' liturgies for candidates preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Saturday 13th April	Third Sunday of Easter	6.00pm Vigil Mass
Saturday 1st June	Feast of Corpus Christi	6.00pm Vigil Mass

Celebrations to mark the Tercentenary of the death of Dean Bryan Maguire
 To mark the occasion a number of events are being organised which hopefully will bring home to all of us the immense contribution Dean Maguire made to the life of the Catholic Church in Ireland during the worst ravages of the Penal Times in the 17th and 18th centuries. He was born in the parish of Termonmagurk, probably in 1635. According to a local tradition Aughnacreggan was the townland of his birthplace. He received a thorough education in Ireland where many of the old Gaelic families cultivated a high standard of learning and in 1660 he was ordained priest. In the early years of his priesthood he ministered as parish priest of Termonmagurk, Errigal Ciaran and Aghaloo. Ten years after Dean Maguire's ordination, St Oliver Plunkett arrived in Armagh as Archbishop in 1670 and within two years he appointed Bryan Maguire Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Armagh. Two years later St Oliver Plunkett appointed Dean Maguire, whom he described as a 'learned and exemplary man', Vicar General of the Diocese of Raphoe and within a few years in 1679 he was appointed Vicar General of Derry. On the 13 February 1713, Dean Bryan Maguire died in Armagh Gaol.

*There's a story of a martyr
 Back in the Penal times
 Who gave his life for his belief
 Like many of his kind*

*At the church they built a monument
 To that great man and his work
 And every Christian passing by
 Remembers Dean Maguire*

April
July
August

Pageant performed by pupils of Dean Maguire College

Tour of local sights associated with Dean Bryan Maguire

Festival of celebration involving clubs and societies

Questions people ask: *Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)*

Q. How can one be sure that prayer is not just talking to oneself, a one-way conversation?

A. The fact that Jesus told us to pray is enough evidence for me. Anyway, prayer is more than just talking. Jesus told people to go beyond words and 'go into your private room and pray to your Father who is in that secret place and your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.' The art of prayer is in making a sacred space in our minds and hearts to be attentive to God's relationship with us. 'Prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him' (Catechism #2560). Time spent in prayer moves one to respond to God in adoration, love, thanks, asking and repentance.

Ards Friary Retreat & Conference Centre, Creeslough. Co. Donegal – Retreats in 2013: Tel: 00353 7491 38909 Email: info@ardsfriary.ie Website: ardsfriary.ie Ards Friary is open throughout the year for individuals and groups whether lay, religious, clerical, ecumenical or anyone who wishes to have some quiet time, rest and prayer in beautiful relaxed surroundings. The following retreats are available for 2013:	
Friday 19th – Sunday 21st April	Directed by Bishop Brendan Comiskey <i>Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ (St. Jerome)</i>
Friday 26th – Sunday 28th April	Legion of Mary Retreat
Friday 3rd – Thursday 9th May	Open Retreat (directed by Fr. Dermot Lynch, OFM Capuchin)
Friday 17th – Sunday 19th May	Joe Dalton Healing and Renewal Weekend. Joe suffered depression for 31 years and tried everything medically to be cured. He was though, miraculously healed by God, Joe will share his gift of healing with others, on their journey to knowing God better
Sunday 2nd – Thursday 6th June	Inter-Diocesan Priests' Retreat (directed by Monsignor John Armitage, Brentwood Diocese). <i>To love you is to serve you</i>
Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June	Cursillo Renewal Weekend (directed by Fr. Silvester O'Flynn, OFM Capuchin) <i>Christ is counting on You</i>
Monday 10th – Friday 14th June	Transformation Retreat (directed by Fr. Donal Dorr and Dr. Noel Bradley D.Theol)
Friday 21st – Thursday 27th June	Open Retreat (directed by Fr. Francis Maple, OFM Capuchin) <i>Living with Christ through the main events of his life</i>
Monday 1st – Saturday 6th July	Friends of Francis Hogan Reunion
Friday 12th – Saturday 13th July	One Day Silent and Guided Retreat for Women guided by Benedictine Monks of the Abbey of Saint Joseph, France. This retreat reflects Ignatian Spirituality by centering on Jesus with conferences, spiritual guidance and confessions.
Saturday 14th – Friday 19th July	Five Day Silent and Guided Retreat for Men guided by the Benedictine Monks of the Abbey of Saint Joseph. These five-day retreats are a shortened form of the full Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. The Exercises are a synthetic and practical presentation of the central truths of the Catholic faith.
Saturday 20th – Wednesday 7th August	Christendom College, USA
Friday 9th – Sunday 11th August	John Pridmore <i>Healing the Wounds of your past</i>
Sunday 11th – Sunday 18th August	Association of Iconographers – Learning to Write an Icon
Monday 19th – Thursday 22nd August	Course for priests in the Latin Mass
Monday 26th August – Thursday 1st September	The Foyer of Charity – Five Day Silent Retreat (directed by Fr. Kilian Byrne) <i>If you but knew the gift of God</i>
Thursday 3rd – Sunday 8th October	CURSILLO (men)
Thursday 10th – Sunday 13th October	CURSILLO (women)
Saturday 30th November – Sunday 1st December	Advent Retreat (directed by Fr. Kieran Shorten, OFM Capuchin)

The Deep End – C'mere 'Til I Tell You:

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

'Wait until I tell you'; 'Well the way of it was this'; 'I have a good one for you' – we all know someone who is a great storyteller. The seanchaí played an important role in the Irish folk tradition. His role was to keep track of important information and to ensure that tales were passed on from one generation to another. The Gospels came together in a similar fashion, with the stories about Jesus first passed on by word of mouth before being committed to paper.

John introduces the story in today's Gospel in true storyteller mode: 'It was by the sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this.' He sets the scene, tells us who was there and recounts a conversation between the disciples as they decide to go fishing.

And all the time we are in on the secret: Jesus is about to appear. And the disciples don't recognise him! We can have a bit of a laugh at their expense. How can they be so blind? A good story encourages us to put ourselves in the characters' shoes. What if we were in the story, in that boat – would we have immediately known it was Jesus?

We may not always recognise Jesus and the various ways he is present in our lives. When things are going badly, we can sometimes forget to pray for strength and help. On the other hand, when things are going well and our nets are full, so to speak, how often do we give thanks and acknowledge how blessed we are?

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To mark the occasion a number of events are being organised which hopefully will bring home to all of us the immense contribution Dean Maguirc made to the life of the Catholic Church in Ireland during the worst ravages of the Penal Times in the 17th and 18th centuries. He was born in the parish of Termonmagurk, probably in 1635. According to a local tradition Aughnacreggan was the townland of his birthplace. He received a thorough education in Ireland where many of the old Gaelic families cultivated a high standard of learning and in 1660 he was ordained priest. In the early years of his priesthood he ministered as parish priest of Termonmagurk, Errigal Ciaran and Aghaloo. Ten years after Dean Maguirc's ordination, St Oliver Plunkett arrived in Armagh as Archbishop in 1670 and within two years he appointed Bryan Maguirc Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Armagh. Two years later St Oliver Plunkett appointed Dean Maguirc, whom he described as a 'learned and exemplary man', Vicar General of the Diocese of Raphoe and within a few years in 1679 he was appointed Vicar General of Derry. On the 13 February 1713, Dean Bryan Maguirc died in Armagh Gaol.

<i>There's a story of a martyr</i>	<i>At the church they built a monument</i>
<i>Back in the Penal times</i>	<i>To that great man and his work</i>
<i>Who gave his life for his belief</i>	<i>And every Christian passing by</i>
<i>Like many of his kind</i>	<i>Remembers Dean Maguirc</i>

April	Pageant performed by pupils of Dean Maguirc College
July	Tour of local sights associated with Dean Bryan Maguirc
August	Festival of celebration involving clubs and societies