## Diocese of Derry. Parish of Greencastle.

Saint Patrick's Church
Greencastle

Our Lady of the Wayside Church
Broughderg

**Day of Prayer for Emigrants** 

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. October 14, 2007.

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Today we remember our emigrants, keeping in mind our immigrants too

Mass and Confession Schedule for the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

October 15 – 21, 2007

Monday October 15 St. Teresa of Avila, Virgin & Doctor of the Church	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday October 16 Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday October 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday October 18	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
St. Luke Evangelist Station Mass in the home of Lucy and Stephen McCullagh	Glenhull	7.30pm Mass
Friday October 19	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
St. Paul of the Cross. Priest. Station Mass in the home of Martina & Mark McBride	Broughderg	7.30pm Mass
Saturday October 20	Saint Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday October 21	Saint Patrick's	9:00am Mass
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in	Our Lady of the Wayside,	11:00am Mass
Ordinary Time.	Broughderg	

## **Confession Schedule**

Saturday October 20	Saint Patrick's	5:30pm (before Vigil Mass)
Sunday October 21	Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg	10:30am (before Mass)

Weekly offerings: Thank you for your generosity to this week's collection which amounted to £925.00

Parish Stations for October 2007			
Day/Date/Time	Townland	In the home of:-	
Thursday October 18, 7:30pm	Glenhull	Lucy & Stephen McCullagh	
Friday October 19, 7:30pm	Broughderg	Martina & Mark McBride	
Monday October 22, 7:30pm	Sheskinshule	Patricia & Damian McElduff	
Tuesday October 30, 7:30pm	Binnafreaghan	Francis & Mary Clarke	

If other families wish to host a Station Mass in your home during the month of October contact Fr. Hasson as soon as possible. Please keep everything as simple as possible. Gathering as a local community in each town-land to celebrate the Eucharist at the Station Mass is a tradition dear to our Christian story. Confessions available before Mass.

**Lotto Numbers:** 12, 13, 17, 20 (3 winners with 3 numbers – £20 each) **Next Jackpot:** £5500.00

**Mission Sunday:** Next Sunday is Mission Sunday. Christians are invited to support the work of missionaries as the *reflect God's love* on the five continents. Please give generously to the Preparation of the Faith collection, which will be sent in its entirety to a Young Church.

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith was founded in 1822 by a French laywoman, Pauline Jaricot. She wished to help not only French missions and missionaries but all missions and missionaries, especially the poorest. In 1922, it became the primary organisation of the Church for supporting the activity of missionaries. Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday in 1926 and ordered that it be observed in all churches and oratories throughout the world as a day of prayer and material support for missionary activity. It was Pauline who drew up the basic plan of the Society. It is one of prayer, offering of suffering and making a financial contribution for the spread of the Faith. Missionaries need your help in their mission to *reflect God's love*.

Remembering our dead: Please remember in your prayers Bernadette Fitzpatrick who was interred in Greencastle during the week. As a parish community we extended our sympathy and support to her family. We also pray for the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Rosemary Harper, Michael Neville and Bridget O'Hagan.

Next Sunday's Readings: Exodus 17: 8-13, Psalm 120, 1 John 4:11-16, Luke 18:1-8. Website of the Week: www.missionsocieties.ie

## The Attitude of Gratitude

Tom Cox – 'Intercom' (October, 2007)

Along with 'take your bath' – 'say thanks' must be in every mother's repertoire. We do need reminders to be grateful and yet while gratitude is beautiful – it is so rarely done. Why? Because the act of gratitude implies dependency and belonging. Still the 1 in 10 response that Jesus got would disappoint anyone. Why did the other nine not return and give thanks? Maybe they were like this:

- 1. The first leper always followed the letter of the law. Jesus said he should go to the priest. So he would do just that and nothing more.
- 2. Going through an identity crisis. He'd been a leper so long. What would he do now? How would he cope? He was so preoccupied with the change he forgot.
- 3. This one believed that you are supposed to work for what you get, yet he hadn't worked for this and so couldn't handle the situation.
- 4. One became delirious with happiness.
- 5. May have been bitter in the past because he was driven to become a beggar. He vowed he would never say thank you to anyone.
- 6. He was a family man. Anxious and eager to get back to his family, to hold his wife and hug his children.
- 7. Sceptic doubted whether Jesus really has anything to do with it. After all, he hadn't been healed in Jesus' presence. Maybe it was something in the air that day.
- 8. So excited and just had to tell everyone about this Jesus.
- 9. Said 'I'll give thanks tomorrow'.

Which leper are you?

**'Do This In Memory of Me':** Our First Holy Communion parish programme will begin at the Vigil Mass in Greencastle this weekend. Our next Sunday gathering will be at the Vigil Mass for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (November 17, 2007).

**B.A.D.A.** An Bruach Dearg Community Centre. Upcoming Events: Sunday October 14, Sponsored Walk leaving Centre at 3:00pm with tea & refreshments on return. Followed by dance.

Parish News Sheet: Items for inclusion should be forwarded to the Parochial House by the Wednesday evening prior to publication. Please take news sheet home with you after Mass.