

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**
Feast of the Most Holy Trinity [Year A] (15th June, 2014)
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Liturgy Schedule for the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time [Year A] (16th June, 2014 – 22nd June, 2014)

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| Saturday Evening (14th June) | St. Patrick's | 5.30pm Confessions 6:00pm Vigil Mass |
| Sunday 15th June Most Holy Trinity [Year A] | St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside | 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass |
| Monday 16th June Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time | St. Patrick's | 10.00am Mass |
| Tuesday 17th June Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time | St. Patrick's | 10.00am Mass |
| Wednesday 18th June Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time | St. Patrick's | 10.00am Mass |
| Thursday 19th June Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time | St. Patrick's | 10.00am Mass: |
| Friday 20th June The Irish Martyrs | St. Patrick's | 8.00pm Mass |
| Saturday 21st June St. Aloysius Gonzaga (religious) | St. Patrick's | 10.00am Mass |
| Saturday Evening (21st June) <i>Do This In Memory (week 10)</i> | St. Patrick's | 5.30pm Confessions 6:00pm Vigil Mass |
| Sunday 22nd June Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) [Year A] | St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside | 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass |

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£965**.
Trócaire Lenten Campaign: The Diocesan Office told us this week that as a diocesan faith community we donated **£395,584.33 (€76,902.33)**. In 2013 our donations amounted to **£395,452.19 (€71,889.44)**.

Baptisms: As a parish community we welcome **Paidi James Warnock, Fintan Ross McCrory** and **Oisín Ryan McGarvey** who received the sacrament of Baptism recently. We offer their parents and godparents our prayerful support and encouragement as they provide support and good example to the gifts entrusted to their care.

Parish Finance Committee – Meeting: Monday 23rd June at 9.00pm.

Green Elves Playgroup – Graduation Ceremony: Wednesday 25th June at 6.30pm in Old School House.

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| Blessing for Fathers on Fathering Sunday | Let us pray, Lord Jesus, our brother, we praise you for saving us. Teach us to love you and your Father by keeping your commandments. Bless these fathers, and deepen their love for their wives and families. By their work and example and prayer, may they lead their children to follow you. Lord Jesus, hear our prayer as we offer you glory for ever and ever. All answer: AMEN |
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Public Prayers for the Faithful Departed: These will take place on the evening of Saturday 5th July directly after the Vigil Mass in the cemetery at St. Patrick's and at Our Lady of the Wayside, and the former St. Mary's Church Broughderg after 11:00am Mass on Sunday 6th July. Bring holy water with you to sprinkle on the graves when directed to do so.

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| Institute of Irish leadership, Pomeroy: | <i>For further details contact Kathleen 875 7800</i> |
| 5 week Funded Community Pharmacy Project | Wed. 28 th May to Wed. 25 th June – 10.00am to 12noon |
| Gaeltacht Thir Eoghain | Mon. 30 th June to Fri. 4 th July £60 fee • Modern conference facilities available |

Next Sunday's Readings: Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16; Psalm 147: 12-15, 19-20, r/v 12; 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17; John 6: 51-58; (Lectionary I, page 617) **Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 2]**

GAA Lotto Results: D • M • R • T • V (3 with 4 letters winning £35 each) **Next Jackpot:** £2,550

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| 6.00pm Saturday Vigil | Offertory Gifts Rota | 9.00am Sunday Morning |
| Saturday 14 th June The family of Ronan Coyle | Most Holy Trinity | Sunday 15 th June The family of Meaghan Clarke |
| Saturday 21 st June* The family of Aobhain Coyle | Corpus Christi | Sunday 22 nd June The family of Micael McCann |

As a wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this valued task of leadership.
What can you volunteer? *Do This In Memory (week 10) Thanks to all who participate

Around this time the following priests in our diocese will be celebrating special jubilee. Please pray for them and make direct contact with them if you wish. Please pray for and do what you can to encourage more vocations to priesthood and religious life – a very counter-cultural choice in our challenging times.

Fr. George Doherty was curate in this parish of from 1954 to 1957, his first appointment after his ordination

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| 60 years | Fr. George Doherty | 20 th June, 1954 | CC of Desertegney, Co. Donegal |
| 50 years | Fr. Neil Carlin | 31 st May, 1964 | Columba Community, Derry |
| | Fr. Liam Donnelly | 21 st June, 1964 | CC of Ballykelly |
| | Fr. Brian McGoldrick | 21 st June, 1964 | PP of Urney and Castlefin, Co. Donegal |
| 45 years | Fr. Stephen Kearney | 15 th June, 1969 | CC of Knockmoyle |
| | Fr. Edward Kilpatrick | 15 th June, 1969 | PP of Clonleigh |
| | Fr. Anthony Mailey | 28 th June, 1969 | CC of Drung |
| 40 years | Fr. John Forbes | 8 th June, 1974 | PP of Badoney Lower |
| | Fr. Andrew McCloskey | 9 th June, 1974 | Bishop's House |
| 35 years | Fr. John Faren | 31 st March, 1979 | PP of Iskaheen |
| | Fr. Neil Faren | 1 st April, 1979 | PP of Ardmore |
| 30 years | Fr. John Downey | 3 rd June, 1984 | CC of Moneyneena |
| | Fr. Patrick O'Hagan | 10 th June, 1984 | PP of Moville, Co. Donegal |
| 25 years | Fr. Patrick Baker | 25 th June, 1989 | PP of Lavey |
| | Fr. Manus Bradley | 11 th June, 1989 | Montreal, Canada |
| | Fr. Thomas Canning | 11 th June, 1989 | CC of Carnhill, Co. Derry |
| | Fr. John Gilmore | 18 th June, 1989 | PP of Termonamorgan |
| | Fr. Kevin McElhennon | 2 nd July, 1989 | PP of Cappagh. |
| 20 years | Fr. Edward Gallagher | 12 th June, 1994 | Adm. Long Tower |
| 15 years | Fr. Dermott McGirr | 4 th July, 1999 | CC of Drumragh |

Lough Derg Three Day Pilgrimage: You may begin your pilgrimage on any day of the week from Sunday 1st June to Wednesday 13th August. Cost includes boat fare and accommodation.

Website: loughderg.org • **Email:** info@loughderg.org • **Tel:** (028) 6863 2391 • **Address:** Lough Derg Office, Pettigo, Co Donegal

Lough Derg Youth Pilgrimage: Inviting all 16 – 30 year olds who are up for a challenge! Bishop Donal McKeown will lead a youth pilgrimage to Lough Derg on Friday 28th to Sunday 30th June.

Application forms can be downloaded from derrydiocese.org • Under 18's need parental consent • The cost is £50

Greencastle Parish Pilgrimage Sunday to the Mass Rock in the Townland of Dorville (3rd August): For 3.00pm. There are three penal Mass sites in the parish and in previous years we have made pilgrimage to Formil (2012) and Crouck (2013). Dorville will be a physically challenging experience as well as an opportunity to express our faith.

Please mark this date into your diary and volunteer your services to help prepare for it

Lough Derg Pilgrimage Season (1st June to 13th August): Check out the Lough Derg website for details.

Our Lady's Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo – Pilgrimage Season: Sunday 4th May to Sunday 12th October.

You might consider a private pilgrimage or go with an organised group this year

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.

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage (1st to 6th July): £599. The new Bishop of Derry, Bishop Donal McKeown, is delighted to be able to lead the Pilgrimage this year.
As many pilgrims as possible is appreciated

Children in Crossfire – Camino De Santiago Pilgrimage 2014: Monday 26th June to Saturday 3rd July. We will embark on a 100km journey to Santiago de Compostela. *For info email shauna.oneill@childrencrossfire.org / call office on (028) 7126 9898*

Dean McGlinchey Park, Ballinascreen – Strw Sports: Please show your support for this on 15th June from 2.00pm to 5.00pm.

All-Ireland Rally For Life: This year's Annual Rally for Life will be held in Belfast on Saturday 5th July, thousands are expected to travel from all over Ireland. Let us make our voices heard LOUD AND CLEAR for Irelands unborn babies.

To book your seat on the coach leaving from your area call the committee on (028) 9027 8484 or email info@preciouslife.com

Pope Francis' Intentions for June (please remember these in your personal prayer)
Universal: That the unemployed may receive support and find the work they need to live in dignity.
For Evangelisation: That Europe may rediscover its Christian roots through the witness of believers.

| Parish Liturgy for June, 2014 | St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass) | St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass) | Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass) |
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| Readers | Aisling Donaghy | Monica Coyle | Sean Clarke |
| Eucharistic Ministry | Kathleen Bradley | Louise Coyle | Peter Noel McAleer |
| Prayers of Intercession | Emma Clarke | Patrick Clarke | Grace Conneely |
| Collectors | Gerry McDermott Noel McElhatton | Mickey Beggs Colm Keenan | Brian Gillen Perry McCrory |
| Altar Society | Kathleen Beggs, Joanne Beggs And Mary McCullagh | | Anne McDermott Martina McBride |

Anyone wishing to volunteer for these ministries should make yourself known
 Thank you for everything you do in our parish-faith community

Council for Marriage and the Family of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference
Marriage and Family at the Heart of the Parish:

Saturday 14th June at the Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe College, Dublin. The conference will explore how parishes can support families in their calling to live, pass on and share their faith, given the pastoral challenges that affect families today. The day will involve an opening address by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, input from Dr. Tony Fahey of UCD and from Ms. Colette Furlong (Sligo Parishes Cluster Catechist) and drama presentations followed by reflection and discussion.

- The three conference aims are:**
- To explore the 'pastoral challenges to the family in the context of evangelisation' (Pope Francis)
 - To explore how the parish community supports families in their Christian calling to share their faith
 - To inform the work of the Council for Marriage and the Family

Participants:
 This conference is offered to leaders in parishes and dioceses, and others exercising faith and pastoral leadership, including parents, grandparents, teachers, members of Parish Pastoral Councils as well as other groups and organisations serving the Church's mission.

Further information is available from Ms. Trish Conway at Columba Centre, Maynooth, Co Kildare, Tel: 087 6220 349 and bookings can be made to cmfconference@iecon.ie.

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**

Following our recent parish finance committee meeting we publish today our annual summary financial statement

Greencastle Parish Summary of Financial Statement for Year Ended 31st December, 2013

| | INCOME | 2013 | 2012 | SPECIFIC EXPENSES | 2013 | 2012 |
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| Routine income (envelopes etc.) | | 50,461 | 52,207 | Light and Heat | 6,066 | 7,342 |
| Investment Income | | 105 | 3,101 | Maintenance | 10,632 | 12,174 |
| Exceptional Items (Ins. Claim, Special Donations) | | 906 | 7,649 | Normal Requisites | 2,420 | 4,012 |
| | | <u>51,472</u> | <u>62,957</u> | Insurances | 3,689 | 3,689 |
| | EXPENDITURE | | | Rates | 1,077 | 827 |
| Property Expenses (Rates, Insurance, Maintenance etc.) | | 23,884 | 28,044 | | <u>23,884</u> | <u>28,044</u> |
| Administration Expenses (Salaries etc.) | | 25,434 | 23,196 | Telephone etc. | 1,791 | 1,299 |
| | | <u>49,318</u> | <u>51,240</u> | Accountancy | 1,920 | 1,008 |
| NET PARISH INCOME | | <u>2,154</u> | <u>11,717</u> | Bank Charges | 322 | 423 |
| | | | | Bank Interest | 664 | --- |
| | | | | | 4,679 | 2,730 |
| | | | | Pass Through | 5 | (30) |
| | | | | | 4,702 | 2,760 |
| | | | | Diocesan Assessment | 6,787 | 7,196 |
| | | | | | <u>11,489</u> | <u>9,897</u> |

Prepared by Patrick Friel (Accountant) - High Street, Omagh, Co. Tyrone

Reflection on Exams: Exams are a test of knowledge or skill. They have their importance. However, they are not a measure of the worth of the individual. They indicate one aspect of us, but we are much more than any exam can show. Success or failure does not give the full measure of our worth. Each one of us is unique and precious with our own gifts and talents. God made us that way. God wants us to use those talents. Exams can be an anxious time. But remember, we are more than our exam results. We are loved for who we are, not for our achievements. God wants us to discover all our wonderful gifts.
Missionaries of the Sacred Heart Support Centre

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

Despite the reminder from Augustine to the effect that 'Why wonder that you do not understand [God]? For if you understand, it is not God,' countless generations have nevertheless attempted to 'explain' the Trinity by means of analogy. Here is one traditional Irish effort: 'Three folds in cloth, yet there is but one cloth. Three joints in a finger, yet there is but one finger. Three leaves in a shamrock, yet there is but one shamrock. Frost, snow, ice, yet the three are but water. Likewise, three Persons in God, but only the one God.'

Safeguarding Information for parents of Altar Servers:

A Parents' Safeguarding Information Pack, which has been developed by the Derry Diocesan Safeguarding Office, is available for parents of altar servers. In each pack there is an Information Leaflet and Information Booklet for parents and two Leaflets for the children. If you are a parent of an altar server/s, and require a copy, please leave your request for an Information Pack in the sacristy; alternatively, or you can obtain it from the Safeguarding office, Pastoral Centre, Bishop Street, Derry (office hours Monday -Wednesday, 1.30pm to 5.00pm, Tel 71362475). This material may also be viewed in the Safeguarding section of the Diocesan website.

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 ruralsupport.org.uk

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Friday 20th June – The Irish Martyrs Dozens of people who have been sanctified in varying degrees for dying for their Roman Catholic faith between 1537 and 1714 in Ireland.

Saturday 21st June – St. Aloysius Gonzaga (religious) Joined the Jesuits. As a model novice he worked in the plague hospital and caught the fever, dying in 1691 at the age of 23. Patron of Youth.

Appeal on behalf of Family Care Society: Family Care Society is a voluntary adoption agency with its roots in the Catholic Church and we provide an adoption service throughout all of Northern Ireland. A core part of our work is to place children with new adoptive families. These children are often from the care system and may have had a difficult start in life. We are experienced in finding families for these children but given the number of children being referred and their specific needs we are always looking for families to come forward. We would like to thank you for the support you have provided to date. It has proved to be a very successful way of finding adoptive families. Given however our urgent need presently to find families for more young children, we are again respectfully asking for your help.

Adoption: Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 2 to 6 years and need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family. Could this be you?

Tel: (028) 9069 1133 [Belfast] // (028) 7136 8592 [Derry] • **Email:** email@familycaresociety.org • **Web:** familycaresociety.co.uk

Prayer for the Diocese of Derry at this time *Fr. Kieran Devlin P. Em (Badoney Lower, 2012)*

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.

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – John 3:16-18:1: *John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

1. The reading evokes contrasting images of God, a God who judges and a God who saves. We might reflect on how our image of God has changed with the years. What has helped you to believe in a God whose will is that you should have eternal life?
2. God sent his Son into the world for this purpose, that we might have eternal life. How has the story of Jesus helped you to have that kind of faith?
3. The eternal life promised is life that survives all forms of death, failure, defeat and humiliation. What has helped you to have that sense of being alive, even in painful and disappointing circumstances?

The Deep End – The Divine Dance: *Triona Doherty, Athlone, Co. Roscommon (trionad@gmail.com)*

The Greek term perichoresis is used to describe the relationship between the three persons of the Trinity. 'Peri' means around, while 'chorein' has many layers of meaning including 'to make room for' or 'to give way'. I mention this not to get bogged down in language, but to hint at the magnitude of the depth contained in this great mystery of our faith. Over the centuries artists have made many attempts to illustrate the mystery of the Trinity, while theologians and mystics have tried to put it into words. Saint Patrick famously used the shamrock to illustrate the three persons of the Trinity. In the 12th century, St Bernard of Clairvaux described the Holy Spirit as the kiss of God, and spoke of the 'unshakeable bond' and 'indivisible unity' of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Others describe the Trinity as a sort of divine dance of love. When the new translation of the liturgy came into use, one of the terms people struggled with was 'consubstantial with the Father', which replaced 'of one being with the Father' in the Creed. In today's Gospel Jesus describes this relationship as one of love - God loved the world so much he sent his only son. The language is simple but the concept goes much deeper. Today's Second Reading ends with a blessing we often hear at the end of Mass: 'The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all'. What a beautiful blessing and description of the triune God. The unity and harmony of the Trinity provides us with the blueprint for our Christian lives.

Engaged Encounter – Rules for Arguing: Couples who discover they have a disagreement are invited by Engaged Encounter to share their opinions in the following manner. The sentences following the rules are Jay Keenan's comments from his perspective as an Engaged Encounter leader with his wife Suzanne.

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| NO NAME CALLING | This includes using affectionate names sarcastically |
| NO THIRD PARTIES | The argument is between the two of you |
| NO PAST HISTORY | If it's already been settled, don't bring it up again |
| STICK TO THE SUBJECT | Identify the real problem — don't go to other issues |
| NO CHEAP SHOTS | Don't use the other's weakness to gain advantage; you may win the argument, but injure your relationship |
| DON'T GO TO BED ANGRY | Finish the argument or call a truce and agree on a time to continue |
| MAINTAIN A SENSE OF HUMOUR | Don't take yourselves too seriously; laughter can be the best medicine |
| HOLD HANDS WHILE ARGUING | This helps to keep your focus where it belongs — on the person who means more to you than anyone in the world |

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2014

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| Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament | | Sunday 24th August | Our Lady of the Wayside |
| Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish | Saturday 19th July • Monday 8th September • Wednesday 29th October St. Patrick's | | |
| Public Prayers for our Deceased (Cemetery Sunday) (5th and 6th July) | Saturday 5th July | St. Patrick's | Directly after 6.00pm Vigil Mass |
| | Sunday 6th July | Our Lady of Wayside St. Mary's, Broughderg | Directly after 11.00am Mass |
| | Saturday 1st November | St. Patrick's | 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died in 2013) |
| 'Do This In Memory' liturgies for candidates preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion | | | |
| Saturday 22nd June | | Feast of Corpus Christi | 6.00pm Vigil Mass |