

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

Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg St. Patrick's, Greencastle Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A] (16th October, 2011)

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Liturgy Schedule for the Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time [Year A] (17th October, 2011 – 23rd October, 2011)				
Saturday Evening (15th October)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions		
		5.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
		6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday:		
		Do This In Memory Programme		
Sunday 16th October	St. Patrick's	8.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in	Our Lady of the Wayside	9:00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)		
Ordinary Time [Year A]		10.30am Confessions		
		11.00am Mass:		
		Michael O'Neill (14th Anniversary)		
Monday 17th October	Our Lady of the Wayside	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
St. Ignatius of Antioch		10.00am Mass		
Station Mass in the home of P. Joe and Pat	tta McDermott (Crockanboy)	7.30pm Mass with confessions beforehand		
Tuesday 18th October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
St. Luke (Evangelist)		10.00am Mass		
Wednesday 19th October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time		10.00am Mass: DDS Society mems. and bens.		
Station Mass in the home of Francis and I		7.30pm Mass with confessions beforehand		
Thursday 20th October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time		10.00am Mass		
Station Mass in the home of Colm and		7.30pm Mass with confessions beforehand		
Friday 21st October	St. Patrick's	7.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time		8.00pm Mass		
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time		10.00am Mass		
Saturday Evening (22nd October)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions		
		5.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
		6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday		
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	St. Patrick's	<b>8.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary before		
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	Our Lady of the Wayside	9:00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)		
Mission Sunday (Together in Faith)		10.30am Confessions		
		11.00am Mass		

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to £1,010 Envelopes received from visitors coming to Mass in Greencastle are returned to those parishes. Please remember the parish when making your will. If you are a taxpaver please consider a Gift-Aid declaration, your contribution will be worth 25% more to your parish.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for Michael O'Neill, David Morris and Rosemary Harper. whose anniversaries occur at this time

Mission Sunday - Special Collection: Mission Sunday comes only once a year. On this special day we are given the opportunity to express our unity with and support to Christian communities everywhere. World Mission Ireland provides spiritual and practical assistance to the Church's mission worldwide. "Together in Faith" we can all play an active role in helping more than 1 100 dioceses and communities globally. This is the Church in action – communities supporting communities. Support is needed by prayer as well as financially. On Mission Sunday (23rd October) please pray for the universal missions of the Church and give as generously as you can to the Mission Sunday Collection. Every penny of the money donated to this collection goes into a universal fund and is distributed to the missions most in need. All aid is greatly appreciated by communities less fortunate than ourselves and "Together in Faith" may we continue to spread the good news Donations can also be sent to World Missions Ireland, 64 Lower Rathmines Road Dublin 6 in God's name

Do This In Memory Programme: Our parish programme in preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will continue at the Vigil Mass in Greencastle this weekend. (Saturday 15th October).

Greencastle GAA Community Centre: Irish Language Classes: dependant on numbers. Registration 18th October at 7.45pm. Irish Language Youth Club: P4 to P7. Registration in Community Centre 19th October at 7.00pm.

Next Sunday's Readings: Exodus 22:20-16: Psalm 17: Thessalonians 1: 5-10 (Lectionary I. page 717):

Matthew 28: 16-20 (Lectionary II. page 172 or 624) (Sunday: Year A) (Weekday: Year 1)

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning		
Saturday 15th October*	Twenty-Ninth Sunday	Sunday 16th October		
The family of Enda McKenna	in Ordinary Time	The family of Corey Morris		
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October		
The family of Alisha McKenna	(Mission Sunday)	The family of Clodagh McCullagh		
Saturday 29th October	Thirty-First Sunday	Sunday 30th October		
The family of Shauna McGurk	in Ordinary Time	The family of Aimee McGuigan		
Saturday 5th November	Thirty-Second Sunday	Sunday 6th November		
The family of Shona McKenna	in Ordinary Time	The family of Leanne Morris		
* Do This In Memory Week 1				

As the wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this important task.

Parish Stations: If you are willing to host a Station Mass in your home during the month of October, 2011 please contact Fr. Hasson, Hosting a 'Station Mass' is a long tradition in the life of our parish communities in the Catholic Church, 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.

Time	Townland	In the Home of
Monday 24th October at 7.30pm	Teebane East	Michael and Maria Bradley
Wednesday 26th October at 7.30pm	Formil	In the Family home of the late John Heagney
Thursday 27th October at 7.30pm	Sheskinshule	Monica Coyle
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Confessions are available 30 minutes before Mass. Thank you to all families who have volunteered to host a Station Mass for your townland during the month of October.

Mission Month October - Together in Faith: This theme focuses on the newly independent Republic of South Sudan. World Missions Ireland (the work of the Pontifical Mission Societies) brings prayers, solidarity and financial help of the Church in Ireland to Christian communities in other parts of the world, especially those in greatest need. Please support.

During the month of October members of the Legion of Mary supported by others in our congregation will lead us in praying the Rosary 30 minutes before the beginning of Mass each day. Please join them or make the Rosary your special family prayer during this month.

Hike to Croagh Patrick: Do you fancy a trip to Westport. Co Mayo combined with a hike of one of Ireland's most famous mountains, 'Croagh Patrick'? The trip will be on Sunday 23rd October for those aged 16-35 and it will cost £20. This fee will include transport from Derry and dinner in Hotel Westport.

For further details or to book a place please contact the Catechetical Centre on 028 71264087 or email ddcc@derrydiocese.org Places are limited so please book early

Sacred Heart College - Romanian Orphanage Appeal: Lucy Hood would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the recent church gate collection to make a total of £529.32. Your money will be put to extremely good use purchasing much needed medical supplies, nappies etc. on the upcoming trip. There will be an article on the trip on the parish website in the coming

If you or anyone you know has a child safeguarding 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.

Derry Diocesan Society for Sick and Infirm Priests: 1. Any person may become a member, sharing in all its privileges by paying £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.

Privileges of members: Deceased: 1. A Mass every day in a parish in the Diocese (this will take place in Greencastle on Tuesday 19th October), 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.

Greencastle Youth Club Rota				
Manday 17th October	6.30pm – 8.00pm	P6 and P7 (Louise Coyle)		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	8.00pm – 9.30pm	Years 8, 9 and 10 (Anne Clarke)		
Tuesday 18th October	6.30pm – 8.00pm	P4 and P5 (Helen Clarke)		

An Bruach Dearg Community Centre: Wednesday nights: Zumba classes 8pm to 9pm - Beginning Friday 14th October Card playing at 8.30pm refreshments provided - All Interested In Basic Computer classes please forward names to Post Office 02886751633 or text 07809568719.

Lotto Results: D-H-Q-S-Y (5 people with 3 letters – £10 each) Next Jackpot: £5,950

A pair of Rosary beads were found on Wednesday evening and can be reclaimed from the Sacristy in Greencastle

Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish (St. Patrick's)

Wednesday 19th October	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	St. Patrick's	8.00pm Commemoration of All Souls
		(remembering all who died during the year)

Couples planning to Marry in 2011 please confirm your details with Fr. Hasson as soon as possible.

Pope Benedict XVI's Intentions for October (please remember these in your personal prayer)

**General:** That the terminally ill may be supported by their faith in God and the love of their brothers and sisters.

**Missionary:** That the celebration of World Mission Day may foster in the People of God a passion for evangelisation with the willingness to support the missions with prayer and economic aid for the poorest Churches.

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses (St. Columba's Pastoral Centre, 48 Brook Street (028 8224 2439)): 21st and 22nd October, 11th and 12th November, 2nd and 3rd December, 13th and 14st January, 10th and 11th February, 9th and 10th March, 20th and 21st April, 11th and 12th May, and 1st and 2nd June Couples are encouraged to complete their course six months before their wedding date

**Vincent's, Castle Street, Omagh:** Vincent's is the only SVP shop in this district. It depends on donations from *you*. Our customers really appreciate your gifts, especially good quality clothing. The shops profits are a steady source of income towards the work of SVP (St. Vincent DePaul Society). We realise there is a lot of competition from commercial and charity sources for your donations. We thank you for your ongoing support and appeal to you to continue to support SVP work in the seven SVP conferences in Omagh and district.

Please leave your donations at the shop or place them in the blue bin near St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle.

Our SVP van can collect larger amounts of goods or furniture. Our shop number is (028) 8224 9839.

ACCORD – *Time for a New Challenge*: ACCORD is a voluntary agency of the Catholic Church providing services to couples preparing for or seeking a deeper commitment within the sacrament of marriage. The Omagh Centre is 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 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 8.00pm. Please feel free to come along, no commitment needed, have your guestions answered and learn more about what ACCORD can offer you. *Tel: 028 82242439* 

**Knock Marriage Introduction Bureau:** The aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. Over 800 marriages have taken place as a result of these introductions. If you are searching for a suitable partner, why not consider applying? For further information contact the Bureau at Knock, Co. Mayo. Phone 00353 94937 5960 or visit our website at *www.knockmarriagebureau.com* and read about the workings of the Bureau.

Foyle Hospice – Free Adult Counseling Service: Offered on Tuesdays to help support those with a life limiting illness and their families / carers. Counseling is also available for the bereaved and there is a children's bereavement support group.

For more info please contact the Hospice on (028) 7135 1010

Family Care Society – Adoption: Could you make a child happy again after a difficult start in life? Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 0 and 8 years and who need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family. Could this be you?

For more information contact Family Care Society on (028) 9069 1133 (Belfast) or (028) 7136 8592 (Derry) email@familycaresociety.org familycaresociety.net

Thornhill Centre (121 Culmore Road, Derry) – Courses starting soon: Liturgy – Theology/Spirituality (028) 7135 1233

Catholic Schools Week 2012 – Diocesan Mass for Catholic Schools Week: This will be held in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00am.

The theme is Catholic Schools - Christ's Body Active in Our World

**Trócaire Fundraiser:** Tommy Sands, is teaming up with Comhaltas and Dún Uladh in an effort to raise much needed funds for the work of Trócaire worldwide. Tommy will play a "Trad for Trócaire" concert at the Dún Uladh Centre in Omagh on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 8.00pm, tickets cost £10.

More details can be found on dunuladh.ie or by calling (028) 8224 2777

## Introduction of the new edition of the Roman Missal - Diocesan Sung Mass:

Feast of St. Cecilia (22<sup>nd</sup> November) at 7.30pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral. Led by Bishop Hegarty to formally welcome the use of the new edition of the Missal in the Diocese. All involved in Church ministries are welcome – Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of the Word, Musicians, Choirs and Flower Arrangers. Parishes are invited to bring their copies of the Missal to the celebration for blessing by the bishop.

**Posture during Mass:** Bishop Hegarty commends the following common posture, as set down in the *General Instruction* (43) for observation throughout the diocese:

- 1. Standing from the beginning until the end of the Collect;
- 2. Standing from the *Orate Fratres* (pray brothers and sisters...) until the end of the *Sanctus*:
- 3. Standing from Concluding Prayer until the end of Mass.
- 4. The practice of kneeling during the Eucharistic Prayer and Communion is laudably retained.

## Rouskey Community Centre - Upcoming Events:

Young People's Art Classes with Martin Mc Grinder will be held on Tuesday 1st, Wednesday 2nd and Saturday 5th November. Age group 5 to 9. Time 10am to 12noon. Age 10 to 14 Time 12.30pm to 2.30pm. I really appreciate if you could ring me make sure your child or young person is registered so that I can put them into different age groups.

Felt Making - Anyone interested in felt making on Saturday 22nd October with Teresa Potynz in one day workshop. Price will depend how many people are in class. Costs will be kept to minimum.

Drama Class Young People's Production of Wizard of Oz is on in November. More details over next few weeks. Contact Bridie for more information. 07847459429 or 81648706 or leave message on phone

## **Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre News**

- A new Diocesan Youth Co-Ordinator, Dominic O'Reilly has been appointed to replace Justin McMahon.
- Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick. The cost per person is £20 which includes bus, travel and a meal.
- Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3.00pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry Mass for all deceased young people.
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in St. Columba's Church, Long Tower, Derry Mass for deceased teachers
- Annual Award Ceremony for Pope John Paul II Award will take place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> / Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February in the Millennium Forum, Derry.

Age NI First Connect Service: First Connect offers emotional and practical support at difficult times to people later in life. The First Connect Coordinator will visit each client at home or at an alternative suitable venue, to discuss their needs and provide them with information on the services that are available. This could be as simple as involving them in the community by organising access to a day centre or community group, a benefits check to ensure they are getting what they are entitled to, providing home safety measures, etc. In agreement with the client, the First Connect Coordinator will signpost them to the services and make sure they are in place.

For more information or to make a referral to the First Connect service contact Age NI at:
Freephone 0808 808 7575. Alternatively you can contact the First Connect Coordinator for the Western Area,
Eimear McKearney on 07425 620 194 or email eimear.mckearney@ageni.org

Camara: This is a charity which takes in used computers, refurbishes them and sends them to schools and colleges in Africa. In 2011 we will refurbish over 10,000 computers which will be supplied to schools in Uganda, Lesotho, Kenya, Ethiopia, Zambia, Tanzania and Rwanda. Every summer Camara sends teams of Volunteers for four very Telephone/Email on busy weeks to Africa to assist our local partners deliver essential training to teachers in the schools we supply. The assignment is for four or five weeks, departing Ireland in early July or early August depending on destination.

Camara Belfast, Unit 23 and 24 Townsend Enterprise Park, Townsend Street, Belfast BT13 2ES

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#### This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Tuesday 18th October – St. Luke (Evangelist)** A physician from a Gentile Christian milieu. He was with St. Paul on his second missionary journey and during his imprisonment in Rome. After

Paul's death he is reputed to have worked in Greece. Patron Saint of butchers, book-binders, doctors, surgeons, artists and glassworkers.

Wednesday 19th October – St. John de Brébeuf, St. Isaac Jogues and Companions (martyrs) All slain by Huron and Iroquois Indians in 1647 / 1648.

St. Paul of the Cross (priest) [1694-1775] Founded the Passionists in Rome, preaching on the Passion of Christ, and tending the sick, dying and the lapsed.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – St. John of Capistrano (priest) [1386-1456] Studied civil and canon law and joined the Franciscan Order. In a battle at Belgrade he contracted fever and died there.

Patron Saint of jurists and military chaplains.

Not celebrated this year

# Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels - Matthew 22: 15-21:

- 1. The story sees a mixture of religion and politics, a potentially explosive combination. Jesus does not ask us to avoid politics, but that our involvement in the affairs of the world be informed by the perspective of the Reign of God. How does the Gospel give you a vision of how your involvement in society should be?
- 2. Pharisees and Herodians were not natural allies but a shared dislike of Jesus brought them together in an attempt to discredit him. Perhaps you experience the same opposition in society today when you profess to being a Christian or a Catholic. Jesus did not get into an argument with them but simply professed his belief in the priority of God in his life. What have you found helpful in bearing witness to the fact that are still a believing Christian or still go to church?

  John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)

## Questions people ask:

- Q. I am a reader at Mass. Will the changes at Mass involve new readings? Do I need a new book to practise the readings at home?
- A. There are two books for Mass, the Lectionary (containing the Scripture Readings) and the Missal or Sacramentary, used at the altar, containing the prayers of the Mass. There are no changes in the Lectionary so you don't need to get a new book for your readings.

Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)

### The Deep End - Focus On What Matters:

Jesus' opponents in today's Gospel challenge Jesus as if they were asking for friendly advice on their taxes. It is a dangerous question because if Jesus gives a simple 'yes' or 'no' answer he risks losing popularity or being reported to the authorities. Jesus sees through these guys and delivers a brilliant response: 'Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.' This text has sometimes been used to argue that religion should stay out of politics, economics or culture but building a Kingdom of justice requires that we are actively involved in those things. The world we live in is one that often falls short of the values of the Kingdom that Jesus preached. To be a witness to Jesus means that all aspects of our lives should be Kingdom focused and this includes whatever political, economical or cultural issues we are confronted with. The focus in this passage is getting our priorities straight. Give Caesar his taxes but do not forget what belongs to God i.e. things that are so important we cannot compromise them – family, friends, compassion, justice...

Jane Mellett (ianemellet@vahoo.com)

## All the Baptised Must Communicate the Gift of the Gospel:

Vatican City (25th January (VIS))

Made public today was the Pope's Message for the eighty-fifth World Mission Day, which falls this year on Sunday 23rd October. The theme of the document is: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you".

The call to take the Gospel to everyone, "with the same enthusiasm as the early Christians", as the Venerable John Paul II wrote in the Jubilee Year 2000, "resounds every year in the celebration of World Mission Day", says Benedict XVI in his Message.

"The announcement of the Gospel is destined for everyone", the Pope writes. The Church "exists to evangelise", he says. "Her activity, in conformity with the word of Christ and under the influence of His grace and charity, becomes fully and truly present in all individuals and all peoples in order to lead them to faith in Christ.

"This task has lost none of its urgency", he adds. "We cannot rest easy at the thought that, after two thousand, there are people who still do not know Christ, who have not yet heard His message of salvation.

"What is more, there are growing numbers of people who, though having received the Gospel announcement, have forgotten or abandoned it and no longer identify themselves in the Church; and many environments, even in traditionally Christian societies, are reluctant to open themselves to the word of faith. A cultural shift is taking place, which also draws nourishment from globalisation, from new schools of thought and from the prevailing relativism; a shift which leads to mentalities and lifestyles that ignore the Evangelical message as if God did not exist, and which exalt the search for wellbeing, easy earnings, career and success as the goal of life, even at the expense of moral values".

The Holy Father recalls how "the universal mission always involves everyone and everything. The Gospel is not the exclusive prerogative of those who received it, but a gift to be shared, a piece of good news to be passed on. This gift-commitment is entrusted not just to the few, but to all baptised people".

"Evangelisation", he writes, "is a complex process and includes various elements. Among these, missionary activity has always given particular attention to solidarity, ... sustaining the institutions necessary to establish and consolidate the Church, ... and contributing to improving the living conditions of people in countries most affected by problems of poverty, malnutrition especially among children, disease, and lack of healthcare and education services. This too is part of the mission of the Church. In announcing the Gospel, she embraces human life in the fullest sense of the term".

The Pope continues his Message: "It is unacceptable, as Servant of God Paul VI said, for evangelisation to overlook questions associated with human development, justice, and liberation from all forms of oppression, though obviously while respecting the autonomy of the political sphere. Ignoring the temporal problems of humanity would mean 'forgetting the Gospel lesson of love for our suffering and needy neighbours'. It would not be in keeping with Jesus' own behaviour Who 'went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness'.

"Thus, by responsible participation in the mission of Christ, Christians become builders of the peace and solidarity that Christ gives us, and they collaborate in achieving God's plan of salvation for all humankind", Benedict XVI concluded. "May World Mission Day revive in everyone the desire to 'go out' to meet humankind, bringing Christ to everyone".