



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

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

**Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time [Year A] (16<sup>th</sup> November, 2014)**

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### Liturgy Schedule for the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time [Year A] (17<sup>th</sup> November – 23<sup>th</sup> November)

<b>Saturday Evening (15<sup>th</sup> November)</b>	St. Patrick's	<b>5.30pm</b> Confessions <b>6:00pm</b> Vigil Mass for Sunday: Katy Teague (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November</b> Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	<b>9.00am</b> Mass (Missa Pro Populo) <b>10.30am</b> Confessions <b>11.00am</b> Mass
There will be <b>NO PARISH MASS</b> from Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> November to the morning of Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November		
<b>Saturday Evening (22<sup>nd</sup> November)</b> <i>Do This in Memory Week 3</i>	St. Patrick's	<b>5.30pm</b> Confessions <b>6:00pm</b> Vigil Mass for Sunday: Charlie Morris (Month's Mind)
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</b> Solemnity of Christ the King [Year A]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	<b>9.00am</b> Mass (Missa Pro Populo) <b>10.30am</b> Confessions <b>11.00am</b> Mass

**We welcome new parishioners and invite you to register by filling out a parish census form**

Please forward it to The Parochial House using the address at the top of this news sheet

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

**Mission Sunday Collection:** A total of **£550** was graciously received.

The new boxes of envelopes for the parish collection are now available.

*At this time of year maybe you can review your contributions to the parish*

**Remembering Our Dead:** We pray for **Katy Fox** and **Katy Teague**, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 26:1, 4, 7-9, 13-14, r/v 1; Romans 5:5-11; Matthew 11:25-30;

Readings may be chosen from Masses for the Dead (Lectionary II, page 849-890)      **Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 2]**

**Book of the Names of the Dead:** This will be displayed on a table in front of the Baptismal Font from the Solemnity of All Souls until the beginning of Advent. It will be left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember and pray for the repose of their souls. Placing the book close to the Baptismal font gives us hope that our beloved dead now share in Christ's Resurrection.

*If you wish to enter a name in the book you are welcome to*

**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

**Pioneer Association – Annual Short-Term Pledge Initiative for November:** In honour of the Holy Souls.

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

*Nuptial blessing from the Rite of Marriage*

We offer congratulations and prayerful support from our parish community to

**Kevin McCullagh (Greencastle) and Teresa McCullagh (Greencastle)** Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October

**Julian Capriglione (London) and Pamela McCrossan (London)** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October

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

**Irish Language Class for Beginners:** Every Thursday in Greencastle GAA Hall from 8.00pm to 9.30pm.

Teenagers and adults welcome.

*Call Sinéad Warnock on 07849 394 001*

**Annual Christmas Fayre:** Scheduled for Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November in the Greencastle Community Centre.

*Anyone interested in having a stall can call either Leona on 07789 687 564 or Caroline on 07733 114 210 for more details*

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17, Psalm 22:1-3, 5-6, r/v 1; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28;

Matthew 25:31-46; Lectionary I, page 729)

**Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 2]**

<b>6.00pm Saturday Vigil</b>	<b>Offertory Gifts Rota</b>	<b>9.00am Sunday Morning</b>
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> November The family of <b>Amy McGurk</b>	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> November The family of <b>Shona McKenna</b>
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November*</b> The family of <b>Caolan McKenna</b>	Solemnity of Christ the King	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November The family of <b>Stephen Meenan</b>
As a wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this valued task of leadership. Thanks to all who participate in the life and work of our parish faith-community. <b>*Do This In Memory Week 3</b>		

**Irish Catholic Catechism for Adults:** A resource from the Irish Episcopal Conference, designed to complement the Catechism of the Catholic Church. It has been adapted for an Irish audience and is written in accessible, easy to understand language. Whilst it can be used as an Individual private resource for reflection, it is also particularly useful for Parish Study Groups, Liturgy Groups, Parish Pastoral Councils and any individuals/groups working in parishes to promote catechesis / deepening of adult faith formation. A Study Guide to complement the Catechism has also been published. The Catechism is available from Veritas bookshops, at a cost of £19.99 / €24.99 and the Study Guide costs £11.00 / €12.99. Good discounts are available for multiple purchases.

**Tel:** (028) 7126 6888 • **Email:** derryshop@veritas.ie

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> July. The Youth Team will be part of this pilgrimage. Young people participating in the Pope John Paul II Award can apply to be part of the Youth Team. There will be opportunities for the Youth Team to be actively involved in the pilgrimage, including involvement in various liturgies and ceremonies, and assisting the sick or less able pilgrims.

**Applications can be downloaded from derrydiocese.org and sent via these methods before 31<sup>st</sup> October**

derrypilgrim@outlook • Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, Derry Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ

*Please note that places are limited*

**Parent Support Group of our Lady of Lourdes Primary School – A Night at the Races:**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November in Greencastle Hall, first race starts at 9.00pm.

Anyone wishing to sponsor a Race £50 or buy a Horse £5.

Contact Claire Morris on 07796 141 156 or Clare Ann Conway on 07798 941 452. Family Night out for everyone - Please Support

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

- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November – St. Elizabeth of Hungary (religious) [1207-1231]** Queen at 14, widowed and exiled at 20, Franciscan tertiary until her death at 24. A woman of prayer and service of the poor.
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, Rome** This feast celebrates the dedications of two of the four major basilicas of Rome. These two churches continue to draw millions of faithful pilgrims each year as well as many visitors from other faiths.
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Originated in the East and was included on the General Calendar in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. With the feasts of Immaculate Conception and the Nativity of Mary, this feast reminds us that Mary was the chosen vessel of God from the very first moment of her life.
- Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – St. Cecilia (virgin and martyr)** The patroness of music and musicians, was a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> century Roman Christian martyr. According to tradition, she refused to worship the Roman gods and was beheaded. Her association with music and the representations of her playing the organ probably grew from a misunderstanding of a 5<sup>th</sup> century account of her life.
- Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – St. Columban (abbot and missionary) [543-615]** Also known as Columbanus. Became a monk of Bangor and later principal teacher there. In 591, desiring to 'go on a pilgrimage for Christ' he set out with 12 companions and came to Burgundy. He established monasteries at Annegray, Luxeuil and Fontaine according to the severe Irish rule. Later he founded Bregenz in Austria and his greatest foundation at Bobbio, near Genoa, where he died. Remembered as one of the greatest of the Irish Missionary monks. [Not celebrated this year]

**Pope Francis' Intentions for November (please remember these in your personal prayer)**  
**Universal:** That all who suffer loneliness may experience the closeness of God and the support of others.  
**For Evangelisation:** That young seminarians and religious may have wise and well-formed mentors.

Parish Liturgy for November, 2014	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Mary Slane	Monica Coyle	Sean Clarke
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
Prayers of the Faithful	Ryan Clarke	Megan McKenna	Brianna Gillen
Collectors	Gerry McDermott Noel McElhatton	Michael Clarke Eoghan Clarke	Francis Keenan Sean Keenan
Altar Society	Mary McNamee, Patta McDermott and Mary McCrory		Anne McDermott Josephine Clarke
New choir members will always be welcome – Contact Sinead			

**Book by Fr. Neal Carlin of Columba Community – *They That Wait on the Lord: An Uncharted Journey*:**  
 Having recently celebrated 50 years in the priesthood this new book reveals Fr. Carlin's journey of both joy and pain. From ministering in the Maze prison during the troubles to establishing a rehabilitation centre for those in the despair of addiction, this is a story of hope and trust in the Lord for those who wait in faith.  
*Available from Columba House, 11 Queen St, Derry, IOSAS Centre, Derryvane, Muff and Veritas bookshops • (028) 7126 2407*

**Jack and the Beanstalk:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 3.00pm. A relaxed performance designed to create an enjoyable atmosphere for young people with learning and sensory difficulties and their families to experience theatre.

**Alzheimer's Society – Carer Information Programme:** Silverburch Hotel, Omagh from 7.00pm to 8.30pm.  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November** "Understanding and Managing Behaviours that Challenge" – Nicola Hayes (Nurse)  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November** "An Overview of Local services" – Paula Canney (Alzheimer's Society)  
 "Legal Matters" – Edele Blaney (Local Solicitor)  
**If you have any queries call Paula on (028) 8224 0826/ 07889 604 702 Please feel free to attend**

**Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – Matthew 25: 14-30:** *John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

- Jesus was angry at the way some Jewish leaders treated God's revelation of his love for his people. They had buried it by obscuring it under a multiplicity of rules. These became the centre of religious practice rather than a deep faith and trust in the forgiving love of God. What part have rules played for you in your life? Have they been life-giving?
- On the level of our own personal life, faith is not given to us to be locked away, but to be 'traded' with. We trade with it when we believe in its value, trust it, and use it, bringing it into the experiences we have in daily life. Can you recall times when relying on your faith has brought you rewards?
- Likewise with our own personal gifts and talents. We can fall into the trap of seeing these as our personal possession so that we can do with them as we like, rather than share them as gifts so that they can be multiplied. What is your experience of hoarding or sharing your own gifts? When did you feel most alive?
- The master in the story is also someone we can celebrate. He is the kind of person who does not cling to power. He entrusts his property (his cause) to others. Perhaps you have known leaders who have done this? Have you done it yourself? As parents have you entrusted the lives of your children to them so that they can find life to the full by taking responsibility for their own lives?

**Musings** *Salvador Ryan (St. Patrick's College, Maynooth)*  
 The nineteenth-century English convert, Fr Frederick W. Faber, is perhaps best known for his composition of Faith of Our Fathers. However, another of his hymns, which speaks of God's limitless mercy, communicates an even more powerful message: 'There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea'. Faber notes, however, that 'we make his love too narrow by false limits of our own; and we magnify his strictness with a zeal he will not own.' And so we create a God who reflects our sense of justice rather than his. To paraphrase Voltaire: God made us in his image and likeness – and we have repaid the compliment.

**Clanabogan Bazaar:** Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November in Clanabogan Hall, Omagh. First Spin at 7.30pm.  
*Free Draw for those in by 9.00pm*

**Camowen Farmers Group – Basic Cookery Course:** Commencing Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November from 8.00pm to 10.00pm in Termonmaguirke Parish Hall, Termon Road, Carrickmore (below Gallagher's shop on right-hand side) for 6 weeks. Total course cost is £10, payable on first night.  
*Everyone is welcome*

**Public Initiative for the Prevention of Suicide and Self Harm (PIPS)** (028) 3026 6195 • [info@pipsnewryandmourne.org](mailto:info@pipsnewryandmourne.org)  
**Christmas Service of Remembrance, Hope and Healing:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 4.00pm in St. Mary's Church, Upper Hill Street, Newry. For families and friends of loved ones lost through suicide.

**Dalradian Gold Ltd. (DCL) is seeking to employ two trainee Geological Technicians** to join the exploration team at our Northern Ireland Project. This position is for a ten month contract and will be based in the Omagh office. Training for this role will be provided. Closing date for applications are Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 5.00pm.  
*Application packs from Angela Coney on (028) 8224 6289 or [aconey@dalradian.com](mailto:aconey@dalradian.com)*

**Sacred Heart Church, Omagh – Mass for Healing:** Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Followed by a Eucharistic Healing Service, celebrated by Fr John Keane.  
*Everyone is welcome*

**Knights of St. Columbanus – Centenary Celebrations:** For our Centenary we are organising for students in their final two years of second level education a nationwide Public Speaking Competition entitled *Young People Find Language for their Faith*.

The competition has caught the imagination of students across the country. A wide range of topics are included covering Social Media and the Gospels to Christians in Tomorrow's Ireland.

The competition will begin at 7.00pm at each venue and we invite you come along to hear our young people speak the language of their faith

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Thornhill College	Students from St. Columb's, Thornhill, Holy Cross and Foyle Colleges will do battle as they speak of issues including <i>The Challenge of being a Young Christian Today</i> and <i>How to Involve Teenagers in the Life of the Church</i> whilst demonstrating a deep knowledge and use of Scripture and Church teaching. <i>These raise anticipation of excellent presentation</i>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	St. Ciaran's School, Ballygawley	For the south of our diocese, Loreto Convent, Omagh will speak on <i>Social Media – Friend or Foe?</i>

**An Bruach Dearg Community Centre:** Card playing every Friday at 8.30pm.  
*Refreshments served*

**Owenkillew Play Actors – Two One-Act Plays:** *The Shadow of the Glen* by J. M. Synge and *The Dog's Acre* by J. McDermott. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.00pm in Broughderg Hall. Admission is £7.00 (ticket only).  
*For more information call (028) 8675 2004*

**The Deep End – The Parable of the Talent:** *Jane Mellett (janemellett@yahoo.com)*

The parable we read today is not a lesson in capitalism. We must bear in mind that Jesus is frustrated with those who had been entrusted with ministering to his people. They had excluded the people and laid heavy burdens upon them. When we read the parable in this sense we can understand the exasperation of the Master. The talents should have been used to transform people's lives; used for embracing those on the margins; for standing up against injustice and inequality in the world. Yet many were afraid or blind to this, so they hid the talents and did not multiply them. It is a safer place to be.

Compare this outcome to the other servants. There is a beautiful verse in both cases which reads 'enter into the joy of your master'. Is this not what happens when we find that path that is right for us? Joy! When we use our talents and gifts in work or projects that are life-giving and meeting the needs of our communities? Joy is a fantastic emotion; a sign of God's grace. Despite the frustrations of whatever work we are involved in, the presence of joy is one sign that we are on the Kingdom track. The challenge is not to be afraid to go out there. Pope Francis asks that we have the 'smell of the sheep' and calls us to 'be courageous. A Church that does not go out of itself, sooner or later, sickens from the stale air of closed rooms'.

**ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2014-2015**

St. Columba's Pastoral Centre, 48 Brook Street (028)8224 2439 accordomagh@accordni.com

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December • 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> January • 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February

6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> March • 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> April • 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> May • 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> June

**Couples are encouraged to complete their course six months before their wedding date**

**Pilgrimage to Medugorje:** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Direct from Belfast.

Price includes half-board, tax, insurance is £539 and (£439 if paid by 10<sup>th</sup> December).

*For details call Maria Bradley on (028) 8164 8357 or 07768 395 038*

**Anam Cara – Bereavement Information Evening:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November in the Pastoral Centre, Cathedral Square, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. The guest speaker for the evening is Brid Carroll and the topic is "Coping With Loss When a Child Dies". All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents.

*Numbers for room set up will need to be confirmed, we would appreciate if you could RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November or call us 01 4045378*