



**Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)**  
 St. Patrick's, Greencastle      Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderr  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter – Day of Prayer for Vocations [Year C] (17<sup>th</sup> April, 2016)**  
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**Year of Mercy Quote from Pope Francis**      Misericordiae Vultus (paragraph 15)  
 "Jesus introduces us to these works of mercy in his preaching so that we can know whether or not we are living as his disciples... let us not forget the spiritual works of mercy: to counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offences, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead."

**Liturgy Schedule for the Fourth Week of Easter [Year C] (10<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 – 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2016)**

<b>Saturday Evening (16<sup>th</sup> April)</b>	St. Patrick's	<b>5.30pm – 5.45pm</b> Confessions <b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b> Fourth Sunday of Easter [Year C] <i>Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	<b>9.00am</b> Mass (Missa Pro Populo) <b>10.30am – 10.45am</b> Confession <b>11.00am</b> Mass: Rosaleen Clarke (25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b> Fourth Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	<b>9.00am</b> Mass
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b> Fourth Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	<b>9.00am</b> Mass
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b> Fourth Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	<b>7.30pm</b> Mass
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b> Fourth Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	<b>10.00am</b> Mass: Sarah McCullagh (Anniversary) John Anthony McCullagh (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b> Fourth Week of Easter	St. Patrick's	<b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>Saturday Evening (23<sup>rd</sup> April)</b>	St. Patrick's	<b>5.30pm – 5.45pm</b> Confessions <b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April</b> Fifth Sunday of Easter [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside  St. Patrick's	<b>9.00am</b> Mass (Missa Pro Populo) <b>10.30am – 10.45am</b> Confession <b>11.00am</b> Mass: Rose Hollywood (4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) <b>2.00pm</b> Confirmation Mass

**Weekly Parish Collection:** We thank you for your generosity of **£950**.  
**Annual Trócaire Appeal Collection:** A generous **£2,975** was raised, thank you.  
*Fr. Gallagher would like to thank most sincerely all those who distributed the Parish Envelope Boxes this year – if you did not receive a box please contact Fr. Gallagher*  
*Fr. Gallagher would like to encourage you to return your completed Gift Aid Forms to either the boxes which can be found each weekend at the front or the porches in each of the churches of the parish or if you prefer, to drop it in the letter box of the Parochial House.*

**Remembering Our Dead:** We pray for the repose of the souls of **Fr. John McCullagh, Barney McCullagh, John Anthony McCullagh, Sarah McCullagh, Rosaleen Clarke, James Clarke Snr. and James Clarke Jr.** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Administration of the Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Donal McKeown to the 21 Primary Seven children of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School:** Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm in St. Patrick's Church. We ask all our parishioners to pray for the candidates that the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit will be both called upon and be abundant in their lives. *Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love send forth your spirit that they may be created and that you may renew the face of the earth*

**Next Week's Readings:** Acts 13: 14, 21-27 • Psalm 144: 8-13, R/ cf v1 • Apocalypse 21: 1-5  
 John 13: 31-35 • Lectionary I, page 517      **Sunday [Year C] • Weekday [Year 2]**

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> April The family of <b>Aoife Coyle</b>	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> April The family of <b>Eimear Tracey</b>
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April The family of <b>Tiernan Coyle</b>	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 24 <sup>rd</sup> April The family of <b>Claire O'Brien</b>
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April The family of <b>Ella Kane</b>	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> May The family of <b>Aidan Morris</b>

**If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented**  
 As the wider parish community we support these young people and their families with our prayers and thank them

We offer congratulations and prayerful support from our parish community to  
**Michael Gillen (Greencastle) and Cora Traynor (Dromore)** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
 They recently committed themselves to each other in the sacrament of Christian Marriage

**Vigil of Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 7.30pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Derry. Bishop McKeown will celebrate the Mass which will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration. The event will be hosted by the St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society and the Apostolate for Eucharistic Adoration. *All welcome*  
 The theme of the Holy Father's Message for Vocations Sunday 2016 (17<sup>th</sup> April) is *The Church, Mother of Vocations*. In his message Pope Francis urges all the faithful to assume their responsibility for the care and discernment of vocations. The Church is the House of Mercy, and it is the "soil" where vocations take root, mature and bear fruit." *The full text of the Pope's Message for Vocations Sunday 2016 can be accessed on catholicnews.ie*

**Derry Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage (Friday 1<sup>st</sup> to Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July):** *Places are still available*  
 Lourdes has been designated as one of the International Jubilee sites for this Year Of Mercy.  
 For more info call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 7126 0293 (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 11.00am to 1.00pm) or 07517 965 751 (Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 6.00pm)

**Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Cathedrals of Ireland with the Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help**  
 The Icon will visit St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
**Monday:** Opening Liturgy and Veneration of Icon (4.30pm) • Concelebrated Mass (7.30pm) • Holy Hour (9.00pm)  
**Tuesday:** Morning Prayer (7.45am) • Mass (8.00am) • Concelebrated Mass (10.00am) • Veneration until 11.00am

**Ards Friary Retreat & Conference Centre, Creeslough, Co. Donegal – Legion of Mary, Strabane Curia Retreat.**  
 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May • Directed by Fr. Tom Forde • £105 / €145 • Open to all  
*For more information call Kathleen McSwiggan on (028) 8164 8436*

**Dean Maguire College, Carrickmore – Past Pupils' Reunion:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April in The Patrician, Carrickmore.  
 The school will be open for past pupils to visit from 6.00pm to 8.00pm and will be followed by the reunion at 8.00pm. Supper (9.00pm) and dancing 'til late • Tickets (£15) available from school on (028) 8076 1272

**Derry Youth Community:** Are you a young person aged between 18 and 25? Are you interested in a gap year experience with a difference? The NYC is a group of committed young people who live in a community based in Derry City who serve the Diocese of Derry. You will live in a structured, secure environment, from where you will be given the opportunity to reach out to other young people in schools and parishes to facilitate faith-based activities and youth ministry. You will also live in mutual co-operation with others; explore and deepen your faith; participate and share in leisure activities such as music, art, sport and drama. If you feel you are equal to the very real challenges of the initiative. **Web:** derryyouthcommunity.com • **Closing Date:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

**Lough Derg Jubilee Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Season:** Opens Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May with One Day Retreats which continue on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> May. Booking is essential.  
**Tel:** 00 353 71 9861518 • **Email:** info@loughderg.org • **Website:** loughderg.org

**Greencastle Community Centre – Comedy Hypnotist Fundraiser:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 9.00pm. Admission £10.  
 All proceeds to Marie Curie. *Please come along and show your support for this great cause*

*Notices for bulletin should be left with or sent to Fr. Gallagher no later than 10.00am on Thursday mornings*  
*Any notices which do not make the print version of the bulletin can be found on the parish website*

**Pope Francis' Intentions for April (please remember these in your personal prayer)**  
**Universal – *Small Farmers*:** That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labour.  
**Evangelisation – *African Christians*:** That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

**Family Care Society – *Interested in Adoption?*** We specialise in finding forever families for children aged 3 years old and upwards and for brothers and sisters. This year we have successfully placed more brothers and sisters together and half of them were over the age of 3. Many more children need forever families. Could you be their new family? We are also seeking families who would be interested in becoming concurrent carers for babies under 2 years old. If you want to talk to one of our specialist adoption practitioners contact:  
**Rachael (Belfast Office):** (028) 9069 1133 • **Julie or Brian (Derry Office):** (028) 7136 8592  
**Email:** email@familycaresociety.org • **Website:** familycaresociety.co.uk

**ACCORD Pre-Marriage Courses:** All couples intending to be married in the parish are expected to have completed a Pre-Marriage Preparation Course. Please book well in advance of your wedding date.  
6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> May • 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June • 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June  
**To book (opening time can be found on the website):**  
**Website:** accord.ie • **Tel:** (028) 8224 2439 • **Email:** omagh@accordni.com

**Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre – *Master of Arts in Catholic School Leadership*:** A post-graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to leadership roles or with an interest in the Catholic School system.  
*For more info call the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org*

**Thornhill Ministries 8-Day Retreat Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:**  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. There are still a few places are still available.  
For more details call Sr. Perpetua on (028) 7135 1233 or email thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org

**The Good Ship Lollipop – *Appeal For Child Refugees*:** The Belfast children's charity Tuesday's Child is working with catholic missionaries in Sicily to help child refugees rescued in the Mediterranean. Funds will go towards providing essential aid items and care for children, young people and their families and helping high risk children who come in unaccompanied on the boats. *Tuesday's Child gives 100% of donations received, plus gift aid*  
**Website:** tuesdayschild.ie • **Email:** info@tuesdayschild.ie • **Tel:** (028) 9064 6104 / 07545 452 362  
**Donation by Texting:** TUES75 and amount to 70070 (e.g. TUES75 £5)

**Drink Wise Age Well:** Are you over 50? Are you worried about your own or someone else's alcohol use?  
*For confidential information, advice and support call (028) 8283 9240*

**MARA (Maximising Access in Rural Areas):** Find out if you're missing out on benefits, services or grants by booking your FREE home visit. Referrals can be made for benefits checks, home safety visits, occupational therapy assessments as well as others. You'll also receive a FREE bag containing £25 worth of items to help keep you warm this winter.  
*Call Carol on (028) 8225 1559 to book*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation better known as Confession is very important and vital part of our lives as Catholics. The times for Confession will be as follows.  
**St. Patrick's:** Eve of First Friday from after 10.00am Mass until 11.00am when mass is celebrated with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during that time except when there is a funeral or no mass  
First Saturday of each month from after mass until 11.30am with Adoration unless there is a 12noon wedding  
Each Saturday Evening 5.30pm-5.50pm and after Vigil Mass  
**Our Lady of the Wayside:** Each Sunday 10.30am to 10.50am and after 11.00am Mass

**St. Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests:** The Apostolate offers us a special opportunity to pray for a priest each day. The co-ordinators in the Derry Diocese wish to raise awareness of the St Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests and to invite people from across the diocese to join in this prayer initiative. The co-ordinators for the diocese, and their contact details, are as follows.  
Rosemary Johnson • (028) 8225 9541 / 07810 387 825 • otmil\_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk  
Siobhan Sweeney • (028) 8224 8479 / 07880 588 041 • siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk  
Ethna Hill • (028) 8226 9245 / 07528 249 838 • ethna776@yahoo.com  
Eamon Cassidy • 07743 502 165 • e\_cassidy@hotmail.com *prayerforpriests.com*

Parish Liturgy for April, 2016	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
<b>Readers</b>	Francis McDermott	Mary Clarke	Sean Teague
<b>Eucharistic Ministry</b>	Frankie Bradley	Maria Bradley	Josephine Clarke
<b>Prayers of Intercession</b>	Clare Tuohey	Rosemary McCullagh	Shauna Morris
<b>Collectors</b>	Raymond Bradley Lawrence McBride	Peter Tracey Cathal Keenan	Sean Clarke Brian Gillen
<b>Altar Society</b>	Anne Donnelly, Alice Keenan and Anne Tuohey		Anne McDermott Carmel McCrory

**Yoga with Margaret Franklin:** Every Tuesday at 7.15pm in An Creagán

**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*

**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. *See poster at entrances*

**Towards Peace:** A new spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to 9 sessions are offered and they are free.  
**Website:** towardspeace.ie • **Tel:** 01 505 3028 • **Email:** towardspeace@iecon.ie

2015 Parish Statistics			
<b>Baptisms</b> 6 Boys 8 Girls	<b>Confirmations</b> 8 Boys 8 Girls	<b>First Holy Communion / Reconciliation</b> 10 Boys 9 Girls	<b>Marriages</b> 10 within parish 5 outside parish
<b>Station Masses in October</b> 7	<b>Induction of Fr. Edward Gallagher as 13<sup>th</sup> Parish Priest of GREENCASTLE</b> Celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry on Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> September in St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle		
<b>Funerals</b> 13	<b>Farewell Concert and Presentation Night for Fr. Eugene Hasson</b> Former Parish Priest of GREENCASTLE and now Parish Priest of the Parishes of Lavey and Greenlough took place on Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> November in GREENCASTLE Community Centre		

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm</b> Confirmation	<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 12 noon</b> First Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 3.00pm in St. Mary's Church, Melmount, Strabane</b> Ordination of Rev. Christopher McDermott to the Priesthood for Derry Diocese	
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b> Intercession for the Dead in Greencastle Cemetery	<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b> Intercession for the Dead in Broughderg Cemeteries
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b> Mass for the Dead	<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b> First Sunday of Advent
	<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December</b> Feast of the Nativity (Christmas)

### Year of Mercy – Local, National and International Pilgrimages as Arranged by the Diocese

<b>LOCAL</b> (beginning at 2.00pm with Sacrament of Reconciliation, procession and Mass)			
<b>Carndonagh</b> Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Dungiven</b> Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Omagh</b> Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Long Tower</b> Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>NATIONAL</b>			
<b>Lough Derg</b>	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> June (some pilgrims will be walking to Lough Derg, leaving Derry on Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June and going via Castlefin and Pettigo) • Early August (date TBC)		
<b>Knock</b>	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> July (Cursillo Walk to Knock) • <b>Croagh Patrick</b> September (date TBC)		
<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>			
<b>Lourdes</b> Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> to Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Krakow (World Youth Day)</b> Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> to Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Rome and Assisi</b> Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	

### Alzheimer's Society Carer Information and Support Programme (CrISP)

CrISP is a series of workshops for people caring for a family member or friend with dementia. It provides an opportunity for you to talk in a friendly and confidential environment about your experiences and the impact they are having on you.

**Week 1 – Induction and Welcome** Welcoming everyone to the programme

**Week 2 – Understanding Dementia** Explores the physical, psychological and emotional impact of dementia

**Week 3 – Legal and Money Matters** Explores legal and financial issues to help you understand the importance of planning for the future

**Week 4 – Providing Support and Care** Explores concerns/challenges that may arise when supporting a person with dementia

**Week 5 – Coping Day to Day** Looking at the physical, psychological and Emotional impact that dementia may have on you as a carer

The free workshops are run by Alzheimer's Society staff and volunteers for a group of up to 12 people who care for a family member or friend with dementia

If interested Paula Canney on (028) 8225 0103 / 07718 322 726 or email paula.canney@alzheimers.org.uk

### Lectio Musings

*Fr. Declan O'Loughlin (Diocesan Advisor for Religious Education, Post-Primary)  
Parochial House, 30 Newline Road, Dromintee, Killeavy BT35 8SZ*

Sheep, lambs, flocks and shepherds all images close to the heart of Jesus. I am the Good Shepherd, I lay down my life for my sheep. Lord your mission was one of saving. Sheep stray, sheep get tangled in bushes and fences, sheep get stolen and in some cases killed by wild creatures or wicked men. Here You challenge us to listen carefully to your message. The Father and I are one, how can I possibly be tempted to listen to other voices or stray into other fields or meadows. Yet sheep do exactly that. It is their nature to stray and get lost. Even watching a sheepdog gathering a flock together one always finds some will try to bolt, to go their own way. After Golgotha the disciples fled. They ran away. Here you have called them back. Here your voice is one of mercy and assurance. No one can steal from the Father.

Master call out to me always and draw me back to your flock and chosen path. Never allow me to despair at my weakness or waywardness. Let me rest in the Father's love always.

### Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – *John 10: 27-30*.

*John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

1. Jesus tells us that we can rely on his relationship with us. Think of the relationships you have in which you feel safe and secure because there is mutual understanding and the relationship has stood the test of time.
2. Jesus says that the disciple is one who listens. What is your experience of listening to the word of God in the Scriptures? To what other voices have you listened and found guidance?
3. The faithful disciple is also one who follows the path of love that Jesus preached and practiced. Although it may be difficult at times, it is in following it we find life. Where have you had the experience of listening, responding, loving, and finding life?

### The Deep End – *I Know Them and They Follow Me*.

*Jane Mellett (mellettj@gmail.com)*

During this Easter season we are celebrating the presence of the Risen Jesus in our lives and in our world. Jesus tells us that he knows his flock and because of this 'knowing', they follow him.

As Christians, we are called towards 'knowing' God more intimately and more deeply. Each of us, on our own journeys and paths, vocations and ministries, are part of this 'flock' because of the deep desire to 'know' God more deeply. It is a very special thing. No matter what our role is in our community, parish, church and so on, it is important to remember what it is that brings us together – the desire to know God, to know God's love and to share that love and 'knowledge' with others, especially those who are lost and at the margins.

Very often, those most 'lost' in our communities do not experience the presence of the Christian community as they should, they can be cast aside and excluded. Jesus tells us here, no one can snatch them out of His hand. This week can you try to recognise that deep desire within you to know God more fully? What does that mean for you? What does that mean for those you meet in your day to day life?

If you have come to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound with mine, then let us go together.

*Anonymous Aboriginal Woman*