

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

St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg
 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C] (17th November, 2019)
World Day of the Poor

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Thought for the Week: "Here I would also like to mention the situation of families living in dire poverty and great limitations. The problems faced by poor households are often all the more trying... In such difficult situations of need, the Church must be particularly concerned to offer understanding, comfort and acceptance."
Pope Francis' Encyclical on Family (Amoris Laetitia, Chapter 2, #49)

Liturgy Schedule for Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time [Year C] (17th November – 24th November)

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| Saturday 16th November | St. Patrick's | 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Charlie Donnelly (4 th Anniversary) |
| Sunday 17th November 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside | 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 11.00am Mass |
| Please note that there will be NO MASS between Monday 18th and Friday 22nd November Adoration followed by Rosary will be Wednesday 20th November from 12 noon to 7.00pm in St. Patrick's | | |
| Saturday 23rd November <i>Do This in Memory (week 3)</i> | St. Patrick's | 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Brian O'Neill (20 th Anniversary) |
| Sunday 24th November Solemnity of Christ the King | St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside | 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 11.00am Mass |

COLLECTIONS **Weekly:** £800 **Mission Sunday:** £500 *Thank you for your continuing generosity*

Baptism: We welcome **Eleanor May McCullagh** into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday 10th November in St. Patrick's Church.

Remembering our Dead: We pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Charlie Donnelly (4th)**, **Katie Teague (7th)** and **Michael Gillen (31st)** whose anniversaries occur at this time and for all our deceased relatives, neighbours and friends at this time of special prayer for them.

New Altar Servers Meeting: For those intending to begin training to serve on the altar. It is important that you return your form to Fr. Gallagher as soon as possible. The first meeting and training will take place on Monday 25th November at 7.00pm in St. Patrick's Church. *Parents are asked to come along as we explain and present our Child Safeguarding Policies and Procedures*

Annual Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Tuesday 1st to Tuesday 8th September. £545 (includes half-board, tax and insurance) if paid in full by Wednesday 6th December – £100 extra after that date.
For more info call Maria on (028) 8164 8357 or 07768 395 038. An ideal Christmas present!

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2020: Thursday 2nd to Tuesday 7th July. Applications are now being sought for the 2020 Youth Pilgrimage, from those who will be age 17 at time of travel. Forms can be requested through schools or directly from the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6JJ (email derryilgrim@outlook.com).
Gift Vouchers for all pilgrims to the value of £25 and £50 can be ordered via these same contact details

Sounds of the Season – A Celebration of Christmas Music. Tuesday 10th December at 8.00pm. Paschal McAnenly with special guests Malachi Cush, Conor McGinty (from ITV's X Factor), Lauren McCrory and The McBennett Sisters. Musical Director: Plunkett McGartland. Proceeds in aid of parish funds. Church of the Immaculate Conception Ballygawley. Tickets £20 and available from Traynor's Butchers, O'Neill's Chemist, Kelly's Inn, Playtime Nursery Eskra or by calling 07928 419 147.
Get your tickets now for what will be a wonderful night of Music and song

Some Important Dates

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| Thursday 6th February at 7.30pm Service of Light for P7 Confirmation children | | |
| Thursday 26th March at 7.30pm First Confession for P4 Children | Sunday 26th April at 2.00pm Confirmation | Saturday 6th June at 12noon First Holy Communion |
| Next Week's Readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 • Psalm 121:1-5, R/ cf. 2 • Col 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43 • Lectionary 1:936 Sunday [Year C] • Weekday [Year 2] | | |

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| 6.00pm Saturday Vigil | Offertory Gift Rota | 9.00am Sunday Morning |
| 16 th November • Shea McCullagh | Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | 17 th November • Cailin-Jo McDonald |
| 23 rd November* • Lile Rose McDermott | Solemnity of Christ the King | 24 th November • Shane Molloy |
| If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented | | |
| *Do This In Memory Programme (Week 3) We need new volunteers in every aspect of life | | |

Greencastle Community Association – Bazaar: Sunday 24th November from 4.30pm in the Community Centre.
Many fantastic prizes to be won including a 55" 4K LED Ultra Slim Smart TV

Greencastle Community Association – Cards: Sunday 17th November at 7.00pm in the Community Centre.

Public Information Meeting Marking 25 years of Plumbridge AA Group: Monday 25th November at 8.00pm in Glenelly House, Plumbridge. Speakers from AA, Al-Anon and Medical expert. *Everybody welcome*

Camowen Farmers – Free First Aid Course: Tuesday 19th November at 7.30pm in the Milestone Centre. Learn skills which could reduce the impact of a serious injury on the farm. Free First Aid Kit valued at £50. *Bring Business ID*

Derry Diocesan Trust (Parish of Ardstraw West and Castlederg) Job Opportunity – Part-Time Cleaner:
 In Parochial House, Castlederg with hours as stipulated below:
 6 hours per week – Monday and Thursday, 10.00am to 1.00pm. For application packs please email payroll@derrydiocese.org or call (028) 7126 2302. Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St. Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or via email, no later than 5.00pm on Wednesday 27th November. *Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer*

I AM Worship Christmas concert – A Starry Night: Sunday 1st and Sunday 8th December in Christ Church Infirmary Road, Derry. Promises to be a sacred and intimate night of musical celebration. Tickets are £15.
 Available from Veritas, Shipquay Street and online at ticketsource.co.uk/IAM *Seating is limited, so book early*

Owenkillew Credit Union – Annual General Meeting: Friday 29th November at 8.00pm in the Greencastle office.
All adult members are invited to attend and a draw will be held for those present on the night

Easilink Community Transport - Volunteer opportunities to help people in your community:
 Volunteer car drivers for a new Lottery Community Fund Project to help people in your area access Hospital and other health appointments.
For more info on the project and the volunteering opportunities available call Easilink Community Transport on (028) 8224 8140

An Caisleán Glas agus Sperrin Óg – Annual General Meeting: Monday 18th November at 8.00pm in the Community Centre.

Catechetical Centre – Derry Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Tuesday 28th July to Tuesday 4th August (ages 16 to 18). A unique experience for young people and an opportunity to engage with peers from around the world in a faith context. Up to 50,000 young people attend the Medjugorje Youth Festival each year. Cost is £599 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and a deposit of £100 are due by Sunday 1st December.
For more info or to book email lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or call 00 44 2871264087

Cappagh / Badoney CCE – Upcoming Events: *For more info call Tom on (028) 816 48719*

Singing Class: Sunday 17th November at 3.00pm (1st Group) and 3.45pm (2nd Group) in Plumbridge Parochial Hall.

Seisium: Saturday 23rd November at 9.00pm in Leo's Bar, Plumbridge. *Free admission, supper served, all welcome*

Branch Membership: Now due

Institute of Irish Leadership, Pomeroy – Upcoming Events: saconlon15@hotmail.co.uk • (028) 8775 7800

Ciorcal Comhrá Gaeilge / Irish Language Conversation Circle: Starting Soon

Walking Group: Continues every Monday (11:00am - 12:00 noon). Meet in Pomeroy forest car park.

Thornhill Ministries, 121 Culmore Road, Derry – Spiritual Reading Book Club: Tuesday 19th November from 10.30am to 11.45am. For anyone interested in spiritual-religious writings, our Book Club reviews books and helps us stay in touch with current issues and theology. Book of the Month for November is 'A Cry is Heard' by John Vanier.
Copies of books available for purchase. New members welcome! Suggested Offering £5.00
Tel: (028) 7135 1233 • **Email:** thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org • **Website:** thornhillministries.co.uk

Parish Volunteering: During the homily this weekend you will have heard reference to various volunteering opportunities in the parish which you are encouraged to consider and sign up for over the next few weekends. The various groups or opportunities mentioned were as follows: Eucharistic Minister (Church or Home), Reader, Prayers of the Faithful, Collectors (Baskets), Choirs, Liturgy Committee, Eucharistic Adoration (1 hour), Meditation Group / Bible Study, Pioneers, Legion of Mary, Altar Society, Fundraising Committee and Building and Maintenance Committee. Please sign up for any of these in the porch after masses over the next two weekends.

Thanking you in anticipation, Fr. E. Gallagher PP. (November, 2019)

Pope Francis' Intention for November (please remember this in your personal prayers)
Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East: That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

Trócaire – Recruiting Volunteers: To support their fundraising, campaigning and education work in Ireland.
If you are interested in volunteering visit trocaire.org/getinvolved/volunteer or call (028) 9080 8030 for more info

Foyle Hospice – Become a Compassionate Neighbour: Do you have 1-2 hours free once a week to support Foyle Hospice's Compassionate Communities 'Reach Out' voluntary befriending service. It might be as simple as calling in for a cup of tea and a chat, or taking someone out to do a bit of shopping. A volunteer's visit is invaluable to someone who is feeling lonely and isolated due to an illness. Full training and ongoing support with additional training opportunities are offered to all volunteers.
Call Tracy Gray, Volunteer Coordinator on 07841 101 932 or email tracy@compassionatecommunitiesnw.com

Owenkillew Credit Union – Death Benefit Insurance (DBI):
 DBI is an insurance scheme whereby for a small premium, your nominee will receive an additional £2,000 to help defray funeral expenses. Can all members who have not paid their premium please call to either office and do so.

ASPIRE Employability Programme – Free CSR Card and Forklift Licence Training
 To be eligible you must be unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week.
Omagh Office: (028) 8224 6535 • **Enniskillen Office:** (028) 6632 6478 • **Facebook:** Aspire Employability Programme
The Aspire Employability Programme is part funded by the European Social Fund and Department for the Economy

Strule Arts Centre – Irish Cultural Activities Every Wednesday
Sean-Nós and Set Dancing 6.00pm to 7.00pm • **Singing in Irish** 7.00pm to 8.00pm
Irish Language Classes for Beginner, Improver and Advanced Levels 8.00pm to 9.30pm
Email: kevin.goodwin@fermanaghmagh.com • **Tel:** 07747 899 249

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

Commercial Free Catholic Talk-Radio Station for Ireland – Radio Maria Ireland (RMI):
 Prayer, catechesis, uplifting music, talks, interviews and testimonies
Listen via the app 'RADIO MARIA IRELAND' on mobile devices, streaming on radiomaria.ie or listened to on the phone via a live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply) • Join our faith family!

Accord Counselling Services: Available to couples regardless of their faith or denomination.
If you would like to avail call (028) 8224 2439 or email omagh@accordni.com

Join the Derry Youth Community (DYC) Adventure: If you are between the ages of 18 and 25 and considering a Gap Year experience why not consider one with a difference? The DYC are a community of faith and service located in the heart of Derry City and serving the young people of the Diocese of Derry.
If faith is important in your life, and you are attracted to the ideal of service, you can find more information by visiting derryyouthcommunity.com or emailing dyc@derrydiocese.org

Support Foyle Hospice by hosting a Coffee / Tea Morning with friends, family, groups or work colleagues:
 All funds you raise will play a vital role in funding the essential care and support Foyle Hospice provide to people in our communities affected and living with terminal illness
For a free pack and more info call Michelle McGinn on (028) 7135 9888 or email michellemcginn@foylehospice.com

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

ACCORD – Relationship Counseling: A service which facilitates couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and resolve difficulties in their marriages and relationships in a confidential, sensitive, respectful and non-judgmental setting.
An appointment can be arranged by calling the Omagh Centre on (028) 8224 2439 or emailing omagh@accordni.com

| Parish Liturgy for November, 2019 | 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 | Joann McCullagh | Orla Scullion | Barry Maguire |
| Eucharistic Ministry | Mary Tracey | Eileen McKenna | Mary McCrory |
| Prayers of Intercession | Nora McCullagh | Miceal McCann | Laoise Teague |
| Collectors | Raymond Bradley Shea McElhatton | Colm Keenan Patrick Tuohey | Pat McGuigan Brendan Daly |
| Altar Society | Kathleen Beggs and Mary McCullagh | | Anne McDermott Martina Daly |

Armchair Exercises: Continues every Monday night in the Community Centre at 7.30pm. *Suitable for all ages*

St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: For those in need of assistance please call 07738 837 992

Rural Support: We could help you with financial stress by
 Providing free, confidential face-to-face support • Easing the burden of dealing with debt
 Helping you identify a way forward • Supporting you to take action
Email: info@ruralsupport.org.uk **Website:** ruralsupport.org.uk
 To speak with someone in confidence call our helpline on 0845 606 7 606

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Eucharistic Adoration Prayer Intentions for each hour of weekly Adoration
12noon – 1.00pm Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life
1.00pm – 2.00pm Married couples and those preparing for Marriage
2.00pm – 3.00pm Sick and the Housebound • **3.00pm – 4.00pm** Strengthening of Faith in our young people
4.00pm – 5.00pm Parish Unity • **5.00pm – 6.00pm** Protecting life and the Earth
6.00pm – 7.00pm The Holy Souls and the Bereaved

Towards Peace: A 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

Kindercare Fostering NI: Could you help a child in need? Northern Ireland is currently experiencing a severe shortage of foster carers and particularly carers from the Catholic Community. We are a not-for-profit organisation which works to find safe, secure and loving homes for children and young people in need in Northern Ireland. If you are interested in finding out more:
Tel: (028) 90941690 • **Email:** gillian.devlin@kindericare.co.uk • **Website:** kindericareni.co.uk

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To avail of this service call (028) 8224 2439 or email omagh@accordni.com

Catholic Marriage Encounter, Ireland Weekend: Friday 15th to Sunday 17th November in the Lake Hotel, Killarney.
For more information and / or booking visit marriageencounter.ie or call 07702 812 321 or (087) 784 0408

Red Cross: Can you spare 1 hour a week? Would you like to help the Red Cross care for people in your local community? We are looking for volunteers for our wheelchair service and volunteer drivers to help with deliveries and collections. No experience necessary. Full training provided and volunteer expenses reimbursed.
Call Julie White on (028) 7186 3764 / (078) 0302 4011

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

- Sunday 17th 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.
- Monday 18th 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.
- Thursday 21st November** – **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Originated in the East and was included on the General Calendar in the 16th 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.
- Friday 22nd November** – **St. Cecilia (virgin and martyr)** The patroness of music and musicians, was a 2nd or 3rd 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 5th century account of her life.
- Sunday 24th November** – **St. Andrew Dung-Lac (priest) and Companions (martyrs)** In the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries in Vietnam many Christians suffered martyrdom. On 19th June, 1988 Pope John Paul II canonised 117 of these, 96 native Vietnamese men and women, 11 Dominican missionaries from Spain and 10 French missionaries.

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel: *John Byrne OSA (jpbymeosa@gmail.com)*

1. Luke presents Jesus as a prophet, capable of reading the signs of the times, and one who offered wise and insightful advice on how to cope with difficult times. Who are the people you see who act like this in the troubled times we live in today? Maybe you yourself have been a calming influence in the face of turmoil within your family, parish, church, workplace, or elsewhere. Can you claim that gift and give thanks for being such a person?
2. Jesus alerts his listeners to the transitory nature of human grandeur and splendour. How have you been reminded of this truth? What lessons has this given you about life?
3. In any walk of life, troubles will come. Jesus encourages his listeners to stand firm in such circumstances, telling them: 'your endurance will win you your lives'. When you are in the midst of inner turmoil and/or outer trouble or opposition, what has given you the strength and ability to endure?

The Deep End – 'Endurance': *Jane Mellett (mellettj@gmail.com)*

We are reading the final chapters of Luke's Gospel for Year C. Jesus is in Jerusalem and the passages we hear are talking about end times. The people gathered are obviously excited, having seen how magnificent the Temple is, but the time for excitement might not be just yet. Jesus reminds them, and us, that these things are short-lived and we should not be too bothered about 'fine stonework' and 'votive offerings.' These things do not last. At some point, we have all seen and heard someone shouting on the street or on the internet about the end of the world. You'd be forgiven for thinking that today's Gospel is trying to achieve the same thing.

Jesus tries to comfort the people regarding various crisis that will happen; the call is to take perspective, to look at the bigger picture. Endurance is the message of today's gospel. The people of Jerusalem will witness the destruction of the Temple, the disciples will face persecution, people of faith will have tough times ahead. Whatever crisis may come, Jesus is asking people to keep going, to stay focused and not be afraid.

Lord, when we are young we think that we become great through our achievements.
Life has taught us the truth of Jesus' words: it is by endurance that we win our lives.
Michel de Verteuil

PARISH EVENTS IN 2018

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| Thursday 1st February Service of Light for P7 | Thursday 8th March First Confession for P4 |
| Monday 12th March 5 Parishioners receive Pope John Paul Awards in Armagh Cathedral | |
| Sunday 22nd April Confirmation by Bishop McKeown | Saturday 19th May First Holy Communion |
| Thursday 14th June P7 attend Fan the Flame Mass in Celtic Park Derry | |
| Thursday 21st June Presentations to P7 Leavers and Mr. Noel McGinn on retirement as principal | |
| Saturday 30th June and Sunday 1st July Cemetery Prayers in Parish Cemeteries | |
| Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th August Parishioners, along with Fr Gallagher attend Festival of Families in Croke Park and Papal Mass in Phoenix Park | |
| Saturday 1st September Mr. Neil McCloy officially takes up role as principal of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School | |
| Sunday 2nd September All-Ireland Final – Tyrone v. Dublin | Friday 2nd November Mass for Parish Deceased |
| 10th November Sr. Bride Counihan makes Mission Appeal | |
| Wednesday 21st November Inaugural Meeting of Parish Pastoral Council | |
| Sunday 16th December Advent Penance Service | Saturday 22nd December 2 New Altar servers welcomed |
| 31st December Large congregation gathers for Mass at final sunset of 2018 | |

| 2018 | PARISH STATISTICS | 2017 |
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| (16) 7 Boys • 9 Girls | Baptisms | (26) 10 Boys • 16 Girls |
| (14) 8 Boys • 6 Girls | First Communion | (14) 8 Boys • 6 Girls |
| (17) 10 Boys • 7 Girls | Confirmation | (15) 7 Boys • 8 Girls |
| 3 within parish • 3 outside parish | Weddings | 2 within parish • 3 outside parish |
| 10 | Deaths and Burials | 12 |

String Instrument Music Lessons: Every Thursday evening in Greencastle Hall
For kids to learn banjo, guitar and violin with qualified tutor Frank Nugent
Beginners: 6.00pm to 6.45pm • **Advanced:** 6.45pm to 7.30pm • Call Sinead on 07788 266 387 to book a place

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World Premiere of The Beating Heart of Ulster: Dún Uladh Cultural Heritage Centre through Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann, Fermanagh and Omagh District Council and the RSPBANI. Showcasing local, young traditional talent celebrating shared culture through the medium of music, song, storytelling and dance. The first show takes place in the Strule Arts Centre, Omagh on Saturday 2nd November at 7.30pm with a second showing in the Ardhowen Theatre, Enniskillen on Saturday 9th November at 7.30pm. Admission is £5 per person, with concession price at £3 per person and family rates available. To book your tickets visit struleartscentre.co.uk and ardhowen.com.
For more info on the event call Dún Uladh Cultural Heritage Centre on 028 8224 2777 or e-mail info@dunuladh.ie

Alcoholics Anonymous: Can't stop? There is a solution.
Call AA on (028) 9035 1222 or email csoofaa@btinternet.com. alcoholicsanonymous.ie.

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 11.00am with Adoration unless there is a 12noon wedding
Each Saturday Evening 5.30pm-5.45pm and after Vigil Mass on request after Mass
Our Lady of the Wayside: Each Sunday 10.30am to 10.45am and after 11.00am Mass on request after Mass

Pope Francis' Message for World Day of Peace 2019

Charity and human virtues: the basis of politics at the service of human rights and peace

'Pope Benedict XVI noted that "every Christian is called to practise charity in a manner corresponding to his vocation and according to the degree of influence he wields in the polis... When animated by charity, commitment to the common good has greater worth than a merely secular and political stand would have." This is a programme on which all politicians, whatever their culture or religion, can agree, if they wish to work together for the good of the human family and to practise those human virtues that sustain all sound political activity: justice, equality, mutual respect, sincerity, honesty, fidelity. In this regard, it may be helpful to recall the "Beatitudes of the Politician", proposed by Vietnamese Cardinal François-Xavier Nguyễn Văn Thuận, a faithful witness to the Gospel who died in 2002: "Blessed be the politician with a lofty sense and deep understanding of his role. Blessed be the politician who personally exemplifies credibility. Blessed be the politician who works for the common good and not his or her own interest. Blessed be the politician who remains consistent. Blessed be the politician who works for unity. Blessed be the politician who works to accomplish radical change. Blessed be the politician who is capable of listening. Blessed be the politician who is without fear." Every election and re-election, and every stage of public life, is an opportunity to return to the original points of reference that inspire justice and law. One thing is certain: good politics is at the service of peace. It respects and promotes fundamental human rights, which are at the same time mutual obligations, enabling a bond of trust and gratitude to be forged between present and future generations.'

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 / 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 entrance*

Accord Counselling Services: Ireland's leading agency supporting marriage and relationships, nationwide through its 60 Centres. Our aim is to help couples prepare for, achieve and sustain their marriage and family relationships, offer ongoing support and assist them in times of difficulty or crisis. Available to couples regardless of their faith, denomination or none. *To avail of this service call (028) 8224 2439 or email omagh@accordni.com*

Red Cross: Can you spare 1 hour a week? Would you like to help the Red Cross care for people in your local community? We are looking for volunteers for our wheelchair service and volunteer drivers to help with deliveries and collections. No experience necessary. Full training provided and volunteer expenses reimbursed.

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Family Care Adoption Services *Presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children*

For a free information contact **Tel:** (028) 7136 8592 / (028) 9069 1133 (Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm)
us using any of these details **Email:** anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org • **Website:** familycaresociety.co.uk

Volunteer at White Oaks Acorn Organic Farm: If you have an interest in organic growing and have a few hours to spare, why not spend them with us? Contact us using the details below.

Address: IOSAS Centre and Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Road, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal
Tel: (00353) (0) 74 9384866 • **Website:** celticprayergarden.com • **Facebook:** IOSASCentre • **Twitter:** IOSASCentre

Deanery of Tyrone Statistics

17 Parishes in West Tyrone and East Donegal. An estimated Catholic population of 65,670 people are currently served by 20 Derry Diocesan priests under retirement age with assistance of 3 priests in residence and a chaplain to the Polish community.

8 parishes (47%) have a Catholic population of less than 3,000

6 parishes (35%) have a Catholic population of 3,000-7,000 people

3 parishes (18%) have a Catholic population of greater than 7,000 people

The largest parish serves an estimated 11,500 Catholics

7 parishes have 1,500 parishioners or less (7,900 combined) each with a resident priest. Is this sustainable?

In 2008 there were 27 diocesan clergy under retirement age ministering in the Tyrone Deanery, as of 2018 that number is 20. 7 Parish Priests currently serving in the deanery will reach 75 before 2025.

The maximum number of ordinations across the Derry Diocese by 2025 is 3.

Age profile: 1 priest is in his 30s, 1 in 40s, 7 in 50s, 6 in 60s and 5 in 70s

The clergy population has dropped 26% between 2008 and 2018 and by 2025 will have dropped by 52%

Mid Ulster Agewell: Are you over 50 years old? Do you live in the Mid Ulster Council area? Would you like a free phone call in the morning to reduce the feeling of loneliness and isolation, reassurance and a listening ear and help keep you up to date with social activities in your local area? A phone call can be arranged between 8.30am and 12.30pm from Monday to Friday.

For more info call Marie Devlin on (028) 796 32170 or email marie.devlin@agewellpartnership.org

Eucharistic Adoration Prayer Intentions for each hour of weekly Adoration

12noon – 1.00pm Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life

1.00pm – 2.00pm Married couples and those preparing for Marriage

2.00pm – 3.00pm Sick and the Housebound • **3.00pm – 4.00pm** Strengthening of Faith in our young people

4.00pm – 5.00pm Parish Unity • **5.00pm – 6.00pm** Protecting life and the Earth

6.00pm – 7.00pm The Holy Souls and the Bereaved

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Singing Classes: All levels catered for beginners – advanced. *Call Tom on number above for relevant class times*

With Ciara Fox Sunday 17th and 24th November at 2.30pm in Plumbridge.

Call Tom on the number above to register

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Follow in the footsteps of St. John Paul II, visit the capital of Divine Mercy, venerate the messenger of Mercy, St. Faustina's relics, see the cell that imprisoned St. Maximilian Kolbe (martyr) as well as visit the largest Marian shrines and sanctuaries in Poland – daily Mass and spiritual activities.

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