

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

Saint Patrick's Church, Greencastle      Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Broughderg  
 The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 – Mission Sunday  
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**Today is Mission Sunday:** Today we are called to play our role in assisting the missionary activity of the Church. We are given the opportunity to share in the experience of our brothers and sisters who carry on the missionary task as they *Reach Out* often in difficult and dangerous circumstances. Our spiritual and material offerings are crucial for the continued work of missionaries throughout the world, allowing them to share God's love and compassion. The total raised in today's collection will be sent in its entirety to support mission projects worldwide. **Please give what you can afford, every gift – no matter how small – makes a difference**

### Liturgy Schedule for the Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time. 19<sup>th</sup> October – 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2009

<b>Saturday Evening</b> Do This In Memory Programme	Saint Patrick's	<b>5.25pm</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass for Sunday
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October</b> Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>8.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>9:00am</b> Mass: 'Misso Pro Populo'
	Our Lady of the Wayside	<b>11:00am</b> Mass: (Michael O'Neill – 10th Anniversary)
Annual Derry Diocesan Pioneer Mass	Saint Mary's, Ardmore	<b>3.00pm</b> (all are invited to attend)
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b> Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>Station Mass in home of Rose-Ann and Nuala McGarvey (Muninamale)</b>		<b>7.30pm</b> Mass (confessions beforehand)
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b> Twenty- Ninth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>Station Mass in home of Sarah and Michael Warnock (Sheskinshule)</b>		<b>7.30pm</b> Mass (confessions beforehand)
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October</b> Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>Station Mass in home of Deidre and Pat Coyle (Crouck)</b>		<b>7.30pm</b> Mass (confessions beforehand)
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b> Twenty- Ninth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b> Twenty- Ninth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>No Evening Mass</b>		
<b>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b> Twenty- Ninth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9.35am</b> Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>10.00am</b> Mass
<b>Saturday Evening</b>	Saint Patrick's	<b>5.30pm</b> Confessions and Public Recitation of the Rosary <b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass for Sunday
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b> Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	<b>9:00am</b> Mass: 'Misso Pro Populo' <b>11:00am</b> Mass (confessions beforehand)

**Weekly Offerings:** Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£1,000**. **Please support your parish by using your envelope even if you must attend Mass outside your parish, thank you.** Envelopes received from visitors coming to Mass in Greencastle are returned to those parishes.

**Remembering Our Dead:** We pray for **Michael O'Neill** and **Winnie Neville** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Welcome:** As a parish community we welcome into our Christian family **Michaela Katie McCullagh** and **Tarlach Shea Tracey** who were baptised recently. May our adult community offer our newly baptised, their parents and sponsors prayerful support and good example in our commitment to Christian living.

**Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry:** Mass for the Sick, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 8.00pm.

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 125; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52  
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**Lotto Numbers:** 3, 10, 14, 16 (5 winners with 3 numbers – £10 each) **Next Jackpot:** £1,700

### Serving Our Faith Community in Greencastle Parish

24 <sup>th</sup> / 25 <sup>th</sup> October, 2009	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Prayers of Intercession	Enda Bradley	Volunteer needed	Helen McKenna
Offertory Gifts	The family of <b>Matthew Conway</b>	The family of <b>Aaron Donnelly</b>	

**Prayers of Intercession:** We need committed and responsible teenagers to lead these prayers for us at each Sunday Mass, will you volunteer?

**Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Broughderg – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Next September marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Broughderg. If you have ideas on how we as a parish can mark this occasion, or would like to form an anniversary committee please share them with Fr. Hasson as soon as you can.

#### Remaining Parish Stations for October, 2009

Day / Date / Time	Townland	In the Home of:
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm	Broughderg	Sarah Coyle
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm	Muninamale	Maggie Bradley
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm	Cashel	Kathleen and Michael McCullagh

#### Youth in the Community

**'Choosing your Future':** A conference with **Jean Vanier** in the Millenium Forum, Derry – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October – 10.00am to 1.30pm. This conference is for young people but there are a limited number of tickets available for adults at £15. To book contact The Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 or [ddcc@derrydiocese.org](mailto:ddcc@derrydiocese.org)

**Sacred Heart College, Omagh presents 'Memorable Melodies':** A fundraiser to purchase resources for the Music department, in the Strule Arts Centre, 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30pm. Your support and attendance will be welcomed. Tickets available in the Strule Arts Centre or at [struleartscentre.co.uk](http://struleartscentre.co.uk)

#### BADA An Bruach Dearg Community Centre – Upcoming Events:

<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Card playing resumes at 8.30pm
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Usual fortnightly dance, with music by <i>Country Cousins</i>
<b>Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	Table Quiz at 8.30pm

#### Greencastle Youth Club – Parent Rota:

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30pm – 8.00pm	Yvonne Bradley
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	8.00pm – 9.30pm	Helena Donnelly
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30pm – 8.00pm	Caroline McCann

**Institute of Irish Leadership – 20 The Diamond, Pomeroy, Co Tyrone:** A series of talks coming up soon on 1. Townlands / Place names in Tyrone 2. Mountains, lakes and valleys in Sperrin region 3. Surnames and 4. Launch of Booklet and CD on *Songs from the Sperrins*. Tickets for sale. Admission is £5. Booking advisable. Contact [kathleen@instituteofirishleadership.ie](mailto:kathleen@instituteofirishleadership.ie) or call (028) 8775 7800.

**Precious Life Ministries** invites you to a Prayer Vigil outside the High Court in Belfast on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October when a judicial review of abortion guidelines will be heard. Your support is also asked for 3 days of prayer and fasting beginning Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October that abortion guidelines be withdrawn and unborn children protected. Tel Precious Life (028) 9027 8484.

**Creggan Drama Group** hopes to re-establish themselves with the view of staging a production early in the new year. If you wish to be part of this project come along to Creggan Hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 8.00pm Everyone, male or female, 16years and over will be most welcome – front stage and back stage crew required.

**Are you an unattached Catholic seeking new friends or perhaps someone special?** Write to the Unattached Directory, 10, Lower Abbey Street, Freeport (F2046) Dublin 1.  
 Telephone 00353 283 7888. Email [help@cathud.com](mailto:help@cathud.com) Website [www.cathud.com](http://www.cathud.com)

**Charity Dance in aid Chest, Heart & Stroke Association:** Greencastle Community Centre, 23<sup>rd</sup> October. 10.00pm – 12.30pm. Music by 'Country Sensations'. Tickets are £5 – organised by Frank Tracey.

### Pilgrimages and Retreats

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (16<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2010):** Cost £629 – payable in instalments. Application forms are now available in the sacristy (Greencastle). Forms for those in need of special care or those aged 80 or over are available only from the Pilgrimage Office, Derry. Telephone: (028) 7126 0293.

**IHCPT – Young People's Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Easter 2009):** Around 500 young people from all over Ireland spend a week on pilgrimage in Lourdes with the IHCPT, The Irish Pilgrimage Trust at Easter. ([www.irishpilgrimage.com](http://www.irishpilgrimage.com)) The Irish Pilgrimage Trust welcomes applications from young people with:

- A Physical Disability or illness/suffering/trauma/bereavement (aged 11-18).
- A learning disability (aged 11-21)
- Jet Set Group- Physical Disability (18-25)
- Jet Set Group-Learning Disability( 21-30)
- The organisation also has Family Groups for very seriously ill children under the age of 9, accompanied by a parent or close relative

**The IHCPT covers the cost of those young people selected to travel.** If there is a young person that you feel would be eligible and would benefit from a trip to Lourdes or you would like further information about the pilgrimage please contact Damian on 07968312770 or IHCPT, Kilcuan, Clarenbridge, Co Galway, Tel: 00353 91 796622 for further details and an application form. Please note closing date for applications is Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2009

**St. Anthony's Retreat Centre, Dundrean, Burnfoot. Co. Donegal:** A space of quiet, prayer and solitude. Available for individual retreats and spiritual guidance. Residential accommodation and meals in the Centre's hermitages. Promotions offer €45 per night. "Come away by yourself to a desert place and rest for a while." Contact Fr. Neal Carlin on 00353 74936 8370 or [sacre@eircom.net](mailto:sacre@eircom.net) for enquiries and bookings.

**Annual Derry Diocesan Pioneer Mass:** St. Mary's Church Ardmore, near Derry, today (Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October).

**Intercessors of the Lamb Retreat:** A new Religious Order was founded in 1976 by Mother Nadine Brown who was a contemplative Nun for many years. Their main charism is the call to holiness for each individual and is Gospel based with a strong emphasis on intercessory prayers. The order has Priests, Religious and Laity. Two of their members are in ministry in the House of Prayer, Drumkeen, Co. Donegal until Christmas 2009. Two of their members will visit our Dioceses on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October where they will explain their charism and the programmes they offer for each individual.

A one day retreat will be held in Ards friary, Creeslough, Co. Donegal on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Commences at 9.30am and will finish at 7.00pm. For booking, please contact Ards Friary Retreat and Conference Centre on 074 9138909 or 0035 37491 38909 or email [info@ardsfriary.ie](mailto:info@ardsfriary.ie)

**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land next year (dates not decided yet – possibly early June) led by Fr Kevin McElhennon, Killyclogher. For 10 days we will follow in the footsteps of Jesus from Nazareth to the Sea of Galilee to Bethlehem and Jerusalem. This once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage will bring to life the people, places and stories of the Bible, and promises to be an enjoyable and enriching experience. Price: £1,190 (price may be less depending on numbers going and is fully inclusive - flights, hotels, breakfast and dinner each day, guide, full tours etc.). If you are interested or thinking about going and would like to know more about the pilgrimage, come along to either of the information evenings this Monday (12<sup>th</sup> October) or Wednesday (14<sup>th</sup> October) in Christ the King Church, Strathroy at 8.00pm (after 7.30pm Mass). Or contact Fr. Kevin directly at (028) 8225 1055.

**"Footprints of God":** Fr. Kevin McElhennon will lead a series of reflection evenings from February to April entitled "In The Footprints of God". These evenings are offered to everyone who would like to journey reflectively through the Gospel stories. By reflecting on the Gospel stories, and getting to know the people and places of the Gospels, we hope to deepen our faith and enrich our relationship with Jesus. Though open to everyone, these reflections will be especially beneficial for anyone who is intending to join us on our Holy land Pilgrimage (see above) as it is hoped that these reflections will enhance our experience and enjoyment of the Holy Land. Details of our planned Advent Reflection evenings will be published in a couple of weeks.

### This Week's Calendar of Saints:

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues** with their six Jesuit companions were slain by Huron and Iroquois Indians in 1647-1648.

**St. Paul of the Cross** (1694-1775) founded the Passionists in Rome, preaching of the passion of Christ and tending the sick, the dying and the lapsed.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – St. John of Capistrano** (1386-1456) studied civil and canon law and joined the Franciscan order. A faithful servant of four popes, he attended the Council of Florence went to Jerusalem as apostolic emissary and in 1451 set out on a preaching tour through the German provinces and Poland. In a battle at Belgrade he contracted fever and died. Patron saint of jurists and military chaplains.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October – St. Anthony Mary Claret** (1807-1870) founded the Claretians in Spain for missionary work. Archbishop of Santiago, Cuba then returned as chaplain to the Queen of Spain and built schools and museums before being exiled with the monarchy.

### Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – Mark 10:35-45:

1. Jesus had spent much time teaching his followers that discipleship was a life of service, a life giving oneself for others. In spite of that, James and John were thinking of what they could get out of it. For Jesus, for the apostles, and for each one of us, the glory of God is revealed when we allow God to work through us as we give ourselves for others. When have you found that you reach a fuller life and others benefit when you act in this spirit of service?
2. One of the great problems in a community, a parish, or an organisation, is when you have some people jockeying for status and positions of power. The good of the group and the people it serves take second place to personal prestige. You have probably seen this happen. Perhaps you have also witnessed people with a spirit of service that allowed them to value the good of the group over personal rewards. Recall them and give thanks for their witness.
3. Jesus himself is the great model of this spirit of service. Think of the aspects of Jesus' life and ministry that have inspired you to imitate his giving of his life for others.

John Byrne OSA ([john@orlagh.ie](mailto:john@orlagh.ie))

### Questions people ask:

- Q. Is there any particular reason why St. Paul placed the name Christ before Jesus whereas we always say Jesus Christ?
- A. Jesus was the personal name of the Saviour while Christ, meaning the Anointed One or Messiah, was the title later bestowed on him when people accepted him as the promised Messiah. When Paul began writing, some 25 years after the life of Jesus, the messianic title, Christ, was popularly used as his name. Coming to accept Jesus as the Christ was a major factor in the conversion of Paul. This may explain why he frequently placed Christ before Jesus. For the record, his letters refer to Christ Jesus about 89 times, and to Jesus Christ about 80 times.

Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap ([silvesteroflynn@gmail.com](mailto:silvesteroflynn@gmail.com))

### The Deep End – Out of Reach:

Three priests sat discussing the best positions for prayer while a telephone repairman worked nearby. 'Kneeling is definitely best,' claimed one. 'No,' said another. 'I get the best results standing with my hands outstretched to heaven.' 'You're both wrong,' the third insisted. 'The most effective prayer position is lying prostrate, face down on the floor.' The repairman could contain himself no longer. 'Hey, fellas,' he shouted, 'the best prayin' I ever did was hangin' upside down from a telephone pole.' Not the first position you'd think of for prayer, but definitely one that works. Today's Gospel reading (Mark 10:42-45) describes another that works: that of servant. Not for prayer this time, but for mission. It makes the startling claim that the more we serve – even to becoming a slave of all – the more we advance as followers of Jesus, the closer we get to him in other words. We don't follow him just for our own sakes. Being with him means taking on his mission: bringing people back to God. Jesus did this by his witness and proclamation, by what he did and said. So, too, must we because baptism makes us missionaries, confirmation primes us to begin, God's word fires us to set out and reach out to others. Today we celebrate Mission Sunday, whose theme this year is Reach Out. So let's do just that. We can reach out wherever we are to whomever we wish. And the wonder is that by reaching out we come to see that no one is out of reach. Fr. Tom Cahill SVD, *Divine Word Missionaries, Donamon, Co Roscommon* ([tomcee@eircom.net](mailto:tomcee@eircom.net))

**Help to contain the swine flu impact:** Everyone can play their part, and simple measures such as regular hand-washing and using a tissue can go some way towards mitigating this pandemic's impact.  
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