

Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**
Feast of Pentecost [Year C] (19th May, 2013)
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Risen Christ, through your Holy Spirit you remain in us always, and you enable us to remain in you. And you never cease reminding us that such a communion can last forever. *Letter from Taizé*

Liturgy Schedule for the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time [Year C] (20th May, 2013 – 26th May, 2013)

Saturday Evening (18th May) Vigil Mass for Sunday	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Public Recitation of the Rosary and Confessions 6:00pm Mass: Peter Donnelly (1 st Anniversary)
Sunday 19th May Pentecost Sunday [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	8.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary and Confessions 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary and Confessions 11.00am Mass
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Wednesday 22nd May Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass: DDS Members and Benefactors
Thursday 23rd May Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass
Friday 24th May Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	7.30pm Public Recitation of the Rosary 8.00pm Mass
Saturday Morning (25th May) Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening (25th May) Vigil Mass for Sunday	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Public Recitation of the Rosary and Confessions 6:00pm Mass
Sunday 26th May The Most Holy Trinity [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	8.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary and Confessions 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary and Confessions 11.00am Mass

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£960**.

Lourdes Hospitalite Collection: The Annual Diocesan Lourdes Hospitalite collection takes place this weekend (18th-19th May). The fund is dependent on the monies raised from this one collection to support people who are sick and in need of medical care. It is a vital source of revenue that makes the work of the Lourdes Hospitalite possible.

Baptisms: As a parish community we welcome **Ava Rose Rafferty** who was baptised recently. May our adult community offer her parents and godparents our prayerful support, encouragement and good example in our commitment to Christian living.

We offer congratulations and prayerful support from our parish community to
Martin Smith (Greencastle) and Cathy McAleer (Greencastle)
 They recently committed themselves to each other in the sacrament of Christian Marriage.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for **Peter Donnelly** and **Dan Bonner**, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Dalradian Gold – Coffee Morning: In aid of the company's chosen charity, the MS Society (Omagh Branch). This will be held on Thursday 23rd May from 10.00am to 12noon in the company's Gortin office (67, Main Street). All are invited to come along and purchase some home-baked goods and meet the team. Cakes etc. will also be available to take-away.

Sick and housebound: These will be attended **Monday 27th May**. Please let them know if you live nearby. If you know of anyone sick or housebound and who would like a visit please inform Fr. Hasson.

Reflection on Exams: Exams are a test of knowledge or skill. They have their importance. However, they are not a measure of the worth of the individual. They indicate one aspect of us, but we are much more than any exam can show. Success or failure does not give the full measure of our worth. Each one of us is unique and precious with our own gifts and talents. God made us that way. God wants us to use those talents. Exams can be an anxious time. But remember, we are more than our exam results. We are loved for who we are, not for our achievements. God wants us to discover all our wonderful gifts.
Missionaries of the Sacred Heart Support Centre

Next Sundays Readings: Proverbs 8: 22-31; Psalm 8: 4-9; Romans 5: 1-5; John 16: 12-15; Lectionary I, page 615
(Sunday: Year C) (Weekday: Year 1)

Lotto Results: B – O – S – T – Z (8 people with 3 letters, 5 drawn – £10 each) **Next Jackpot:** £3,700

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Saturday 18 th May The family of Eimear Tracey	Offertory Gifts Rota Pentecost Sunday	9.00am Sunday Morning Sunday 19 th May The family of Serene Morris
Saturday 25 th May The family of Ciaran Warnock	Feast of the Holy Trinity	Sunday 26 th May The family of Luke O'Connor
Saturday 1 st June The family of Ciatai Warnock	Feast of Corpus Christi	Sunday 2 nd June The family of Lauren O'Neill
Saturday 8 th June The family of Michael Clarke	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C]	Sunday 9 th June The family of Jamie Wilkinson

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

During the month of May members of the Legion of Mary will lead us praying the Rosary 30 minutes before the beginning of Mass each day. Please join them or make the Rosary your special family prayer during this month

The Glorious Mysteries (Sunday and Wednesday)	The Joyful Mysteries (Monday and Saturday)	The Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday and Friday)	The Mysteries of Light (Thursday)
The Resurrection	The Annunciation	The Agony in the Garden	Jesus is baptised in the Jordan
The Ascension	The Visitation	The Scourging at the Pillar	Jesus at the wedding feast of Cana
The Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles	The Birth of the Lord	The Crowning with Thorns	Jesus proclaims the Kingdom of God and calls us to conversion
The Assumption of our Lady into Heaven	The Presentation in the Temple	The Carrying of the Cross	The Transfiguration
The Crowning of our Lady as Queen of Heaven	The Finding of the child Jesus in the Temple	The Crucifixion and Death of our Lord	The Last Supper and Institution of the Eucharist

Our Parish cemeteries are special places providing a focus for our prayerful remembrance of the dead. Please cooperate in their maintenance and care with respect, dignity and honour. Remove flowers and wreaths that have withered. Please do not dump them anywhere in the graveyard. Ask Monumental Sculptors who have completed their work to take rubble away and not dispose of it at the side of the cemetery.

Institute of Irish Leadership, Pomeroy – Upcoming Events: *Contact (028) 8775 7800 // kathleenbumsill@gmail.com*
4th Annual Gaeltacht Thir Eoghain Monday 1st – Friday 5th July Enrol now. £60 to include light refreshments daily
Walking Group Every Thursday at 7.30pm Meet in the forest car park.

St. Vincent de Paul Society – Clothing Bank: We do not have anyone involved with the St. Vincent de Paul locally in the parish of Greencastle but neighbouring groups have asked for our support with a 'Clothing Bank' near to St. Patrick's Church.

Therese Ferry on behalf of the Catechetical Centre would like to extend an invitation to you to attend an open air Mass for all the children in the diocese who will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation this year. It will take place in Celtic Park, Lone Moor Road, Derry BT48 9LB on Thursday 6th June beginning at 11.20am and finishing around 1.00pm. This will be a great opportunity for all the children in the diocese, sealed in the Holy Spirit, to come together in the celebration of the Eucharist. It will also mark in a special way the ending of their primary school years.

This is an appeal on behalf of Family Care Society Adoption Services. Family Care Society is a voluntary adoption agency with its roots in the Catholic Church and we provide an adoption service throughout all of Northern Ireland. A core part of our work is to place children with new adoptive families. These children are often from the care system and may have had a difficult start in life. We are experienced in finding families for these children but given the number of children being referred and their specific needs we are always looking for families to come forward. Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 2 – 6 years and who need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family.

Knock Counselling Centre – Confidential Drop-In Listening Service: For pilgrims and visitors to Our Lady's Shrine of Knock on weekends from April to October. The Centre, which is attached to the Chapel of Reconciliation is open Saturday and Sunday from 11.00am to 5.00pm, offering people the opportunity to discuss personal issues and difficulties in a caring environment. To learn more call 094 937 5032 or visit knock-shrine.ie/counselling. *A donation is appreciated for the provision of this service*

Our Lady's Shrine, Knock. Co. Mayo Pilgrimage Season: From the last Sunday in April to the second Sunday in October. Please consider making a pilgrimage either personal or with your family this year. A poster in the church porches gives details of the times and dates for the ceremonies or you can check out these contacts.
Tel: 00-353-94-9388100 **Fax:** 00-353-94-9388295 **Email:** info@knock-shrine.ie **Website:** knockshrine.ie

Vintage Rally: Greencastle GAA Community Centre on Sunday 19th May.
A fun day for all the family with funds raised being distributed to various charities

Additional Parish Notices: Notices came for **Upcoming BADA Events** and **Derry Diocesan Society** requesting inclusion in the newsheet this week, there is not enough room but they are available on the online version.

Pope Francis' Intentions for May (please remember these in your personal prayer)
General – The Administrators of Justice: That those who administer justice will always act with integrity and upright conscience.
Missionary – Seminarians: That seminarians especially from mission Churches, may always be pastors according to the heart of Christ, fully devoted to the proclamation of the Gospel.

Lough Derg Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage: €70, inc. boat, accommodation, services and Lough Derg meals 31st May to 15th August with boats between 11.00am and 3.00pm daily until 13th August.
Lough Derg One Day Retreats (9.15am to 4.00pm): €40, inc. boat, tea and coffee, services and lunch
 11th, 12th, 13th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 25th, 26th and 27th May
 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th and 31st August
 1st, 3rd, 7th, 10th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd September
Langfield to Lough Derg Walk (Saturday 1st June): This 20 mile walk is being organised by Drumquin GAA Club in conjunction with The Gathering. Walkers will use the old pilgrim route proceeding along the Smugglers Pad from Sloughan Glen to the Donegal border at Scraghey and then via Lettercran to St Patrick's Purgatory, Lough Derg. Walkers will receive a blessing on the shore of the lake. By kind invitation of the Prior those wishing to celebrate Mass will be ferried to the Island and return to Drumquin will be by bus.
To register (or for information) call John O'Kane on (0044) 07743 760 140 // langfieldtoloughderg.com

Derry Diocesan Society for Sick and Infirm Priests:
 1. Any person may become a member, sharing in all its privileges by paying at least £20. 2. Likewise, any person whomsoever may have a deceased relative or friend placed on the Register of Members of the Society, the deceased person thereby becoming a sharer in all the Masses and prayers offered for members. These Masses go on all the time. **Privileges of members: Deceased:** 1. A Mass every day in a parish in the Diocese (**this will take in Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg on Wednesday 22nd May at 10.00am**). 2. The prayers of every congregation in the Diocese on the first three Sundays of each quarter. **Living:** 1. Mass will be offered each month, as listed on the Church notice board. 2. When a living member dies the name is transferred to the list of deceased members without further payment.

Year of the Gathering: When Irish people are being invited home. The Columba Community is inviting Christian missionaries to a special celebration at the IOSAS Centre, Lenamore Road, Muff 7th to 9th June. Please contact us if you have a family member who is a missionary. We would be delighted to invite them.
For further details contact Fr. Neal Carlin (00353)7493 84866

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 everyone to make the choice whether or not to be photographed.
The notice comes from the Safeguarding Policy and Procedures and is published on behalf of the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee

An Bruach Derg Community Centre (BADA) – Upcoming Events:

Friday 24th May at 8.30pm	Annual Guest Tea with music by Larry & Co. <i>Tickets available from committee members and Broughderg PO (028) 8675 1633</i>
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Parish Liturgy for May, 2013	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Francis McDermott	Siobhan McKenna	Geraldine McNamee
Eucharistic Ministry	Brigid Keenan	Eugene McCullagh	Patricia Donnelly
Prayers of Intercession	Aileen Tuohey	Ciaran Tuohey	James McCullagh
Collectors	Raymond Bradley Lawrence McBride	Peter Tracey Colm Keenan	Sean McKenna Francis Keenan
Altar Society	Mary McNamee, Mary McCrory and Patta McDermott		Anne McDermott Mary Bradley

New choir members will always be welcome, contact Sinead
Altar Servers Needed: Please notice the important role of altar servers in the prayer life of our faithful community, we currently need new volunteers to strengthen the teams already serving so if you will commit, please do so soon.

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Course: 7th and 8th June. (028)8224 2439 accordomagh@bopenworld.com
 Applications to Secretary, ACCORD, Mount St., Columba Pastoral Centre, 48, Brook Street, Omagh BT78 5HD
 Courses are limited to 15 couples and must be completed at least 6 months before your wedding.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Monday 1st – Saturday 6th July): The cost is £575. An application form is available from Rosemary at The Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry BT48 6UJ – (028) 7136 2475 (Monday to Thursday, 9.30am to 1.30pm). Special forms for registered sick, youth and helpers are also available. Gift vouchers are also available for whatever amount you wish to give, contact Rosemary. The office is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 11.00am to 1.00pm.

Prayer for the Diocese of Derry at this time
 God our Father, we your people of the diocese of Derry, turn to you in prayer, as our ancestors have done, In good times and bad, since the days of Saint Columba and Saint Eugene, Saint Lurach and Saint Mura.
 Although aware that we are unworthy of your grace, with confidence in your love we ask your help.
 Support and care for our bishops in their retirement, give courage and vision to those who are called on to administer the diocese at this time.
 Grant your wisdom and discernment to those charged with the task of choosing your next bishop.
 We ask you this in the name of Jesus, your Son, our Lord.
Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us, Saint Columba, pray for us, Saint Eugene, pray for us, Saint Lurach pray for us, Saint Mura pray for us, all you saints of the diocese pray for us.
Fr. Kieran Devlin P. Em (Badoney Lower, 2012)

Omagh Volunteer Centre Supports Volunteering in the Omagh Council Area: We are based at Community House in the town. Current opportunities include Promotional and Fundraising roles (Foyle Hospice) and Volunteer Mentoring (Include Youth). For further information on these and other volunteering opportunities, contact us on (028) 8224 0772. If you have a little spare time and think you might like to volunteer, or if you have volunteering opportunities that you would like us to promote for you, please get in touch.

Pilgrimage to Rome and San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy (Monday 26th August – Monday 2nd September):
 With Father Francis Bradley. Staying four nights at the Irish College, Rome taking in the sights of the Eternal City and an Audience with the Holy Father, and three nights at the Shrine of Padre Pio, taking in the shrine of Manoppello and the Abbey of Montecassino. Price £850, including all coach transfers to/from Dublin and whilst in Italy, flights with Aer Lingus, accommodation on a half board basis in Rome and full board in San Giovanni, and the assistance of a Travel Representative throughout (single supplement at £20 per night). A £200 deposit before Thursday 31st January will secure you a seat.
For more info call Fr. Bradley on (028) 7136 2475 [W] / (028) 7135 1718 [H] or email fbradley@derrydiocese.org

Looking for a book for your parish study group? Consider The Mystery of Work: This is a book that teaches how to turn ordinary acts into acts of prayer, a collection of insights by saints, popes and mystics about how work itself can be prayer. Recommended for spiritual development by Fr. Raphael Simon, OCSO, Trappist monk and Retreat Master. Excerpt: "I believe quite simply that it is Jesus Himself, hidden deep in my poor little heart, who works within me in a mysterious manner and inspires all my daily actions." (St. Therese of Lisieux) Free Study Guide downloadable from our website. Purchase indiv. copies at Amazon.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2013
Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday 25th August Our Lady of the Wayside		
Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish		
Wednesday 22nd May Thursday 11th July	St. Patrick's	
Friday 30th August Saturday 19th October		
Sunday 7th April Our Lady of the Wayside		
Public Prayers for our Deceased (Cemetery Sunday) (6th and 7th July)		
Saturday 6th July	St. Patrick's	Directly after 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7th July	Our Lady of the Wayside	Directly after 11.00am Mass
Saturday 2nd November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died during the year)
'Do This In Memory' liturgies for candidates preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion		
Saturday 1st June	Feast of Corpus Christi	6.00pm Vigil Mass

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – John 20:19-23:	<i>John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus comes into a room full of fear. Sometimes it is fear itself that makes us close the door on others and on God. Occasionally a person comes along with the gift of breaking through our closed doors, a person who comes to be with us in our fears. Do you have memories of people getting through to you and being with you despite your closed doors? Who brought you peace in a time of anxiety? Jesus showed his wounds to his friends. Moments of grace can occur when another shows us their vulnerable side, or when we do that with them. Let your memories speak of such experiences to you. As Jesus was sent by the Father, so he sent out the disciples. This evokes images of receiving and handing on the things that give life: values, meaning, sense of purpose, love. Who are the people who gave you life by what they handed on to you? To whom have you handed on what is life-giving? In our tradition the final verse reminds us of the Sacrament of Reconciliation but its meaning is broader than that. Spirit-filled people are people who forgive. You might like to recall memories of when you have forgiven, or retained, another's sins. What difference has it made to you and others when you forgive rather than hold sins against others? 	

Questions people ask:	<i>Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)</i>
<p>Q. I am terrified that God has this big ledger with my sins in one column and any good deeds I did in the opposite column. My fear is that the sins far outnumber the good.</p> <p>A. You are burdened with a totally false idea of God. How have you forgotten the extraordinary compassion and mercy of Jesus towards sinners? Even before the time of Jesus the prophets taught the people: 'Though your sins are like scarlet they shall be made white as snow' (Isa 1:18); 'as far as the East is from the West, so far does he remove our sins' (Ps 103:12). Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Your temptation is to doubt God's forgiveness. When this temptation comes, go in the opposite direction by thanking God for his mercy and forgiveness.</p>	

I always see advertisements for Bullying Prevention and We Teach Bully Prevention. Bullying, or the perception of bullying cannot be prevented as long as people interact with each other; the only possible way would be to stay isolated, forever. However, you can teach kids how to handle and deal with people who they feel are bullying.

Ards Friary Retreat & Conference Centre, Creeslough. Co. Donegal – Retreats in 2013:	
Tel: 00353 7491 38909	Email: info@ardsfriary.ie
Website: ardsfriary.ie	
Ards Friary is open throughout the year for individuals and groups whether lay, religious, clerical, ecumenical or anyone who wishes to have some quiet time, rest and prayer in beautiful relaxed surroundings. The following retreats are available for 2013:	
Friday 17th – Sunday 19th May	Joe Dalton Healing and Renewal Weekend. Joe suffered depression for 31 years and tried everything medically to be cured. He was though, miraculously healed by God, Joe will share his gift of healing with others, on their journey to knowing God better
Sunday 2nd – Thursday 6th June	Inter-Diocesan Priests' Retreat (directed by Monsignor John Armitage, Brentwood Diocese). <i>To love you is to serve you</i>
Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June	Cursillo Renewal Weekend (directed by Fr. Silvester O'Flynn, OFM Capuchin) <i>Christ is counting on You</i>
Monday 10th – Friday 14th June	Transformation Retreat (directed by Fr. Donal Dorr and Dr. Noel Bradley D.Theol)
Friday 21st – Thursday 27th June	Open Retreat (directed by Fr. Francis Maple, OFM Capuchin) <i>Living with Christ through the main events of his life</i>
Monday 1st – Saturday 6th July	Friends of Francis Hogan Reunion
Friday 12th – Saturday 13th July	One Day Silent and Guided Retreat for Women guided by Benedictine Monks of the Abbey of Saint Joseph, France. This retreat reflects Ignatian Spirituality by centering on Jesus with conferences, spiritual guidance and confessions.
Saturday 14th – Friday 19th July	Five Day Silent and Guided Retreat for Men guided by the Benedictine Monks of the Abbey of Saint Joseph. These five-day retreats are a shortened form of the full Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. The Exercises are a synthetic and practical presentation of the central truths of the Catholic faith.
Saturday 20th – Wednesday 7th August	Christendom College, USA
Friday 9th – Sunday 11th August	John Pridmore <i>Healing the Wounds of your past</i>
Sunday 11th – Sunday 18th August	Association of Iconographers – Learning to Write an Icon
Monday 19th – Thursday 22nd August	Course for priests in the Latin Mass
Monday 26th August – Thursday 1st September	The Foyer of Charity – Five Day Silent Retreat (directed by Fr. Kilian Byrne) <i>If you but knew the gift of God</i>
Thursday 3rd – Sunday 8th October	CURSILLO (men)
Thursday 10th – Sunday 13th October	CURSILLO (women)
Saturday 30th November – Sunday 1st December	Advent Retreat (directed by Fr. Kieran Shorten, OFM Capuchin)

The Deep End – Pentecost: *Jane Mellett (janemellett@yahoo.com)*

We can probably recall times when we were afraid, bewildered, felt like everything was falling apart and the doors were firmly locked. Today's Gospel shows us that even in those difficult times, there is always hope. Jesus came and stood amongst the disciples even though the doors were firmly closed. The peace that he gives them (Shalom) has a much more significant meaning than we first think. The peace that Jesus offers is a peace that this world cannot offer. It is a peace that comes from a loving relationship with God. It is a peace of body, of mind and of spirit. In the Gospel of John the account of Pentecost is a lot less dramatic than Luke's version. The Holy Spirit comes gently, in a breath. John emphasises the importance of forgiveness in the mission to come. The disciples are being sent out to reconcile people to God, to restore relationships in the world. Forgiveness is costly but it has the power to transform people and heals destruction in the world, it offers that peace, that Shalom. It is through the Spirit that God is present to us in the world, doors are opened, fear turns to courage as we are sent out to work for a Kingdom of love and justice.

If we could let go of our own obsession with what we think is the meaning of it all, we might be able to hear His call and follow Him in His mysterious, cosmic dance. *Thomas Merton*

Celebrations to mark the Tercentenary of the death of Dean Bryan Maguirc

To mark the occasion a number of events are being organised which hopefully will bring home to all of us the immense contribution Dean Maguirc made to the life of the Catholic Church in Ireland during the worst ravages of the Penal Times in the 17th and 18th centuries. He was born in the parish of Termonmagurk, probably in 1635. According to a local tradition Aughnacreggan was the townland of his birthplace. He received a thorough education in Ireland where many of the old Gaelic families cultivated a high standard of learning and in 1660 he was ordained priest. In the early years of his priesthood he ministered as parish priest of Termonmagurk, Errigal Ciaran and Aghaloo. Ten years after Dean Maguirc's ordination, St Oliver Plunkett arrived in Armagh as Archbishop in 1670 and within two years he appointed Bryan Maguirc Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Armagh. Two years later St Oliver Plunkett appointed Dean Maguirc, whom he described as a 'learned and exemplary man', Vicar General of the Diocese of Raphoe and within a few years in 1679 he was appointed Vicar General of Derry. On the 13 February 1713, Dean Bryan Maguirc died in Armagh Gaol.

*There's a story of a martyr At the church they built a monument
Back in the Penal times To that great man and his work
Who gave his life for his belief And every Christian passing by
Like many of his kind Remembers Dean Maguirk*

July Tour of local sights associated with Dean Bryan Maguirc
August Festival of celebration involving clubs and societies