



Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
 St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg
 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B] (19th July, 2015)
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Best wishes to everyone travelling for their summer holidays, may your journeys be safe and your time away renewing and refreshing. For everyone staying at home may the weather be kind and may we all make the most out of it.

You are welcome to begin each day with daily Mass

Liturgy Schedule for the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time [Year B] (20th July, 2015 – 26th July, 2015)

Saturday Evening (18th July)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 19th July Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: DDS Members and Benefactors*
Monday 20th July Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 21st July St. Lawrence of Brindisi (priest and doctor of the Church)	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 22nd July St. Mary Magdalene	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday 23rd July St. Bridget of Sweden (religious and Patron of Europe)	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 24th July St. Charbel Makhluf (priest) and St. Declan (bishop)	St. Patrick's	8.00pm Mass: Sally Glass (Month's Mind)
Saturday Morning (25th July) St. James (apostle)	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening (25th July)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 26th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your kindness in last week's collection of **£910** with **£19.50** in loose change. *Envelopes received from visitors coming to Mass in Greencastle are returned to those parishes.*
 Please remember the parish when making your will. If you are a taxpayer please consider a Gift-Aid declaration, your contribution will be worth 25% more.

St. Patrick's Cemetery: Fr. Hasson gratefully acknowledges the receipt of **£270** in individual donations received this week for the support of the on-going work.

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*

We offer congratulations and prayerful support from our parish community to
Paul McLaughlin (Ardstraw East) and Joanne Beggs (Greencastle) Saturday 11th July
Barry Conway (Greencastle) and Orla Coyle (Camus) Monday 13th July
Myles McGurk (Termonmaguirc) and Peggy McCullagh (Greencastle) Friday 17th July
 They recently committed themselves to each other in the sacrament of Christian Marriage
Fill their hearts with your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of understanding, joy fortitude and peace

Next Sunday's Readings: 2 Kings 4:42-44 • Psalm 144:10-11, 15-18, r/v 16 • Ephesians 4:1-6 • John 6:1-15
 (Lectionary I, page 780) *Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 1]*

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Saturday 18 th July The family of Matthew McGlinchey	Offertory Gifts Rota Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am Sunday Morning Sunday 19 th July Members of Kieran Mulholland
Thursday 25 th July The family of Michael McGlinchey	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 28 th July The family of Niamh Tracey

As the wider parish community we support these young people and their families with our prayers and we thank them for what they are doing for us

Annual National Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick – Garland Friday:

Friday 24th July (local pilgrimage). Mass on the summit at 10.00am and Mass in Croagh Patrick car park at 7.30pm.
Reek Sunday: Sunday 26th July. Confessions on the summit from 7.30am to 2.00pm with Mass on the summit every half-hour between 8.00am and 2.00pm.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: Bishop McKeown will lead and invites you to join him on Friday 7th August. If you are aged 16 and over and would like to register, please call Niamh Moore at the Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 or email n.moore@hotmail.co.uk

World Youth Day: This will be held in Kraków, Poland from Sunday 24th to Sunday 31st July, 2016. If you are aged between 18 and 35 and would like to be part of this Derry Diocesan pilgrimage, then please register your interest at wyd@derrydiocese.org or alternatively, call The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 before Sunday 1st November. World Youth Day, founded by St. John Paul II is the largest gathering of its kind in the world. It is celebrated every 3 years, each year moving to a different country, with the Pope presiding over the event. WYD is an excellent opportunity for young people from across our diocese to come together, in fellowship, with other young Catholics from around the world, to share and engage in their faith.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival: Thursday 13th to Sunday 16th August in Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary. For young people aged between 16 and 35, this is a great opportunity to find out what your Catholic faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland.

For more info and to book online visit youth2000.ie or call 01675 36 90

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden – Music Trail: Friday 24th July at 7.00pm. The Celtic Garden will be transformed to celebrate our rich cultural heritage through storytelling, song and music.

Cost: €7 / £6 • Refreshments served afterwards • **Booking:** (00353) 74938 4866 / goldenagecentre@hotmail.com

The Catholic Grandparents' Association has asked that on next Sunday 26th July (Feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne, parents of Mary) you pray with your people for all grandparents, in thanksgiving for the important role that they play in handing on the faith in families and in the church as a whole.

Universal Prayer for Grandparents

Composed by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in 2008

Lord Jesus,

you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.

Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them!

They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,

that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,

help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love.

Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,

where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. *Amen*

Please honour the special needs parking spaces in the Church car park

Pope Francis' Intentions for July (please remember these in your personal prayer)
Universal – Politics: That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.
Evangelisation – The Poor in Latin America: That amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

Looking After Our Parish Cemeteries: These are special places providing a focus for our prayerful remembrance of the dead. Please co-operate 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 or into our neighbour's property. Ask Monumental Sculptors who have completed their work to take rubble away.

Registration of the Religious of the Diocese: Is there a religious sister, brother or priest in your family? If so, in this Year of Consecrated Life, the Diocese needs your help to create a register of those men and women who joined religious communities and were either native of the Diocese of Derry or have worked in the Diocese. Registration cards are available. Since these cards will be on display in St. Eugene's Cathedral after Easter, details of submission date etc. are on the back of the card. *Thank you!*

Alcohol: The Challenge of Moderation *A pastoral letter from the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference*
 We commend the many adults and young people who have chosen to remain abstinent from alcohol until 18 years old or for life.
 We encourage people who feel that for them alcohol has become a problem and decide to seek professional help from treatment centres, local health services or support groups in their community.
 We commend all the good work which is done by support groups around the country and the many parishes and communities that provide meeting rooms and services for such groups.
 What a great legacy and gift it would be for our children if we would be the generation brave enough to promote and work for an attitude and culture of moderation rather than excess in our use of alcohol. If we could promote abstinence or moderation and create attitudes towards alcohol use that are conducive to a better and healthier way of life, then indeed we would be leaving a wonderful inheritance to future generations.
Full text can be read at catholiccommunications.ie

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 place in Our Lady of the Wayside on Sunday 19th July*). 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.

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2015		
Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Sunday 30th August	Our Lady of the Wayside
Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish	Tuesday 8th September • Thursday 29th October	St. Patrick's
	Sunday 19th July	Our Lady of the Wayside
<i>Morning Masses will be celebrated as above unless a Requiem is needed on the dates</i>		
Monday 2nd November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died in 2015)

Parish Liturgy for July, 2015	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Mary Slane	Nuala Glass	Martina McBride
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
Prayers of the Faithful	---	---	Briana Gillen
Collectors	Michael McElhatton Noel McElhatton	Patrick Tuohey Michael Clarke	Brendan Daly Sean Clarke
Altar Society	Rosemary and Shauna McNally		Anne McDermott Josephine Clarke
<i>New choir members will always be welcome – contact Sinead Donnelly</i>			

A Prayer for Our Earth	Diocesan Prayer for Year of Consecrated Life
<p>All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Pope Francis – from his encyclical 'Laudato Si' – 'Praised be' (Published 18th June) tinyurl.com/o6sowft</i></p>	<p>God our Creator and Guide, You call us out of darkness into Your wonderful Light, making us a Royal Priesthood, a Holy People, set apart to sing Your praises.</p> <p>May our families and parishes continue to nourish the seeds of vocation to the Consecrated Life and the Priesthood.</p> <p>And may all who have already responded to this call, like Mary, live with openness of heart, to treasure Your presence, to ponder Your actions, so that all may joyfully proclaim Your goodness now and always. <i>Amen</i></p>

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

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – Mark 6:30-40:*John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

1. The apostles reported to Jesus all that they had done and taught. Perhaps you have had the experience of being able to check in with somebody and share an experience. What was that like for you?
2. Jesus saw that the apostles needed to rest and eat. What has been your experience of finding a restful place after a busy day? What kind of nourishment have you found necessary in order to live with energy and enthusiasm? What have these insights taught you about life?
3. When Jesus saw the crowd, he recognised their need and reached out to them. Who has been a Jesus person for you, someone who recognised your need and reached out to you? For whom have you been a Jesus person in that way?
4. It sometimes can be difficult to strike a balance between responding to the needs of others and meeting our need for rest and nourishment. What has helped you to keep the balance right?

Musings*Salvador Ryan (St. Patrick's College, Maynooth)*

The Second Reading today speaks of Christ as our peace, destroying the dividing walls of hostility between people through his death on the cross. It is ironic, of course, that the very city in which Christ was crucified has become synonymous with walls of hostility between peoples – as have cities such as Berlin and Belfast in the past. But in our daily lives most of these walls are not made of bricks, or indeed steel. They are more usually made up of unkind words squirreled away and retained for future airing; old grievances nursed and fed; slights unforgiven and allowed to fester. Where is Christ in these for us today?

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

Although today's Gospel is short, there is plenty of food for thought. The apostles have returned to Jesus after their mission. They are exhausted and we are told have not even had time to 'eat'. They are in need of rest and nourishment in body, mind and spirit. Jesus gives good instruction to them and to us today: 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while'. Our world demands so much from us, everyone is so busy all of the time. Jesus's instruction tells us that time out is so important; we need to look after ourselves.

Of course it doesn't go to plan. The crowd are desperate for guidance. Jesus takes pity on them as they are like 'sheep without a shepherd'. Either they have no one to guide them or the leaders who are guiding them are offering a fruitless leadership. These people need to be listened to. What are they asking for? What do they need? As Church, are we offering people what they need or are we leading them to the 'safe places' that no longer serve their needs? Where are people going for nourishment today? These are important questions. We must listen to the need in ourselves for rest and nourishment and also respond to the real needs of others.

Ordination to Priesthood: Rev. Sean O'Donnell will be ordained a priest of our diocese at 3.00pm on Sunday 14th June in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry. Please keep him and all considering responding to God's call to priesthood in your personal and family prayers this week. The following priests in our diocese have / will be celebrating special jubilees this year. Pray for them:

60 years (1955)	Dr. Brendan Devlin [5 th March, retired] Fr. Bernard Bryson [19 th June, retired] Msgr. Ignatius McQuillan [19 th June, retired]	Fr. Michael Mullan [19 th June, retired] Fr. Art O'Reilly [5 th March, CC Banagher]
55 years (1960)	Fr. Michael Collins [12 th March, retired] Fr. John Doherty [19 th June, CC Melmound]	Bishop Francis Lagan [19 th June, retired] Fr. Seamus O'Connell [19 th June, retired]
50 years (1965)	Fr. Oliver Crilly [20 th June, PP Greenlough]	Bishop Kieran O'Doherty [20 th June, PP Granaghan]
45 years (1970)	Fr. Eugene Boland [11 th April, Bishop's Office Derry]	
40 years (1975)	Fr. Charles Keaney [1 st June, PP Coleraine] Fr. Michael Doherty [15 th June, PP Melmound]	Fr. Patrick Doherty [15 th June, PP Glendermott & Strathfoyle]
35 years (1980)	Fr. Edward McGuinness [8 th June, Bishop's Office, Derry] Fr. Eugene Hasson [14 th June, PP Greencastle]	Fr. Fintan Diggin [22 nd June, PP Clomany]
30 years (1985)	Fr. David O'Kane [15 th June, PP Claudy]	
25 years (1990)	Fr. Paul McClafferty [24 th June, Bishop's Office, Derry]	
10 years (2005)	Fr. Peter O'Kane [24 th June, Post-grad studies, Rome]	

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Tuesday 21st July – St. Lawrence of Brindisi (priest and doctor of the Church) [1559-1619]

A Capuchin who preached the Counter-Reformation.

Wednesday 22nd July – St. Mary Magdalene Mary stood by the cross with Jesus; with two other women she

discovered the empty tomb; she was granted an appearance of the Risen Lord early On the same day, from which incident she has been described as apostle to the apostles. The Gospels give no warrant for identifying her with the woman who was a sinner who anointed Christ's feet (Luke 7:37) or with Mary the sister of Martha (John 12:3).

Thursday 23rd July – St. Bridget of Sweden (religious and Patron of Europe) Born in Sweden in 1303, Bridget brought up 8 children and after the death of her husband dedicated herself to An aesthetical life. She later founded the Bridgettine Order and lived in Rome. She wrote many works about her mystical appearances. She was declared a Patron of Europe in 2000.

Friday 24th July – St. Charbel Makhluf (priest) Became a monk at the monastery of St. Maron at Annaya and was ordained in 1859. He became a hermit from 1875 until his death in 1898. His counsel was much sought after and he had a great devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Declan (bishop) Considered to be one of the pre-Patrician saints. Colman, a local priest, baptised him. After travelling to Europe where he was ordained priest, and possibly bishop, he settled in Ardmore and evangelised the Decies country.

Saturday 25th July – St. James (apostle) James, son of Zebedee and brother of John, was put to death by Herod Agrippa about the year 44, being the first of the Apostles to die for Christ. His shrine is at Compostela in Spain.

Sunday 26th July – St. Joachim and St. Anne (parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary) Both received the vision of an angel, who announced that Anne would conceive and bear a most wondrous child. The couple rejoiced at the birth of their daughter, whom Anne named Mary. When the child was three years old, Joachim and Anne, in fulfilment of her divine promise, brought Mary to the Temple at Jerusalem, where they left her to be brought up. This event became so important in church doctrine that by 1585 Pope Sixtus V included in the Western church calendar the liturgical feast of the Presentation of the Virgin Mary (21st November). Although this festival originated early in the East, probably at Jerusalem in 543, its first Western observance was recorded in England in the 11th century. Anne is the Patron of Brittany and Canada and of women in labour. [NOT CELEBRATED THIS YEAR]