Diocese of Derry, Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone Saint Patrick's Church Greencastle Broughderg	Our Lady of the Wayside Church Broughderg				
The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 20th July, 2008					
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Mass Schedule for the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time. 21st July – 27th July, 2008					
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July Saint Patrick's 10.00am Mass					
St. Lawrence of Brindisi, priest					
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July Saint Patrick's 10.00am Mass					
St. Mary Magdalene					
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July Saint Patrick's 10.00am Mass					
St. Bridget of Sweden,					
Religious, Patron of Europe					
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July Saint Patrick's 10.00am Mass					
Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time					
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> July Saint Patrick's 8.00pm Mass					
St. James, apostle					
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> July Saint Patrick's 10.00am Mass					
Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of Mary					
Saturday Evening Saint Patrick's 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday					
Sunday 27th July Saint Patrick's 9:00am Mass – 'Misso Pro Populo'					
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady of the Wayside 11:00am Mass (Felix Slane –					
12 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)					
Confession Schedule					

Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Saint Patrick's	5:30pm (before Vigil Mass)		
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Our Lady of the Wayside	10:30am (before Mass)		
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Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to this week's collection which amounted to £980 and to the special collection for the Sisters of Nazareth taken up last weekend, it amounted to £700.

**Remembering Our Dead:** We pray this week for **Rose McCullagh (Maryville)** and **Niall O'Hagan** who were both buried this week. We offer our prayerful support and deepest sympathy to their families and friends. We also remember **Ferdinand McCrory, Mary Daly** and **Peter & Annie McAleer** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Parish Ministry and Service:** Thank you to Stephen McCrory and Peter McKenna (altar servers at Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg) and Sean McBride (St. Patrick's, Greencastle) who have completed their term of service to God and to the local church community as altar servers. We thank them for their work and wish them well as they continue to develop and grow in their Christian journey. Their leaving us means that we now have 3 vacancies for altar servers in the parish.

 B.A.D.A. An Bruach Dearg Community Centre. Upcoming Events:

 Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July
 Dancing to Country Legends Peter and Harry

**St. Joseph's High School, Plumbridge:** Last opportunity to contribute to the forthcoming publication. Photographs are especially needed. If you have photos please send to "Friends of St. Joseph's", c/o Glenelly House, Main St., Plumbridge. They will be returned once copied. Stories, comments etc. can be emailed to *plumbridge69@yahoo.co.uk* 

Lotto Numbers: 1, 5, 6, 16 (11 winners with 3 numbers – £10 each) Next Jackpot: £7,500

Next Sunday's Readings: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Psalm 118; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52 (Lectionary I, page 682) **Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.** This will take place in Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Broughderg next weekend. Please take time to stop by and pray at any time throughout the day. Pray in petition for your personal needs or in thanksgiving for the blessings you have received as well as for those of our wider parish community and world. To ensure a continuity of worshippers I invite people from the named townlands to take responsibility and ensure a presence at specific times.

"Teach us the lesson of silence, of prayer, of quiet – Lord hear us."					
Time	Townland	Time	Townland		
11.30am	Formil West	2.30pm	Teebane / Carnanrancy		
12.00noon	Broughderg / Evishession	3.00pm	Crockanboy / Sheskinshule		
12.30pm	Formil East / Aughascribba	3.30pm	Maryville / Sheskinshule View		
1.00pm	Muninamale / Alworries	4.00pm	Crock / Coneyglen Glenhull / Aughminacrory		
1.30pm	Benefreaghan	4.30pm	Concluding Prayers - Benediction.		
2.00pm	Cashel / Brackagh / Leaghan				

**Knock Summer Youth Festival (this week):** All 18-35 yr olds are invited to attend the Knock Summer Youth Festival from *Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>* – *Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July*. The festival promises to be a wonderful weekend with excellent guest speakers, brilliant music, drama, prayer and plenty of fun and games. The cost is €55 (euro) and there will be transport available. For more information, to find out your closest pick-up point or to book a seat on the bus contact the youth coordinator at (028) 7126 4087 or check out the website at *www.knock-shrine.ie/youthministry* 

## This Week's Calendar of Saints' Feasts:

**Monday 21**<sup>st</sup> – St. Lawrence of Brindisi, priest and doctor of the Church. Lawrence, 1559-1619, was a Capuchin who preached the Counter-Reformation.

**Tuesday 22**<sup>nd</sup> – 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).

**Wednesday 23**<sup>rd</sup> – St. Bridget of Sweden, Religious, Patron of Europe. Born in Sweden in 1303, Bridget brought up eight 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.

**Thursday 24**<sup>th</sup> – St. Declan, bishop. Declan is 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.

Also, St. Charbel Makhluf, priest. Charbel 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.

**Friday 25**<sup>th</sup> – Št. 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. **Saturday 26**<sup>th</sup> – Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of Mary. Traditionally named parents of Mary and grandparents of the Lord. St. Anne is patron of Canada, women in labour, miners, cabinet-makers and home-makers.

## Questions people ask:

Q. Why is it that some people have such a hatred for the Catholic Church that they can see nothing good in it? A. Since human beings are part of the Church we should not expect it to be perfect. Jesus said: If the world hates you, you must realise that it hated me before you. Jesus was not only criticised, he was crucified. The eye is made for light but light hurts the sick eye: the stomach is made for food but food upsets the sick stomach: the soul is made for God but the light of Gods goodness enrages the sick soul. Criticism reveals more about the critic that the object of criticism. *Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)* 

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