

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

St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C] (21st July, 2013)

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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 C] (22nd July, 2013 – 28th July, 2013)

Saturday Evening (20th July) Vigil Mass for Sunday	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6:00pm Mass
Sunday 21st July Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: Pat Tracey (4 th Anniversary)
Monday 22nd July St. Mary Magdalene	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 23rd July St. Bridget of Sweden (patron saint of Europe)	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass: Felix Slane (17 th Anniversary)
Wednesday 24th July Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday 25th July St. James (Apostle)	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 26th July St. Joachim and St. Anne (parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary)	St. Patrick's	8.00pm Mass
Saturday Morning (27th July) Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening (27th July)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday 28th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year C]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass: Ferdinand & Elizabeth McCrory (Anniversaries)

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£925**.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for **Dermot Ryder**, brother of Fr. John Ryder, who died last week, we extend sympathy to his family. We also pray for **Pat Tracey, Mary Daly and Felix Slane**, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

St. Patrick's Church Cemetery: Our next stage of development will be to draw up as accurate a map of the cemetery as possible and the location of all known graves. *It will be shared for your viewing when completed*

St. Vincent de Paul Society: We would like to thank the parishioners of Greencastle for your donations to the SVP Clothing bin located in the car park at St. Patrick's Church. Your thoughtful and kindly efforts over the past few years have added to the quality and quantity of goods received at our shop, Vincent's on Castle Street. The clothing bins are emptied each week and all donations taken to the Omagh shop. There everything is sorted, labelled for sale in the shop or bagged for the rag merchants. All monies are shared by the many SVP groups in the Omagh district. Nothing is wasted or overlooked. *Tony Brogan (Secretary)*

McCrea's Bar Glenhull – Annual Steak BBQ: Sat. 27th July at 8.00pm. Music by Folklore, £15. *Proceeds: Tara Centre, Omagh*

National Grandparents' Annual Pilgrimage: Sunday 8th September at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock with guest speaker Sr. Briege McKenna.

Greencastle GAA: Due to work taking place at the football grounds the club would ask if parents be extra vigilant when dropping off and collecting children at the various activities taking place over the summer and to ensure that they do not go anywhere near the construction sites. It has also been noted that numbers of young people are attending the hall unsupervised. Please note that for insurance reasons children are only allowed on the premises as part of a programme, event, football training or games. *Thank you for your co-operation*

Best Wishes to the Tyrone GAA Minor Football team who play in the Ulster Championship finals today.
Our parish offers special support to Sean Fox (Cashel), who is part of the minor panel.

BADA Events: **Sunday 11th August** Dancing to *Sprig of Heather* **Sunday 25th August** Music by *Tory Sound*

Next Sundays Readings: Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 137:1-3, 6-8; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13; Lectionary I, page 884
Sunday scripture readings cycle [Year C] Weekday scripture readings cycle [Year 1]

Lotto Results: C – J – S – V – S (4 person with 3 letters – £15 each) **Next Jackpot:** £4,150

What can you volunteer to do in your parish? We need new lectors for our 11.00am Sunday Mass. Readers for the Prayers of Intercession, collectors and altar society helpers. During the summer months we will not follow an organised rota for the presentation of the Offertory Gifts but invite any families to perform this important role for us and anyone willing to offer secretarial skills for parish work (2-3 hours per week) on a voluntary basis must contact Fr. Hasson.
Thank you for everything our parish workers do for our faith community

NOTE: During the summer organised rota will not be followed, instead families are invited to perform this role for us

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*

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal – Summer Serenity: Wednesdays 24th July / 31st July / 14th August / 21st August 2013. Join us for an afternoon of food, faith and fun in the beautiful Celtic Garden and IOSAS Centre. Hot lunch at 12:30pm followed by a tour of the Celtic Garden and a short healing service and blessing. Music and story-telling until 4pm. Cost €10 / £8 per person. Individuals and groups welcome. Call the IOSAS Centre to book (00353) 74 93 84866.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival: Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 15th to Sunday 18th August. For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people. This Festival has been nicknamed the "Holy Oxygen" with over 1000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from towns throughout Ireland (including Derry, Donegal & Tyrone). For more information and to book online visit youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690 or from NI 07598 876399/ 07598 876399, or join us on facebook (youthtwothousandireland).

Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre Invites Applications for Coordinator of Youth Ministry: Essential Criteria:

- Recognised third level degree in one of the following disciplines: theology, pastoral studies or education.
- Be actively involved in the spiritual and sacramental life of the Catholic Church at parish and/or diocesan level.
- Have experience of leadership in a School, Youth or Community setting.

The above criteria may be enhanced to facilitate short listing. Application Form, Job Description and Personnel Specification may be obtained by emailing ddcc@derrydiocese.org. Completed applications must be returned by post to The Director, Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre, The Gate Lodge, 2 Francis Street, Derry, BT48 7DS or by email to ddcc@derrydiocese.org to be received not later than 12.00 noon on 23rd July.
Please note closing time/date will be strictly adhered to

Year of Faith Parish Pilgrimage to Mass Rock in Townland of Crouck: As part of our parish efforts to mark the Year of Faith I want to invite you to mark Sunday 4th August in your diary as our day of pilgrimage and reflection, the owner of the land around the Mass Rock site in the townland of Crouck, Mr. Barney Gillen has agreed to us celebrating Mass there on that date.
Please keep it free and do what you can to promote this event in our calendar this year – Any assistance will be welcomed

Pope's Message to Catholics in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales *Vatican City (Wednesday 17th July, 2013)*

Here is the text of the Message sent by Pope Francis to Catholics in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales on the occasion of the Day for Life, which is celebrated on Sunday 28th July in Scotland, England and Wales and on Sunday 6th October in Ireland.

Calling to mind the teaching of Saint Irenaeus that the glory of God is seen in a living human being, the Holy Father encourages all of you to let the light of that glory shine so brightly that everyone may come to recognise the inestimable value of all human life. Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect. His Holiness prays that the Day for Life will help to ensure that human life always receives the protection that is its due, so that "everything that breathes may praise the Lord"
Psalm 150:6

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Rd, Muff, Co Donegal – The Soul Spa: A spirituality retreat for young women (16+). Chill the mind & body. Fill the spirit and soul. Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th August. There is no charge for this event but places are limited and must be booked in advance.
For further info call Columba House on (028) 7126 2407 or email columbacommunity@hotmail.com

Trocaire 40th Anniversary – Slieve Donard Pilgrimage: There is still time to register. The pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 28th July. *To find out more, register or set up your personal sponsorship page visit trocaire.org/pilgrimage or call 0800 912 1200*

<p>Pope Francis' Intentions for July (please remember these in your personal prayer) General – World Youth Day: That the World Youth Day taking place in Brazil may encourage all young Christians to become disciples and missionaries of the Gospel. Missionary – Asia: That throughout the Asian continent, doors may be opened to the messengers of the Gospel.</p>
<p>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-sh.rine.ie Website: knockshrine.ie</p>
<p>Family Care Society – Adoption: Could you make a child happy again after a difficult start in life? Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 3 and 8 and who need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family. <i>For more information contact Family Care Society on (028) 9069 1133 (Belfast) or (028) 7136 8592 (Derry) // email@familycaresociety.org // familycaresociety.net</i></p>
<p>Knock Marriage Introduction Bureau: The aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. Over 800 marriages have taken place as a result of these introductions. If you are searching for a suitable partner, why not consider applying? <i>For further information contact the Bureau at Knock, Co. Mayo on 00353 94937 5960 or visit our website at knockmarriagebureau.com and read about the workings of the Bureau</i></p>
<p>ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2013-2014 (028)8224 2439 accordomagh@btopenworld.com accord.ie 11th and 12th October 15th and 16th November 6th and 7th December 10th and 11th January 7th and 8th February 7th and 8th March 4th and 5th April 9th and 10th May 6th and 7th June</p>
<p>Prayer for the Diocese of Derry at this time <i>Fr. Kieran Devlin P. Em (Badoney Lower, 2012)</i> 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.</p>
<p>Pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Monsignor Danny Monaghan (Wednesday 4th – Wednesday 11th Sept.): Price including half board, all taxes and insurance: £499. <i>For further details contact Maria on (028) 8164 8357</i></p>
<p>Community Support Services for Drugs and Alcohol are hosting the following workshop: IMPACT Campaign Training “Regularly drinking more than the recommended guidelines increases your risk of developing illnesses such as mouth and liver cancer, high blood pressure, stroke and heart cancer” This training will help: To explore attitudes towards alcohol and drinking. To identify ways Gyms/Fitness Classes/Community Groups can increase members’ awareness on the negative aspects of alcohol whilst promoting the positives of physical exercise and the use of drink diaries. To increase knowledge of support /referral agencies. To ensure that all facilitators are imparted with the knowledge and confidence to lead an IMPACT campaign. Thursday 5th September 2013 – CKS Community Centre, Omagh, 10am to 1pm (The workshop will be limited to 25 people and will be allocated on a first come-first served basis. Members who complete the 8 weeks will receive an IMPACT Tee-Shirt, high visibility vest, water bottle and gym bag (Available while stocks last). If you wish to register a place on the workshop, please fill in the appropriate registration form and return to Aaron (aaron.mcshane@westerntrust.hscni.net) by email or post (Maple Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ). <i>Closing date is Friday 23rd August</i></p>
<p>Derry Diocesan One-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: As part of its Year of Faith initiatives, the Derry Diocese will lead a One Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg on Tuesday 20th August, 9.15am - 4.30pm. It is hoped that as many people as possible will participate in the pilgrimage. Price: €40 (£36) includes boat fare, refreshments, services & lunch. <i>Contact Lough Derg on: 00353 71986 1518 or email info@loughderg.org Places are limited to 150, so book in advance</i></p>

Parish Liturgy for July, 2013	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Nuala Glass	John Enright	Sean Clarke
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
Prayers of Intercession	Caoilean Conway	Eimear Bradley	Peter McKenna
Collectors	Margaret Morris Michael McNamee	Dominic Warnock Leo Donnelly	Brian Gillen Pat McGuigan
Altar Society	Maria Morris Kathleen Tracey		Anne McDermott Josephine Clarke
New choir members will always be welcome, contact Sinead			
Altar Servers: 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.			

<p>Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – Luke 10:25-37: <i>John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The two sisters symbolise the contemplative and active dimensions of life, at times difficult to balance. What wisdom have you learned through life experiences on how to strike a balance between prayer and action? Many people misunderstand hospitality. They worry and fret about decorating the house and preparing abundant food. Yet sometimes it is something else that is needed to make people feel at home, namely, to sit with guests and to listen to them speaking. What has been your experience of being a cherished guest and when have you been able to make others feel welcome and at home? We can make the same mistake in relation to people who are important to us in life: children, friends, parents or others. We can worry and fret about doing things for them when perhaps the important thing is to give them time and to listen to them. What does your experience tell you? When it comes to welcoming God into our lives, one appropriate response is to give time listening to God's word. When have you found time devoted to the word of God enriching for you?

<p>Lough Derg Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage: The last date for entering the island is Friday 13th August. This pilgrimage attracts people of all ages and walks of life, from different cultures and social backgrounds. Stepping outside their ordinary lives and routine, they leave behind many of the trappings of the modern world. Pilgrims will have begun their commitment by fasting from the previous midnight: they follow a set routine of prayers and actions, hallowed by centuries of practice, all the while fasting and walking barefooted. Pilgrims make nine 'Stations' during their time on the island. The Station is a mantra-type prayer; allowing pilgrims to get in touch with their real inner selves in a most authentic way. The challenging nature of the fasting vigil and Stations is complemented by excellent communal celebrations in the Basilica.</p>
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<p>The Deep End – Martha Ministers Eh? <i>Jane Melleff (janemelleff@yahoo.com)</i></p> <p>Mary and Martha are stressed out with all the work they have to do. Jesus has arrived, probably with an entourage who are no doubt hungry. This small passage has created much interest from biblical scholars over the years. For some, it suggests that Jesus is favouring prayer and reflection over action. For others, it justifies the role of women in the Church as concerned with hospitality. Many would disagree, and see Mary's place at Jesus' feet as a clear sign of a disciple learning from their teacher. Luke places a special emphasis in his Gospel on the wider circle of Jesus' disciples, and names the women who followed him.</p> <p>Luke also uses a specific word to refer to the 'many tasks' that Martha was concerned about: diakonia – a word that he uses elsewhere in Luke and Acts to refer to ministry and service in a community. It is from this word that we get the word 'deacon'. Whatever interpretation we want to make, this is a beautiful passage about service, the importance of prayer, discipleship and ministry in all its forms.</p> <p>When we are so bogged down in the craziness around us, Jesus is clear about the way forward. First, sit and listen to him. This is good advice. Then we may be better prepared for the challenges that we face, whether they be in our homes or our wider communities.</p>
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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***

Questions people ask:

Fr. Silvester O’Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)

- Q. St. Paul wrote that he opposed Peter in public because he was clearly wrong (Gal 2:11). If Scripture says that the first pope, Peter, was clearly wrong, how can Catholics say that the pope is infallible?
- A. Their disagreement was regarding Peter’s policy of not eating with Gentiles lest it offend the sensibility of Jewish Christians, although he accepted their equality. We read Paul’s version of their meeting but I’d love to hear Peter’s side of the story. Paul was confrontational in his approach, which isn’t always the best policy. It landed him in trouble in Damascus and, later, in Rome. Peter was more sensitive and diplomatic in dealing with people and their sensitivities. The matter had nothing to do with infallibility.

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	
Friday 30th August and Saturday 19th October	St. Patrick’s
Sunday 7th April	Our Lady of the Wayside
Saturday 2nd November	St. Patrick’s 6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died during the year)

Engaged Encounter – Rules for Arguing: Couples who discover they have a disagreement are invited by Engaged Encounter to share their opinions in the following manner. The sentences following the rules are Jay Keenan’s comments from his perspective as an Engaged Encounter leader with his wife Suzanne.

NO NAME CALLING	This includes using affectionate names sarcastically
NO THIRD PARTIES	The argument is between the two of you
NO PAST HISTORY	If it’s already been settled, don’t bring it up again
STICK TO THE SUBJECT	Identify the real problem — don’t go to other issues
NO CHEAP SHOTS	Don’t use the other’s weakness to gain advantage; you may win the argument, but injure your relationship
DON’T GO TO BED ANGRY	Finish the argument or call a truce and agree on a time to continue
MAINTAIN A SENSE OF HUMOUR	Don’t take yourselves too seriously; laughter can be the best medicine
HOLD HANDS WHILE ARGUING	This helps to keep your focus where it belongs — on the person who means more to you than anyone in the world

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 13th 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

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:

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)

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).

For more info call Fr. Bradley on (028) 7136 2475 [W] / (028) 7135 1718 [H] or email fbradley@derrydiocese.org

The following priests in our diocese have or will be celebrating special jubilees			
Please pray for them and make direct contact with them if you wish			
60 years	Fr. Colm Morris	6 th June, 1953	Retired
55 years	Fr. Brian O'Donnell	22 nd June, 1958	CC Maghera
50 years	Fr. Joseph O'Connor	23 rd June, 1963	Retired
	Fr. James McGonagle	23 rd June, 1963	PP VF Culdaff, Co. Donegal
45 years	Fr. Patrick Crilly	15 th June, 1968	Retired
40 years	Fr. Declan Boland	10 th June, 1973	PP Camus (Strabane)
	Fr. Con McLaughlin	10 th June, 1973	PP Donagh (Carndonagh)
	Fr. Francis O'Hagan	9 th June, 1973	PP Magilligan
	Fr. Patrick O'Kane	10 th June, 1973	PP Ballymagroarty
	Fr. John R. Walsh	17 th June, 1973	PP Buncrana
35 years	Fr. John Cargan	11 th June, 1978	PP Steelstown
30 years	Fr. Peter Devlin	12 th June, 1983	PP Malin
	Fr. Brian Donnelly	19 th June, 1983	PP Badoney Upper (Plumbridge)
	Fr. Peter Madden	3 rd July, 1983	PP Desertmartin
20 years	Fr. Roland Colhoun	13 th June, 1993	CC Glendermott
	Fr. Gerard Sweeney	12 th July, 1993	CC Fahan
10 years	Fr. Gerard Mongan	6 th July, 2003	CC Templemore (Derry City)
	Fr. John McDevitt	6 th July, 2003	CC Drumragh (Omagh)

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

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

A Capuchin who preached the Counter-Reformation. [Not celebrated this year]

Monday 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).

Tuesday 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 austere 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.

Wednesday 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) 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.

Thursday 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. Not celebrated this year.