

Diocese of Derry. Parish of Greencastle.

Saint Patrick's Church Our Lady of the Wayside Church
Greencastle Broughderg

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. October 21, 2007.

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This Sunday is Mission Sunday. Pope Benedict reminds us that the absence of God in the lives of millions is the greatest suffering. People are hungry for God, not just for bread and freedom. Please help missionaries to **reflect God's love** with the support of your prayer, offering of suffering and a generous financial contribution.

Mass and Confession Schedule for the Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time October 22 – 28, 2007

Monday October 22 Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Station Mass in the home of Patricia & Damian McElduff	Sheskinshule	7.30pm Mass
Tuesday October 23 St. John of Capistrano, priest	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday October 24 St. Anthony Claret, bishop	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday October 25 Bl. Thaddeus McCarthy	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday October 26 Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday October 27	Saint Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday October 28 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.	Saint Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg	9:00am Mass 'Misso Pro Populo' 11:00am Mass

Confession Schedule

Saturday October 27	Saint Patrick's	5:30pm (before Vigil Mass)
Sunday October 28	Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg	10:30am (before Mass)

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to this week's collection which amounted to **£1010.00**

Parish Stations for October 2007

Day/Date/Time	Townland	In the home of:-
Monday October 22, 7:30pm	Sheskinshule	Patricia & Damian McElduff
Tuesday October 30, 7:30pm	Binnafreaghan	Francis & Mary Clarke

Please keep everything as simple as possible. Gathering as a local community in each town-land to celebrate the Eucharist at the Station Mass is a tradition dear to our Christian story. Confessions available before Mass.

Lotto Numbers: 2, 9, 15, 17 (3 winners with 3 numbers – £20 each) **Next Jackpot:** £5600.00

Remembering Our Dead: Please remember in your prayers the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Michael O'Neill** and **Winnie Neville**.

Next Sunday's Readings: Ecclesiasticus (Sirach) 35:12-14, 16-19; Psalm 32; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14.

Website of the Week: www.imu.ie Mission Alive

Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry. Tuesday October 23, 8.00pm Mass with healing service. Friday October 26 – Sunday October 28, Weekend Retreat with Sr. Josephine Walsh emphasising forgiveness, healing, and making a new start. For further details telephone **(028) 7126 2512**.

Religion 'spreading like cancer' in North Korea: Reports from communist North Korea suggest that soldiers are adopting religion, and the government is stepping up programs to eradicate it. Religion is 'spreading like a cancer inside North Korea's armed forces, whose mission is to defend socialism; therefore it must be eradicated without delay since it comes from our enemies from around the world' reads a booklet prepared by the Propaganda department of the North Korean Army entitled 'Saving Our Soldiers From the Threat of Religion.' Although religion is ostensibly allowed in this society people who want to join a traditional religion, especially Buddhism and Christianity, must overcome numerous obstacles, such as joining Communist Party controlled organisations. Believers who do not join the government-sanctioned groups are persecuted, often brutally and violently. Anyone engaged in any kind of missionary activity receives similar treatment.
Asian News.ita as reported in NCR September 28, 2007.

People: Leaving the United States for two years, living on \$60 a month and washing his laundry by hand wasn't where Patrick Furlong expected to find himself after graduating from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles last year. But that is what he is doing as a volunteer in Ecuador and Chile with the Holy Cross Associates. Furlong is chronicling his experience at pjfurlong.blogspot.com where he describes his doubts, his trials, his joys. One posting chronicles a trip to a barber and leaving with an '80s retro' mullet-style haircut: 'Yeah, like New Kids on the Block and Vanilla Ice, baby.'

URGENT PRAYER ALERT: Precious Life has called for three days of prayer and fasting for a strong pro-life vote in the Northern Ireland Assembly supporting a motion against abortion. The motion opposing guidelines on abortion issued by the Department of Health is expected to be debated on October 22/23. Please offer up your Masses, Rosaries and sacrifices on Sunday 21, Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 for the success of this most important motion. For further information please contact **Precious Life (028) 9027 8484**.

Women in Touch: Flower arranging classes will commence in the Old School House on Monday October 22, 8.00pm – 9.30pm. Details of other classes to follow later. For further information contact **Anne ((028) 8164 8803)**, **Ann ((028) 8164 7601)**, or **Maria ((028) 8164 8357)**.

Parish News Sheet: Items for inclusion should be forwarded to the Parochial House by the **Wednesday evening** prior to publication. **Please take news sheet home with you after Mass.**