



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

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

Pentecost Sunday [Year B] (24th May, 2015)

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Liturgy Schedule for the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time [Year B] (25 th May, 2015 – 31 st May, 2015)		
Saturday Evening (23 rd May)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions and Public Recitation of the Rosary 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Martin O'Hagan (10 th Anniversary)
Sunday 24 th May Pentecost Sunday [Year B]	St. Patrick's	8.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.30am Confessions and Public Recitation of the Rosary 11.00am Mass
Monday 25 th May Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass
Tuesday 26 th May St. Philip Neri (priest)	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass
Wednesday 27 th May Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass
Thursday 28 th May Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass
Friday 29 th May Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	7.35pm Public Recitation of the Rosary 8.00pm Mass
Saturday Morning (30 th May) Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 10.00am Mass <i>Derry Diocesan Society*</i>
Saturday Evening (30 th May)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions and Public Recitation of the Rosary 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 31 st May Most Holy Trinity [Year B] <i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary is not celebrated this year</i>	St. Patrick's	8.35am Public Recitation of the Rosary 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)
	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.30am Confessions and Public Recitation of the Rosary 11.00am Mass
Thank you to all who lead us in the public recitation of the Rosary before Mass each day during the month of May Please continue to make the Rosary your personal and family prayer		
Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your kindness in last week's collection of £795.50 and £14.50 in loose change. Diocesan Purposes Collection: A further £50 was collected.		
Remembering Our Dead: Pray for <i>Mary Morris</i> who died last weekend and <i>Martin O'Hagan</i> , whose anniversary occurs now.		
Sick and housebound Visitations: These will be attended on <i>Monday 8th June</i> . Please inform them if you live nearby. If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound that would like a visit inform Fr. Hasson.		
Habitat for Humanity Northern Ireland 21 st Anniversary – <i>Special Evening of Music and Song with The Priests</i> : The classical music trio The Priests will present a special fundraising concert in St Patrick's RC Cathedral, Armagh on Fri. 29 th May. <i>Tickets cost £20 and can be purchased at habitatni.co.uk or from Armagh Parish Office (028 3752 2813)</i>		
Bible Story Week: We have asked primary schools in the diocese to give a particular focus to the stories of Jesus in the Bible during the week beginning Sunday 24 th May (Feast of Pentecost).		
Lough Derg – <i>Three Day Pilgrimage Season</i> : From Friday 29 th May to Thursday 13 th August. Daily boats to the Island between 10.30am and 3.00pm. Regular pilgrimages throughout the season countrywide. <i>No need to book.</i> <i>Contact Maureen or Lorraine in Lough Derg direct on 00353 71986 1518 / info@loughderg.org</i>		
An Bruach Dearg Community Centre – <i>Guest Tea</i> : Community Centre (028) 8675 2004 • Post Office (028) 8675 1633 Friday 29 th May. Music by <i>Larry & Co</i> . Admission is £12.50 and tickets available from all Committee members		
Youthlife – <i>Growing through Change</i> : A weekend away for adults experiencing bereavement, loss and separation. Friday 29 th to Sunday 31 st May at 7.30pm in The Sanctuary, Muff, Co.Donegal. <i>Download the app at youthlife.org/downloads</i>		
Support Dementia Awareness Week (18 th to 24 th May): Visit ageni.org/dementia for information.		
Annual Bus trip to Knock via Gortin and Greencastle: Sunday 7 th June. For details call Pat McSwiggan on (028) 8164 7099.		
Next Sunday's Readings: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 • Psalm 32 • Romans 8:14-17 • Matthew 28:16-20 (Lectionary 1 [Year B], page 613) <i>Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 1]</i>		

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

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Thursday 23 rd May The family of Colleen Brogan	Offertory Gifts Rota Pentecost Sunday	9.00am Sunday Morning Sunday 24 th May The family of Joseph Hagan
Saturday 30 th May The family of Trea Clarke	Feast of the Holy Trinity	Sunday 31 st May The family of Ruanai McDermott

***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 Greencastle on Friday 29th May*). 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.

Pope Francis' Message to Vatican Seminar on "Coaches: Educators of People": *Vatican City State (14th May) [zenit.org]*

Here is a translation of the Message that the Holy Father Francis sent to the President of the Pontifical Council for the Laity, His Excellency Cardinal Stanislaw Ryłko, on the occasion of the International Study Seminar on the topic: "Coaches: Educators of People," organized by the "Church and Sport" Office of the Pontifical Council for the Laity, taking place in Rome at the Auditorium of Villa Aurelia on May 14-15.

I give you my cordial greeting and to all the participants in the International Study Seminar on the topic "Coaches: Educators of Persons," organized by the Church and Sport Office of the Pontifical Council for the Laity. Continuing in your path of reflection and promotion of human and Christian values in sports activity, in this fourth Seminar you have opportunely taken into consideration the figure of the coach, putting the accent on his role of educator, be it in the professional or amateurish environment. All of us, in life, are in need of educators, mature, wise and balanced persons that help us grow in the family, in study, in work, in the faith. Educators that encourage us to take the first steps in a new activity without having fear of the obstacles and the challenges to be faced; that spur us to surmount difficult moments; that exhort us to have confidence in ourselves and in our companions; that are at our side be it in moments of disappointment and loss be it in those of joy and success. The sports coach, especially in Catholic environments of amateurish sport, can become for many young people one of these good educators, so important for the development of a mature, harmonic and complete personality.

The presence of a good coach-educator is revealed providentially especially in the years of adolescence and early youth, when the personality is in full development and in search of models of reference and identification; when the need is keenly perceived of appreciation and esteem on the part not only of contemporaries but also of adults; when the danger is more real of being lost behind bad examples and in the search for false happiness. In this delicate phase of life, the responsibility of a coach is great, who often has the privilege of spending many hours a week with young people and of having great influence on them by his conduct and personality. The influence of an educator, especially for young people, depends more on what he is as a person and the way he lives than what he says. Therefore, how important it is that a coach be an example of integrity, of coherence, of good judgment, of impartiality, but also of joy of living, of patience, of capacity to esteem and of benevolence to all, especially the most disadvantaged! And how important it is that he be an example of faith! Faith, in fact, always helps us to raise our gaze to God, not to absolutise one of our activities, including sport, be it amateurish or competitive and thus have the right detachment and wisdom to relativize the successes or the failures. The faith gives us that look of kindness on others that makes us overcome the temptation to over inflamed rivalry and aggressiveness; it makes us understand the dignity of the person, also of the one less gifted and disadvantaged. In this connection, the coach can give a very precious contribution to create a climate of solidarity and inclusion in dealing with marginalized young people in risk of drifting socially, succeeding in finding appropriate ways and means to bring them also close to sports practice and to experiences of socialization. If he has human and spiritual balance, he will be able to persevere in the genuine values of sport and its fundamental nature of game and of socializing activity, impeding its perversion under the pressure of so many interests, especially economic, today increasingly invasive.

Therefore, the coach can be a valid formator of young people, beside the parents, the teachers, the priests and the catechists. However, every good formator must receive a solid formation. It is necessary to form the formators. Therefore, it is opportune that you Seminar appeal to all the organizations that operate in the field of sport, the international and national federations, the lay and ecclesial sports associations to give due attention and to invest the necessary resources for the professional, human and spiritual formation of coaches. How good it would be if in all sports, and at all levels, from the great international competitions to the tournaments of the parish oratories, young people found in their coaches authentic witnesses of life and of lived faith!

I pray to the Lord, through the intercession of the Holy Virgin, that your work of these days may be rich in fruits for the pastoral of sport, and that Christian holiness will continue to be promoted also in this environment, in which so many young lives can be reached and transformed by joyful witnesses of the Gospel. I ask you, please, to pray for me and I bless you affectionately.

Loreto Convent Grammar School Reunion: Saturday 20th June at 1.00pm in the Silver Birch Hotel, Omagh. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet old school friends. So come along and bring some former classmates with you.
For further info call Joan on 07934 377 699 Briege on (028) 8076 0667 or Carmel on 00353 87207 0415 • Booking essential

Greencastle Vintage Show: Sunday 24th May. Julie Hagan will host a sweets stall. All proceeds will go to the "Parkinson's Society, Omagh" and we would encourage you to give this worthy cause all the support you can. *In memory of Frank O'Hagan*

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal – *Summer Serenity*: Wednesday 17th June and 1st July. Join us for an afternoon of food, faith and fun. Hot lunch at 12.30pm followed by a tour of the Celtic Garden and a short healing service and blessing. Music and storytelling until 4.00pm.

€10 / £8 per person • Individuals and groups welcome • Booking Essential (00353) 74938 4866

TinyLife – *Dedicated to Supporting Families with Premature and Sick Babies*: Our family support volunteers provide practical and emotional support to parents who have had a premature, sick or disabled baby. As an organisation, we rely on our volunteers to help us provide services to families across Northern Ireland.

Our Volunteers: All TinyLife volunteers are people with a love for babies and young children who are keen to help families coping with young families. They may have children of their own or not. Some volunteers will have experience of premature or sick babies in their own family or extended family circle. Some volunteers may have worked in a paid or voluntary capacity with children. Others may be about to embark on a professional career and feel that volunteering with TinyLife will give them valuable experience in their chosen field. Volunteers are reimbursed fully for travel expenses. Volunteers should be over the age of 22 years when applying.

How do I become a TinyLife Volunteer? Complete the Family Support Volunteer Application Form, found on our website or Contact the Family Support Officer in your area, Lynn Patterson on 07889 534855, who will arrange to meet with you for an informal discussion on volunteering with us. *Next Training Date: Saturday 30th May*

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***

Bible Story Week: We have asked primary schools in the diocese to give a particular focus to the stories of Jesus in the Bible during the week beginning Sunday 24th May (Feast of Pentecost). At his homily in the Sistine Chapel on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Pope Francis said, “God, like a good father and a good mother, wants to give good things to his children. And what is this nourishing food that God gives us? It is his Word: his Word makes us grow, it enables us to bear good fruit in life, just as the rain and snow imbue the earth, making it fruitful (cf. Is 55:10-11) Schools have received the attached resources to choose some activities from. It would be great if you are visiting your schools during that week you also might focus on Bible stories or that there could be a Bible Story Corner set up in the Church for that week.

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!*

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 Church entrances

During the month of May members of the Legion of Mary will lead us praying the Rosary 25 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 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

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – *John 15:26-20, 16:12-25* *John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

- Jesus recognised that his disciples were not capable of taking in everything at once. Wisdom about life comes slowly and sometimes painfully. Hearing the 'right' answer at the 'wrong' time does not help us. We need to be ready and open to receiving the truth if it is to have any impact. Perhaps you can recall some occasions when it was the 'right' time for you to learn a truth about life. Remember your experiences of growing in understanding and truth.
- The Spirit can guide us to understanding in different ways. Understanding may have come to you when you were praying or reflecting on your life. Perhaps the Spirit guided you through the words of someone close to you, or through the words and actions of people you read about or saw on TV.
Remember and give thanks for the people who have helped you to greater wisdom in life.
- Jesus said the Spirit would 'glorify' him by reminding the disciples of Jesus' own teaching. To whom do you give glory by taking their wisdom and incorporating it in your life? Are there people who give you glory by using your wise advice in their lives?
- Wisdom is handed on from person to person, and from generation to generation, within families, within communities, etc. Are there any particular gems of wisdom that you cherish from what has been handed on to you? What wisdom would like most of all to pass on to those close to you?

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

I often think it a great pity when the sequence for the Solemnity of Pentecost is not read out in our churches for the feast day. Some of the most beautiful words ever written about the Holy Spirit are contained within it: 'Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial height, thy pure beaming radiance give/Thou of all consolers best; Thou the soul's delightful guest; dost refreshing peace bestow/Thou in toil art comfort sweet; pleasant coolness in the heat; solace in the midst of woe.' Why not spend some time reflecting on the entire text later today?

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	Friday 29th May • Sunday 19th July		St. Patrick's
	Tuesday 8th September • Thursday 29th October		Our Lady of the Wayside
<i>Morning Masses will be celebrated as above unless a Requiem is needed on the dates</i>			
Public Prayers for our Deceased (Cemetery Sunday) (4th and 5th July)	Saturday Evening (4th July)	St. Patrick's	Directly after 6.00pm Vigil Mass
	Sunday Morning (5th July)	Our Lady of Wayside St. Mary's, Broughderg	Directly after 11.00am Mass
	Monday 2nd November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died in 2015)

'Do This In Memory' liturgies for candidates preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Saturday 6th June	Feast of Corpus Christi	6.00pm Vigil Mass
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The Deep End – *Shalom*.

Jane Mellett (janemellett@yahoo.com)

In the First Reading we hear Luke's dramatic and noisy account of Pentecost – violent wind and tongues of fire. In the Gospel reading, the Spirit comes as a gentle breath. Whatever form it takes or however we experience the work of the Spirit in our own lives, we can be confident that we are never without the presence of God – Pentecost is that promise realised. We can probably recall times when we were afraid, bewildered and felt like everything was falling apart. 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. It is not simply a good wish. 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; a peace of body, of mind and of spirit. Jesus is asking the disciples to be an unending witness to God's love. They (and we) must be for others what Jesus has been for them.

I flame above the beauty of the fields to signify the earth – the matter from which humanity was made. I shine in the waters to indicate the soul, for, as water suffuses the whole earth, the soul pervades the whole body. I burn in the sun and the moon to denote Wisdom, and the stars are the innumerable words of Wisdom.

St. Hildegard of Bingen