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<div>Parish Collection: Thank you for your generosity to last week's parish collection of £1,035.</div> <div>Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the repose of the souls of Jennie Keenan, Jim McCullagh, Philomena Devlin, Anthony Bradley, Georgina McSorley and Ferdinand and Elizabeth McCrory whose anniversaries occur now.</div> <div>Enrolment Mass for the Children of Primary 4 and their Families: Saturday 8th October during the 6.00pm Vigil Mass (not Saturday 24th September as indicated on the Offertory Gifts rota distributed last week).</div> <div>Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sunday 2nd October in Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg immediately after 11.00am Mass and continuing until Devotions at 5.00pm. <i>A suggested rota for Visiting the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day will be published in next weekend's bulletin</i></div> <div>Station Masses: A sincere thank you to all who offered to host a Station Mass this year. There are now just 3 dates remaining. <i>Contact Fr. Gallagher either after mass or by calling (028) 8164 8474</i> Dates available Monday 10th October • Monday 17th October • Monday 24th October Townlands taken Crock • Muninamale • Sheskinshule • Teebane East • Aughminacrorry • Binnefreaghan • Leaghan</div> <div>Mass in Honour of Padre Pio: A mass in honour of St Pio of Pietrelcina will take place on Wednesday 5th October at 7.30pm in St. Patrick's Church. The mass will include the Novena Prayer, an individual blessing with the Padre Pio Relic, Blessing of Items and a Petition Box. <i>There will be Padre Pio books, rosary beads and more for sale in the porch immediately after mass</i></div> <div>Annual Pioneer Diocesan Mass: Sunday 2nd October at 3.00pm in Clonmany.</div> <div>Brief Meeting for Parents on the Do this in Memory Programme and First Holy Communion: Wednesday 28th September immediately after 7.30pm evening Mass St. Patrick's Church.</div> <div>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School – Mass for Opening of School Year: Thursday 29th September at 10.00am in the School Assembly Hall. <i>All welcome</i></div> <tr><td colspan="2"><div>Next Week's Readings: Habakuk 1: 2-3, 2: 2-4 • Psalm 94: 1-2, 6-9, R/ v 9 • 2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14 Luke 17: 5-10 • Lectionary I, page 917</div><div>Sunday [Year C] • Weekday [Year 2]</div></td></tr>		<div>Next Week's Readings: Habakuk 1: 2-3, 2: 2-4 • Psalm 94: 1-2, 6-9, R/ v 9 • 2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14 Luke 17: 5-10 • Lectionary I, page 917</div> <div>Sunday [Year C] • Weekday [Year 2]</div>																										
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Readers	Aisling McDermott-Donaghy	Siobhan McKenna	Geraldine Scullion
Eucharistic Ministry	Kathleen Bradley	Louise Coyle	Peter Noel McAleer
Prayers of Intercession	Erin Hood	Lauryn Hollywood	Conan Maguire
Collectors	John Bradley Colum Devlin	Peter Tracey Leo Donnelly	Sean Clarke Brian Gillen
Altar Society	Kathleen Beggs and Mary McCory		Anne McDermott Carmel McCrory

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gift Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
<u>Saturday 24th September</u> The family of Lee Coyle	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<u>Sunday 25th September</u> The family of Niamh Clarke
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If you cannot attend please ensure that you have arranged with another family for the gifts to be presented
We need new volunteers in every aspect of life

Gift Aid: A sincere thank you to all who recently signed up for Gift Aid to the Parish. Please ensure that you use your envelope each week. It is never too late to join the Gift Aid scheme, if you are a taxpayer please consider joining. It does not cost you a penny, but insures that the parish can claim a further 25% on your Weekly Parish Donation.
Due to a clerical error on our part we have misplaced the name of the person or family who use envelope number 357 if this is your envelope can you please inform Fr. Gallagher

Youth 2000 – Catholic Weekend Retreat: Friday 14th to Sunday 16th October in Lough Derg, Co. Donegal for all young adults between the ages of 16 and 35. This will be an exciting weekend attracting over 150 young people from all over the country. The weekend is being organised by young people for young people. Parental consent is essential for all those under 18. All meals are provided for and accommodation is on site. Don't let money be an obstacle; just bring any donation and a sleeping bag. What to expect? Good craic! Excellent speakers, inspiring talks and workshops, prayer, great music, group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, a Healing Service, games, lots of time to chill out and meet new people.
Tel: 07598 876 399 • Newcomers are very welcome • Website: youth2000.ie

Thornhill Ministries – Upcoming Events: *Suggested Donation: £5*
Tel: (028) 7135 1233 • Email: thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org • Website: thornhillministries.co.uk
Quiet Moments of Meditation: Every Wednesday at 10.30am, beginning 5th October in Thornhill Convent, Culmore Road, Derry. Using art, music and Scripture, this series of gentle mornings offers a space for stillness and contemplation.
“Let the Landscape Speak”: Every Thursday, beginning 13th October and ending 10th November (excluding 3rd November) from 7.30 to 8.45 pm in Thornhill College, Culmore Road, Derry. Drawing on the poetry of O'Donoghue and Heaney, Mary Murphy will facilitate an exploration of poems where the landscape has been the vehicle of communication between the Author of All of Life, the poet and ourselves. *Suggested donation: £5*

Derry Catechetical Centre – Hike to Croagh Patrick: Do you fancy a trip to Westport, Co. Mayo combined with a hike of one of Ireland's most famous mountains? The trip will be on Friday 7th October for those aged 16 or over.
Cost: £30 inc. dinner and bus • Tel: (028) 7126 4087 • Email: ddcc@derrydiocese.org

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden – Postponement of Thanksgiving Mass: Due to unforeseen circumstances the Thanksgiving Mass due to take place on Sunday 25th September at 3.00pm in St Canice's Oratory has had to be postponed until further notice.
Apologies for any inconvenience caused

Annual Pioneer Retreat: Sunday 4th December in Termonbacca. *Contact any Committee Member to book*

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council – ASPIRE Employability Programme: A FREE NVQ Level 1 Qualifications in Business Administration, Customer Service and Retail alongside a wider package of support into paid employment is starting. Immediate starts. **Tel: Omagh on (028) 8224 6535 or Enniskillen on (028) 6632 6478**

Tuition Slots for Elocution Lessons: Caters for all ages to help improve public speaking, presentation and acting techniques - Improve pronunciation and read with ease - Speak confidently, correctly and effectively. *For more info call 07821 583 866*

Children in Crossfire – Ben Nevis Climb: Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd October flying from Derry Airport.
Tel: (028) 7126 9898 • Email: events@childrenincrossfire.org • Website: childrenincrossfire.org

Aughabrack Community Hall – Upcoming Events: *Both are in aid of the Parish Building Fund*

Annual Steak Barbeque	Friday 30 th September, starring The Whistling Donkeys. <i>Tickets on sale / pay at door (£15 inc. meal)</i>
25-Card Drive	Friday 7 th October at 8 30pm sharp. <i>Admission is £10 and includes supper</i>

<p>Pope Francis' Intentions for September (please remember these in your personal prayer)</p> <p>Universal – Centrality of the Human Person: That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the centre.</p> <p>Evangelisation – Mission to Evangelise: That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelise.</p>
<p>Trócaire – Recruiting Volunteers: If you are interested in volunteering your services please visit trocaire.org/getinvolved/volunteer or freephone 0800 912 1200</p>
<p>Greencastle Community Association – Proposal to Create Capital Development Plan for Community Centre: We are proposing this plan will have short, medium and long term objectives that benefit all our community. In order to allow us to develop these plans and secure potential funding we are calling on the help of our local community. If there are specific requirements / suggestions in relation to capital developments and or services that you or your group feel should be included within the plan the Community Association want to hear from you. <i>For info email fionatea@live.co.uk</i></p>
<p>Drink Wise Age Well: Are you over 50? Are you worried about your own or someone else's alcohol use? <i>For confidential information, advice and support call (028) 8283 9240</i></p>
<p>St. Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests: The co-ordinators in the Derry Diocese wish to raise awareness of the Apostolate of Prayer for Priests and to invite people from across the diocese to join in this prayer initiative. The Apostolate prayer card offers us a special opportunity to spend ten minutes each day in pray for a priest. The co-ordinators for the diocese and their contact details are: <i>prayerforpriests.com</i></p> <p>Rosemary Johnson 07810 387 825 - brendan_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk • Ethna Hill 07528 249 838 - ethna776@yahoo.com</p> <p>Siobhan Sweeney 07880 588 041 - siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk • Eamon Cassidy 077435 02165 - e_cassidy@hotmail.com</p>
<p>White Oaks and YARD Project Confidential Counselling for Families Affected by Addiction: If you are concerned about a loved one's use of alcohol, drugs or gambling please contact us. Confidential counselling, advice and information provided by a qualified addiction counsellor. Provided at Columba House, 11 Queen St. Derry • For an appointment or further information call (028) 7126 2407</p>
<p>Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants – Emigrant Information Pack: Contains practical information for intending Irish emigrants, such as visa requirements, advice on health insurance, gaining employment, accommodation and other information pertaining to each of the main receiving countries. It also provides information for Irish emigrants planning to return to Ireland after a period living abroad as well as other articles and information on the theme of emigration.</p> <p>If interested in receiving a free copy(s) of this booklet please contact Teresa at the Derry Diocesan Office Email: t.mcmenamin@derrydiocese.org • Tel: (028) 7126 2302 • Website: catholicbishops.ie/tag/emigrants</p>
<p>Family Care Society: We are presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For more information contact us via the following details (offices open weekdays from 9.00am to 1.00pm) Tel: (028) 9069 1133 or (028) 7136 8592 • Email: email@familycaresociety.org • Website: familycaresociety.co.uk</p>
<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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is always good practice to seek <i>written</i> 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. <p>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.</p> <p><i>From Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, published on behalf of the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee</i></p>

Rouskey Community Centre – Upcoming Events: *To register call Bridie on 07591 047 556, 07847 459 428 or (028) 8164 8706*

Crocheting / Knitting	Fridays at 2.00pm. £4 inc. cup of tea. Wednesday nights. £25 for 6 weeks. Money must be paid advance.	<i>New and advanced crocheters and knitters welcome People needed to run class</i>
Children's Jiving	Friday 23 rd September for 5 weeks from 6.00pm to 7.00pm for P3 to P10. £4 per child and £10 for family of 3.	<i>To reserve a place call Donna on 07845 391 778</i>

ACCORD – Marriage Preparation Courses: Each year over 20,000 people marry in the Catholic Church in Ireland. Despite the recession, numbers getting married have only fallen slightly in recent years. ACCORD Omagh provides Marriage Preparation Courses for couples marrying in the Catholic Church. Feedback from participants is very positive. Courses take place at the address below and can be booked via the following information.
Address: Accord Suite, Mount St. Columba Pastoral Centre • **Website:** accord.ie **Tel:** (028) 8224 2439
Dates (Fridays and Saturdays): 7th and 8th October - 4th and 5th November

ACCORD – Relationship Counseling: A service which facilitates couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and resolve difficulties in their marriages and relationships in a confidential, sensitive, respectful and non-judgmental setting.
An appointment can be arranged by calling the Omagh Centre on (028) 8224 2439 or emailing omagh@accordni.com

Family Care Society – Interested in Adoption? We specialise in finding forever families for children aged 3 years old and upwards and for brothers and sisters. This year we have successfully placed more brothers and sisters together and half of them were over the age of 3. Many more children need forever families. Could you be their new family? We are also seeking families who would be interested in becoming concurrent carers for babies under 2 years old. If you want to talk to one of our specialist adoption practitioners contact.
Rachael (Belfast Office): (028) 9069 1133 • **Julie or Brian (Derry Office):** (028) 7136 8592
Email: email@familycaresociety.org • **Website:** familycaresociety.co.uk

Volunteer at White Oaks Acorn Organic Farm: If you have an interest in organic growing and have a few hours to spare, why not spend them with us? Contact us using the details below.
Address: IOSAS Centre and Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Road, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal
Tel: (00353) (0) 74 9384866 • **Website:** celticprayergarden.com • **Facebook:** IOSASCentre • **Twitter:** IOSASCentre

Kindercare Fostering NI: Could you help a child in need? Northern Ireland is currently experiencing a severe shortage of foster carers and particularly carers from the Catholic Community. We are a not-for-profit organisation which works to find safe, secure and loving homes for children and young people in need in Northern Ireland. If you are interested in finding out more:
Tel: (028) 90941690 • **Email:** gillian.devlin@kindercare.co.uk • **Website:** kindercareni.co.uk

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*

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MARA (Maximising Access in Rural Areas): Find out if you're missing out on benefits, services or grants by booking your FREE home visit. Referrals can be made for benefits checks, home safety visits, occupational therapy assessments as well as others. You'll also receive a FREE bag containing £25 worth of items to help keep you warm this winter.
Call Carol on (028) 8225 1559 to book

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Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre – MA in Catholic School Leadership: In Partnership with St. Mary's College, Twickenham beginning Autumn 2016. This is a post-graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to, or have an interest in, leadership roles within the Catholic School system.

For more info call The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 0044 28 71264087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org

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Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession: The Sacrament of Reconciliation better known as Confession is very important and vital part of our lives as Catholics. The times for Confession will be as follows.

St. Patrick's: Eve of First Friday from after 10.00am Mass until 11.00am when mass is celebrated with

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during that time except when there is a funeral or no mass

First Saturday of each month from after mass until 11.30am with Adoration unless there is a 12noon wedding

Each Saturday Evening 5.30pm-5.50pm and after Vigil Mass

Our Lady of the Wayside: Each Sunday 10.30am to 10.50am and after 11.00am Mass

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The Good Ship Lollipop – Appeal For Child Refugees: The Belfast children's charity Tuesday's Child is working with catholic missionaries in Sicily to help child refugees rescued in the Mediterranean. Funds will go towards providing essential aid items and care for children, young people and their families and helping high risk children who come in unaccompanied on the boats. *Tuesday's Child gives 100% of donations received, plus gift aid*

Website: tuesdayschild.ie • **Email:** info@tuesdayschild.ie • **Tel:** (028) 9064 6104 / 07545 452 362

Donation by Texting: TUES75 and amount to 70070 (e.g.TUES75 £5)

Towards Peace: A spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to 9 sessions are offered and they are free.

Website: towardspeace.ie • **Tel:** 01 505 3028 • **Email:** towardspeace@iecon.ie

2015 Parish Statistics

Baptisms	Confirmations	First Holy Communion / Reconciliation	Marriages
6 Boys 8 Girls	8 Boys 8 Girls	10 Boys 9 Girls	10 within parish 5 outside parish
Station Masses in October 7	Induction of Fr. Edward Gallagher as 13th Parish Priest of GREENCASTLE Celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry on Thursday 17 th September in St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle		
Funerals 13	Farewell Concert and Presentation Night for Fr. Eugene Hasson Former Parish Priest of GREENCASTLE and now Parish Priest of the Parishes of Lavey and Greenlough took place on Friday 13 th November in GREENCASTLE Community Centre		

Craft Training Ltd: A leading training organisation that provides 16-18 year olds with the opportunity to fulfil their potential in a vocational area, through the Training for Success programme. Gain the skills you need to kick start your career free of charge and earn £40 per week, range of qualifications include ICT, Hairdressing, Joinery, Painting and Decorating, Hospitality and Catering, Retail and much more.

Tel: (028) 8225 9377 • **Office:** Kelvin Avenue, Omagh • **Email:** joincraft@hotmail.co.uk

The Deep End – The Rich Man and Lazarus:

Jane Melleit (melleitj@gmail.com)

Last Sunday's Gospel reminded us of what economics according to God looks like – it spoke of a redistribution of wealth by a manager who realised that material wealth is only temporary; what we do with that wealth and how we distribute it is more important. Today's parable is on a similar theme. The rich man is sorry, but it is too late for him. He had not come to his senses as the manager last week had done. The rich man is unwilling to change; even in the afterlife he wants Lazarus sent, ordered, to go to his brothers to warn them. It is not proof or special signs that they need. Their vision has been blinded by wealth. They need to 'see' the poor who are at their gates.

God's economics means striving for a world where the poor man Lazarus can sit down at the same table as the rich man. It is not simply enough to comfort the poor and say to them that they will be rewarded in heaven. This misses the point. Luke is pointing us to a great reversal that is so central to this Gospel, a call to turn the world as we know it upside down.

It is not God's will for some to have everything and others to have nothing.

Oscar Romero

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – Luke 16: 19-32.

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1. The first of the faults attributed to the rich man is his insensitivity to the abject poverty of those around him. When have you discovered that it is when you are aware of the needs of those around you and seek to make some response that you bring out the best in yourself?
2. The second fault attributed to the rich man is the way he ignored the word of God coming through Moses and the prophets. How have the gospels, the scriptures or your faith opened you up to a deeper and more satisfying perspective on life?
3. Some people look to the spectacular for a sign of God's presence and action. For Jesus, the lessons we need are not to be sought in the spectacular, but in the ordinary things of everyday life. Where have you found sacraments of God's presence in the world around you?

Musings *Siobhain Tighe (Parish Pastoral Worker of the Archdiocese of Dublin with responsibility for Youth Evangelisation)*

The Wall

The image of a formidable wall struck me as I prayed with this scripture. A wall made of an obsession with greed, selfishness, wealth, power, prestige. This wall, built by the rich man, over time, created such blindness that he became trapped in the illusion of temporary wealth, unable to hear God's call. This self-made wall follows him to his death where in the afterlife he experiences a reversal in his fortunes and is now suffering. He now cannot break it down.

Are there times when I am so in my own bubble that I fail to see those in need? Do I avoid making eye contact with a homeless person as I rush by for example?

We are called to open our eyes and hearts and be the change.

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

- Monday 26th September – *St. Cosmas and St. Damian (martyrs)*** Twin brothers, physicians, and early Christian martyrs born in Cilicia, part of today's Turkey. They practiced their profession in the seaport of Ayas, Adana, then in the Roman province of Syria. Accepting no payment for their services led to them being named "Ανάρπυροι" (Unmercenary); it has been said that, by this, they attracted many to the Christian faith.
- Tuesday 27th September – *St. Vincent de Paul (priest) [1580-1660]*** Founded the Congregation of the Mission (the Vincentians) and the Daughters of Charity (1633), the first sisters to work outside their convents in active service. He is the patron of charitable works.
- Wednesday 28th September – *St. Wenceslaus (martyr) [905-925]***
Prince of Bohemia, killed by his brother. Patron of brewers.
St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions (martyrs) [1839-1867] During the period 1633 to 1637 these sixteen martyrs shed their blood out of love for Christ in the city of Nagasaki, Japan.
- Friday 30th September – *St. Jerome (priest and Doctor of the Church) [340-420]*** Translated the bible into Latin and wrote commentaries on scripture. Patron Saint of librarians
- Saturday 1st October – *St. Thérèse of Lisieux (virgin and doctor of the Church)*** Marie Françoise-Thérèse Martin died at the Carmel in Lisieux on 30th September, 1897. She was declared a doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II in 1997. Patron Saint of Missions, florists, aviators and France.
- Sunday 2nd October – *The Guardian Angels*** This feast expresses God's personal care for each individual and our belief that God assigns everyone an angel to guard us.
[NOT CELEBRATED THIS YEAR]

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – *Luke 16: 1-13*:

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1. As often with the parables of Jesus, this one is intended to shock in order to make us think. Jesus is not praising the injustice of the servant, but his purposefulness in preparing for the future. In your experience what difference does it make when you are purposeful and energetic instead of lethargic?
2. It was his master's call to account that galvanised the servant into action. What have been the experiences, or people, that have galvanised you into action when you had been somewhat half-hearted in your efforts?
3. Who have been the people whose energy, drive and astuteness have been an inspiration to you in how to handle difficult situations?
4. 'No servant can be the slave of two masters'. When have you experienced the truth of this statement?

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