

## Diocese of Derry, Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone

Saint Patrick's Church  
Greencastle

Our Lady of the Wayside Church  
Broughderg

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2008

### Education in Faith Sunday

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### Education in Faith Sunday:

Education in Faith Sunday challenges us to recognise that as members of the church, we are all teachers under the guidance of the Spirit and share in the responsibility of furthering the Reign of God. Today's Gospel opens with an account of Jesus preaching out in the open. Up to this moment Jesus has remained practically silent. From now on it is time for him to speak, to proclaim that the Reign of God is at hand, at this crossroads of the nations, Galilee. For more on the theme and initiatives of Education in Faith Sunday go to [www.catechetics.ie](http://www.catechetics.ie)

### Mass Schedule for the Third Week in Ordinary Time. 28<sup>th</sup> January – 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2008

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> January St. Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church	Saint Patrick's	10:00am Mass intention: Malachy Coyle (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary)
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January St. Aidan, bishop	Saint Patrick's	10:00am Mass
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> January St. John Bosco, priest	Saint Patrick's	10:00am Mass
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February St. Brigid, virgin. First Friday of the month	Saint Patrick's	8:00pm Mass
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Candles will be blessed at Mass this morning.	Saint Patrick's	10:00am Mass
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg	6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 9:00am Mass 'Misso Pro Populo' 11:00am Mass

### Confession Schedule

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Saint Patrick's	7.30pm (before Mass)
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Saint Patrick's	5:30pm (before Vigil Mass)
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg	10:30am (before Mass)

**Weekly Offerings:** Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to **£1045**. A second collection will be taken up after Holy Communion for the Stewardship Trust.

**'Do This In Memory of Me':** Our First Holy Communion parish programme will continue at the Vigil Mass in Saint Patrick's tonight (Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January). Our next Sunday gathering will be at the Vigil Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (1<sup>st</sup> March, 2008).

**Remembering Our Dead:** We pray this week for the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Malachy Coyle, John Francis Fox.**

**Sick and housebound:** will be attended Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February, beginning after 10:00am Mass. Please let them know if you live close by. If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and who would like a visit please inform Fr. Hasson.

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13, Psalm 145, 1 Corinthians 1:26-31, Matthew 5:1-12

**Lotto Numbers:** 4, 7, 14, 19 (20 winners with 3 numbers – £10 each) **Next Jackpot:** £6,250

**"Whom shall I send..?"** Could you be called to serve God and God's people as a priest in the diocese of Derry? Come & see **Vocations Information Day** a day of reflection on the theme of vocation. **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February**, 11.00am-4.00pm Thornhill Retreat Centre, Derry. Please contact Fr. Paul Farren (tel :028 7126 4087) or Fr. Colm O'Doherty (tel: 028 8166 1475).

**Pope John Paul II Award:** Our parish congratulates Brendan McKenna who received his award from Cardinal Brady last Wednesday at the First Annual Award Ceremony in the Millennium Forum Derry. Perhaps other young people in our parish might follow the path of this award in the future. Check out [thepopejohnpauliiaward.com](http://thepopejohnpauliiaward.com) Diocesan Catechetical Centre, Derry. Tel: (028) 7126 4087 for more information or talk to Brendan to see what is involved.

**Parish Volunteers:** Please sign up for service in your parish. The following are some ways in which you can minister. There are more but you need to volunteer.

Parish Liturgy for January 2008	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	John Enright	Lucy Hood	Martina McBride
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Maria Bradley	Peter Noel McAleer
Collectors	Francis McLaughlin Seamus Keenan	Peter Tracey Colm Keenan	Brian Gillen Seamus McGarvey.
Altar Society	Mary McCullagh	Kathleen Beggs Joanne Beggs.	

**Lenten Reflections:** May we all give ourselves and our God the gift of time during the days of Lent 2008 to pray, to grow in love, to prepare to live a better life. May you experience the joy of God's love, find your faith stronger, your hope rekindled and your love powerfully renewed. Lord Jesus, help us to come to a deeper understanding of the meaning and purpose of life and help us to accept suffering in union with you. May our meditation on your seven last words confirm our faith in you and your promise of eternal life. Jesus spoke to those who were with him during His crucifixion and, at the same time, was speaking to us with tender, and gentle love. We call these last sayings of Jesus the seven last words. What will be the seven last things that we say? *The seven sayings form part of a Lenten reflection we will use during the next seven weeks.*

1	31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	<i>Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do</i> (Luke 23:34).
2	7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<i>Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise</i> (Luke 23:43).
3	14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<i>Woman, behold your son: behold your mother</i> (John 19:26-27)
4	21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	<i>"My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?"</i> (Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34)
5	28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<i>I thirst</i> (John 19:28).
6	6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<i>It is finished</i> (John 19:30).
7	13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<i>Father, into your hands I commit my spirit</i> (Luke 23:46).

Join with Guided Prayer leaders from Omagh on the Thursdays of Lent, straight after 10.00am Mass in a 30 minute reflection. The first reflection will take place January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**PTAA. Pioneer Total Abstinence Association.** Meeting in Saint Patrick's Church, Greencastle at 7.00pm Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February. *Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February will be a day of Prayer for Temperance.*

**Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry:** Sr. Josephine Walsh Weekend Retreat Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. To learn more call (028) 7126 2512 during office hours only.

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

<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Strictly Come Dancing Tutor Jim Timmeny (please ring to confirm numbers: 028 8675 1194, 028 8675 1874 or 028 8164 8180)
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Sixtowns Drama Group present "The Bride Looks a Million" (a date to remember)

**Precious Life:** 40 Days for Life Campaign – this Lent, communities across Ireland will unite with those from more than 80 cities in the USA in an effort bring an end to abortion. The campaign will unite people in prayer, fasting, vigils, and community outreach. For more information phone (028) 90 278 484.

**Women In Touch:** *Introduction to Internet/E-mail.* A 4-week course will be held in Omagh College 19<sup>th</sup> February – 11<sup>th</sup> March, basic computer skills essential. Tel Maria Bradley (028) 8164 8357 before 6<sup>th</sup> February.

**Annual Modovian Appeal for United Christian Aid:** Breige McCrystall from Carrickmore appeals for your support at their GAA grounds over the weekends of 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb & 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> Feb. All types of clothing, shoes, bedlinen, curtains, towels, old discarded items etc. accepted for pulp.