

Diocese of Derry, Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone

Saint Patrick's Church
Greencastle

Our Lady of the Wayside Church
Broughderg

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 27th July, 2008

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Mass Schedule for the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time. 28th July – 3rd August, 2008

Monday 28 th July Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Tuesday 29 th July St. Martha	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Wednesday 30 th July St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop and doctor of the Church	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Thursday 31 st July St. Ignatius Loyola, priest	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Friday 1 st August St. Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church	Saint Patrick's	8.00pm Mass
Saturday 2 nd August Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	10.00am Mass
Saturday Evening	Saint Patrick's	6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday 3 rd August Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saint Patrick's	9:00am Mass – 'Misso Pro Populo'
	Our Lady of the Wayside	11:00am Mass

Confession Schedule

Friday 1 st August	Saint Patrick's	7.30pm (before Mass)
Saturday 2 nd August	Saint Patrick's	5:30pm (before Vigil Mass)
Sunday 3 rd August	Our Lady of the Wayside	10:30am (before Mass)

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to this week's collection which amounted to **£1070** and to the **£110** taken up for the Sisters of Nazareth.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray this week for the following whose anniversary occurs at this time:
Felix Slane.

Sick and housebound will be attended Monday 4th August, **beginning after 10.00am Mass**. Please let them know if you live nearby. If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit please inform Fr. Hasson.

Thank you for your support for **Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** in Our Lady of the Wayside Church last Sunday. May you receive many personal blessings in the same way as our parish was blessed.

The Indulgence of St. Mary of the Portiuncula: On 2nd August a plenary indulgence may be acquired in parish churches. The practices prescribed for the obtaining of the indulgence are a devout visit to the church and recitation there of the Our Father and Creed and in addition a sacramental confession, Holy Communion and prayer for the intentions of the Pope. This indulgence may be acquired only once. The visit may be made from noon the previous day until midnight of the day itself.

POPE BENEDICT XVI'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 2008: Pope Benedict's **general prayer intention for August is:** "that the human family may learn to respect God's plan for the world and become ever more aware that creation is God's great gift." **His mission intention is:** "That the answer of the entire people of God to the common calling to holiness and mission may be promoted and fostered by means of careful discernment of charisma and constant commitment to spiritual and cultural formation".

Lotto Numbers: 3, 5, 15, 21 (6 winners with 3 numbers – £10 each) **Next Jackpot:** £7,550

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 55:1-3; Psalm 144; Romans 8:35, 37-39;
Matthew 14:13-21 (Lectionary I, page 685)

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 March 2008	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Martin McCullagh	Mary Clarke	Geraldine McNamee
Eucharistic Ministry	Francis Bradley	Maria Bradley	Josephine Clarke
Collectors	Francis McCullagh Seamus Keenan	Peter Tracey Colm Keenan	Seamus McGarvey Brian Gillen
Altar Society	Mary Bradley and Helen Tracey		Anne McDermott

What can you do for your parish?

Youth 2000 Summer Festival at Clonmacnois, Co. Offaly (Thursday 14th – Sunday 17th August): For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed, to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new friends. Free buses available from around the country. For more information, contact (01) 6753690 or check out our websites: www.youth2000.ie and xx-youth2000-xx.bebo.com. The festival is being organised by young people for young people and will consist of music, drama, key speakers, workshops, games, prayer and free time for walks or chilling out. The event is being run on a donation only basis and there are free buses available. For more information or to book a place on the bus contact the youth coordinator at (028) 7126 4087 or check out the website www.youth2000.ie

THANKS FOR THE CONFIDENCE SHOWN IN YOUNG PEOPLE: VATICAN CITY, 20TH JULY 2008 (VIS) - At 6 pm today, Benedict XVI met with organisers and benefactors of World Youth Day in a two-stage encounter that took place first in the reception hall and then in the chapter house of Cathedral House in Sydney. "I thank you personally", said the Pope, "not only for those sacrifices, but even more for the confidence you have shown in our young people and your trust in God's grace at work in their hearts. Let us pray that the investment which so many of you have made in them will bear fruit in their own lives, for the life of Christ's Church and for the future of our world!" "St. Paul, who devoted his entire life to the service of the Gospel, reminds us that 'it is more blessed to give than to receive'. Your generosity and sacrifices have been an essential, yet often hidden, ingredient in the success of this World Youth Day. May the spiritual joy, the satisfaction and the fulfilment that we have all experienced in these days, be an unfailing source of blessings in your own lives. May you never doubt the truth of our Lord's promise that, whenever we give our creativity, energy, resources, and our very selves to Him, we will gain them back abundantly."

THE CHURCH IS FILLED WITH HOPE FOR THE WORLD OF TOMORROW: In his remarks, at Sydney International airport before his departure for Rome, the Pope thanked those present for the hospitality he had been shown during his time in Australia, "In characteristic Australian style", he said, "you have extended a warm welcome to me and to countless young pilgrims who have flocked here from every corner of the globe". "The principal actors on the stage over these last few days, of course, have been the young people themselves. World Youth Day is their day. It is they who have made this a global ecclesial event, a great celebration of youth and a great celebration of what it is to be the Church, the people of God throughout the world, united in faith and love and empowered by the Spirit to bear witness to the risen Christ to the ends of the earth" Recalling the events of the previous days, the Pope said he had been "deeply moved" by his visit to the Mary MacKillop Memorial, and he thanked the Sisters of St. Joseph "for the opportunity to pray at the Shrine of their co-foundress. The stations of the Cross in the streets of Sydney", he went on, "were a powerful reminder that Christ loved us 'to the end' and shared our sufferings so that we could share His glory. "The meeting with the young people at Darlinghurst", Pope Benedict added, "was a moment of joy and great hope, a sign that Christ can lift us out of the most difficult situations, restoring our dignity and enabling us to look forward to a brighter future. The meeting with ecumenical and inter-religious leaders was marked by a spirit of genuine fraternity and a deep desire for greater collaboration in building a more just and peaceful world. "And without doubt, the gatherings at Barangaroo and Southern Cross were high-points of my visit. Those experiences of prayer, and our joyful celebration of the Eucharist, were an eloquent testimony to the life-giving work of the Holy Spirit, present and active in the hearts of our young people. World Youth Day has shown us that the Church can rejoice in the young people of today and be filled with hope for the world of tomorrow", he concluded. The ceremony over, the Pope boarded his aircraft which flew to the Australian city of Darwin for a refuelling stop before continuing the journey to Rome.