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

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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B] (28th June, 2015)
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Saturday Evening (27th June)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions	
		6.00pm Vigil Mass and Presentation of Pioneer Pins	
Sunday 28th June	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)	
Thirteenth Sunday in	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.30am Confessions	
Ordinary Time [Year B]	, ,	11.00am Mass	
Monday 29th June	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass	
St. Peter and St. Paul (Apostles)			
Tuesday 30th June	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass	
Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time			
Wednesday 1st July	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass	
St. Oliver Plunkett (bishop and martyr)		Note time change	
Thursday 2 nd July	St. Patrick's	NO MASS	
Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time			
Friday 3 rd July	St. Patrick's	7.30pm Confessions	
St. Thomas (Apostle)	First Friday of the Month	8.00pm Mass	
Saturday Morning (4th July)	St. Patrick's	NO MORNING MASS	
Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time			
Saturday Evening (4th July)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions	
		6.00pm Vigil Mass: Celia Strauza (1st Anniversary)	
		followed by Public Prayers for the Faithful Departed	
Sunday 5th July	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)	
Fourteenth Sunday in	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.30am Confessions	
Ordinary Time [Year B]	·	11.00am Mass followed by Public	
		Prayers for the Faithful Departed	

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your kindness in last week's collection of £704.50 with £15.50 in loose change.

Pope's Collection: A very generous £700 was taken up. Because of you, Pope Francis will be able to help millions of people around the world quickly and effectively. Your important contributions are truly helping the Holy Father to make a difference for those most in need.

Sick and housebound Visitations: These will be attended on *Monday 13th July*. 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.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for *Sally Glass* whose Requiem took place on Friday, as a parish faith-community we extend our sympathy and prayerful support to her family, friends and all who mourn her passing.

We also pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time

St. Patrick's Cemetery: Thank you for your support over the past number of years for the on-going work undertaken to improve the environment in this cemetery.

To pay for this work we secured an initial bank loan of £17,000 which we have been paying off from our regular weekly income. We have now applied for a further loan of £25,000 to continue with our present work. In order to assist with the repayment of these loans, our parish finance committee and I have decided to take up a special collection after the annual public prayers for the faithful departed on the evening of Saturday July 4, 2015.

Your financial support will be much appreciated. If you wish to send a donation directly to me for this purpose then I will be happy to receive. Fr. Hasson

Public Prayers for the Faithful Departed: These will take place on the evening of Saturday 4th July directly after the Vigil Mass in the cemetery at St. Patrick's and at Our Lady of the Wayside, and the former St. Mary's Church Broughderg after 11.00am Mass on Sunday 5th July. *Bring holy water with you to sprinkle on the graves when directed to*

Next Sunday's Readings: Ezechiel 2:2-5 • Psalm 122 r/v 2 • 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 • Mark 6:1-6 (Lectionary I, page 772)

Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 1]

Parish Liturgy for July, 2015	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Mary Slane	Nuala Glass	Martina McBride
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
Prayers of the Faithful			Briana Gillen
Collectors	Michael McElhatton	Patrick Tuohey	Brendan Daly
Collectors	Noel McElhatton	Michael Clarke	Sean Clarke
Altar Society	Rosemary and Shauna McNally Anne McDermott Josephine Clarke		
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New choir members will always be welcome – contact Sinead Donnelly

	o.oopiii Saturday vigii	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
	Saturday 27th June	Twelfth Sunday	Sunday 28th June
Ĺ	The family of Tara Haughey	in Ordinary Time	The family of Shona McKenna
	Saturday 4th July	Thirteenth Sunday	Sunday 5 th July
	The family of Sorcha Hughes	in Ordinary Time	The family of Stephan Meenan

Formal Investiture with the Pallium: Archbishop Eamon Martin invites you, the parishioners of Greencastle parish to join him in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh at 7.00pm Mass on Saturday 4th July.

Pope Francis will bless and present the pallium to Archbishop Eamon privately after concelebrated Mass in St Peter's Basilica, Rome on the Feast of St Peter and St Paul (Monday 29th June).

Archbishop Eamon will return to Armagh for the formal investiture by Archbishop Charles Brown, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland in the presence of bishops and representatives from the nine dioceses in the ecclesiastical province of Armagh, including our own.

The pallium is a white woolen strip, worn around the Archbishop's neck, which symbolises the bond between an archbishop and the Pope. The wearing of the pallium dates back to the 4th century. It predates the miter and the crozier as episcopal symbols.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: On Wednesday 1st July Bishop McKeown will lead 400 pilgrims to Lourdes. We thank the people from the Diocese for their support to the Hospitalite, which has enabled us to take 81 of these pilgrims who have registered for care. You are invited to pray this prayer during the days of the Pilgrimage.

At Lourdes, you created a sanctuary for people seeking God's healing touch I come, before you today, asking you to intercede with Jesus you son, for those I care about, for those who have asked for prayers, for those wanting to be healed.

[MENTION YOUR INTENTIONS HERE]

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

Saint Bernadette, pray for us.

Prayer to St. Oliver Plunkett: Wednesday 1st July is the Feast of St. Oliver Plunkett. Let us remember this prayer.

Glorious Martyr, St. Oliver, who willingly gave your life for your faith, help us also to be strong in faith.

May we be loyal like you to the See of Peter. By your intercession and example may all hatred and bitterness be banished from the hearts of Irish men and women.

May the Peace of Christ reign in our hearts, as it did in your heart, even at the moment of your death. Pray for us and for Ireland. *Amen*

An Caisleán Glas CLG – FÓGRA: Friday 3rd July, 7.00pm to 8.00pm. Singing in Irish workshop for children. We will be learning a couple of easy songs (adults welcome to sit in). Presentation of award for best GAA club in Tyrone for the promotion of Irish. To start 8.15pm approx. All musicians welcome, there will be a session after the presentation with local group Ceoltóirí na hÓmaí who will be singing in Irish, there will be some dancing, a few songs and plenty of tunes. We extend a special welcome to those in the community who have promoted the Irish language over the years.

To book: 07849 394 001 / ni_mhearnog@hotmail.com

Pope Francis' Intentions for July (please remember these in your personal prayer)

Universal - Politics: That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.

Evangelisation – The Poor in Latin America: That amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

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

Lough Derg – *Three Day Pilgrimage Season*: From Friday 29th May to Thursday 13th August. Daily boats to the Island between 10.30am and 3.00pm. Regular pilgrimages throughout the season countrywide. *No need to book.*Contact Maureen or Lorraine in Lough Derg direct on 00353 71986 1518 / info@loughderg.org

Looking After Our Parish Cemeteries: These are special places providing a focus for our prayerful remembrance of the dead. Please co-operate in their maintenance and care with respect, dignity and honour. Remove flowers and wreaths that have withered. Please do not dump them anywhere in the graveyard or into our neighbour's property. Ask Monumental Sculptors who have completed their work to take rubble away.

Institute of Irish Leadership, Pomeroy – *Gaeltacht Thir Eoghain*. A Week of intensive Irish language Classes from Monday 29th June to Friday 3rd July. Admission is £65. This includes a cross-border culture trip on Thursday 2nd July. This trip is also open to people who are not attending the Gaeltacht classes.

Email kathleenburnsiil@gmail.com or call (028) 8775 7800 for more details

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!

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal – *Summer Serenity:* Wednesday 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

IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden – *Music Trait.* Friday 26th June, 24th July, 28th August and 25th September at 6.30pm. The Celtic Garden will be transformed to celebrate our rich cultural heritage through storytelling, song and music. **Cost**: €7 / £6 • Refreshments served afterwards • **Booking**: (00353) 74938 4866 / goldenagecentre@hotmail.com

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

World Youth Day: This will be held in Kraków, Poland from Sunday 24th to Sunday 31st July, 2016. If you are aged between 18 and 35 and would like to be part of this Derry Diocesan pilgrimage, then please register your interest at wyd@derrydiocese.org or alternatively, call The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087. World Youth Day, founded by St. John Paul II is the largest gathering of its kind in the world. It is celebrated every 3 years, each year moving to a different country, with the Pope presiding over the event. WYD is an excellent opportunity for young people from across our diocese to come together, in fellowship, with other young Catholics from around the world, to share and engage in their faith.

A Prayer for Our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Pope Francis – from his encyclical 'Laudato Si' – 'Praised be' (Published 18th June) tinyurl.com/o6sowft

Diocesan Prayer for Year of Consecrated Life

God our Creator and Guide, You call us out of darkness into Your wonderful Light, making us a Royal Priesthood, a Holy People, set apart to sing Your praises.

May our families and parishes continue to nourish the seeds of vocation to the Consecrated Life and the Priesthood.

And may all who have already responded to this call, like Mary, live with openness of heart, to treasure Your presence, to ponder Your actions, so that all may joyfully proclaim Your goodness now and always. *Amen*

Alcohol: The Challenge of Moderation

A pastoral letter from the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference

We commend the many adults and young people who have chosen to remain abstinent from alcohol until 18 years old or for life.

We encourage people who feel that for them alcohol has become a problem and decide to seek professional help from treatment centres, local health services or support groups in their community.

We commend all the good work which is done by support groups around the country and the many parishes and communities that provide meeting rooms and services for such groups.

What a great legacy and gift it would be for our children if we would be the generation brave enough to promote and work for an attitude and culture of moderation rather than excess in our use of alcohol. If we could promote abstinence or moderation and create attitudes towards alcohol use that are conducive to a better and healthier way of life, then indeed we would be leaving a wonderful inheritance to future generations.

Full text can be read at catholiccommunications.ie

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2015			
Solemn Annual Exp	osition of the Blessed Sacramer	nt Sunday 30 th A	August Our Lady of the Wayside
Derry Diocesan Society Masses	Sunday 19 th July Tuesday 8 th September • Thursday 29 th October St. Patrick's		
in our Parish		Sunday 19	th July Our Lady of the Wayside
Morning Masses will be celebrated as above unless a Requiem is needed on the dates			
Dublic Provers for	Saturday Evening (4th July)	St. Patrick's	Directly after 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Public Prayers for our Deceased (Cemetery Sunday) (4th and 5th July)	Sunday Morning (5th July)	Our Lady of Wayside St. Mary's, Broughderg	Directly after 11.00am Mass
	Monday 2 nd November	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Commemoration of All Souls (remembering all who died in 2015)

This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

Monday 29th June – St. Peter and St. Paul (Apostles)

Wednesday 1st July – St. Oliver Plunkett (bishop and martyr) Came from Irish nobility. His family supported King Charles I. Ordained in Rome in 1654 he became a professor of theology from 1654 through 1669. He was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669 and was forced to conduct a covert ministry during the suppression of priests. He was arrested and tried at Dundalk in 1679 for conspiring against the State. It was seen that Oliver would never be convicted in Ireland, and he was moved to Newgate prison, London. St. Oliver Plunkett was found guilty of high treason for 'promoting the Catholic faith' and condemned to a gruesome death. He was martyred on 1st July, 1681 at Tyburn by hanging, disembowelling, quartering and beheading, He was the last Catholic to die for his faith at Tyburn, and the first of the Irish martyrs to be beatified. His body was initially buried in two tin boxes next to five Jesuits who had died before; with his head in St. Peter's Church, Drogheda; most of his body is at Downside Abbey, England; some relics are elsewhere in Ireland.

Friday 3rd July – *St. Thomas (Apostle)* According to tradition, Thomas reached Muziris, India in 52 AD and baptised several people who are today known as St. Thomas Christians or Nasranis. After his murder and death by spear in India, the remaining relics of St. Thomas the Apostle were enshrined as far as Mesopotamia in the 3rd century, and later moved to various places. In 1258 they were brought to Abruzzo, in Ortona, Italy, where they have been held in the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle. He is often regarded as the Patron Saint of India, and the name Thomas remains guite popular among St. Thomas Christians of India.

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel - Mark 5:21-43:

John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)

- 1. Like this woman, have you had the experience of a cure, an improvement, a success, after a long period of nothing happening? What was that like for you? What made the difference? On that occasion was there anything different in you, in others, in the circumstances – something that paved the way for the change or improvement?
- 2. 'Who touched me?' Jesus asked. It seems a strange request with crowds milling around. Many people brushed against him but the woman made contact in a different way. The same can happen in our relationships. We brush against many people but make real contact only with a few. Who are the people you have touched, and who has touched you? What difference has this made to you and to them?
- 3. It can also happen that there are many occasions when we brush against Jesus, and other occasions when we have a sense that we are in contact with him. What deepens your contact with Jesus?
- 4. When Jairus asked Jesus to come and cure his daughter, some thought there was no point. Sometimes a situation can look like a lost cause. Has it ever happened to you that subsequent events showed there was hope where you thought there was none?

Musings

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

Ronald Rolheiser has a lovely way of using the story of the woman touching the hem of Christ's garment to encourage parents whose children no longer practise the faith or who find themselves estranged from the Church. He stresses that what each of us does for others (as the Body of Christ, his Church and in Christ's name), is an extension of Christ's ministry. When we forgive someone, we communicate Christ's forgiveness; when we comfort someone, we extend Christ's comfort to them. When parents continue to love, care for, comfort, listen to, and forgive their adult children, these family members, although no longer practising are nevertheless touching them with Christ's garment.

The Deep End - Weeping and Wailing.

Triona Doherty, Athlone, Co. Roscommon (trionad@gmail.com)

'At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn'. This line from today's Psalm tells us something about the theme of our readings, which focus on death and resurrection. It tells us that darkness and death are not the end; there is morning and there is hope.

There were plenty of tears in the house Jesus visited in today's Gospel. Jairus' 12-year-old daughter, who was ill, had died. People were weeping and wailing. We can imagine the scene; every death is a painful and sorrowful occasion, but the death of a child is all the more tragic. Worse still, Jairus had come to Jesus looking for help while his young daughter was still alive, but Jesus had got there too late.

However in this case, death does not have the last word. Jesus raises the child from death. It is a very dramatic story that foreshadows his own death and resurrection. Jesus overcomes death here, just as he will overcome his own death, and ours.

For those of us who doubt, and who find it hard to accept the harsh reality of death – and that is surely all of us at times – Jesus has some words of consolation: 'Do not be afraid; only have faith'. Death is not the end; it is the gateway to new life.

Those who have passed from this life, he takes by the hand and invites into their new life with him with a gentle word of welcome: 'I tell you to get up'.

Ordination to Priesthood: Rev. Sean O'Donnell will be ordained a priest of our diocese at 3.00pm on Sunday 14th June in St.			
Eugene's Cathedral, Derry. Please keep him and all considering responding to God's call to priesthood in your personal and family prayers this week. The following priests in our diocese have / will be celebrating special jubilees this year. Pray for them:			
60 years	Dr. Brendan Devlin [5 th March, retired]	Fr. Michael Mullan [19th June, retired]	
(1955)	Fr. Bernard Bryson [19th June, retired]	Fr. Art O'Reilly [5th March, CC Banagher]	
(1000)	Msgr. Ignatius McQuillan [19th June, retired]	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
55 years	Fr. Michael Collins [12th March, retired]	Bishop Francis Lagan [19th June, retired]	
(1960)	Fr. John Doherty [19th June, CC Melmount]	Fr. Seamus O'Connell [19th June, retired]	
50 years	Fr. Oliver Crilly [20th June, PP Greenlough]	Bishop Kieran O'Doherty [20th June, PP Granaghan]	
(1965)			
45 years	Fr. Eugene Boland [11th April, Bishop's Office De	rry]	
(1970)			
40 years	Fr. Charles Keaney [1st June, PP Coleraine]	Fr. Patrick Doherty [15th June, PP Glendermott & Strathfoyle]	
(1975)	Fr. Michael Doherty [15th June, PP Melmount]		
35 years	Fr. Edward McGuinness [8th June, Bishop's Office	e, Derry] Fr. Fintan Diggin [22nd June, PP Clomany]	
(1980)	Fr. Eugene Hasson [14th June, PP Greencastle]		
30 years (1985) Fr. David O'Kane [15th June, PP Claudy]		
25 years (1990) Fr. Paul McClafferty [24th June, Bishop's (Office, Derry]	
10 years (2	2005) Fr. Peter O'Kane [24th June, Post-grad stu	udies, Rome]	