



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

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B] (30th August, 2015)

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Best wishes to the children and young people in our parish returning to school after the summer holidays and to all who are going to new schools or university at this time

Liturgy Schedule for the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time [Year B] (31st August, 2015 – 6th September, 2015)

Saturday Evening (29th August)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Mary T. McAneney (1 st Anniversary)
Sunday 30th August Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B] The Solemn Annual Exposition will begin after 11.00am Mass and finish with concluding prayers at 4.30pm	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass
Monday 31st August Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass
From Tuesday 1st September to Thursday 3rd September Mass will be available on an ad-hoc basis with notification being given the day before		
Friday 4th September St. Mac Nissi (bishop)	St. Mary's, Dunamore	7.30pm Mass: Sean Daly (1 st Anniversary)
Saturday Morning (5th September) Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time	St. Patrick's	NO MORNING MASS
Saturday Evening (5th September)	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Vigil Mass 9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass
Sunday 6th September Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year B]	St. Patrick's Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo) 10.30am Confessions 11.00am Mass

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your kindness in last week's collection of **£918.50** and **£21.50** in loose change. If you are a taxpayer please consider a Gift-Aid declaration, your contribution will be worth 25% more.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for **Mary T. McAneney** and **Sean Daly**, whose anniversaries occur now.

St. Patrick's Cemetery: The work on the paths was completed this week and we are pleased to have this pleasant environment where we can pray for our deceased, it is unfortunate however to notice that even already this good work has been violated by someone dumping refuse on our neighbour's property. What can you do to discourage this kind of activity and to maintain a deep respect in our cemetery for both the dead and the living?
Fr. Edward Gallagher PP

Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School: Reopens for all pupils on Tuesday 1st September. Breakfast Club will be available on Tuesday from 8.00am until 9.00am.

Primary School Disco: Sunday 30th August from 5.30pm to 7.30pm in Greencastle Community Centre. Free admission and the tuck shop will be open. *Come along for an evening of fun games before going back to school!!*

We offer congratulations and prayerful support from our parish community to
Ashley Lennon (Greencastle) and Donna Kane (Pettigo) Friday 7th August
Ryan McGoldrick (Fintona) and Tracey McGarvey (Greencastle) Friday 21st August
Malachy Keenan (Greencastle) and Bernadette Teague (Dunmoyle) Saturday 22nd August
Arthur Kelly (Donaghmore) and Anne Teresa McCullagh (Greencastle) Friday 28th August
 They recently committed themselves to each other in the sacrament of Christian Marriage
Fill their hearts with your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of understanding, joy fortitude and peace

Pope Francis' Intentions for September (please remember these in your personal prayer)
Universal – Opportunities for the Young: That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.

Evangelisation - Catechists: That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 35: 4-7 • Psalm 145: 7-10, e/v 1 • James 2: 1-5 • Mark 7: 31-37
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Parish Liturgy for September, 2015	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Martin McCullagh	Siobhan McKenna	Geraldine McNamee
Eucharistic Ministry	Brigid Keenan	Eugene McCullagh	Patricia Donnelly
Prayers of Intercession	Caoileann Conway	Brianna Clarke	Brianna Gillen
Collectors	Michael McElhatton Noel McElhatton	Colm Keenan Patrick Tuohey	Tony Donnelly Brendan Daly
Altar Society	Mary McNamee, Patta McDermott and Mary McCrory		Anne McDermott Mary Bradley

New choir members will always be welcome – contact Sinead Donnelly

Altar servers Needed: You may have noticed the important role of altar servers in the prayer life of our faithful community. We currently need new volunteers to strengthen the teams already serving so if you will commit, please do so as soon as possible.

Offertory Gifts: During the summer months no particular family will be scheduled for the task of bringing the gifts to the altar so anyone can volunteer to take part, we say thank you for taking on this responsibility.

What can you volunteer to do in your parish? Thank you to everyone who participates in the life and work of our parish faith community, we need new volunteers in every aspect of life. Anyone wishing to participate in any aspect of our parish mission should make themselves known.

Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: This will take place in Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Broughderg today (Sunday). Please take time to stop by and pray at your convenience throughout the day. Pray in petition for your personal needs or in thanksgiving for the blessings you have received as well as for those of our wider parish community and world. To ensure a continuity of worshippers I invite people from the named townlands to take responsibility and ensure a presence at specific times.

Teach us the lesson of silence, of prayer, of quiet – Lord hear us

Time	Townland	Time	Townland
11.30am	Formil West	2.30pm	Teebane • Camanrancy
12.00pm	Broughderg • Evishession	3.00pm	Crockanboy • Sheskinshule
12.30pm	Formil East • Aughascribba	3.30pm	Maryville • Sheskinshule View
1.00pm	Muniamale • Alworries	4.00pm	Crouck • Coneyglen • Glenhull • Aughminacroy
1.30pm	Benefreaghan	4.30pm	Concluding Prayers and Benediction
2.00pm	Cashel • Brackagh • Leaghan		

St. Vincent DePaul Society: Gratitude is offered for your support towards the clothes bank located in the car park at St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle. Their clothes shop is located in Castle Street, Omagh.

Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre – Master of Arts in Catholic School Leadership: Beginning this Autumn in partnership with St. Mary's College, Twickenham. This is a post-graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to leadership roles or with an interest in the Catholic School system.

For more info call the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org

As you start a new school year, take some time and write out your goals for faith, academics and sport

Make copies and keep them in some key areas, next to your bed so it's the first thing you see in the morning and the last thing you read at night.

This is a great template, I've used it for many years and it works. Find something that you can place in a jar each day for every positive step you take toward your goal.

Dalradian Gold Limited – Seeking Proposals from Licensed Contractors: For the haulage of ore from its site at Curraghinalt. *For more info call Karl Martin on (028) 8164 7799 or email kmartin@dalradian.com*

Fundraising Event for McMillan Cancer Support – World's Biggest Coffee Morning: Friday 25th September. I (Bridie) am organising a coffee morning in memory of my mother Regina in Rouskey Community Centre from 10.00am to 12.30pm on that day. Homemade cupcakes will be our speciality. *Please support this worthwhile cause*

Liam Bradley Tours: Wicklow, Monday 19th October for 4 days. 3 dinners, B/B, 2 teas. Daily tours are £210 pps, Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Loghaire. Departs from Omagh at 9.00am. *For more info call 07707 166 717*

Our Lady of Knock Shrine – National Grandparents’ Pilgrimage: Sunday 13th September. Chief Celebrant will be Bishop of Limerick Brendan Leahy with guest soloist Fr. Liam Lawton. Blessing of the Sick will be at 2.30pm and the Pilgrimage Mass followed by the Rosary will be at 3.00pm. Children are invited to compose a prayer for their grandparents and send it to CGA office, Castlebar St, Westport, Co Mayo.
All prayers will be blessed during the Mass • For more info call 098 24877 or email info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com

Mass for Bikers: Sunday 6th September at 1.00pm in St Aengus’ Church, Burt, Co. Donegal for motorcyclists. A time to pray, a time to remember all those bikers who have lost their lives in recent times and a time to ask for God’s blessing. After the Mass all the bikes and riders will be blessed. A collection will be taken up at this Mass for the RNLI and a short bike run to the Ned’s Point RNLI station for refreshment will happen. Please let any friends who are bikers know. **Chapel Address:** Main Derry to Letterkenny the N13, about 3 minutes from the border

Diocesan Safeguarding Training Notification: As part of the Safeguarding training programme in the Diocese, a series of Adult Safeguarding training events has been arranged, to take place during the month of September for those involved in Eucharistic Ministry to hospitals, nursing homes and the housebound. If you currently undertake this parish role, please contact one of our Parish Safeguarding Representatives to book a place at your designated session. Alternatively, to book a place:
Address: Safeguarding Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry • **Tel:** (028) 7136 2475 • **Hours:** Mon. and Tues., 9.00am to 5.00pm

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*

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 before Sunday 1st November.

Musings *Salvador Ryan (St. Patrick’s College, Maynooth)*
There is a story told of the court preacher to King Louis XIV of France. One Sunday when the king and his attendants arrived at the chapel for the regular service, no-one else was there but the preacher. King Louis demanded, ‘What does this mean?’ The court preacher replied, ‘I had published that you would not come to church today in order that your Majesty might see who serves God in truth and who flatters the king.’

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY IN 2015		
Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Sunday 30 th August	Our Lady of the Wayside
Derry Diocesan Society Masses in our Parish	Tuesday 8 th September • Thursday 29 th October	
	St. Patrick’s <i>Morning Masses will be celebrated as above unless a Requiem is needed</i>	
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:
Thursday 3rd September – St. Gregory the Great (pope and doctor of the Church) [540-604] Was a Roman noble who was Prefect of the City before becoming a monk. As Pope he established a pattern for the papacy in years to come, calling himself servant of the servants of Christ. He sent missions to Lombardy, Sardinia and England. Patron of musicians.
Thursday 4th September – St. Mac Nissi (bishop) Took his name from his mother Cnes or Ness. It is claimed that Patrick baptised him and taught him the psalms. He chose the district of Connor for his hermitage, but later became bishop of his clan. He died early in the 6th century.

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23. *John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)*

1. Certain sections of the Jewish people put great store on the importance of rules and conventions as a measure of the goodness of a person. Jesus challenges this view. How have you found that getting appearances right did not necessarily make you a good person?
2. Even fidelity in religious practice is not enough. ‘This people honours me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.’ How have you experienced the importance of carrying your faith beyond attendance at Mass on Sundays? When have you seen that in others? What brought this home to you?
3. ‘It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come.’ It is also from within that good intentions come. We have choices. When have you been faced with the choice between good and evil? When did you realise the importance of accepting responsibility for your own life and choices? How has this helped your growth as a person?

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.

The Deep End – Dirty Hands. *Paul Clogher (Waterford Institute of Technology)*
In Denys Arcand’s film Jesus of Montreal (1988), a group of actors stage a passion play, garnering praise in the process for their gritty, stripped down re-telling of the Jesus story. While their play casts doubt on the divinity of Jesus, their lives outside the drama begin to imitate his story. The lead actor, Daniel, is heralded by one of his fellow actors and gathers a group of actors/disciples. A cynical lawyer even tempts him with fame and fortune in a skyscraper ‘wilderness.’ Like Jesus, Daniel eats with those who have dirty hands. One actor dubs pornographic movies while another is having an affair with the local priest who, coincidentally, has hired the group to perform the passion.
Mark’s authorities miss the point of their ‘human’ traditions. Jesus offers a more radical way of thinking, which ultimately leads to his trial, death and glorification. For the Pharisees, Jesus is an impious lawbreaker. But Mark reminds his readers that the authorities have mistaken their own customs for God’s law. Arcand’s movie finds an apt allegory for this in Daniel’s motley crew of actors. While some might find Arcand’s replacing of Christianity with theatre disturbing, the parable, like all parables, reveals a truth. The Gospel plays with our boundaries. Those with dirty hands seem outside but it is the expected insiders who are ultimately rejected. Both Mark’s and Arcand’s stories end unresolved, to be continued in the lives of those who eat without washing.