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

Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg St. Patrick's, Greencastle The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (31st October, 2010)

The Parochial House, 164, Greencastle Road, Sheskinshule, Omagh, BT79 7RU

Website: greencastleparish.com Tel: (028) 8164 8474 Email: greencastlepp@yahoo.com

Liturgy Schedule for the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time (31st October, 2010 – 7th October, 2010)				
Saturday Evening Vigil	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions and Public		
Do This In Memory Week 2		Recitation of the Rosary		
- -		6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday:		
		Mary Rose Conway (30th Anniversary)		
Sunday 31st October	St. Patrick's	8.30am Public Recitation of the Rosary		
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time		9:00am Mass: Misso Pro Populo		
	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.30am Confessions		
	•	11.00am Mass		
		7.30pm Confessions		
		8.00pm Vigil Mass for Feast Day		
Monday 1st November	St. Patrick's	11.00am Mass Sick and Housebound Visits		
Tuesday 2 nd November	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.00am Mass		
Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed	St. Patrick's	8.00pm Mass for the Dead		
Wednesday 3 rd November	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass		
St. Malachy (bishop)				
Thursday 4th November	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass		
St. Charles Borromeo (bishop)				
Friday 5th November	St. Patrick's	7.30pm Confessions		
Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time		8.00pm Mass		
Saturday 6th November	St. Patrick's	10.00am Mass		
Feast of All the Saints of Ireland				
Saturday Evening Vigil	St. Patrick's	5.30pm Confessions		
		6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday:		
		Mickey Conway (2 nd Anniversary)		
Sunday 7th November	St. Patrick's	9:00am Mass: Misso Pro Populo		
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady of the Wayside	10.30am Confessions		
•	· ·	11.00am Mass		

Weekly Offerings: Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection which amounted to £1,000. Please support your community by using your envelope even if you must attend Mass outside your parish, thank you. Envelopes received from visitors coming to Mass in Greencastle are returned to those parishes.

Remembering Our Dead: Pray for Mary Rose Conway and Mick Fox whose anniversaries occur at this time and for the most recently enrolled members of the Derry Diocesan Society, Susanna Bradley (Formil), Kathleen Keenan (Mullingar/Benefreaghan), Felix McAneney (Dungannon), Paul McCullagh (Cashel) and Roseanne McGarvey (Muninamale).

The Pope's Intentions for November (please remember these in your personal prayer)

General: That victims of drugs or of other dependence may, thanks to the support of the Christian community, find in the power of our Saving God strength for a radical life-change.

Missionary: That the Churches of Latin America may move ahead with the continent-wide mission proposed by their bishops, making it part of the universal missionary task of the People of God.

Next Sunday's Readings: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; Psalm 16; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38

(Lectionary I, page 930)		(Sunday: Year C) (Weekday: Year 2)		
Greencastle Youth Club Rota				
Monday 1st November	6.30pm – 8.00pm (P6 and P7)	Anne Warnock		
Worlday 14 November	8.00pm – 9.30pm (Years 8, 9 and 10)	Kathleen McBride and Helen Tracey		
Tuesday 2 nd November	6.30pm – 8.00pm (P4 and P5)	Shauna Keenan		
Lotto Results: O-L-M-	- P - R (5 winners - £10 each) Next Ja	ckpot: £3,500		

Items for inclusion should be forwarded to the Parochial House by the Wednesday evening prior to publication

Parish Liturgy for November, 2010	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Francis McDermott	Siobhan McKenna	Barry Maguire
Prayers of Intercession	Emma Clarke	Lucy Hood	Volunteer needed
Eucharistic Ministry	Mary Tracey	Eileen McKenna	Mary McCrory
Collectors	Raymond Bradley	Dominic Warnock	Sean Clarke
	Oliver McCullagh	Leo Donnelly	Brian Gillen
Altar Society	Nuala Glass, Merissa Conway and Rosemary Conway		Volunteer needed

Thank you for everything you do in our parish-faith community.

Anyone wishing to volunteer for these ministries should make themselves known.

Offertory Gifts: The Years 4 and 7 pupils preparing to receive the sacraments of First Confession / First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2011 and their families have been invited to take responsibility for presenting the Offertory gifts at Sunday Mass during the month of November and are as follows:-

Week	6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gifts Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
10	Saturday 6th November	Thirty-Second Sunday	Sunday 7th November
	The family of Caitlin Warnock	in Ordinary Time	The family of Sean Og McCann
11	Saturday 13 th November	Thirty-Third Sunday	Sunday 14th November
- 11	The family of Caoimhe Warnock	in Ordinary Time	The family of Gary McElhatton
12	Saturday 20th November *	Solemnity of	Sunday 21st November
12	The family of Meaghan Clarke	Christ the King	The family of Patrick McElhatton
13	Saturday 27 th November	The First Sunday	Sunday 28th November
13	The family of Grace Conneely	of Advent (Year A)	The family of Aine Lucas
14	Saturday 4th December	The Second Sunday	Sunday 5th December
14	The family of Ciaran Coyle	of Advent (Year A)	The family of Michael McCann

* Do This In Memory Programme Week 3

As the wider parish community we thank these young people and their families for this important task of leadership at our Sunday Masses throughout the year.

Parish Stations: Thank you to all families who hosted a Station Mass for your town-land during the month of October. We were blessed with 6 Stations. Your hospitality was greatly appreciated. I hope you will maintain this tradition in this parish.

Public Recitation of the Rosary: Thank you to our parishioners and members of the Legion of Mary who led and participated in the public recitation of the Rosary during the month of October.

Norms for Indulgences at the Commemoration of All Souls (2nd November):

- 1. From 12 o'clock on 1st November until midnight on 2nd November all who have confessed, received Holy Communion and prayed for the Pope's intentions (one Our Father and Hail Mary, or as any other prayer of one's choice) can gain one plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory, and there reciting one Our Father and the Apostle's Creed. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls of the departed. Confession may be made at any time within the week preceding or the week following 1st November. Holy Communion may be received on any day from 1st to 8th November.
- 2. The faithful, who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the Holy Souls on the usual conditions once per day from 1st to 8th November. The conditions mentioned above apply also for this.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Meeting: Tuesday 9th November at 9.00pm.

Owenkillew Credit Union Annual General Meeting: Friday 12th November at 8,00pm in the Greencastle Office. All members are welcome.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (July, 2011) - Gift Vouchers:

£20, £30 and £50 Gift Vouchers are available from Rosemary at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, (028) 7136 2475.

Youth 2000 Retreat: This will take place at Loreto Convent Letterkenny from 12th to 14th November. Cost by donation - so please bring a sleeping bag! For more information call 08768 81202 or check out youth 2000.ie.

Upcoming BADA Events	Sunday 7th November	Dance
----------------------	---------------------	-------

Institute of Irish Leadership, 20 The Diamond, Pomeroy - Enrolment for Courses Available:

Basic IT and Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literature.

For more info call (028) 8775 7800 or email kathleenburnsiil@gmail.com

Parents Advice Centre - Helpline Volunteers: Men and women urgently required to train and work as Helpline volunteers. The preparation course is OCN accrediated Level 2. For further information call (028) 7137 2006, call to the office City Factory Building, 100 Patrick Street or email marie@pachelp.org Parents Helpline Floor 2, City Factory Building, 100 Patrick Street, Derry BT48 7EL. Tel: (028) 7137 2006. parentsadvicecentre.org Parents Helpline Freephone: 0808 8010 722 Registered in N. Ireland No: N130087 Registered Office: Andras House, 60 Gt Victoria St, Belfast BT2 7BB A Charity: Inland Revenue No: X0492/80

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2010 (Omagh Pastoral Centre, Brook Street):

12th and 13th November; 3rd and 4th December. Couples planning to marry should register for one of these courses 6 months before your wedding. Call (028) 8224 2439, e-mail accordomagh@btopenworld.com

World Mental Health Awareness Day - Walk and Talk (Sunday 10th October): 4 mile trail Goshford Park. Armagh, Registration 12:00noon – walk starts at 1.00pm - Registration £10.

For further information and to obtain sponsor forms please e-mail info@niamhlouisefoundation.com or call the Coalisland Office on (028) 8774 0354, Cookstown office on (028) 8676 9366 or Richhill on (028) 3887 9870.

Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Knock. Co. Mayo: The pilgrimage season lasts from the last Sunday 25th April (last Sunday in April) to Sunday 10th October (second Sunday in October). Please consider making a pilgrimage either personal or with your family this year. A poster in the Church porches gives details of the times and dates for the ceremonies or you can call 00353 9493 88100, fax: 00353 9493 88295, email: info@knock-shrine.ie or visit knockshrine.ie.

Medjugorje Irish Centre: Every week for a year we are giving away one weeks free apartment accommodation for up to 4 people. Text the word PILGRIM followed by your name and county to 60777 or phone us and we can enter you into the draw for free. Special introductory offer €260 package. Website www.med-irishcentre.com Tel: (028) 8224 1888.

Children in Crossfire - Barcelona Half Marathon: Children in Crossfire are recruiting 20 runners for the Barcelona Half Marathon on 13th February, 2011. Contact Sarah on (028) 7126 9898 or e-mail events@childrenincrossfire.org for information.

Knock Marriage Introduction Bureau: The aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. Over 800 marriages have taken place as a result of these introductions. If you are searching for a suitable partner, why not consider applying? For further information contact the Bureau at Knock, Co. Mayo. Phone 00353 94937 5960 or visit our website at www.knockmarriagebureau.com and read about the workings of the Bureau.

Foyle Hospice - Free Adult Counseling Service: Offered on Tuesdays to help support those with a life limiting illness and their families / carers. Counseling is also available for the bereaved and there is a children's For more info please contact the Hospice on (028) 7135 1010 bereavement support group.

Family Care Society - Adoption: Could you make a child happy again after a difficult start in life? Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 3 and 8 years and who need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family. Could this be you? For more information contact Family Care Society on: (028) 9069 1133 (Belfast) or (028) 7136 8592 (Derry). email@familycaresociety.org www.familycaresociety.net

Broughderg First Responders Scheme: The role of a First Responder is to attend, when possible a patient who has collapsed and administer CPR and / or defibrillation whilst waiting for an ambulance crew to attend. The Broughderg First Responders are volunteers who live and work in the local area they are fully trained and are fully insured. When an appropriate 999 call is received from the area covered by the First Responder Scheme; the volunteers are notified and try to attend to provide whatever care is reasonable. First Responders will only attend when dispatched by Ambulance Control. They have no role in the diagnosis or management of illness apart from the collapsed patient. There will always be a 999 ambulance in attendance. Volunteers are clearly identifiable as they will have ID with them. They will provide whatever care is reasonable and will endeavour to assist either doctors or members of the Ambulance Service as appropriate. If you require any further information about the scheme please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Janet Shields (Dalriada Urgent Care) (028) 2566 3502

This Week's Calendar of Feasts:

Sunday 31st October - Blessed Dominic Collins (martyr) Born around 1566 in the city of Youghal, Co. Cork, In 1598 after a military career he entered the Society of Jesus as a Brother. He returned to Ireland in 1601 but on 17th June, 1602 he was captured by the English who tried in vain to make him abjure his faith. Condemned to death, he was hanged in his native city on 31st October, 1602. Not celebrated this year.

Monday 1st November - All Saints 'The ultimate object of veneration of the Saints is the glory of God and the sanctification of man by conforming one's life fully to the divine will and by imitating the virtue of those who were preeminent disciples of the Lord. Catechesis and other forms of doctrinal instruction should therefore make known to the faithful that: our relationship with the Saints must be seen in the light of the faith and should not obscure the" cultus latriae due to God the Father through Christ in the Holy Spirit, but intensify it".

Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 212

Tuesday 2nd November – All Souls 'Indeed, the Church in its' pilgrim members, from the very earliest days of the Christian religion, has honoured with great respect the memory of the dead' and "because it is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins" (2 Mac 12, 46) she otters her suffrages for them. These consist, primarily, in the celebration of the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist, and in other pious exercises, such as prayers for the dead, alms deeds, works of mercy, and the application of indulgences to the souls of the faithful departed'.

Popular Pietv and the Lituray, 251

Wednesday 3rd November - St. Malachy (bishop) [1094-1148] Born near Armagh in 1094 and introduced the

Cistercians and the Canons Regular into Ireland. He died at Clairvaux in France.

Thursdav 4th November - St. Charles Borromeo (bishop) 1538-1584] Became Cardinal Archbishop of Milan at the age of 21. Worked for reform in his diocese, drafting the Catechism of the Council of Trent. Patron Saint of catechists and seminarians. He qualified in civil and canon law and was created a Cardinal before being appointed bishop of Milan. He worked strenuously for the reform of the Church.

Saturday 6th November -

All the Saints of Ireland 'In the communion of saints, may and varied spiritualities have been developed throughout the history of the Churches ... the different schools of Christian spirituality share in the living tradition of prayer and are essential guides for the faithful. In their rich diversity they are refractions of the one pure light of the Holy Spirit'.

Sunday 7th November - St. Willibrord (bishop and missionary) [658-739] He was born in Northumbria in 658. He entered the Benedictine order and was sent to study. After ordination he was sent with 11 companions to evangelise Frisia. He established a mission of Utrecht and in 695 was ordained Archbishop of Utrecht by Pope Sergius I. He founded a monastery at Echternach in Luxemburg in 7000, where he died in 739. Not celebrated this year.

The Deep End - Home Alone:

If there are little green men out there, why haven't we seen any sign of them? They could be big instead of small and blue instead of green, like the Na'vi on Pandora in the sci-fi film Avatar. Size and colour don't matter. What does matter is that to date we seem to be the only intelligent life form in this or any neck of the universe. According to recent scientific investigations complex life is rare even in our own galaxy and probably even rarer in other parts of the universe. Like it or not, it seems we're home alone.

That's a scary scenario for some – and would be for all did God not exist. His word in today's First Reading (Wisdom 11:22-12:2) expands our mind. It asks us to think big, to embrace the universe and allow the inevitable feeling of wonder to work its magic in our spirit. It tells us that God hates nothing that he has made. What exists is here because he wants it here. As we're still relatively new to the universe we're still finding these things out. Therefore, an open mind is essential both towards little green men and God alike.

The crowd in today's Gospel (Luke 19:1-10) don't have an open mind towards Jesus eating with Zacchaeus, a tax collector and, in their eyes, a sinner. Because of that, they miss out on an important truth: Jesus comes to seek out and save the lost.

What truths do we need to open our minds to so as not to lose out?

Fr. Tom Cahill SVD, Divine Word Missionaries, Donamon, Co Roscommon (tomcee@eircom.net)

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels – Luke 19:1-10:

- Zacchaeus showed himself open to the call of Jesus, to the surprise of his contemporaries who thought
 there was no good in tax collectors. Sometimes the people who give us lessons in goodness may be
 people we previously disregarded. Recall when this happened for you.
- 2. It was the eagerness of Zacchaeus to see what kind of a man Jesus was that opened him up to conversion. When you consider moments of change in your life what were the interests or desires that prepared you for change?
- The decision of Jesus to eat in the house of Zacchaeus broke the social norms of his day and scandalised those who saw him. When have you found table fellowship a useful way of breaking down artificial boundaries between people?

 John Byrne OSA (john@orlagh.ie)

Questions people ask:

- Q. Recently at a wedding in another church everybody was invited to take communion. But at a Catholic wedding the priest at the start said that only practising Catholics should receive. Isn't this rather narrow-minded and hurtful?
- A. Catholic belief is that receiving the Lord in the Blessed Eucharist is the greatest privilege of our religion.

 The Catholic Church will not water down this doctrine and safeguards it with certain regulations: the recipient must be baptised and not in the state of mortal sin. A period of fasting is recommended as a mark of respect. By upholding these regulations we let others know how sacred the Blessed Eucharist is in our religion.

 Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap (silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)