



Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)
St. Patrick's, Greencastle **Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg**
Third Sunday of Lent [Year B] (7th March, 2021)
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Thought for Lent: "Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin.... In confession there is a chance for mercy. Believe it firmly. Hope and have confidence in confession." *St. Isidore*

Saturday 6th March	St. Patrick's St. Patrick's (YouTube)	12 noon to 1.00pm Confession 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Do This in Memory
Sunday 7th March Third Sunday of Lent [Year B]	St. Patrick's (YouTube) Greencastle (FB)	11.00am Mass 3.00pm Divine Mercy and Lenten Devotions 8.00pm Night Prayer and Rosary
Monday 8th March	St. Patrick's (YouTube) Greencastle (FB)	10.00am Mass 8.00pm Stations of the Cross
Tuesday 9th March	St. Patrick's (YouTube) Badoney Lower (FB)	10.00am Mass 8.00pm Night Prayer and Rosary
Wednesday 10th March	St. Patrick's St. Patrick's (YouTube) Badoney Lower (FB)	2.00pm to 4.00pm Adoration 7.30pm Mass: Padre Pio Devotions Philomena Feeney (6 th Anniversary) 8.00pm Night Prayer and Rosary
Thursday 11th March St. Casimir	St. Patrick's (YouTube) Greencastle (FB)	10.00am Mass 8.00pm Night Prayer and Rosary
Friday 12th March St. Kieran (bishop)	St. Patrick's (YouTube) Badoney Lower (FB)	7.30pm Mass 8.00pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 13th March	St. Patrick's St. Patrick's (YouTube)	12 noon to 1.00pm Confession 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Willie John and Margaret Morris (14 th and 9 th Anniversaries)
Sunday 14th March Fourth Sunday of Lent [Year B]	St. Patrick's (YouTube) Greencastle (FB)	11.00am Mass 3.00pm Divine Mercy and Lenten Devotions 8.00pm Night Prayer and Rosary

COLLECTIONS **Weekly:** £670 • **Children in Crossfire:** £1,065 *Thank you for your generosity*

Baptism: We offer our prayers and best wishes to the family and friends of **Cahir James Meenan** who was welcomed into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism Saturday 27th February in St. Patrick's.

Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Philomena Feeney (6th)** whose anniversary occurs at this time. We also pray for those who have died as a result of Covid-19.

Monthly Devotions Through the Intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina:

Wednesday 19th March after the 7.30pm Mass via the Greencastle Parish YouTube channel.
The relic of the saint will be present in the church and offered with a blessing at the end of the devotions

Confession During Lent: During the month of March and up until Easter the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Saturdays from 12 noon to 1.00pm in St. Patrick's Church. The sacrament will be celebrated in the open beside the altar and spiritual music will play during the hour. The seat, if used, will be sanitised between each use. Penitents should wear a mask as required.

As part of our Lenten efforts we should all make the effort to receive the grace of the Sacrament of God's mercy

St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: For those in need of assistance please call 07738 837 992

Next Week's Readings: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 • Psalm 136, R/ v 6 • Ephesians 2:4-10
 John 3:14-21 • Lectionary 1:281 **Sunday [Year B] • Weekday [Year 1]**

Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre in Partnership with St. Mary's University, Twickenham

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For more info call the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 0044 (028) 7126 4087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org

Trócaire Boxes: Unfortunately, this year we are unable to distribute these boxes after public masses. You will find Trócaire boxes in the porches of the churches, Broughderg Post Office and Greencastle Centra. Hopefully, you will take one and read about this year's appeal which will be challenging for Trócaire again due to the restrictions of the pandemic. As usual, a Sunday mass during Lent will be set aside to make the appeal and give more detail on this year's focus country which is South Sudan and the families of focus.

Diocese of Derry Prayer for Lent 2021

Each day of Lent everyone is encouraged to pray this prayer

Loving Father,
 To prepare for His mission of proclaiming Your kingdom to the world
 Your Son Jesus was guided by Your Holy Spirit to the quiet of the desert.
 In these Lenten days, I pray that I will be guided by that same Spirit, to a place of renewal in my heart and mind, so that I will seek opportunities for daily personal prayer, personal sacrifices and acts of kindness.
 With Your help, may I too be truly prepared to share in the story of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Your Son, our Lord. *Amen*

Lenten Commitment Prayer

Father in heaven, I believe that You have committed Yourself to me forever as your child, made in Your image and likeness. In this Third Week of Lent I wish to commit myself to making some personal sacrifice in my life during this Season of Preparation before the Celebration of our salvation by Your Son, Jesus on the cross on Good Friday. I believe He made that sacrifice for all our sakes so that we can approach You, Father, with an open heart. I now make my Lenten Promise during this silent pause in the quiet of my heart And I seek Your strength and perseverance in this promise. I make it in Your name: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen*

Other Lenten Devotions

Masses at the usual times; Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 10.00am, Wednesday and Friday at 7.30pm. Saturday at 6.00pm, Sunday at 11.00am.

Sunday at 3.00pm	Greencastle (FB)	Divine Mercy and Lenten Devotions
Monday at 8.00pm	Greencastle (FB)	Stations of the Cross
Tuesday at 8.00pm	Badoney Lower (FB)	Night Prayer and Rosary
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Drink Wise, Age Well: Are you over 50? Are you worried about your own or someone else's alcohol use?
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