

The Mass

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A
9TH AUGUST, 2020

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

PENITENTIAL ACT (2)

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so
prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

People: For we have sinned against you.

Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

People: And grant us your salvation.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

◀ SIT ▶

FIRST READING

I Kings 19:9, 11-13

A reading from the first book of Kings

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he
went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was
told, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord."
Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind,
so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks
before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the
wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the
earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the
Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the
sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he
covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at
the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 84

[R] Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

[1] I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. [R]

[2] Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. [R]

[3] The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. [R]

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans:

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union
with Christ—it is the truth—my conscience in union with
the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is
this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so
endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off
from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own
flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were
given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the
ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were
made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs
and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above
all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest heavens!
Alleluia!



GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on
ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds
away. After sending the crowds away he went up into
the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was
there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake,
was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a headwind.
In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them,
walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him
walking on the lake they were terrified. "It is a ghost,"
they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called
out to them, saying, "Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid."
It was Peter who answered, "Lord," he said, "if it is you,
tell me to come to you across the water." "Come," said
Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started
walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as
he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to
sink. "Lord! Save me!" he cried. Jesus put out his hand at
once and held him. "Man of little faith," he said, "why did
you doubt?" And as they got into the boat the wind
dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him
and said, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

(Sit)

THE CREED

(Stand)

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

◀ SIT ▶

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. ...

◀ KNEEL ▶

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH (2)

Priest: The Mystery of Faith.

People: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb ...

People: Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

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

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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A] (9th August, 2020)

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Thought for the Week: "Very few people believe in the devil these days, which suits the devil very well. He is always helping to circulate the news of his own death. The essence of God is existence, and He defines Himself as: 'I am Who am.' The essence of the devil is the lie, and he defines himself as: 'I am who am not.' Satan has very little trouble with those who do not believe in him; they are already on his side."

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen (Life of Christ)

Saturday 8th August	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass: Sheskinshule (minus Maryville and Sheskinshule View)
Sunday 9th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	Our Lady of the Wayside Facebook Live	9.00am Mass: Broughderg and Crock 11.00am Mass 12 noon Angelus and Rosary
Monday 10th August	St. Patrick's Facebook Live	10.00am Mass 6.00pm Angelus and Rosary
Tuesday 11th August	Facebook Live	9.00am Mass and Rosary
Wednesday 12th August St. Jane Frances de Chantal (religious)	St. Patrick's	2.00pm to 4.00pm Adoration 7.30pm Mass followed by Padre Pio Devotions
Thursday 13th August	Facebook Live	10.00am Mass and Rosary
Friday 14th August St. Maximilian Kolbe (priest and martyr)	St. Patrick's Facebook Live	10.00am Mass 6.00pm Angelus and Rosary 8.00pm Vigil Mass of the Assumption
Saturday 15th August Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	St. Patrick's	11.00am Holyday Mass of the Assumption: Kathleen Gillen (6th Anniversary) 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Muninamale, Alworries and Aughascribba Road
Sunday 16th August Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	St. Patrick's Facebook Live	9.00am Mass: Crockanboy, Maryville and Sheskinshule View Ita McDermott (2nd Anniversary) 11.00am Mass 12 noon Angelus and Rosary

Weekly Collection: £1,685

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Remembering Our Dead: We pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Bishop Francis Lagan** and **Kenny Conway (Teebane West)** recently deceased and enrolled in the Derry Diocesan Society and for all who have died due to Covid-19.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Mass for this solemnity will take place in Our Lady of the Wayside on Friday 14th August at 8.00pm and St. Patrick's Church on Saturday 15th August at 11.00am. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. If, and when the church is full the outside speakers will be put on, you can follow mass from your car in the car park. *Communion will only be distributed to those inside*

Padre Pio Devotions – Monthly Devotions Through the Intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina:
Wednesday 12th August after 7.30pm mass St. Patrick's Church. *First Class relic will be present during prayers*

An Caisleán Glas agus Sperrin Óg – Annual Fundraising Barbeque:
Saturday 22nd August • Food served from 7.00pm • Tickets: £15

Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 • Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8, R/ v 4 • Romans 11:13-15
Matthew 15:21-28 • Lectionary 1:690 **Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 1]**

Face Coverings in Church: Over the last few weeks there has been widespread discussion regarding face coverings in enclosed or indoor spaces. As of this weekend in all places of worship in England members of the congregation are expected to wear some form of face covering. Therefore I would encourage you to begin the habit of wearing a face covering in the church during mass. This does not apply to those under the age of 13. The priest will only wear his face covering during the distribution of communion as he is many metres away from the congregation in the sanctuary area during the mass. This of course may bring about issues for some who for a medical reason cannot wear a face covering. In the absence of any guidance from the diocese at the moment I would ask anyone in this position to get in touch with me in advance so that I can discuss how we can accommodate you. Once more this is a difficult issue but one better faced now rather than when it becomes obligatory. I look forward to your help in this matter. In the meantime let us continue to pray for all those in authority who continue to have to make very difficult decisions during these turbulent times.

Fr. Eddie Gallagher PP

Sacrament of Confirmation: Our Parish celebration of Confirmation is due to take place on Saturday 5th September at 11.00am in St. Patrick's Church. As indicated last weekend our Parish Covid-19 Task Force met to discuss the issue of numbers in the church. After that discussion it was agreed that only the parents, child and brothers and sisters will be present in the church. This means that one of the parents will act as a proxy sponsor. The name of your original sponsor will be recorded in the Confirmation Register. Each household will have a row set aside for them. We also need to be aware of any rules regarding face coverings which may be in place at that time. The sponsor can be involved in any family celebrations later in the day. Once more it needs to be repeated that even this decision may have to be revisited in light of Public Health Guidelines in place at that time. This decision will be disappointing to many but is taken with public health in mind. It is hoped that we can bring the Confirmation Candidates together in the church on the 3 Wednesdays before the ceremony at 8.00pm from Wednesday 19th August for some preparation time using their Confirmation book and also watching some videos before each gathering which will be highlighted on the Parish Website and Parish Bulletin next weekend. *We pray for each other in the coming weeks, especially for our Confirmation candidates and families for whom this is a bewildering time*

Greencastle Parish Public Mass Schedule

Saturday 15th August	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Muninamale, Alworries and Aughascribba Road
Sunday 16th August	St. Patrick's	9.00am Crockanboy, Maryville and Sheskinshule View
Saturday 22nd August	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Binnefreaghan
Sunday 23rd August	Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Teebane East, Camanrancy, Aughminacory and Coneyglen
Saturday 29th August	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Formil (not Aughascribba Road)
Sunday 30th August	St. Patrick's	9.00am Cashel, Leaghan and Brackagh South
Saturday 5th September	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Sheskinshule (not Maryville and Sheskinshule View)
Sunday 6th September	Our Lady of Wayside	9.00am Broughderg and Crock

Arrangements for other Sacraments and Ceremonies:

Baptism: If you have a child for baptism contact Fr. Gallagher and a date and time for baptism will be organised.

Marriage: Most weddings for 2020 have been rearranged for 2021. Any weddings in church in 2021 will follow government capacity regulations.

Confirmation: It is intended to celebrate this Sacrament on Saturday 5th September at 11.00am.

First Communion: It is intended to celebrate this Sacrament on Saturday 26th September at 11.00am with First Confession shortly beforehand.

Confession: In the short-term during summer months (weather permitting) Fr. Gallagher will be available for Confession at the Calvary in the graveyards on Saturdays from 5.30pm to 5.50pm in St. Patrick's Church and Sundays from 8.30am to 8.50am in Our Lady of the Wayside. Confession with social distancing and privacy in the church building is quite difficult to achieve hopefully this will resume in the near future.

Funerals: According to present regulations only 30 people are permitted in the church or cemetery at any one time.

Please note that as regulations change we will either extend or roll back on these arrangements

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