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Second Sunday of Advent [Psalter Week II, Year C] (8th December, 2024)
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SAT 7 DEC	St. Patrick's, G'stle	6.00pm	Vigil Mass <i>Packie Vincent and Rose Morris (Ann.)</i>
SUN 8 DEC	Our Lady of Wayside	11.30am	Mass <i>Laura McGuigan (Ann.)</i>
MON 9 DEC	Our Lady of Wayside	11.00am	Funeral Mass for Michael Quinn
	St. Patrick's, G'Castle	7.30pm	Mass <i>Solemnity of Immaculate Conception</i>
		8.00pm to 9.00pm	Adoration and Confessions
TUE 10 DEC	St. Patrick's, G'stle	10.00am	Mass
THU 12 DEC	St. Patrick's, G'stle	6.00pm to 9.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration
FRI 13 DEC	St. Patrick's, G'stle	7.30pm	Mass <i>Bridie Glass (1st Ann.)</i>
SAT 14 DEC	St. Patrick's, G'stle	6.00pm	Vigil Mass <i>Martin McCullagh (Month's Mind)</i>
SUN 15 DEC	Our Lady of Wayside	11.30am	Mass

Christmas Mass Schedule

TUE 24 DEC	7.00pm Mass in Our Lady of Wayside 9.00pm Mass in St. Patrick's, G'castle
	8.00pm Mass in St. Patrick's, Gortin
WED 25 DEC	9.00am Mass in St. Mary's, Rouskey 10.30am Mass in St. Patrick's, G'castle

Christmas Confessions (in addition to the normal Confession schedule)

WED 11 DEC	8.00pm to 10.30pm	St. Mary's, Rouskey (Evening of Mercy)
TUE 17 DEC	7.00pm to 10.00pm	Our Lady of Wayside (Evening of Mercy)
THU 19 DEC	6.00pm to 12.00am	St. Patrick's, Greencastle (Evening of Mercy)
SUN 22 DEC	3.00pm to 4.00pm	St. Patrick's, Greencastle (Fourth Sunday of Advent)
	4.30pm to 5.30pm	St. Patrick's, Gortin (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

Christmas Carol Service: Wednesday 18th December at 7.00pm in St. Patrick's Church, Greencastle.

An Caisleán Glas, Sperrin Óg – Presentation Night: Saturday 7th December from 7.00pm in Greencastle Community Hall with the big draw at 9.00pm (food served at 7.45pm). Celebrating the 2024 season and recognising the incredible efforts behind our Croí an Chaisleáin Ghlais development!

Greencastle Community Jumble Fayre: Tuesday 10th December, 7.00pm to 9.00pm in Greencastle Community Hall (£3 entry). All donations will be given to the school and any items remaining will be added to the local Secret Santa initiative. *For more info call Ciara on 07523 818 261 or Tish on 07810 062 020*

Greencastle Community Association – Card Playing: Every Friday Night at 8.00pm

Greencastle Youth Club – St. Vincent de Paul Food Appeal:

It so vital to teach the children the importance of giving as well as receiving. We are so lucky to have such great children and families in our club and within our community so we ask everyone to please provide what they can to our food box over the next few weeks (available for collections daily at the Old Schoolhouse / Green Elves Playgroup or handed in at youth club on a Friday night). Let's give a helping hand to those in need and fill as many boxes as we can, they will be in the Old Schoolhouse from Monday 2nd December. All support is appreciated, any family who has already contributed to Secret Santa appeal doesn't need to donate again. *We hope to hand all donations over on 13 DEC*

SAT 7 DEC	St. Patrick's, Gortin	7.30pm	Vigil Mass <i>Patsy McCullagh (Month's Mind)</i>
SUN 8 DEC	St. Mary's, R'skey	10.00am	Mass <i>Francis Conway (1st Ann.)</i>
MON 9 DEC	St. Mary's, R'skey	2.00pm	Funeral Mass for Martin Keenan
	St. Patrick's, Gortin	7.30pm	Mass <i>Solemnity of Immaculate Conception</i>
TUE 10 DEC	St. Patrick's, Gortin	12.30pm	Mass <i>Adoration until 5.00pm</i>
WED 11 DEC	St. Mary's, R'skey	7.30pm	Mass (Evening of Mercy) <i>Adoration and Confessions until 10.30pm</i>
SAT 14 DEC	St. Patrick's, Gortin	7.30pm	Vigil Mass <i>Anthony Mossey (Ann.)</i>
SUN 15 DEC	St. Mary's, R'skey	10.00am	Mass

Weekly Collection Totals **Greencastle:** £1,195 **Badoney Lower:** £1,220.40

Praying for Our Dead *May They Rest in Peace* **G:** Michael Quinn | Brendan Potter
 Michael McNamee | Patricia Conway | Bridie Glass | Martin McCullagh | Patrick O'Hagan
 Laura McGuigan | Patrick Devlin | Packie Vincent and Rose Morris **BL:** Patsy McCullagh
 Martin Keenan | Pete O'Neill | Francis Conway | Patrick Hollywood | Anthony Mossey

St. Patrick's Primary School, Gortin – New Online Application Process: The way in which parents apply for P1 places has changed for children due to start school in September, 2025. Information on the procedures is now available on the EA website at eani.org.uk/parents/admissions. Online applications open Friday 10th January at 12 noon and close 12 noon on Friday 24th January.

Church Music Seminar: Tuesday 10th December in Plumbridge Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Church singers, Church musicians and choir members from the parishes of Ardstraw East, Badoney Lower, Badoney Upper and Greencastle are invited to a seminar which aims to encourage and help those involved in music ministry in their important role in the Liturgy. The seminars will be facilitated by Fr. Peter O'Kane, Fr. Declan McGeehan and Maghnus Monaghan.

Rouskey Community Centre – Christmas Events: Sunday 8th December
 Santa arrives at 5.00pm (£2 per child / £5 per family) Tickets on sale for draw
 Christmas wreaths are on sale from 11.00am to 12.00pm and 5.00pm to 6.30pm

Cappagh Badoney CCE – December Seisiun to celebrate the Fleadh & Christmas: All welcome
 Sunday 8th December in Plumbridge Parish Hall. (Youth: 4.00pm to 5.00pm | Adult: 5.00 to 7.00pm)

Greencastle Youth Club – Christmas Carol Singing Fundraiser:
 After both masses on weekend of 21st and 22nd December. *All donations are greatly appreciated*

Pilgrimages in 2025 <i>Gift Vouchers available</i>	Rome to Mark Jubilee 2025 Monday 29 th September to Tuesday 4 th October
	Shrines of France Tuesday 3 rd to Tuesday 10 th June
	Camino Monday 18 th to Monday 25 th August
	Medjugorje FRI 5 to FRI 12 SEP Special offer extended to FRI 20 DEC <i>A deposit of £350 secures your seat on any of the Pilgrimages</i> <i>Contact Maria on (028) 8164 8357 or WhatsApp on 07768 395 038 for more info</i>

Deaths: We extend sympathy and prayerful support to the family and friends of and **Brendan (BJ) Potter (Pomeroy), Michael (Mick) Quinn (Broughderg)** and **Martin Keenan (Gortin)** who all died recently. *May they rest in peace and rise in glory*