

The Sanctuary of St. Patrick, often referred to as St. Patrick's Purgatory, is situated on Station Island on Lough Derg.



A monastery was founded on nearby Saints Island in the 5th century; Lough Derg has been a place of prayer and pilgrimage since then.

OUR MISSION

Faithful to a tradition inspired by Patrick, who himself found hope and new purpose in his time among the mountains, Lough Derg is here to offer opportunities for deep encounter with self and with God in these changing times.

OUR VISION

In a busy world, Lough Derg is an island apart, welcoming all who seek peace, spiritual nourishment and new direction through pilgrimage, presence and prayer.

OUR VALUES

WELCOME

for each one who comes, true to the spirit of a place of sanctuary – the ancient *tearmann*

RESPECT

the freedom to come as you are, whatever life experience you may bring

SPACE

for the deeper things, away from demands to be ever available and online

WONDER

at the simple beauty of nature in this out-of-the-way corner of God's creation

FAITH

that the things of the spirit are true and real and worthy of our attention

AUTHENTICITY

in touch with one's best and truest self, and with what really matters

HOPE

that another new beginning is always possible and that grace will lead us home

HEALING

for hearts that know their vulnerability and that long to forgive and to be forgiven

LOVE OF GOD AND NEIGHBOUR

after the example of Jesus who made God's compassion real for all who came his way