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