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A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



Dear Friends,

If someone was to ask you the question "What are you"? what would your first reaction be?

A word which we now hear a great deal in today's world is "identity". People try to categorise us by what they think our identity might be. In some cases people are quite willing to embrace these categorisations; for instance Protestant/

Unionist/Loyalist(PUL) or Nationalist/Republican.

Others might prefer Irish or British or perhaps feel more comfortable with more precise definitions like Church of Ireland or Methodist. Or vegetarian or pacifist or feminist or just a man or a woman...the list is endless. What would yours be?

I suppose "identity" is a short word which we use to signify all the things which have come together to make us what we are as individuals and as communities. In fact the identity of any one person or any one community is so complex that it can be almost impossible to put into words. Perhaps that is the reason that certain symbols are used as a kind of shorthand summary of our identity. Symbols (like a flag or a badge) can say a great deal without using any words. Many scholars have argued (scholars argue a lot) that the important symbols for Jews in Jesus' time were the Temple, the Law and the Sabbath. They would say that if you had asked an ordinary Jew what were the things that best summed up his identity- what he was- he would have said these three things. They were things that he didn't like people messing about with.

Of course Jesus said and did rather far reaching things about and with each of them. He not only cleansed the Temple but he predicted its destruction. He said that he himself was the end of the Law- not in the sense that it was finished, but that it now was to be very differently understood. And (with the exception of a small number of Jewish-Christian communities) the followers of the Risen Jesus kept the first day of the week as a celebration of the Resurrection and discarded Saturday observance. In other words the followers of Jesus took on a new identity.

Identity could have been a big problem for St. Paul because of his rather complex background. He was a Roman citizen who was born in Eastern Turkey but who had some of his education in Palestine. He was by choice a Pharisee (a group of largely lay people who tried to keep the law as accurately as possible even in the changed circumstances of city life) but may well also have been a mystic who had strange heavenly experiences and visions. Above all else though he

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identified himself as a Jew- "a Hebrew of Hebrews" as he once wrote.

Yet in the end he rejected all of these "identities" and substituted for them the single identity of being what he described as "in Christ", a new creation. Of course he couldn't unremember all he had learned as a Pharisee and he certainly couldn't unravel his own DNA as though he had inherited nothing of what he was from his parents and ancestors.

However St. Paul was nothing if not thorough and he obviously spent a great deal of the time he had on his hands tramping around the towns and cities of the eastern Mediterranean thinking about how being in Christ affected all of his previous thoughts and convictions.

What should his attitude be to the Jewish nation and the Jewish religion of his birth which he quite clearly loved. What should his attitude be to the Roman Empire and local Roman authorities. How did being in Christ affect his relations with pagan religions - the cults of Isis and Mithras which had been imported from the East and were very modish in his day.

While St. Paul was in the process of working these questions out and many others like them, another group of believers had already made up their mind about some of them. The writer of the Book of Revelation had no doubt about the Roman Empire and the worship of the Emperor that went with it; it was demonic. He couldn't quite come right out and say it so he used a sort of coded language but the meaning is fairly clear. Don't have anything to do with it!

Both St. Paul and the writer of Revelation hoped for and expected the Lord to return fairly soon and they were probably convinced that any answers to how believers should live in the world were short term measures. Two thousand years later our answers should perhaps be for the longer term.

To some degree that is something which we must work out for ourselves as individuals. The Bible and the long tradition of what other Christians have thought about it over the ages can be very helpful but they don't relieve us of the responsibility of making our own decisions. Oddly enough there is one theme about our relationship to the state and the country where we happen to be living which runs through the Bible, in both the Old Testament and the New. And it is that we are to regard ourselves a foreigners in any country, even our own. I think that means we are to work hard to try to make a positive contribution wherever we live, but that we are not to regard it as our real home or as the place that gives us the most important element in our identity.

I don't know about you, but I find that incredibly difficult because we all have very deep bonds of affection for our country- however we may define it. Yet if we are believers the core of our identity is, like St. Paul, in Christ and literally everything else- the rest of our identity and our allegiances including our social and political allegiances- have to be worked out in relation to that.

Another way of putting it is to say that we are to conduct ourselves in whichever country we live as though we were living in heaven (heaven does not mean in the clouds, it means with God). That may not sound very practical and I can hear people saying already that we would be walked all over if we lived like that. Maybe we would. Certainly in the end Our Lord allowed Himself to be.

But then He rose again from the dead. And you and I are the sons and daughters of His Resurrection.

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ANGLICAN COMMUNION NEWS

Archbishop Welby condemns abduction of Nigerian schoolsgirls



Archbishop Justin Welby

The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby has condemned the abduction of over 200 Nigerian schoolgirls from their boarding school, and has asked that people join him in praying for their safe release.

Archbishop Justin said:

"This is an atrocious and inexcusable act and my prayers and thoughts go out to the young people and their families

at this upsetting time. I appeal to those who have taken these schoolgirls to release them immediately and unharmed. This is in a part of Nigeria I have visited and in a country whose people are close to my heart. Let your hearts be open in compassion and mercy to those who have suffered so much."

Dr Rowan Williams lives below the line for Christian Aid



Dr Rowan Williams

Christian Aid chair, Rowan Williams has Lived Below the Line ahead of Christian Aid Week. He urges others to follow him by spending just £1 a day for five days on all food and drink. The money raised by sponsoring participants will help to eradicate extreme poverty globally.

Dr Williams took up the challenge to test himself and to

show solidarity with the 1.2 billion people around the world who go to bed hungry every night.

'I hope people will sign up to Live Below the Line because exploring this process of living on just £1 a day, sharing the experience of some of the most challenged people in the world, is really a way of discovering something about yourself and about the world we live in,' he said.



The five days were tough for the former Archbishop of Canterbury, especially the planning of meals and trying to create a nutritionally balanced diet on so little money.

'There's not much variety. You have to rely heavily on cheap staples so eating becomes less of a pleasure and more about trying to nourish yourself which is very difficult on just £1. Getting the ideal five-a-day (let alone more recent recommendations of seven or ten) is more or less impossible', he adds.

Although it was a challenge, Dr Williams did stress that he was fully aware he could stop at any time. 'Every moment I was conscious I could walk away from this but what about all the people who can't walk away?' He encourages people to go to the website www. christianaid.org.uk/livebelowtheline to sign up before 30th June and to help raise money which will help those in desperate need.

Archbishop Justin joins British 'Christian country' debate

Archbishop Justin has contributed to the current debate about whether Britain is a Christian country, saying that society's laws and values "have been shaped and founded on Christianity".

Archbishop Justin said "It is a historical fact (perhaps unwelcome to some, but true) that our main systems of ethics, the way we do law and justice, the values of society, how we decide what is fair, the protection of the poor, and most of the way we look at society... All have been shaped by and founded on Christianity.

"Add to that the foundation of many hospitals, the system of universal schooling, the presence of chaplains in prisons, and one could go on a long time. Then there is the literature, visual art, music and culture that have formed our understandings of beauty and worth since Anglo Saxon days."

Archbishop Justin goes on to argue that it is wrong to assume that expressing confidence in the country's Christian identity alienates those of other faiths. "The influence of a moderate and careful and generous Christian faith has enabled us to be welcoming to other faiths," he said.

South African Anglicans warn on fracking in medical journal

Anglicans in South Africa have said the voices of health professionals are being ignored in the national debate about the benefits and dangers of 'fracking'.

In an article for the the South African Medical Journal (SAMJ) one of the co-authors, Anglican Church of Southern Africa (ACSA) Environmental Co-ordinator the Revd Dr Rachel Mash, said there are a host of potential down sides of the fuel extraction method to the health and welfare of South African society, and to the environment.

"The drilling and fracking processes use hundreds of chemicals as well as silica sand, and additional elements are either released from or formed in the shale during drilling. These substances can enter the environment in various ways," Dr Mash writes.

The article comes as South Africa is on the verge of embarking on 'fracking', an exploratory high-volume hydraulic fracturing method of extracting the huge reserves of natural gas contained in the shale rock.

In an interview, Dr Mash said, "fracking is a boom and bust business and so you get an economic boom for a few years and then the community is left with a bust, and a large area is affected over years."

Dr Mash is worried that the fracking debate seems to be too focused on jobs versus the environment without giving sufficient consideration to questions of the implications for people's health.

The article acknowledges the substantial benefits that fracking may bring to the South African economy but emphasises: "The environmental and health impacts may not be insignificant and these have yet to be considered in sufficient depth. To reduce possible negative public health impacts, a precautionary approach should be adopted and provision made for monitoring and adaptation."

CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

The Archbishop of Armagh's Presidential Address at the General Synod 2014



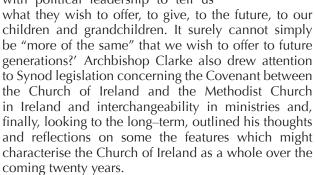
Archbishop of Armagh

The Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, the Most Revd Dr Richard Clarke, delivered his Presidential Address to the General Synod of the Church of Ireland meeting in Christ Church Cathedral Dublin on Thursday 8th May 2014. He focused on 'Freely you have received, freely give' (Matthew Chapter 10 v.8), speaking of the 'Church as an organism that is

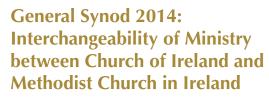
characterised by its giving nature; its people who are characterised by being giving people'.

Archbishop Clarke also stressed that 'All life is a gift of God; it is never a commodity'. He said: '...one of the aspects of modern culture I most fear is that we have turned all human life into a commodity. The very beginnings of life and the end of life on earth are a gift, never to be treated as anything less.' The Archbishop asked questions about society's priorities – in relation to poverty and foodbanks and in funding for hospice provision – and also encouraged people to consider fostering children in need and urged church members to consider being blood donors and to sign up for organ transplant at death, 'as an opportunity for giving to others', and as promoted by the Flesh and Blood – 'FAB' – campaign. The Archbishop

went on to ask: 'I would make an appeal to a wider audience and ask those who have been entrusted with political leadership to tell us



Detailed news reports and images from the 2014 General Synod can be found on the Synod website: http://synod.ireland.anglican.org/2014



Bill on Interchangeability of Ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland Passed at General Synod 2014.

The General Synod of the Church of Ireland has passed historic legislation to provide for interchangeability in ministries between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland, the two Churches being in a Covenant relationship.





Rev Dr Heather Morris

The Special Bill passed its final reading by the required two—thirds majority of each order present. The passing of the legislation was warmly welcomed by the Archbishop of Armagh, The Most Revd Dr Richard Clarke, and by the Revd Dr Heather Morris, President of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

Synod to take place in Armagh until suitable alternative found



Mr Walter Pringle

A private members motion calling for General Synod to be held in Armagh until an alternative suitable venue can be found has been passed at Synod. Proposed by Joan Bruton (Meath and Kildare) the motion acknowledged with thanks the assistance of the Dean, Chapter and staff of Christ Church Cathedral Dublin, but said that General

Synod should be hosted in the city of Armagh until such a time as another suitable venue can be found at reasonable cost.

Mrs Bruton said that while it was appropriate over the last few years to meet in Dublin and Armagh, meeting in Dublin was expensive and congested.

Canon Paul Willoughby (Cork, Cloyne and Ross) said it did not matter where Synod met as it was the sense of community gained while meeting that mattered.

Walter Pringle (Clogher) said that the economy in the South needed a boost in the same way that the economy of the North did and suggested finding rural locations for Synod. The motion was passed by Synod.

Synod receives report of the Board of Education



Revd Canon Bryan Kerr

The report of the Board of Education to General Synod was presented in two parts, the report deals with developments in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

Proposing the report, Canon Bryan Kerr (Clogher), drew Synod's attention to the fact that the Education Bill to enable the establishment of the Education and Skills Authority (ESA) had

not yet been passed by the Northern Ireland Assembly. He said that the impasse could not go on indefinitely. He said the transferor churches were fully supportive of change to educational administration in Northern Ireland but it must be done in a way which delivered parity of treatment for all sectors of schools.

On the issue of shared education, Canon Kerr said that the Church of Ireland, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches had affirmed their support for shared education in Northern Ireland.

He stressed the importance of shared education. "Shared education is surely a good model contributing to a better society in Northern Ireland as it moves forward from its difficult past. Sharing enables children who will eventually live and work in society to spend some of their childhood learning alongside children from other traditions. Shared education seems to offer one way to help these things happen, not by dismissing differences but by helping schools to become interdependent and making the boundaries between them porous," he stated.

He told Synod that Safeguarding Trust now had a dedicated website with updates, information, contact details and links to Access NI forms. He also outlined the aims of the Board. Synod agreed to receive the report.

Report of Standing Committee received by Synod



Mr Glenn Moore

The Report of Standing Committee highlighted some significant matters dealt with over the past year including the meeting between representatives of the Church of Ireland and the Irish Government in April 2013, and the submission to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Health and Children on Abortion.

In proposing it, Mr Glenn Moore (Clogher) highlighted aspects of the report. He said one important area of work undertaken by Standing Committee was to engage with issues in society and offer into such discussions a Christian, and at times, prophetic voice. He said a number of representatives attended the Irish Council of Churches annual meeting and wished the Revd Dr Donald Watts, Clerk of the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, well in his role as President of the Council.

He praised the work of Bishops' Appeal in the alleviation of poverty and empowerment for a better future. He said the appeal's ability to respond to disaster was significant but a number of projects had to be overlooked due to financial constraints.

Mr Moore spoke about implementation of the Charities Legislation in Northern Ireland and outlined how parishes will be assisted with registration. He said similar legislation was in the pipeline for the Republic of Ireland. It was important to ensure that parishes and dioceses were fully up to speed in order to ensure compliance, and to assist this the RCB offers advice on the vesting of property and the creation of deeds of trust, he stated.

The report was seconded by the Revd Gillian Wharton. During the debate on the report a number of points were raised. Mr Moore responded to points raised and the report of Standing Committee was received and adopted.

Church and Society Commission Statement on Marriage

The Church and Society Commission of the Church of Ireland, mindful of the debate in the Northern Ireland Assembly on same-sex marriage, wishes to reflect the stated position of the Church of Ireland on marriage. As recently as its General Synod meeting in May 2012 the Church of Ireland affirmed its position on marriage: 'The Church of Ireland continues to uphold its teaching that marriage is part of God's creation and a holy mystery in which one man and one woman become one flesh ... The Church of Ireland affirms, according to our Lord's teaching that marriage is in its purpose a union permanent and life-long, for better or worse, till death do them part, of one man with one woman, to the exclusion of all others on either side ... The Church of Ireland recognises for itself and of itself, no other understanding of marriage.'

Safeguarding Trust now has a dedicated website

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You will find updates, information, contact details and links to AccessNI forms etc on the website. Please visit the site and become familiar with it.

RCB Library Archive of the Month – Gender Debates at The General Synod of 1914



Gender debates featured large at the General Synod of the Church of Ireland held 100 years ago in May 1914. The RCB Library exhibits an extensive collection of press–cuttings on everything to do with the Church of Ireland for the entire period from the run up to the disestablishment of the Church in 1869 and up to 1917 put together by a former archdeacon of Dublin, the Revd Robert Walsh (1843–1917). Specifically it focuses on a particular debate at the 1914 General Synod (the Church's AGM and supreme decision–making body) when the burning issue of whether or not women should be allowed to sit on parish vestries, act as churchwardens and parochial nominators (nominating the incumbent) was raised for the first time.

Walsh's collection in its entirety consists of 16 enormous volumes of press-cuttings which he scrupulously put

together during his clerical career. His cuttings cover all manner of church life at central and local levels, which provide great detail and colour to events such as diocesan synods, parish meetings, controversial subjects, and annual events – the key one being the General Synod.

To view the online presentation, see: www.ireland. anglican.org/library/archive

Belfast Cathedral hosts it's first ever Music Festival



St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast, will host its first ever Music Festival with a variety of concerts both instrumental and vocal.

This is an opportunity for the Cathedral to display the talents of its own musicians and to provide a platform for visiting performers.

The festival will open on 7th June with a concert by the Edinburgh University Music Society. A three-choirs concert featuring the choirs of St Anne's Cathedral, St George's Parish and St Peter's RC Cathedral will take place on 14th June before the closing Festival Eucharist at 11am on 15th June.

Over the course of the week, Jonah–Man Jazz will be supported by the young singers from the Cathedral's ambitious Choir School Project, the girls' choir and the Cathedral Jazz band. There will be organ recitals, Choral Evensong, Sung Compline and Baroque Favourites featuring Belfast Baroque and others.

The Dean of Belfast, the Very Revd John Mann, will join professional violinist Katie Stevens in a performance of Bach's Double Violin Concerto accompanied by Master of the Choristers David Stevens on harpsichord.

David said: 'Many organisations use this Cathedral as a venue for concerts but St Anne's did not run any concerts of its own so there was no focal point for our music outside of our services.

'The Music Festival, which we hope will become an annual event, will allow the Cathedral to share its music with people from far and wide and from all backgrounds.'

DIOCESAN NEWS

Appointment of new rector for Ballybay Group of Parishes



Revd Neal Phair

Following a meeting of the Board of Nomination, the Revd Neal Phair has been appointed as Rector of Ballybay, Muckno and Clontibret. Although originally from County Monaghan he is currently serving as Vicar in the benefice of Cherbury and Gainfield in the Diocese of Oxford. The date of Institution to be arranged.

Church of Ireland Communications Competition 2014 Results Announced

The winners of the Central Communications Board 2014 Communications Competition for the best newsletters/ magazines, websites and innovative use of social media by parishes, dioceses and church organisations were announced on Saturday 10th May, by the the Rt Revd Trevor Williams, Bishop of Limerick and Chairman of the Central Communications Board, at the General Synod held in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.

The competition was run by the Church of Ireland Press Office but externally and professionally judged. There was praise to all the entrants for their efforts in communicating within their own contexts in each category, with convincing evidence of communication work of a high standard across the island.

In the Parish magazines/newsletters category, there were many entries in various different formats: some were straightforward monthlies, modestly produced, while others were produced quarterly and very professionally designed and produced. The Joint Runner Up was 'Rossory News'. The judges praised Rossory News especially for its good use of photographs and good contacts list accompanied by useful explanations of each organisation and activity.

In the Diocesan magazines category the Runner Up was the Clogher Diocesan Magazine. The redesigned magazine was praised for 'being full of information providing a really good overview of life in the diocese'.

Contemplative Prayer



Revd Isobel Nixon

by The Revd Isobel Nixon

One aspect of prayer, which we often neglect, is the prayer of contemplation. It is a form of prayer, which deepens our spiritual life, giving it greater depth and meaning. It may be described as meditation, silent prayer or the prayer of stillness. We shall call it

contemplative prayer, because the society within the Church of Ireland, which promotes it, is called The Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer-

The Fellowship was founded in the Church of England in 1932 by The Revd Robert Coulson. Originally membership was restricted to Anglican clergy but now embraces both lay and ordained and boasts members of different denominations. The F.C.P. recommends that its members spend a period of at least ten minutes daily in contemplation.

But what is the prayer of contemplation? And how to practise it? What's the method, so to speak? Simply "..... take a phrase or sentence from the Bible, memorise it, focus on it and in a time of stillness and silence try to absorb it into our souls and minds." Instead of talking to God, bombarding Him with our thoughts and words, we leave a space - in which we listen. We allow God to speak to us. You can practise this kind of prayer as an individual or in a group-in your own home or on retreat - for as long or short a time as you wish. However it is recommended that beginners start with a period of five minutes. I assure you - to the beginner - five minutes can seem an eternity!

The F.C.P. in Ireland holds a one day retreat in spring and another in autumn. This year the Spring Retreat was hosted in St. Peter's Church, Culmore, Co. Londonderry. The Autumn Retreat is planned for 29th September in Drumbo Parish Church, Belfast. Our annual Residential Retreat will take place this year in the Church of Ireland Theological Institute in June. Retreatants have a choice of datesthe weekend of 13th -15th June, or midweek 16th-19th June.

Sayings from Scripture used in contemplation include the following:-

Be still and know that I am God

I have loved you with an everlasting love.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

If you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me.

Be of good cheer. I have overcome the world.

Landlord Registration Scheme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014

New legislation recently came into effect in Northern Ireland which requires all private landlords of residential property to register on a central registration system under the Landlord Registration Scheme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014.

The main purposes of the Scheme are to recognise good practice and responsible landlords, to improve standards within the private rented sector and to highlight non-compliance. Members of the public will be able to check if a landlord is registered. The information provided by the landlord will also be available to allow local Councils, the Department of Finance and Personnel and the Northern Ireland Housing Executive to carry out their legal duties. Under the Scheme, the Representative Church Body has a period of time to register in respect of existing lettings, with such registration lasting for a period of 3 years, following which it is a requirement to re-

register. It is critical therefore that the information

held, both by the RCB and the Diocese, in respect of the relevant properties, is correct.

St Macartin's Cathedral Top 50 Hymns - The next 40!

Following the successful evenings on 16th February when the results of the top ten hymns were announced and sung by the cathedral choir and large congregation of enthusiastic singers, the next 40 hymns are being revealed and sung at four special evening services during the year. The next will take place on Sunday 1st June at 7.00pm in Enniskillen Cathedral.

DIOCESAN DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June 2014

Sunday 1st June – Annual Gift Day: Service of the Word at 11.00am in Aghavea Parish.

Sunday 1st June – **St Macartin's Cathedral Top 50 Hymns - The next 40!** at 7.00pm in Enniskillen Cathedral.

Sunday 1st June – Favourite Hymns Evening at 7.30pm in Aghavea Parish. Preacher: Very Revd Raymond Ferguson (Kilmore Cathedral).

Sunday 1st June – The Seventh Sunday of Easter: Sunday after Ascension Day (white)

Tuesday 3rd June – Adult Confirmation in Portora Royal School Chapel at 7.30pm. Any adults, who are not already confirmed, and would like to be confirmed please contact St Macartin's Cathedral office on 028 66 322917 and a member of the Clergy will contact you.

Friday 6th - Sunday 8th June - Cleenish Flower Festival commences on Friday afternoon at 2.00pm, followed by an Opening Service at 8.00pm with Bishop John McDowell as special preacher. Saturday from 10.00am to 9.00pm, and on Sunday afternoon from 2.00pm to 6.00pm. The weekend concludes with a Gospel Concert in the Cleenish Centre, Bellanaleck at 7.30pm. This is a unique venture for Cleenish Parish, as it celebrates the history of Christian teaching from the time of St Sinnell, who built the Church on Cleenish Island. Morning Coffee, Afternoon Tea, Lunches available, for further information or to make a booking please contact Florence Willis at 028 66 348327 or 07753 119093.

Friday 6th June – Can't Cook, Won't Cook in Aghavea Parish Hall at 7.30pm with Revd Gary McMurray v Mr David Atwell. Tickets £5 from Sharon Clarke (6772 1949) or the SEFF Office (6772 3884). Proceeds supporting young people affected by terrorism to attend an international summer camp in July.

Friday 6th June – **Bishop's Tea Party** for MU Indoor Members at The See House, Fivemiletown.

Saturday 7th June – Annual Car Boot Sale and Strawberry Teas at Drummully Parish Hall. Gates open at 8am for carbooters. Cars and small vans €10; large vans €15. Teas served from 11am.

Saturday 7th June – Coffee Morning with Ivan and Avril Kee at their Open Home Day, The Anchorage, 5 Lakeview Park, Enniskillen. Tea/coffee served 10am–4pm. Donations for St Macartin's Cathedral Hall Repair Fund.

Saturday 7th June – Annual Garden Fete and Fun Day at Clabby Parish Hall.

Sunday 8th June – Pentecost Sunday Ecumenical Gathering at St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher at 3.00pm. Led by the Bishops of Clogher, The Most Revd Dr Liam MacDaid and the Rt Revd John McDowell.

Sunday 8th June – The Annual Friends Service at 3.30pm in St Maeldoid's Parish, Castleblayney. It will be a special service to celebrate the life and work of the late Myrtle Adair. Mr Walter Pringle will lead the service with guest preacher, Canon Stuart Lloyd of St Patrick's, Ballymena.

Sunday 8th June – **Sponsored Parish 5K Walk** immediately after Family Service in
St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen. This
is an opportunity for fitness, fellowship
and fundraising for all ages. We finish the
walk with a free lunch for everyone in the
Cathedral Hall.

Sunday 8th June – **The Day of Pentecost**: Whit Sunday (red)

Sunday 8th June – Special service of Hymns of Praise for Pentecost in Drumsnatt Parish Church at 3.00pm with Smithborough Presbyterian Church Choir, Roy Crowe and Marina, Emma and Sarah Elliott. Guest speaker: Archdeacon Helene Steed.

Monday 9th June – **Saint Columba**. *Abbot of Iona. 597 (white)*

Wednesday 11th June - Saint Barnabas (red)

Friday 13th June - Dromore Parish BBQ

Friday 13th June – Ardess Parish BBQ at the Parish Hall for all the family at 6.00pm.

Saturday 14th June – Parish Picnic at The Rectory, Newtownbutler from 2.00–5.00pm (bring your own and share something with others). Includes games for the children and five-a-side football.

Sunday 15th June – Deadline for all submissions to Clogher Diocesan Magazine. Email entries for July/August issue to: editor@clogher.anglican.org

Sunday 15th June – Children's Day: Church Family Service at 11.00am in Aghavea Parish, followed by Parish Lunch. Preacher: Mr Johnny Beare (St Elizabeth's Dundonald).

Sunday 15th June - Trinity Sunday (white)

Wednesday 18th June – Deadline for Archdeacon Ruddell Prize and Bishop's Medal 2014. All entries for both competitions should be either left in the Diocesan Office or sent to the CDBRE secretary: Joyce Clingan, 37 Meadow Farm, Garvary, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, BT74 4QS. Organised by Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education.

Friday 20th June – Dartrey Parish Picnic at 8.00pm in Dartrey Hall. Includes food, band parade, face painting and a Fancy Dress Competition.

Saturday 21st June – MU General Meeting in the Waterfront Hall, Belfast at 10.30am.

Saturday 21st June – Annual Coffee Morning in Aghabog Parish Hall from 11.00am to 2.00pm.

Sunday 22nd June – The First Sunday after Trinity (green)

Sunday 22nd June – Service for the Commissioning of Parish Readers in Magheracross Parish Church, Ballinamallard at 7.00pm. Preacher: Rt Revd John McDowell.

Sunday 22nd June – Friendship Service in Ballinode Parish Church (Tydavnet) at 3.00pm with refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Sunday 22nd June – Annual Outdoor Service of the Word at Trory Parish Church at 11.30am (weather permitting).

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th June - Colebrooke Holiday Bible Club 'A Jungle Jamboree' from 6.30pm to 8.30pm in Colebrooke Parish Hall concluding with a Sunday Service on 29th June. Focus on some of the parables Jesus told, using music, drama, crafts, games and more. Suitable for Primary School age children. Registration essential. To book contact Ann Johnston on 028 89531596.

Tuesday 24th June - The Birth of Saint John the Baptist (white)

Friday 27th June – Clabby Parish Bar-bque at Clabby Parish Hall.

Sunday 29th June – The Second Sunday after Trinity (green) or Saint Peter (red)

July 2014

Saturday 19th July – Clontibret Parish Annual BBQ at Clontibret Church Hall.

Sunday 20th July – Service for the Commissioning of Diocesan Reader, Mrs Eileen Cutler in Inishmacsaint Parish Church at 11.00am. Preacher: Rt Revd John McDowell.

Tuesday 22nd - Saturday 26th July – Annual Second-hand Book Sale in the Church Hall, Newtownbutler. Thousands of books of all kinds at bargain prices! Tuesday to Friday: 10am-5pm and 7-9pm; Saturday: 10am-5pm. To donate books contact William Little on 028 67738676.

Friday 25th July – Lisnaskea Parish Barbecue

Saturday 26th July - Colaghty Parish Barbecue

Saturday 26th July - Drummully Parish Car Boot Sale

August 2014

Friday 1st - Monday 4th August - Centenary Commemoration of the outbreak of the First World War with displays, events and a special service in Lisbellaw Parish Church.

Sunday 3rd August - Centenary Commemoration in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.00pm (held on the eve of the anniversary of Britain's declaration of war with Germany).

Sunday 3rd August – **Dedication**Service at 3.30pm in Kiltyclogher Parish
Church. The service of Evensong will be
conducted by the Bishop, Rt Revd John
McDowell assisted by the Rector Revd
Ngozi Njoku. Preacher: Canon George
Irwin. Gifts will be dedicated in memory
of the late Valerie Irwin.

Monday 4th - Friday 8th August - Colaghty Parish Holiday Bible Club

Wednesday 6th August – Institution of the Revd Canon Bryan Kerr as Rector of Dromore, Co. Down and Installation as Dean of Dromore.

Sunday 17th August – St. Molua's Day Annual Ecumenical Service at 3.00pm in Magheracloone Parish church. Speaker: Bishop John McDowell. Special music. Refreshments served.

Saturday 23rd August - Drummully Parish Car Boot Sale

Friday 29th August – Annual BBQ and Ceilidh at Aghavea Parish.

September 2014

Tuesday 2nd September – **Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** in St
Macartin's Cathedral Hall at 11.00am.

Tuesday 2nd September – **Diocesan Council meeting** in St Macartin's
Cathedral Hall at 2.00pm.

Friday 5th September – Sallaghy Parish Barbeque

Saturday 6th September – Galloon Parish Auction at 12 noon.

Saturday 13th September – MU
Diocesan Training Day for Branch
Leaders, Secretaries and Treasurers in the
Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen.

Sunday 14th September – **Diocesan Missionary Service** at 7.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen.

Wednesday 17th September – Clogher Clerical Association meeting in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 11.00am commencing with a Service of Holy Communion at 10.15am in the Cathedral. Speaker: Caroline Bradley, Care for the Family.

Sunday 21st September – Tercentenary Service of Celebration at 7.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen. In 2014 USPG (now called Us) celebrates 300 years of overseas mission. The first president of the society in Ireland was, the then Bishop of Clogher.

Thursday 25th September – **Diocesan Synod** in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 4.30pm.

Saturday 27th September – Mullaghdun Parish Auction

October 2014

Saturday 11th October – Ballyclare Male Voice Choir in Cleenish Parish Hall.

Wednesday 15th October – MU Autumn Council in Colebrooke Parish Hall.

Tuesday 21st - Thursday 23rd October - Clogher Clergy Retreat

November 2014

Sunday 2nd November – Ministry of Healing Service in Clabby Parish Church at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 4th November – Diocesan Board of Education meeting in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall at 10.00am.

Tuesday 4th November – **Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** in St
Macartin's Cathedral Hall at 11.00am.

Tuesday 4th November – **Diocesan Council meeting** in St Macartin's
Cathedral Hall at 2.00pm.

Thursday 6th November - Templecarne Parish Annual Concert

Saturday 15th November – **Deadline** for all submissions to Clogher Diocesan Magazine. Email entries for December/January issue to: editor@clogher. anglican.org

Sunday 16th November – St Macartin's Cathedral Top 50 Hymns - The next 40! at 7.00pm in Enniskillen Cathedral.

Sunday 16th November - Praise Service in Clontibret Parish Church with Linda Lindsay and Donagh Choir.

Friday 28th - Sunday 30th November 2014 - Christmas Tree Festival in St Maeldoid's Parish, Castleblayney. More details later.

December 2014

Thursday 4th December – Clogher Clerical Association Holy Communion at 11.00am in Killadeas Parish. Celebrant: The Most Revd Richard Clarke, Archbishop of Armagh. Followed by lunch.

January 2015

Sunday 18th January – St Macartin's Cathedral Top 50 Hymns - The next 40! at 7.00pm in St Macartins Cathedral, Enniskillen.

February 2015

Friday 20th February - Monday 2nd March 2015 - Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The Bishop of Clogher, the Rt. Rev. J. McDowell invites you to join with him on the Clogher diocesan pilgrimage 2015 to the Holy Land. For further details contact Canon David Skuce on 028 677 21250 or davidskuce@btinternet.com.

YOUTH NEWS

Comet Youth Fellowship





Comet is the Youth Fellowship in Derryvullen North Parish Church which is led by Lindsey Farrell and Sandra Cashel. It was set up last year with the help and support of Jonny Phenix as part of the 'Wells Project'.

The group has 13 members which attend regularly on a fortnightly basis. We meet in the Church hall and each evening we operate on the basis of 'Food, fun, friendship and faith'. We begin with a period of fellowship, where aspects of God's word are examined in a proactive, interactive and tangible way. The fellowship aspect allows the young people to explore the relevance of God's word to their lives today. It encourages them to see that following Jesus can be an active, fun and essential part of the everyday life of a young person.

The period of fellowship is followed by snack food and some free time. This enables the young people to reflect within their peer groups, but also gives them the opportunity to have a chat and catch up with their friends.

Free time is followed by active games, in which all members take part. Games often become very competitive, but everyone has great fun and the group dynamic has developed significantly as a result.

The future for Comet is bright. We aim to forge relationships with other groups within the parish. This began in May this year with a special lunch hosted by the Comet members. Comet has also established links with other youth groups in the area, having been bowling with a fellowship group from the local Presbyterian Church. This was an evening enjoyed by all, and one that we hope to build upon.

As leaders of Comet, it is our hope, that the Youth Fellowship and its young people would become the shining light and striking example that its name indictates.

Comet meets fortnightly on a Friday night from 7.30pm to 9pm in the church hall. All new members aged between 11 and 14 years are very welcome.



The COMET luncheon for their parish senior members was very successful on Saturday 10th May



Members attending the Comet luncheon on Saturday 10th May



Some Comet young people and parish members

Ballinamallard Youth

Some folks might say that Ballinamallard youth group is the best youth group in all of Northern Ireland. The fact that those folks are from Ballinamallard is inconsequential, because they may well be right! Over the past few months, I've had the honour and privilege of working with the young people from this little spot in County Fermanagh. There have been highs and lows, triumphs and partial-triumphs, but all in all, we've had a great year so far. I've watched as our youth group grew numerically and socially, all thanks to the provision of our wonderful God. And now, best of all, we're starting to see real, tangible spiritual growth and development amongst the eager young souls in Ballinamallard. We're still taking baby steps, but steps nonetheless.



Youth Fellowship is the core of what we do. Leaders and young people meet up on Sunday evenings for ninety minutes and expel massive amounts of energy in fun, thinking and (of course) fellowship. To use a football term, we all throw ourselves "into the mixer" and see what comes out the other side. This may sound a bit chaotic, but it's yielding more positive conversations and deep questions every week. We also supplement YF with three additional fellowship/ study groups for secondary-school girls (Girls' Bible Study), older teenage girls (Salt) and secondary-school boys (Boys' Footy Fellowship), all of which provide us with extra time and space to chat about God and build relationships.





Our Friday nights took on a different look when we started into a Youth Club pilot project in February. It has been fun and energetic (and energy-sapping for leaders), and gave us a great insight into what we would need to develop and run a full-time youth club in Ballinamallard, perhaps from September onwards.





I'm particularly enthusiastic about it because it's giving me, as the youth-worker, great opportunities to engage with our young folks in a more informal setting – and it's mighty banter too!

Finally, we've returned from the Soul Mates weekend in Lurgan with a very tired bunch of nine to twelve year-olds. It was a fantastic weekend of fun, fellowship and teaching organised by the very capable Methodist youth department; the group we took along got to experience worship and drama like never before, along with a variety of seminars and workshops during the day. And of course, very little sleep was had, by anyone!

Our youth group in Ballinamallard is growing more in the ways that matter with each passing week, but we can do nothing without God by our side to direct our path. Please keep us in your prayers as we journey with our young people on the road to God – it's a bit bumpy at times, but we're on the right track!

CHILDREN'S SECTION

Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education

Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education invites childrenandyoungpeopletoenterthefollowing competitions. Rectors and Sunday School Superintendents have copies of the relevant entry forms – please contact them for more details. Prizes are awarded at Diocesan Synod in September.

Archdeacon Ruddell Prize 2014 Using Matthew's gospel, describe in your own words and illustrate the birth, life, teaching, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This competition is open to children of primary school age and can be either an individual or group entry.

Bishop's Medal 2014 Using Matthew's gospel, describe and analyse the teachings of Jesus as in the parables in chapter 13 and the Sermon on the Mount (chapters 5-7).

This competition is open to young people of secondary school age and must be an individual entry.

For both the Archdeacon Ruddell Prize and the Bishop's Medal, all entries must be original, the work of those entering and must be handwritten.

Relevant pictures, diagrams, photographs etc can be included. Entries should be on A4 paper.

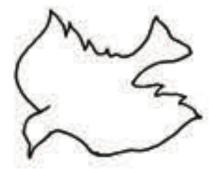
No reference should be made to the parish to which the entrant belongs.

All entries for both competitions should be either left in the diocesan office or sent to the CDBRE secretary: Joyce Clingan, 37 Meadow Farm, Garvary, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, BT74 4QS, by Wednesday 18th June 2014 please.

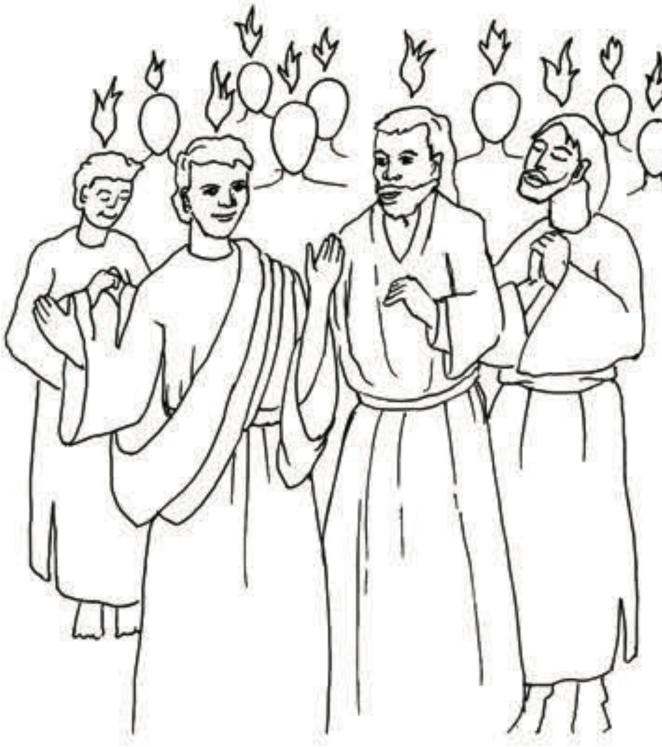
Children's Ministry Support

The Sunday School Society for Ireland and the Children's Ministry Network have combined to produce a new website to support all those involved in children's ministry. For lots of ideas, activities and encouragement check out www.cm.ireland.anglican.org

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PENTECOST

READ

Pentecost (you can read about Pentecost in Acts, chapter 2)

There are lots of different ways we can send messages to people – we can just have a chat, use a mobile phone, send a text message, write a note... but if we don't understand the language being used we cannot understand the message.

The feast of Pentecost was a very special time when people from different places came to Jerusalem to celebrate. There were people of many different nationalities staying in Jerusalem and many of them speaking different languages. On this particular Pentecost festival, the one 50 days after Jesus had died and come back to life, his disciples were together in Jerusalem. They were waiting to receive the Holy Spirit because that is what Jesus had promised would happen.

Suddenly there was a noise like a strong wind from heaven and it filled the whole house where they were. As well as the wind, something like flames of fire separated and came to rest on each person who was there. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different languages. People ran over to see what all the noise was about and were surprised to hear their own languages spoken by this group of people. The Bible lists 15 different places people were from and they could all hear their own language spoken! Some of the crowd started making fun of the disciples, saying that they had drunk too much wine and it was making them act funny.

When Peter heard this he talked to the crowd. He explained that they had not drunk wine because it was only nine in the morning. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter told the crowds who Jesus was and about three thousand people started to believe in Jesus that day.

WORD LADDER

Use the story above to help you fill in the missing words on the word grid.

1. After Jesus rose from t	to be with God.	
2. Jesus	_ to send a gift to the disc	ciples.
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5. The disciples waited i	n the city of	_, just as Jesus had told
them.	·	
6. The gift give the discip		
7. The noise from heaver		
8. There was a large	of people in Jerusal	em for the festival.
9. and 10. Jesus told the d	lisciples to for the	he would send
them.		

The 'ladder' in your grid spells the gift the disciples received at Pentecost.

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PENTECOST The birth of the church

Pentecost is known as the birth of the church. After the disciples received the Holy Spirit they began telling everyone about God and the number of people who believed in God started to grow. God's people are the church. Decorate the birthday cake. Add some candles – colour the flames red.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Hello from SAMS

The Big World Cup Weekender is now on the SAMS website (www.samsukireland.com). It is a free resource designed for churches here in the UK & Ireland to make the most out of the 2014 World Cup.

Archbishop Miler Magrath

The wily and intriguing Archbishop Magrath, c1522-1622, who was in turn Franciscan priest, Catholic bishop of Down and Connor, first Protestant bishop of Clogher, Protestant archbishop of Cashel and Emly, is the subject of a new publication by Fr. Patrick Ryan. *Archbishop Miler Magrath, The Enigma of Cashel*, will be of great benefit to and an added important resource for all interested in the complex period of the Reformation in Ireland. It will be of particular value for the detail it presents relating to the Reformation, the early Counter-Reformation, and Miler's ambivalence to both. It contains much material relevant to Miler's own large family and its many connections.



Fermanagh Churches' Forum

This year's FCF conference, made possible by the kind generosity of Fermanagh District Council, will be held on Thursday 12th June at the Manor House Hotel from 10am to around 4pm. The title will be "Faith in a Reconciling and Uniting Community" and the main speaker will be Dr Johnston McMaster.

Bikers on a Mission

The Revds Andrew McCroskery and Nigel Kirkpatrick are taking to the road for 10 days this coming August to mark the 300th anniversary of the United Society in Ireland. Andrew, who is rector of St Bartholomew's and Christ Church Leeson Park in Dublin, and Nigel, rector of Gilnahirk in Belfast, will travel on their motorbikes to every cathedral of the Church of Ireland during the first 10 days of August. This is an important year for Us and Andrew and Nigel hope to raise a significant amount of

money for the Society, and particularly its work with the Diocese of Swaziland. Their journey will start and finish in St Anne's Cathedral.

Their route includes Clogher and Enniskillen Cathedrals on 2nd August.

All bikers are welcome to join Andrew and Nigel in return for a donation to Us. Contact either Andrew or Nigel, or Linda (086 8586337) for more details. Nigel and Andrew will be posting regular updates via Facebook and Twitter: www.facebook.com/bikerson.amission.9 www.twitter.com/BikersOnMission

Advice to reduce the risk of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning in the home

Fermanagh District Council is encouraging householders to have their heating appliances, which have been well used over the winter, serviced and chimneys cleaned to reduce the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning in the home. Carbon monoxide is a highly poisonous gas that has no smell, colour or taste. It can be released to dangerous levels by any appliance or heating system that burns oil, gas or solid fuel if they have not been properly installed, maintained or where adequate ventilation is not provided. Appliances include wood or multi-fuel burning stoves, gas cookers and heaters, central heating boilers, open fires, flues, and solid or oil fuel cookers. Barbeques and exhaust fumes from portable generators and cars are other sources of carbon monoxide.

The Council's carbon monoxide awareness leaflet can be downloaded from www.fermanagh.gov.uk/ carbonmonoxide.

For further information on reducing the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning in the home please contact Fermanagh District Council's Environmental Health Department by phoning 028 66321805 or by emailing envhealth@fermanagh.gov.uk.

Enniskillen Macular Support Group

Macular degeneration is the most common cause of sight loss in the UK and leads to central vision loss. If you or someone you know is affected by Macular Degeneration there is a support group which meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month in Barbour Court, Paget Square, Enniskillen from 11.00am – 1.00pm. You are very welcome to come along to the group and meet others with the same eye condition. For further information contact Doris on 028 66341404.

The National Autistic Society Fermanagh/West Enniskillen Branch

You are warmly invited to group meetings for parents/ carers of children and adults on the Autistic and Asperagers spectrum, also ASD and High Functioning Autism. Meetings take place above McGovern's Opticians, 17 High Street, Enniskillen on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 8.00pm – 10.00pm approximately. These meetings offer advice and family support, events and activities for children and adults. Everyone welcome. Further information available from orlahumphreys@yahoo.co.uk or westenniskillen@nas.org.uk.

PARISH NOTES

Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt



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Easter Vestries

Our Easter Vestry Meetings took place during April. We would like to take this opportunity to

thank everyone who contributed in any way to our Parishes during 2013 / 2014, the Select Vestries for the coming year are:

Aghadrumsee

Rector's Churchwarden: Moira Johnston (Secretary). People's Churchwarden: Keith Howe. Rector's Glebewarden: Edwin Keenan. People's Glebewarden: Wesley Elliott. SelectVestry: Leslie Annon, Brian Blakely, Andrew Elliott, James Elliott, Richard Elliott, Mervyn Gauley, David Johnston (Treasurer), James Johnston, Keith Leary, Cheryl Madill, Thomas McCartney and Myrtle McCauley. Parochial Nominators: David Johnston and Marina Elliott. Supplemental Nominators: Wesley Elliott and Keith Howe. Synodsperson: Marina Elliott. Supplemental Synodsperson: James Elliott

Clogh

Rector's Churchwarden: Thomas Condell. People's Churchwarden: Gordon Wiggin. Rector's

Glebewarden: John Egerton. People's Glebewarden: William Forster. Select Vestry: Harold Andrews, Samuel Crowe (Secretary), Florence Egerton (Treasurer), Ronald Egerton, Walter Egerton, Myrtle Fleming, Florence Graham, Joseph Johnston, Gordon McCoy, George Nelson, William Nelson and Eric Nicholl. Sidespeople: George Nelson, Ronald Egerton and Gordon McCoy. Parochial Nominator: Joseph Johnston. Supplemental Nominator: Thomas Condell. Synodsperson: Florence Graham. Supplemental Synodsperson: Myrtle Fleming.

Drumsnatt

Rector's Churchwarden: Yvonne Martin (Secretary). People's Churchwarden: Beth Moore (Treasurer). Rector's Glebewarden: Irwin Martin. People's Glebewarden: Norma Martin. Select Vestry: David Graham, Gareth Graham, James Graham, Norman Graham, Roberta Graham, Elizabeth Haire, Irwin Martin, Nigel Martin, Beth Moore, Ian Moore and Richard Moore. Parochial Nominator: Norma Martin. Supplemental Nominator: Irwin Martin. Synodsperson: Yvonne Martin. Supplemental Synodsperson: Elizabeth Haire.

Hymns for Pentecost

A special service of Hymns of Praise for Pentecost is being planned to be held in Drumsnatt on Sunday 8th June at 3.00pm. Among those taking part will be Smithborough Presbyterian Church Choir, Roy Crowe and Marina, Emma and Sarah Elliott. The guest speaker will be Archdeacon Helene Steed.

Children's Day Services

Children's Day Services will take place in Aghadrumsee and in Clogh during the month of June. The children put in a lot of effort, so we would ask you to please try to attend if you can to encourage them. Thanks must go to all Sunday school teachers in the Group for the important work they do.

Parade Service

A parade service will take place in Aghadrumsee on Sunday 29th June, there will be no service in Clogh that week, then on Sunday 6th July there will be a parade service in Clogh and no service in Aghadrumsee. Services in Drumsnatt will be as usual.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Robert Moore from Drumsnatt and Lynda Fannin on their marriage which took place in Drung Parish Church on Friday 30th May.

Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



Rector:

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Services

May

May 4th 11.00am Cooneen Holy Communion

3.30pm Colebrooke Friends' Service

May 11th 10.45am Colebrooke MP

12.15pm Cooneen MP

May 18th 11.00am Colebrooke Family Service with GFS

3.30pm Mullaghfad Friends' Service

May 25th 10.45am Colebrooke MP

12.15pm Cooneen MP

Holiday Bible Club

Plans are well under way for our holiday Bible club on the last week of June, Monday 23rd to Friday 27th 6.30pm to 8.30pm in Colebrooke Parish Halls, ending with a Sunday service on 29th June in Colebrooke Halls. The title of the week will be A Jungle Jamboree, which will be focusing on some of the parables Jesus told, using music, drama, crafts, games and more.

The club will be suitable for Primary School age children, with maybe a year or two on either side of that age range. Registration is essential to allow for provision of crafts etc. If you wish to book a place for your child, please telephone Mrs Ann Johnston at 028 8953 1596.

SNATCH

(Sunday Night At the Church Hall) Youth Ministry Aghavea & Colebrooke

Sundays 11th & 25th May at 7.30 pm in Colebrooke Parish Hall

All young people of secondary school age welcome. Facebook: www.facebook.com/snatchyf Website: snatch.colebrookeparish.org

GFS

Girls Friendly Society every Monday, at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall for girls 3 years and upwards.



Members of Colebrooke and Cooneen GFS with their badges and awards presented at their GFS Closing Service held in Colebrooke Parish Church on Sunday 18th May 2014.

Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Group meet every Tuesday from 7pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-14 years. The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.

Squirrels (4 - 6 years) Beavers (6 - 8 years) Cubs (8 - 11 years) Scouts (11 - 14 years)

Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meet in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 7.45pm.

New members will be very welcome.

Aghavea



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June 2014

Sunday 1st

10am Sunday School

11am Gift Day Service of the Word

7.30pm Favourite Hymns Evening - preacher: Very Rev Raymond Ferguson (Dean of Kilmore)

Sunday 8th

10am Sunday School

11am Holy Communion

7.30pm SNATCH End of Year BBQ - Colebrooke Hall

Sunday 15th

10am Sunday School

11am Children's Day Family Service - preacher: Mr Johnny Beare (St Elizabeth's Dundonald) - followed by Parish Lunch

7pm Evening Prayer - Brooke Memorial Hall

Sunday 22nd

11am Morning Prayer

7.00pm Parish Reader Commissioning (including Mr David Atwell) in Magheracross Parish Church, Ballinamallard

Sunday 29th

11am Morning Service

Dear friends,

Have you ever noticed that sometimes, common sense isn't very common? People don't react in the way you think they should. They seem to be very foolish, at least in our eyes. So many of our everyday sayings make an appeal to wisdom. "Catch yourself on!" "You're not wise!" Or perhaps the most common: "Wise up!"

God, in his wisdom, has given us a whole book of the Bible about that very theme - wisdom. But this isn't just being right in our own eyes; thinking that we're wise by our own standards or in comparison to others. This is about God's wisdom; godly wisdom to live in God's world.

Throughout the book of Proverbs, you'll find plenty of stand alone proverbs. Little pithy sayings that describe what life is like in God's world. Chapters of observations and advice that make you smile, or make you think. All human life is here. There's the verse that says that it is 'Better to live on a corner of the roof than share a house with a quarrelsome wife.' (21:9). Another rector in the diocese by the name of James has taken refuge in Proverbs 16:31, and his 'crown of splendour'.

There's more than just the stand alone proverbs, though. The first nine chapters are an impassioned plea from Solomon to his son to pursue wisdom and flee from folly, adultery and laziness. There are wise sayings

from other wise men which supplement Solomon's. The very last chapter is famous for its portrayal of the wife of noble character.

The key to the whole book; the secret to wisdom; the foundation of everything else that is said and shared comes in the opening verses: 'The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline.' (Prov 1:7). To wisely live in God's world, you need to be in step with God. This is the secret of being wise, no matter how foolish it may appear to a watching world. To be in step with the world may seem to be wise (and it might make life easier), but that is to be out of step with God, which is truly folly.

That's why Paul writes of the foolishness of the message of the cross - it seems like the ultimate folly to those who are perishing. But to us who are being saved, it is the power of God, the true wisdom in Christ. (1 Corinthians 1:17-31).

There are 31 chapters in Proverbs. Why not take a chapter a day some month over the summer - July or August - and soak in God's wisdom? Yours in Christ,
Gary

Easter Vestry

Our Easter Vestry was held on Sunday 27th April following our morning service and a soup lunch. Reports were received from the parish organisations, as well as the Rector and Honorary Treasurer.

The following appointments were made: 2014-2015

Rector's Churchwarden: Alan Johnston Peoples' Churchwarden: Frances Cartwright Rector's Glebewarden: David Atwell

Peoples' Glebewarden: Kenneth Hall Select Vestry: Blayney Cartwright, May Cooke, William Crawford, Wayne Foster, Linda Hall, Marlene Hurst, Albert McClelland, Norman McCoy, Shirley Morrison, Audrey Percival, Leonard Percival, Ernie Thompson.

2014-2017

Diocesan Synodsmen: Frances Cartwright, May Cooke, Albert McClelland

Supplemental Synodsmen: 1. Blayney Cartwright, 2. Ernie Thompson, 3. William Crawford Parochial Nominators: Blayney Cartwright, Kenneth Hall, Albert McClelland, Ernie Thompson Supplemental Nominators: 1. William Crawford, 2. Alan Johnston, 3. Wayne Foster, 4. David Atwell

Please continue to pray for all those who serve the Lord Jesus in our parish, as we seek to make disciples under the Lord's authority, knowing that he is always with us.

Sunday School

June is always a busy month for Sunday School. First up will be the Outing on Saturday 8th June, planned for Funtasia Waterpark at Drogheda. We look forward to a fun day for children and adults alike. On Sunday 15th June Sunday School will close for the summer with Children's Day. We look forward to contributions from both Sunday School and GFS during the service. The preacher will be Johnny Beare, a native of Fermanagh, who now serves in St Elizabeth's Church, Dundonald as Youth Worker.

Don't forget to sign up on the sheet in the porch for the Parish Lunch after our Children's Day service!

Mothers' Union

On Tuesday 13th May, members of Aghavea MU and friends were treated to a tour of the West Wing at Crom Castle, seeing various rooms (including the 80-year old wallpaper which still looked as fresh as the day it was pasted), and enjoying supper. Our thanks to Noel Johnston for his warm welcome and informative tour.



We were also delighted to host the Area Service on Friday 16th May. Thank you to all who participated in any way, especially our speaker, Rev James Boyd. Following our outing at the end of May, we now break until 9th September, when we will host Val Irvine, who will be speaking on 'all kinds of everything'.

GFS

GFS has now finished for the summer, after another successful year for our small branch. The diocesan prizes are a testament to the hard work and dedication of the leaders and girls. Our thanks also to the parents who support us in so many ways. After the Children's Day when our prizes will be distributed, GFS will begin again in September. Any girls aged three and up are always welcome.

SNATCH

SNATCH (Sunday Night At The Church Hall) is our new youth group for secondary school age young people, in partnership with Colebrooke Parish. Our final meeting before the summer will be on Sunday 8th June at 7.30pm, with a special BBQ to close the season. SNATCH will begin again in September back in Aghavea, and we look forward to having the new First Years and more young people joining us.

Can't Cook, Won't Cook

Friday 6th June at 7.30pm in Aghavea Hall. Rev Gary McMurray v Mr David Atwell. Tickets £5 from Sharon Clarke (6772 1949) or the SEFF Office (6772 3884). Proceeds supporting young people affected by terrorism to attend an international summer camp in July.

From the Parish Registers

Funeral - 27th April, Mary Elizabeth (Lily Thompson), Guiltagh, Maguiresbridge

Find us on Facebook

The best way of keeping up to date with what's happening at Aghavea is our Facebook page: www. facebook.com/aghavea There you'll find news, notices, sermons, photos, prayer points and lots more!

Ballybay, Clontibret and Mucknoe

Vacant until institution of the Revd Neal Phair.

During the vacancy the Revd Canon Ian Berry, Rural Dean, is in charge, and Mr Walter Pringle, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant, is providing service and pastoral cover. **T:** 047 51439

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Thank You

On Mothering Sunday the Ladies had a pleasant surprise when they arrived at Church. Tanya and Tyana had prepared a bouquet of flowers for each of them. We thank them for their thoughtfulness. It is always nice to be appreciated.

We thank Rev McCollum for taking our Easter Sunday Service at the earlier time of 8.30. There was a very good attendance. We hope he didnt have to get up too early.

Easter General Vestry

Annual Easter General Vestry took place on Wednesday 30th April, those elected to serve are as follows:

Synodsman: Julie Crawford. Supplemental: Elaine McKenna. Parochial Nominator: Elizabeth Gray. Supplemental: Anne Gray. Churchwardens: Rector's: Joann Grimes. People's: Lucas Gray. Sidespeople: Jean Lanchashire. Ashmore Gray. Glebeswardens: Elizabeth Gray. Lucas Gray. Treasurer: Joseph Crawford. Secretary: Victoria Maloney. Select Vestry: Elaine McKenna, Anne Gray, Jean Lanchashire, Elizabeth Gray, Lucas Gray, Ashmore Gray, Joseph Crawford, Julie Crawford, Victoria Maloney, Pearl Morrison, Gary Dixon, Joann Grimes.

Sick

We pray for all our members who are sick or unwell at this time and we wish them a speedy recovery.

Confirmation

On Sunday 4th May the Bishop came to St Colmans in Clontibret to administer confirmation and holy communion to four young candidates, two of which are from Christ Church Ballybay, Graham and Rebecca Crawford. We wish them every blessing as they continue their journey in Christ.

New Rector

We at Christ Church Ballybay are delighted with the announcement that a new Rector has been appointed to our group of parishes. Rev Phair is ministering in England but is originally from Rockcorry. We look forward to meeting him and his family in the not too distant future, and indeed some of our parishioners would know him already. We hope he and his family will settle quickly and spend may happy days with us.

Service Times

Please note change of service time: Sunday 8th June Service of Morning Prayer will be at 10am there will be no service at 12.30.

Sunday 15th June Family Service with Sunday School Prizegiving at 12.30

Sunday 22nd June Holy Communion at 12.30.

Exams

Aaron, Abraham, Sophie, Alannah, and Alice we at Christ Church wish you all well as you sit your exams. May God walk with you all and give you confidence and calm.

Annual Friends Service

Annual Friends Service Sunday 8th June with Mr Walter Pringle and Canon Stuart Lloyd.

Special service of Thanksgiving for the lives of Bob and Myrtle Adair.

Special music. Tea and fellowship afterwards in the Church.

Thank You

The Annual Easter Vestry meeting was well attended. Thank you to Canon Berry for being the chairperson. Thank you to all who volunteer to work for their Church and Church properties. May God guide and Bless us all as we prepare to purchase a new Rectory for our newly appointed Rector and his family.

Mothers Union

St Maelsdoids were delighted to host the Southern Area service for the Mothers Union on Friday 2nd May. The address by Rev Anita Kerr was most inspiring and spiritual. The Choir and Organist from First Castleblayney and Frankford added enormously to the fellowship on the evening. Thanks to Mr Walter Pringle for leading the worship and thanks to all those who travelled to be with us on the night, especially Dr Margaret Knox, Diocesan Presdient.

A piece of history was made when four Ladies from St Maeldoids received Long Standing service Certificates for their loyalty and faithfullness to the Mothers Union. Thanks also to Janet for printing the service sheets.

Clontibret News

April and May have been quite busy months in the life of our church with a lot of events taking place. We have had the celebration of Easter, Holy Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion with the visit of the Bishop, the Rt Rev John McDowell and the announcement of our new rector, Rev. Neil Phair. We wish the Rev Phair and his family every blessing as they prepare to move from England to be with us.

The Easter Services in St Colman's were lead by Rev Charles McCollum on Maundy Thursday and on Easter Sunday when Holy Communion was celebrated. We are very grateful to Rev McCallum for his ministry to us which he does in such a gracious and respectful manner and with such attention to detail. Rev McCallum takes the time to explain the finer nuances of the worship which only a man of his knowledge and experience can do.

Mr Walter Pringle lead the Easter services in both Castleblayney and Ballybay and as always he was well prepared and it was very inspiring to have him share his ministry with us and the hard facts of Our Saviours last days up until his crucifixion. We are so grateful to Walter for his ministry to us during the vacancy and appreciate his visiting and support to our families and especially to our children and elderly and those who are not able to attend Sunday Service.

Members and friends of the Ballybay Mothers Union enjoyed an evening meal in the Shirley Arms Hotel, Carrickmacross, on Wednesday 23rd April and took the opportunity to make final arrangements for the MU Southern Area Diocesan Service on Friday, 2nd May in St Maeldoids, Castleblayney. The service was a great occasion conducted by Mr Walter Pringle, the Rev Anita Kerr was the preacher, Miss Charlotte Adair played the organ and the choir of First Castleblayney and Frankford Presbyterian Church lead the singing and sang two pieces "In Times Like These I Need a Saviour" and "Amazing Grace". It was lovely to have the Diocesan President, Dr Margaret Knox with us.

On Sunday, 27th April it was a pleasure to have the Rev Margaret Pringle with us for the Holy Baptism of Lexi Pearl Johnston. Her justly proud parents Andrea (nee Donaldson) and Noel were well supported by both their extended families and it was great to have all the children with us.

The Service of Confirmation and Holy Communion for the grouped parishes of Clontibret, Ballybay and Muckno was held in St Colman's on Sunday, 4th May. Four candidates were confirmed by the Bishop, Graham and Rebecca Crawford from Ballybay and Ethan Duffy and Courtney Tate from Clontibret. We wish them every blessing as they commit to the promises of their baptism. We are very grateful to our Sunday School teachers who instructed the children; to Canon Ian Berry and Mr Walter Pringle for their preparation of the children and Canon Berry for preparing the order of service. Our thanks too to Sharon Lancashire for

playing the organ. Mrs Elaine McKenna and Mrs Jennifer Leathem read the lessons and the gospel.

The Easter Vestry on 5th May was conducted by Canon Berry, Rural Dean and we are pleased to have three new vestry members - Mrs Sandra Geary, Mr Nigel Lowey and Mr Allen Tate. We know that they will work conscientiously for the good of the church and Gods Kingdom. Our sincere thanks to retiring members Mrs Elizabeth Graham, Mr Isaac Leathem, Mr Alwyn Donaldson and Mr Albert Jordan who have all made a valuable contribution to the work of the vestry and to St Colman's. We know that we can rely on their continued support outside the vestry.

We are grateful to all who are praying for the speedy and full recovery of Philip and Sharon Leathem following their road traffic accident. Sharon suffered multiple injuries and had operations in Craigavon and the Royal Hospital. We pray too for the other people involved in the accident and for the doctors and nurses and all who work to deliver the care needed in such incidents.

July

Saturday 19th - Annual BBQ - Clontibret Church Hall.

November

Sunday 16th - Praise Service - Clontibret Parish Church with Linda Lindsay and Donagh Choir.

Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh



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Sunday Service for June 2014

Sunday 1st June – The Seventh Sunday of Easter: Sunday after Ascension Day (White)

Carrickmacross 10.30am Holy Communion

Magheracloone 12 Noon Morning Prayer

Ardragh 1.15pm H.C.

Sunday 8th June - The day of Pentecost: Whit Sunday (Red)

Carrickmacross 10.30am Morning Prayer Magheracloone 12 noon Holy Communion

Sunday 15th June – Trinity Sunday (White)

Carrickmacross 10.30am M.P.

Magheracloone 12 Noon M.P.

Ardragh 1.15pm M.P.

Sunday 22nd June – The First Sunday after Trinity (Green)

Carrickmacross 10.30am M.P.

Magheracloone 12 Noon M.P.

Sunday 29th June – The Second Sunday after Trinity (Green)

Carrickmacross 10.30am Family Service

Magheracloone 12 Noon Family Service

Annual General Vestries

Carrickmacross

Church Wardens: Rectors: Alan Sweetnam, Peoples: Sammy Babington. Secretary: Philip Keegan. Treasurer: Caroline Merron, Assistant Eleanor Howell. Glebewardens: Freddy Merron & Robert Greer. Synodsman: Philip Keegan, Doreen Monahan. Supplemental: Alan Hill, John Howell. Parochial Nominator: Philip Keegan, Caroline Supplemental: Richard Hill. Select Vestery: John Babington, Eleanor Howell, Gordan Sweetnam, Caroline Merrin, Philip Keegan, Alan Hill, Richard Hill, Doreen Monahan, John Howell, Graham Howell, Lorna Lewis.

Thanks were expressed to all who helped in any way inside /outside the church over the past year. The Vestry kindly showed their appreciation in the giving of gifts to Canon Ian Berry and myself for our work within the group.

Magheracloone

Synodsman: Margaret Babington. Supplemental: Gail Babington. Parochial Nominator: Margaret Babington. Supplemental Nominator: David Babington. Rector's Warden: David Babington. Peoples Warden: Richard Smith. Hon. Secretary: Gail Babington. Treasurer: Violet Babington

Ardragh

Synodsman: Sadie Breaden. Supplemental Synodsman: James White. Parochial Nominator: Bill Breaden. Supplemental Nominator: Wesley Breaden. Rectors Church warden: James White. Peoples Churchwarden: John Breaden. Hon. Secretary: Sadie Braedan. Hon. Treasurer: Wesley Breaden.

Mother's Union & Friends

Our thanks to Dr Margaret Knox Diocesan President for travelling such a long way to meet with members in St. Finbars. It was a relaxing evening as Dr Margaret sat with the ladies around a table sharing some practical information on how to be vigilant about our health. She also told us something of her work as Diocesan President. The evening was brought to a close with a presentation to the speaker followed with a chat over a cup of tea. Thanks to the ladies who provided the refreshments.

Some of our ladies went along to the Mother's Union area service in St. Maeloids, Castleblayney.

Our final meeting for this year will be meeting together outside the local hotel and going on a guided walking tour in and around Carrickmacross. This will be followed by a service of Holy Communion and some refreshments.

Baptism

Thanks to Walter Pringle for conducting the service Sun 27th April in the Carrickmacross group while I covered the services in the Ballybay group and baptising Lexie Pearl Johnston in Clontibret parish church.

Jesus said "Suffer the little children to come to me". We ask God's blessing on baby Lexie and the family circle now and always.

The Farney Singers

We are delighted that a number of our parishioners are members of the cross community choir which is based in Carrickmacross. They shared the first cross border event in Newry and the Garage Theatre Monaghan.

Fundraising

Some of our members in Magheracloone are active in helping to fundraise for the Oncology Unit Cavan and the Kingscourt Cancer Care Centre. We wish them well in their effort.

Looking Ahead

Sunday 17th August St. Molua's Day annual Ecumenical service will take place in Magheraclone parish Church. Speaker: Bishop John McDowell. Special music. Refreshments served.

Cleenish and Mullaghdun



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Church Services & Flower Festival for June

Friday 6th June

2.00pm, Cleenish Church Flower Festival begins 8:00pm, Opening Service, Bishop McDowell, Cleenish **Saturday 7th June**

10:00am to 9:00pm, Cleenish Church & Festival open **Sunday 8th June**

10:00am, H.C. Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church 11:30am, M.P. Service, Cleenish Parish Church 2:00pm to 6:00pm, Cleenish Church & Festival open 7:30pm, Gospel Concert, Cleenish Centre

Wednesday 11th June

10:00am H.C. & Healing Service, Mullaghdun Hall **Sunday 15th June**

10:00am, M.P. Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church 11:30am, M.P. Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 22nd June

10:00am, Family Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church 11:30am, Family Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 29th June

11:00am, Annual Orange Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church. No Service in Cleenish

Sunday 6th July

11:00am, Annual Orange Service, Cleenish Parish Church. No Service in Mullaghdun

Annual Easter Vestries

The Easter Vestry took place in **Cleenish** Parish Hall, on Wednesday 30th April.

Appointments as follows:

Rector's Churchwarden, Owen Wilson; People's Churchwarden, Ian Crawford. Rector's Glebewarden, Desi Smyth; People's Glebewarden, Balfour Hoey. Members of Vestry: Cecil Brownlee, Ossie Clements, Mervyn Willis, Eddie Keys, Ken Coulter, Leslie Nixon, Clive Smyth, Robert Donaldson, Robert Forde, Marion Keys, and Ruby Arnold. Parochial Nominators: Cecil Brownlee, and Robert Forde. Supplemental: Ossie Clements, and Leslie Nixon. Diocesan Synodsmen: Owen Wilson and Sue Hogg. Supplemental: Robert Forde and Leslie Nixon. Secretary Ex-officio: Joan Brownlee. Treasurer: Robert Forde.

The Rector and Vestry members record their sincere thanks to Sue Hogg, outgoing Secretary, and Trevor Kingston, both whom did not seek re election, and having served the Vestry faithfully for a number of years. Welcome to Robert Donaldson who joins for the first time, and to Joan Brownlee who takes over the task of Secretary.

The Easter General Vestry meeting for **Mullaghdun** Parish was held in the Parochial Hall, Letterbreen, on Monday 28th April. The Rector opened the meeting with a Bible reading and Prayer, and thanked all who had contributed to the successful management of the Parish during the previous year.

The following appointments were made:-

Rector's Churchwarden, G Carson; Rector's Glebewarden, A Sherlock; People's Churchwarden, Mrs Heather Carson; People's Glebewarden, T Elliott; Select Vestry, Mrs Ruth Collum, Mrs Caroline Scott, Messrs D Benson, W Blair, J Clements, J Gamble, T Gallagher, J Graham, G Lucy, G McCutcheon, J S Moffatt and R Watterson. Hon. Secretary, R Gibson; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs Caroline Scott; Appointed to Synod, R Watterson, Supplemental, G Lucy; Parochial Nominators, J Clements and J S Moffatt, Supplemental, T Gallagher and G Lucy.

We welcome Heather Carson as our People's Churchwarden, and Ruth Collum as she joins the ranks of Select Vestry. Dessie Coalter had asked to be relieved of his duties this year whilst he recovers from recent surgery. We thank Dessie for his dedicated service to Mullaghdun, and wish him a speedy recovery to full health

Cleenish & Mullaghdun Mothers' Union

Sympathy is expressed to Branch member Mrs Lettie Coulter, husband Ken, and family, on the recent death of her mother, Mrs Sally Crawford. (see Sympathy) A very successful evening took place on Tuesday 6th May, when members paid a visit to Ashwoods Garden Centre, Sligo Road, Enniskillen, where they were shown an exhibition of summer flower planting. The evening concluded with a visit to Granny Walsh's Coffee Shop.

Due to exceptionally heavy work commitments both before and during Cleenish Flower Festival, members will take off for the summer break, re organising again in mid September.

Cleenish Brownies

The Brownies will be attending the "Big Brownie Birthday" party, on Saturday 7th June in Devenish College, Enniskillen, from 11am to 2pm. This is a County event to celebrate the 100th birthday of the formation of the Brownies.

The Pack conclude their summer term on Wednesday 11th June, until they reform again in mid September.

Holy Bible Club

The Youth Alliance Holiday Bible Club will be held at St. John's Annex, Florencecourt, from Monday 28th July to Friday 1st August. The times are from 10.00am to 3.00pm and the cost is £2.50 each day or £10.00 for the full week. For further information the contacts are Caroline Watterson at 07779599107 and Maud Cunningham at 028 6634 8399 or 07768531955.

Parent and Toddler Group

The Parent & Toddler Group has had a very successful year, with as many as 38 mothers and babies attending Group activities on Tuesday mornings in Cleenish Parish Hall. The Group will be breaking up shortly for the summer season, and hopefully will reform with a very successful season next year. Many thanks are expressed to the helpers who turn up each week, and who are the backbone of making this particular Group so successful.

Cleenish Flower Festival & Exhibition



Marion Keys, Sue Hogg, Florence Willis, Rosemary Forde

The countdown has commenced – the excitement is building up!! The Planning Committee are now planning the finer details to the Festival. The following plans are now in place:

A total of 14 floral arrangements are on display – 11 arrangements in the Church and 3 outdoor arrangements. The 11 indoor arrangements are themed on the hymn "Lord, for the Years" and the 3 outdoor arrangements are themed on Bellanaleck. A large marquee is being erected on the Church avenue for protection of the outdoor arrangements and also for wet weather provision for visitors.

Over in the Parish Hall, visitors can avail of the catering arrangements and view an exhibition of Christening Gowns

To date, 10 families have loaned their family Christening gowns for display – there are 2 gowns dated in the 1930s and we have gowns from the 1940s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and the 2000s. In the car park, there will be Craft Stalls, and a small display of Vintage Cars, Vintage Tractors and a display of farm implements.

The Festival Teams – Catering, Stewarding and Car Parking – are putting their teams together. Bookings are coming in for Lunches, Afternoon Teas, etc. We already know of visitors coming from the greater Belfast area! We look forward to the Opening Service at 8pm on Friday 6thJune when we welcome the Bishop of Clogher, Rt Revd John McDowell as our Guest Preacher.

On Sunday 8th June at 7.30 pm we will have our Festival Closing event – a Gospel Evening in the Cleenish Centre, Bellanaleck featuring

Kenny Archer (Newmills), the well-known Country Gospel singer. Also taking part are the following:

Irvinestown Community Choir

Miss Julie Tubman, Tempo

Gospel Country Praise Band, Irvinestown

The Silver Tones, Ballinamallard

Admission to the Concert is £10 – tickets available from the Planning Committee and any Vestry member. Morning Coffee, Afternoon Tea, Lunches Available, for further information or to make a booking, please contact Florence Willis at 02866 348327 or Mob 07753 119093.

Please continue to pray for the Flower Festival, that all of our plans will be fulfilled, that we have many Visitors who will gain a sense of the continuity of Christian teaching and preaching in Cleenish Parish, and that we are blessed with continuous sunny weather. See photos

Mullaghdun Parish Auction

Keep free Saturday 27th September for our Auction. Now is the time to identify surplus valuables and unwanted treasures, to add to the success of this venture.

Future Fund Raising Event

Ballyclare Male Voice Choir, will be singing in Cleenish Parish Hall, on Saturday 11th October.

The Fact Project

At present Fact are holding Sewing classes on Friday mornings, and Exercise classes on Monday mornings, in Cleenish Parish Hall. Fermanagh and Armagh Connected Together (FACT) project aims to increase physical and social interaction for people over 60 years old, in Counties Fermanagh and Armagh. The FACT Project is a new partnership initiative between South East Fermanagh Foundation (SEFF) and County Armagh Phoenix Group (CAPG), and is funded by the Big Lottery Fund under the Reaching out Connecting Older People.

If you want to get out and about, meet new people and improve your quality of life get in touch with Sharon on 028 6772 2615. There is a small fee of £10 membership, and you simply need to be over 60 years old and reside in NI (preferably Counties Fermanagh and Armagh)

Lakeland Credit Union

Following the successful information evening held in Cleenish Parish Hall at the end of April, the Credit Union will hold a collection meeting at the hall each Wednesday evening from 6 30pm to 7 30pm.

Sympathy

Mrs Sally Crawford, who resided for several years in Bellanaleck, passed away peacefully on Wednesday 23rd April. Sally was born in Kinawley, where she resided for the majority of her long life. During her time in Bellanaleck, she was regular in attendance at Cleenish Church. Having been bereaved by the death of her husband Tom, and daughter Carol, she is survived by her daughter Lettie, sons Freddie, George & Geoffrey, a number of grand children and great grandchildren, and their families. Her funeral Service took place in Kinawley Parish Church on Friday 25th April, before being laid to rest in Derrylin graveyard. The members of Cleenish Parish send their deepest sympathy to the entire family circle.

Cleenish Centre

"See what a morning, gloriously bright" were the opening words of our first song at the Easter Dawn service in the courtyard at the Cleenish Centre. What a morning it was, as the mist cleared, the whole area was bathed in sunlight and the birds also sang their hearts out. It was a great joy for people from age two upwards to celebrate Christ risen from the dead. A big thank you to Mr Mark Kenyon for leading the Service and his very encouraging address, and to Rev Geoff Bridle for leading the Communion Service. Everyone enjoyed breakfast afterwards in the Centre, and we are again indebted to Mr David Mc Elhinney for cooking this for us.

We look forward to the Fun Run on Saturday 31st May, and hope it will be an enjoyable day for the whole community. We also look forward to the Concluding Service on Sunday evening 8th June, for what we hope will be a successful weekend for Cleenish Church. Visitors who have never been to the Centre, will have an opportunity to have a look around the buildings and courtyard.

Again we would appreciate the help of more volunteers to assist at The Centre. If anyone feels they could offer any time for this, please contact us. Bookings are now

being received for the summer months. To contact The Centre enquiries@cleenishcentre.com or call us on 028 6634 9647.

Bellanaleck Community Group Meeting

At the Group meeting on Wednesday 23 April, a considerable amount of time was allocated to the 5k Run and Family Fun Day, which takes place on Saturday 31st May. As last year the 5k will be held in the morning along both lakeside paths, and back to the Cleenish Centre via the main road footpath. The Fun Afternoon will take place in the Centre grounds similar to last year.

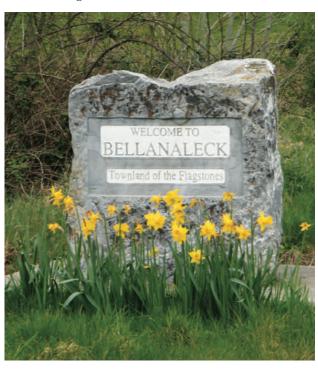
Reference was again made to progress within the Old Quarry site, and its associated Car Park.

A community Notice Board has now been erected in the grounds of Cathcart's shop, anyone wishing to have a notice inserted should contact George Cathcart, or any staff member.

Thanks are also due to Roads Service who have now kindly cleaned up the area along Dunbar's wall, leading to Thornton Villas.

It is pleasing to note Fermanagh District Council maintenance staff are keeping the Village neat and tidy, due to their continued grass cutting schedules.

Next Meeting, Wed 25th June.



Entrance stone nameplate to Bellanaleck Village.

Holy Matrimony

Cleenish Parish Church Friday 9th May 2014 Daisy Beattie & Darren McCusker Bellanaleck

Christian Burial

Mullaghdun Parish Church Wednesday 30th April 2014 Ivy Florence Wilson Tilery Private Nursing Home, formally Derryscobe, Letterbreen Aged 101 years

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Calendar for June 2014

Sunday 1st

10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P. 11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P. 10.00am Augher M.P.

11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.

Sunday 8th Pentecost

9.00am Clogher Cathedral H.C. 10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P. 11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P. 3.00pm Clogher Cathedral Pentecost 10.00am Augher H.C.

11.30am Newtownsaville H.C.

Sunday 15th

10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P. 11.30am Clogher Cathedral Children's Service. 10.00 am Augher Children's Service 11.30am Newtownsaville Children's Service.

Sunday 22nd

9.00am Clogher Cathedral H.C. 10.00am Errigal portclare M.P. 11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P. 10.00am Augher M.P. 11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.

Sunday 29th

9.00am Clogher cathedral H.C. 10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P. 11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P. 10.00am Augher M.P. 11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.

Visit to Dublin

This being the centenary of the outbreak of the first world war we are going to Dublin departing Clogher 13th September at 7am.

We visit the Island Bridge War Memorial, one of the finest in Europe where there will be a short Service and wreath laying.

Visit the Royal Hospital, Phoenix Park and Dublin Castle with its magnificent throne room.

Attend Sunday Service in St Patrick's Cathedral and

Arrangements: contact Shirley or the Rector.

Mothers' Union

This month has been a very busy time for the members of St Macartan's Cathedral Mothers' Union. The topic for the monthly meeting was Armchair Aerobics, demonstrated by Lorna Mitchell.

Members also went to Fivemiletown MU Visitors' Night and the Area meeting in Aghavea Parish Church when the branch banner was carried by the Treasurer, Mrs Hilary Keys. The Spring Council meeting was attended by the branch leader, Mrs Iris Moffett and office bearers.

A very interesting outing to the Three Estates in Caledon, Tynan and Glaslough, organised by Heather Montgomery, followed by a meal in Salley's Restaurant, Aughnacloy was enjoyed by members and friends.

Next month we look forward to a talk by St John's Ambulance before the summer break.

St Mark's, Newtownsaville

Death

David Hunter, 27th April 2014, aged 69.

The funeral service for the late David Hunter, Beragh, took place at St Mark's Parish Church, Newtownsaville on 29th April following his death at the South West Acute Hospital. Davy, formerly from Tullycorker, Clogher, is survived by his wife Edith, son Brian, daughters Sylvia, Angela and Linda, grandchildren, sisters Hester and Ruth and the wide family circle, to whom the parishioners wish to convey their sincere sympathy.

Walking Club

The Walking Club has resumed for the summer season. Walkers meet at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday evenings, returning after a bracing walk for a cup of tea. All welcome to join us!

Children's Day

The young people of the Sunday School will take part in the Morning Service on Sunday 15th June when they will receive their Attendance prizes and awards.

Parish Outing

St Mark's Parish outing will take place on Saturday 28th June, leaving Newtownsaville at 9.00am. Book now for 'Derek's Mystery Tour!'

Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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Services in June

1st of June: The Seventh Sunday of Easter

10.00am Clones: Holy Baptism 11.30am Newbliss: Holy Communion

8th of June: Day of Pentecost

10.00am Currin (Scotshouse): Holy Communion

11.30am Killeevan: Holy Communion

Please dress in red

15th of June: Trinity Sunday

10.00am Clones: Holy Communion

11.30am Newbliss: All age worship, Sunday School

prizes, followed by a picnic

22nd of June: The First Sunday after Trinity 10.00am Currin (Scotshouse): Morning Prayer

11.30am Killeevan: Morning Prayer

29th of June: The Second Sunday after Trinity

3.30pm Currin (Scotshouse): Group Service and

dedication, followed by tea in the rectory **6th of July**: The Third Sunday after the Trinity

10.00am Clones: Holy Communion 11.30am Newbliss: Holy Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit

by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: Open our lips by your Spirit,

that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(Post Communion Prayer for Pentecost)

Dress in red on Pentecost Sunday, the 8th of June!

Traditionally the colour linked with the Holy Spirit is red, the colour of strong feelings, and not least of love. As we celebrate this important part of our faith, God's continual presence – please let it be seen outwardly by dressing in something red. It can be a tie, scarf, top or ... It will remind us that we are people filled with the Spirit

Discussion and Bible Study Group

The group will meet on the following Mondays at 8.00 pm: Monday the 9th of June in the rectory Monday 30th of June in the home of Mrs Esther Gray, Mr Terry and Mrs Joyce Waters, Clontivern Please bring a Bible and a friend.

Mothers' Union

The Killeevan branch invites all to an excursion to the Flower Festival in Cleenish on Saturday the 7th of June. The theme for the flower festival is: Lord for the years. We will meet at 11.00 am in Killeevan and travel in our own cars. Men, women and children are all welcome. Please contact Mrs Ivy Ritchie (tel. 048 67738639) no later than Sunday the 1st of June, as lunch bookings have to be made in advance.

Thank you

Thank you to our group choir who came together and led the singing for Easter and introduced us to a lovely hymn from Tanzania which proclaimed: Christ is arisen, Alleluia!



The group choir practicing in St Andrew's Church, Scotshouse.

Congratulations

Wedding bells rang in Clones on Friday the 5th of April when Mr Colin Irwin and Miss Amanda Gilham were married. Congratulations and best wishes. May God bless you and your family.

Bereavement

Our sympathies are with those who grieve the passing of a family member and relative, or a friend.

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June

1st Confirmation Service, 11.30am, 8th Family service, Prize giving service, 11.30am 8th District anniversary service, 3.30pm 15th Morning Prayer, 11.30am 15th Orange anniversary service, 7.00pm 22nd Morning Prayer, 11.30am 29th Morning Prayer, 11.30am

July

6th Holy Communion, 10.30am 13th Morning Prayer, 10.30am 20th Morning Prayer, 10.30am 27th Morning Prayer, 10.30am

Christian Burial

6th April 2014 Richard James Armstrong, 135 Drumlish Road, Greenan

Wedding

Trevor Ginn and Glenda McElwaine, in Lisnaskea Parish Church.

Firstly, an apology to all our many fans of the Colaghty parish notes for the omission of the May notes, now included with these. Somewhere out there in cyber space, there was a meteor storm of colossal proportions, that they were infiltrated, and ended up in spam. Now that is not the meat variety, but the Google variety. So, not address unknown but a return to sender because of the diocesan force field.

Easter General Vestry

The Easter General vestry, held in the Parish Hall, where members present received the annual reports before the election of the Select Vestry, including the triennial elections. We would wish to offer our continued prayers and support to the incoming Select Vestry, those re-elected and newly elected members together with those elected in the triennial elections as synods men and parochial nominators.

Kesh Rural Deanery service

An excellent service of readings and praise to mark Palm Sunday was held in Derryvullen North Parish Church. The evening organised by the rural deanery saw a large congregation from the various parishes join in the singing with music provided by local group 'Committed.' The joint choirs, accompanied by Mrs Anne Keys sung the well-known hymn, How deep the Father's love. Clergy and young people from the parishes read the scriptural passages from Matthew, from the triumphal entry to the garden of Gethsemane. An epilogue, by the rector of Colaghty drew the readings together and the night finished with a time of continued fellowship in the hall with light refreshments provided by the ladies of Derryvullen Parish church. Our thanks to all involved with the preparation of this service.

Confirmation

At the time of reading these notes, our Bishop John McDowell will be present for a service of confirmation on Sunday 1st June 11.30am. Please continue to pray and support those coming forward at this service.

Young@Heart

At the monthly meeting in March, we were delighted to welcome the members of the Still Active Club from Ballymena. Some 44 members travelled to Colaghty for an enjoyable day, with lunch, followed by an afternoon of music supplied by Malcom Cathers. Members of the group performed a short sketch, which added to the occasion with at times sustained laughter

and applause. Once again our thanks to the committee for all they do on behalf of the members and to the caterers, for sharing with us their culinary skills.



Colaghty Young @ Heart when they had visitors from Ballymena

Concert

Tedd Orange Lodge held a successful concert in the Parish Hall, with guests Curtis Spence, Billy McFarland, Tony Kerr and compere Gary Wilson, providing the entertainment to a packed audience. Thanks, has been expressed to the Select Vestry and all who contributed to the concert.

Lack Primary School

We would express good wishes to the newly appointed principal of Lack Primary School, Ms Amber Walsh and look forward to continuing support for the school in all its coming endeavours, as it seeks to promote educational needs within our community.

Time2Change/FACT

The above organised event for the 60+, proved to be beneficial day with many from the locality and beyond in attendance. The various statutory agencies' amongst others provided necessary information and advice about services available to all who came along. The men enjoyed the services of a barber, with reflexology and nail painting for the more adventurous. Refreshments of tea, coffee and home-baked scones were in ready supply provided by the Young@Heart group. We express our thanks to all who were involved with the planning and delivery of this event.



Baptismal Font

Many of you will have noticed the stone font in the porch of the church in recent weeks. This is believed to be the original font when the church was opened in 1844, and is returned as a decorative feature, a reminder of the parish's historical beginnings. We express our thanks to Ms Vera Speer and the Speer family for their desire that this historical item be relocated to the church for posterity.

World War 1

On Sunday 3rd August, the morning service will focus on and acknowledge the centenary of the beginning of the First World War.

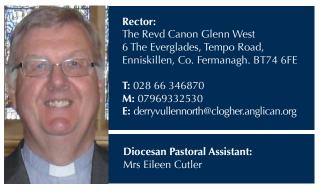
Dates for your diary

Parish Barbecue 26th July 2014 Holiday Bible Club, 4th-8th August



Some members of Colaghty Bowling club.

Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale



'Getting people from where they are to where God wants them to be'

All Sunday Services at 10.15am (Castle Archdale) and 11.30am (Derryvullen North) except 2nd Sunday of each month – 10.30am (Derryvullen North) and 11.45am (Castle Archdale)

June 2014

Sun 1st Holy Communion (Anglican Church of Australia)

Wed 4th Monthly Evening Prayer – Derryvullen North at 7.30pm

Sun 8th Service of the Word (Order 3)

Sun 15th Morning Prayer

Tues 17th Monthly Holy Communion – Derryvullen North at 11.30am

Sun 22nd Sunday School Prize Giving

Sun 29th Morning Prayer (with favourite hymns)

Wed 2nd July Monthly Evening Prayer – Derryvullen North at 7.30pm

A Listening Ear

Responding To What You Hear

As you hear the news on Radio & TV – turn it into prayer

As you hear of new redundancies and those in debt – turn it into prayer

As you hear the gossip in the workplace and elsewhere – turn it into prayer

As you hear of problems besetting your friends and family – turn it into prayer

As you hear of sadness in the voices of those grieving – turn it into prayer

As you hear of violence, cruelty and hurt – turn it into prayer

Encouragement From God's Word

In Christ I am significant -

I am the salt and light of the earth (Matt 5 v 13&14) I am a branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15 v 1-5)

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15 v 16)

I am a personal witness of Christ (Acts 1 v 8)

I am God's temple (1 Cor 3 v 16)

I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor 5 v 17) I am God's co-worker (I Cor 3 v 6 and 6 v 1)

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realm (Eph 2 v 6)

I am God's workmanship (Eph 2 v 10)

I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph 3 v 12)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil 4 v 13)

Making A Difference

Up and down, ebb and flow are very much a part of life. At times there are moments of joy and excitement which cannot be put into words. Then there is the phone call or news that turns everything up side down – moments of pain which cannot be put into words. It is most particularly in such times that disciples of Christ are called to make a difference as they point to someone who walks with us in the joy and pain of life.

May God bless you with enough faith to believe that you can make a difference in the world.

Illness and Hospitalisation

May we appeal for your help in the following way? Whenever you go into hospital (or are ill at home) please arrange specifically for a relative or friend to inform the pastoral team. Please do not rely on hospital chaplaincy staff as they are frequently very busy and do not always get told by the hospital that you are in. When we are informed we can arrange for the hospital chaplain to visit you. Please do not rely on mere word of mouth to reach the pastoral team with the news. This does not always happen. Also, when you are being discharged please let the pastoral staff know. While we can never guarantee that someone might not be missed, the simple guidelines will make it less likely. After all, we cannot respond if we don't know.

Comet

"I AM" Soup luncheon for Tuesday Club members and Senior Citizens was held on Saturday 10th May. This was very successful with 34 persons attending along with the members of the Youth Fellowship, who did a presentation on the "I AM" sayings of Jesus. It was a privilege to have Jonny Phoenix, Diocesan Youth Worker and his wife Janet at the luncheon. The event ended with some hymn singing led by Canon West and Dr Margaret – it was a great joy to hear our young people and older folk joining in their favourite hymns. We are grateful to Lindsey, Sandra, Heather and their helpers for all their hard work.

Acknowledgement

We are grateful for a donation of £1000 to the Parish from the late Mr Robert Clarke, Ferney.

Wedding – Castle Archdale

Friday 2nd May – Tara Naomi McMurray-Taylor & Richard John Taylor-Craig

Diary Dates

6th June Indoor Members Tea Party at the See House from 3.00 - 5.00 pm

7th June Coffee am at Tullana on the Green, Lisnarick from 10.00am – 12noon. Proceeds to Marie Curie Cancer Care

21st June Friends of Tilly Walker are holding a Coffee, Craft & Cake morning from 10.00am – 2.00pm in Irvinestown Primary School. Proceeds to NI Cancer Fund for Children

21st June Mothers' Union General Meeting in the Waterfront Belfast at 10.30am. Service in St Anne's Cathedral on previous evening

Prayers

To all who have been bereaved we extend our prayerful sympathy. To those who have been or are in hospital and to all who are sick at home or nursing homes we pray for Christ's healing presence to be very real to them. May the power and love of Christ sustain each one of us as we travel on life's journey.

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Calendar

8th June 10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary

15th June 10.30 Morning Prayer Garvary

12.00 Holy Communion Derryvullen South

22nd June 10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary

29th June 10.30 Morning Prayer Garvary

12.00 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

6th July 10.30 Holy Communion Garvary

12.00 Holy Communion Derryvullen South

Christian Burial

On Friday 25th April 2014 the funeral service for Christopher George Quinton, 15a Cornagrade Road, took place in the parish church of Holy Trinity, Garvary. Christopher, son of the late George and Alberta Quinton, Killyvilly, grew up in the parish and attended the local primary and secondary schools. Having entered the Faculty of Law at Queens University, Belfast, at the age of 40 yrs he secured a primary and then masters degree in law after which he went to Poland where he joined an international law firm advising on UK law. Amongst the congregation was the Enterprise Minister, Arlene Foster MLA who remembers Christopher as a fellow law student. It was only in February of this year that the family were bereaved following the death of their brother lan and coming so soon after that loss, the death of Christopher is a further tragedy. We extend our sincere sympathy to his brother Derek, sister Aileen and the wider circle of family and friends.

Holy Baptism

On Sunday 4th May 2014 in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, the sacrament of Holy Baptism was ministered to Isaac Thomas William, son of Lee and Elizabeth Johnston (nee Little) Ashbrooke House, Cultiagh. We pray for the parents and godparents as they endeavour by God's help to fulfil their Christian duties.

Bereavements

We express our sympathy to all who have been bereaved recently including Derek Wilson, Barnhill, on the death of his father in law, Fred Boles, Lisnaskea;

and to Willa Wilson, Shankill, on the death of her brother in law, John Flynn, Belfast.

Garvary Table Tennis Club

The Club has had another successful season where members have benefited greatly from the coaching services of Wayne Crawford of Letterbreen Club. Members have also taken part in tournaments organised by Fermanagh Table Tennis Association in which several players were awarded trophies. These were presented at the Associations annal dinner recently held in Tempo. Some fund raising was also done during the winter to offset expenses regarding affiliation fees and the use of the parish hall etc. Wayne was presented with a small gift in appreciation of all his help in coaching, and all other members were presented with trophies/prizes following an "end of season" competition. The Club will re-open in October.

Christian Aid

On Sunday 11th May 2014, the start of Christian Aid Week, we were priviledged to have as our visiting speaker Adrian Horsman, former journalist with the BBC and now involved as media consultant for Christian Aid. Widely travelled, Adrian spoke of his harrowing experiences cycling in the Congo, and Christian Aid's work to help those who find themselves caught up in the conflict there and elsewhere around the world. We are grateful again to Mrs Kathleen Kettyles, Miss Hilda Lucy and the collectors for going around the communities in the evenings of Christian Aid week.

Prizegiving Sunday

The Sunday Schools of both parishes will be holding their prizegiving on the second Sunday in June, 8th June, and during the services our young people will be involved in the service as usual. We appreciate the work of the teachers and assistants over the past year and wish them an enjoyable holiday. The Sunday Schools resume on Sunday 14th September.

Orange Parade

This year we will welcome the Orange Brethren who will be joining us at Morning Prayer on Sunday 29th lune.

New Dean

We extend congratulations and best wishes to our neighbour in Lisbellaw, the Rev Canon Bryan Kerr, on his appointment as incumbent of the Cathedral parish of Dromore, Co Down, closely associated with Jeremy Taylor a famous bishop in the Church of Ireland who, in addition to the diocese of Down and Connor, was intrusted with the diocese of Dromore in 1662 on account of his virtue, wisdom and industry. Canon Kerr will also be installed as Dean of Dromore and will be known as the Very Rev Bryan Kerr. The institution will take place on Wednesday 6th August.

General Synod 1914

In her fascinating research into the archive work of the sixteen volume work of the Rev Dr Robert Walsh, becoming archdeacon of Dublin in 1909 until his death in 1917, Dr Susan Hood of the RCB Library tells us about the gender debate which took place one hundred years ago at the General Synod of 1914. In the heated debate at the time, one clergyman said that allowing women on vestries, as was being proposed, would open the floodgates to Roman Catholics and non-conformists. The bishop of Ossory warned of an increase in social disputes. It would take a further six years before the consitution was amended to allow women to become members of select vestries. It would take until 1947 for the Constitution to allow women to become parochial nominators and churchwardens. The terms vestry men and synods men continued in the Constitution until 1960. The involvement of laymen was not unknown in the Church of Ireland. The Synod of Rathbreasil in AD1111 included a membership of 3000 laymen. Just before disestablishment in 1870 the Church of Ireland General Synod was made up of Archbishops, bishops and priests. After 1870 the Constitution made provision for the membership of synod to include two lay men to each licensed clergyman. One can only imagine the thoughts of those synodsmen of 1914 had they been able to see into the future to the present role of women in the governance of the Church of Ireland.

Devenish and Boho



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Burial

Sunday 11th May 2014 Samuel Robert Acheson. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family circle, friends and Neighbours

Saturday 14th June Enniskillen 10K

Ken McKeown will again participate in the Enniskillen 10K and once again is very kindly donating all proceeds of sponsorship to the 25/35 Project. The sponsorship form is on the table at the back of the church.

Sunday 15th June Confirmation

The Bishop, Rt Rev John McDowell, will be visiting the Parish to administer the rite of Confirmation at 4.00pm in Devenish Church.

Sunday 22nd June Father's Day

Sunday School Service and Gift Day. Morning service in Devenish will include a Father's day service together with our annual Sunday School service. Our gift day this year will go towards the Reade Hall Project.

Sunday 29th June Buffet Lunch

Boho Parish will be holding Fund raising lunch in the Reade hall, Monea on Sunday 29th June at 1.00pm. The meal will be a cold buffet lunch and tickets can be obtained from Boho Vestry members.

Orange Anniversary Service

Sunday 6th July 11.30am in Devenish Parish Church We welcome the officers and members of Magheraboy District LOL No11 and members of Magheraboy Flute Band to Morning Prayer.

Coffee Morning in aid of Marie Curie

A coffee morning in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care was held on Saturday 6th April in the Reade Hall, Monea and raised £1315.00. Natalie Haskins wishes to thank everyone who supported her in this venture. Natalie also ran a leg of Belfast marathon in aid of Marie Curie and to date has raised in excess of £200.00. Well done Natalie!

General Easter Vestries

Boho Parish

Rector's Churchwarden; Innes Redmond, Peoples Churchwarden; David Little. Rectors Glebewarden; Trevor Irwin, People's Glebewarden; Eileen Little. Select Vestry; Hilary Redmond (Honorary Secretary), Enid Redmond (Honorary Treasurer), Barbara Buchanan, Austin Stronge. Caroline Britton, Melanie Irwin, Kathleen Irwin, Lynn McDowell, Jean Smyth and Trevor Smyth. Parochial Nominators: Barbara Buchanan. Supplemental: Eileen Little. Diocesan Synodsmen: Enid Redmond. Supplemental: Trevor Irwin.

Devenish Parish

Rector's Churchwarden; Ken McKeown, People's Churchwarden; Alan Gault. Rector's Glebewarden; Eric Whittaker, People's Glebewarden; William Harpur. Select Vestry; David Scott (Honorary Secretary), Stuart Brooker (Honorary Treasurer), Albert Connor (Gift Aid Secretary), Bruce Harron (Graveyard Treasurer), Paul Barton, Raymond Bell, Kenneth Ferguson, Dr John Graham, Keith Little, Richard McClure, Joe Reilly, Wesley Scott. Parochial Nominators: Eric Whittaker, David Scott, Stuart Brooker. Supplemental: Albert Connor, Ken McKeown, Joan Cathcart. Diocesan Synodsmen: Ken McKeown, Stuart Brooker. Supplemental: Eric Whittaker, Dr John Graham.

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Annual Easter Vestry Meeting

The Annual Easter Vestry Meeting was held in Barr Parish Church on Wednesday 10th April 2014 and was chaired by Archdeacon Pringle. The Election of officers are as follows:

Rector's Church Warden - Mr Alistair Browne
People' Church Warden - Mr Cyril Browne
Rector's Glebe Warden - Mr Ian Johnston
People's Glebe Warden - Mr Mark Henderson
Parochial Nominator - Mr Cyril Browne. Supplemental
Parochial Nominator - Mr John Armstrong. Diocesan
Synodsperson - Mrs Wendy Beatty. Supplemental
Parochial Nominator - Mrs Diane Henderson.
Honorary Treasurer - Mrs Christine Browne. Honorary
Secretary - Mrs Wendy Beatty. Select Vestry - Miss
Hazel Armstrong, Mr John Armstrong, Mrs Wendy
Beatty, Mrs Christine Browne, Mrs Iris Browne, Mrs
Diane Henderson, Mrs Ruth Johnston, Mr Malcolm
Johnston, Mr Eric Surphlis, Mrs Jill Surphlis, Miss Linda

Donagh and Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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Calendar for June

Sunday 1st June – Sunday after Ascension Day
Donagh 10.30am Holy Communion
Tyholland 12.00noon Holy Communion
Sunday 8th June – The Day of Pentecost – WhitSunday
Donagh 10.30am Morning Prayer
Errigal Truagh at 12.00noon Holy Communion
Sunday 15th June - Trinity Sunday
Donagh 10.30am Children's Day
Tyholland 12.00noon Morning Prayer
Sunday 22nd June - The First Sunday after Trinity
Donagh 10.30am Morning Prayer
Errigal Truagh at 12.00noon Morning Prayer
Sunday 29th June – The Second Sunday after Trinity
Donagh 10.30am - A Combined Service of the Word

Mother's Union

The Mother's Union branch concluded their meetings for the year with a service of Holy Communion in St. Sillian's Parish Church – Tyholland on Wednesday 14th May. This was a very enjoyable occasion and was well attended. The address was given by Rev. Betty on the theme 'Sowing the future together'. A delicious supper was served by the ladies after the service. Thanks to Ethne McCord and members of Donagh choir for leading the worship.

Annual General Vestries

The Annual General Vestry for **Tyholland with Errigal Truagh** was held on Tuesday 29th April, in the Board Room of Monaghan Mushrooms. It was good to see so many there and thanks to Mr. Ronnie Wilson for providing the venue. The evening concluded with a lovely supper provided by the ladies.

Reports and financial statements were presented and those appointed were as follows:-

Rector's Churchwarden: Mr. Robert Wilson Tyholland. Mr. William Singleton Errigal Truagh. People's Churchwarden: Mr. David Montgomery. Mr. Bob Singleton Errigal Truagh. Hon. Secretary. Mrs. Ethne McCord. Parish Treasurer Mrs. Eleanor Stewart and Mr. Ronnie Wilson – Tyholland and Mr. William Singleton Errigal Truagh. The members of the Select Vestry for Tyholland and Errigal Truagh were re-elected for the incoming year.

The Annual General Vestry for **Donagh** was held on Wednesday 30th April in the Parish Hall. It was well attended and the evening concluded with a lovely supper provided by the ladies.

Reports and financial statements were presented and those appointed were as follows:-

Rector's Churchwarden – Mrs. Jean Wallace. People's Churchwarden – Mr. Robert Jordan. Rector's Glebewarden: Mr. Clayton Coulter. People's Glebewarden – Mr Mark Breakey. Hon. Secretary – Mrs. Diane Wright-Kendrick. Parish Treasurers: Mrs. Eileen Coulter and Mr. Jim Keith. The members of the Select Vestry were re-elected for the incoming year. One of our long serving members of Select Vestry Mrs. Gladys Mongomery has gone into Copperfield Nursing Home. We thank her for her support and commitment over the years and wish her health and God's Blessing for the future.

Donagh Graveyard

Thanks to everyone who came on Friday 9th May and gave of their time and resources to carry out much needed work in the Graveyard.

Dromore



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Service Times

11.30am Each Sunday (9.00am Holy Communion – First Sunday)

Summer often affords many of us a period of rest. Whether that is a break from school, uni or a well deserved holiday from work.

Rest is something that the scriptures speak of quite clearly - we need to take rest each day, week, month and year. We have not been created to be on the go continuously.

Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I shall never be shaken. Psalm 62:1-2 May we each take time this summer to rest but never to

take a break from God.

Every Blessing James

Easter General Vestry

Thank you to all those attended the Easter General Vestry meeting the following are those who have been elected to serve the parish in alphabetical order:

Wardens 2014-15: Rectors Church Warden - Jonathan Keys. Peoples Church Warden - Robert Thompson. Rectors Glebe Warden - Joe Farrell. Peoples Glebe Warden - Dessie Hughes. Select Vestry 2014-15: Robert Armstrong, Will Bond, Gordon Deazley, Robert Farrell, Arnold Jackson (Hon Treas), Charlie Kenwell (Hon Sec), Stephen Keys, Victor Keys, Charlie Mills, Keith Patterson, Eveline Smith, Hugh Smyth. Parochial Nominators 2014-17: Gordon Deazley, Arnold Jackson, Jonathan Keys, Robert Thompson. Supplementalist Dessie Hughes, Robert Armstrong. Diocesan Synod Representatives 2014-17: Gordon Deazley, Jonathan Keys, Robert Thompson. Supplementalist Will Bond, Charlie Mills.

Distribution of Harvest Monies



Rev James Boyd, Charlie Kenwell (Fields of Life), Sarah Waugh (RAF Wings Appeal), Alan Irvine (CVMNI West), Reuben McKelvey (TPOS)

On Sunday 11th May representatives from four different organisations received £500 each. They included Tyrone Protestant Orphan Society, CVMNI West, RAF Wings Appeal and Holy Trinity Fields of Life. We pray that this small contribution can make a significant difference in the work and ministry of these organisations.

Childrens Day

This year Heather Watson the local worker from CEF will be our speaker on Sunday 8th June. Everyone is

welcome as we celebrate all that the Sunday School has been doing over this last year.

Parish BBQ

Will be held on Friday 13th June. Tickets are available from Select Vestry Members.

Auction

The Fields of Life team are hosting an auction on Wednesday 18th June at 7pm. Any unwanted items would be greatly appreciated - contact 8289 8246.

Annual Services

This year the annual services are taking place on Thursday 19 June and Sunday 22 June.

Social Networking

We are now on Facebook find us using the name Holy Trinity Dromore, simply 'Like' our page to receive regular updates on what is happening.

Drumkeeran, Templecarne and Muckross



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Services in June

June 1st 11.00am Joint Sunday School Service and

Holy Communion in Drumkeeran

June 8th 10.00am Muckross MP

11.30am Drumkeeran MP

7.00pm Dernasesk Friends Service. Canon

Billy Johnston

June 15th 10.00am Templecarne MP

11.30am Drumkeeran MP

June 22nd 10.00am Muckross MP

11.30am Drumkeeran MP

June 29th 10.00am Templecarne MP 11.30am Drumkeeran MP

June Services to be conducted by Mr Jack Watson, Diocesan Lay Reader.

Holy Week

The services in Holy Week were held in each of the three churches. There was a reasonable attendance and I'm grateful to all who supported and helped. Holy week services are a fitting lead up to the themes of Good Friday and Easter Day.

Baptism

On Sunday 27th April, Ella Lavinia Daphne Seaney was baptised in Drumkeeran. It was good to have all the family connections, making up for the small attendance on the normal Sunday after Easter. We pray that God will bless Ella, her parents, and all who will have the care of her in the days and years ahead.

Christian Aid



A good number of parishioners took Christian Aid Envelopes on the first Sunday of May. And a good number have been returned. If you have not returned your envelope by the time you read this Magazine, could you do so as soon as possible. I'm grateful for this annual support of a most worthy cause, reaching out to help those in great need.

Templecarne Parish

During recent months work has been ongoing with the repairs and rebuilding of the wall at Templecarne graveyard. It is a stone built wall and thus more expensive to replace. An Appeal was made to people with burial rights in the graveyard and as a result almost £11,000 has been raised. In addition, a grant of over £2,000 from central church funds was received. This generous response has been a great encouragement to the parish.

Annual Concert

Templecarne Parish Annual Concert will be held on 6th November this year. A special 'Thank You' to David and Hilda Johnston who do so much in organising this annual fund raising event which receives the support of the whole community in the Pettigo area.

Vaughan Plaque

A memorial Plaque to commemorate the life of George Vaughan was dedicated in Drumkeeran Church on Easter Sunday. The Vaughan family came from Wales in the seventeenth century and settled in the Buncrana area of Donegal. George, who was born in 1693, acquired a large estate around Kesh in the area of present day Crevenish Castle, now in ruins. George was noted for his kindness to his tenants, regardless of religion, attitudes not all that common back in the early eighteenth century. In his will he made provision for the erection of a Charitable School for the education of boys and girls, again regardless of gender or religion. The

school was built in the townland of Tubrid and the present day Drumkeeran Church was built as the school chapel. In 1773 the school chapel became Drumkeeran Parish Church, the parish area being carved out of the parish of Magheraculmoney. The school was closed in 1934 and in time the estate was sold. From the proceeds of the sale the Vaughan Trust was established for the assistance and promotion of agricultural advancement in Fermanagh. The trust continues that aim.

The trustees provided for and organised the erection of the plaque, a suitable testimony to a man who in his attitude to his tenants was so different from that of the many landlords of whom we read in Irish history, caring for his tenants, encouraging better farming activities, supportive of all. It is thus fitting that a memorial plaque should be erected in the church which originally was the school chapel.

On 12th May the Trustees visited Drumkeeran Church, along with sculpture of the plaque, admired the finished work and enjoyed a light lunch provided by Mabel Armstrong. All in all it was a most pleasant experience and as a church we are delighted and proud to have an appropriate memorial to a worthy gentleman, a landlord of outstanding care and concern for his tenants, regardless of their religion, a quality not all that common in the eighteenth century.

Children's Service

On the morning of the first Sunday of June in Drumkeeran Church it is planned to have the annual Sunday School Service marking the end of the Sunday School year. As last year it will be a United Service for the group of parishes at 11.00am.

As reported in last month's Magazine, on Palm Sunday the Sunday School children took a leading part in the service in Drumkeeran. Again, thanks to the Sunday School teachers and all who help with these special services. And its good to have a Sunday School enrollment of almost fifty. Related to this is the date of the next Confirmation Service, November 16th at 11.00 am in Drumkeeran. Please remember in your thoughts and prayers the young people who are being prepared for Confirmation, and their families.

Advance Notices

The Harvest Thanksgiving Services in the group will be held on the usual dates, second, third and fourth Sundays of September.

Pastoral Cover

During the months of June and July emergency Pastoral Cover will be provided by the clergy of the neighbouring MagheraculmoneyParish. Details of these arrangements, and the services, will be circulated in each church towards the end of May. My thanks to the neighbouring clergy for their help, and the Diocesan Lay Readers, Jack Watson and John Irvine, who will conduct the Sunday services.

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Darkness

How do you feel about darkness?

Most of us don't like it. Many of us fear it. Few of us face it voluntarily. Darkness comes in all sorts of forms. Darkness can be the absence of physical light. Darkness can be the symbol of evil's grip over parts of one's life. Darkness can be the emotional chasm that claims us when we get bad news, lose a loved one, or face an unspeakable betrayal. Darkness takes on these faces of meaning, and many more.

Yet darkness can also be the workshop of God to bring new life out of our most hopeless situations. God created our universe out of darkness and chaos.

In a time of physical, spiritual, and national darkness, God the Father birthed God the Son through the miraculous movement of God the Holy Spirit — God conceived this blessing in the darkness of the womb, in a darkness of deep political oppression, and in the darkness of the night where a star heralded Jesus' physical birth.

Jesus defeated the power of evil and sin as he hung in mid-day darkness on the cross, abandoned by his friends and berated and mocked by a jeering mob.

In the darkness of a sealed tomb the mystery of life was reawakened and Jesus' victory over sin and death for us was secured.

Do you find yourself in some kind of deep darkness? In the darkness of a prison cell shaken by an earthquake Paul and Silas sang and prayed new life into the life of a jailer and his family.

So we can safely say that God is not afraid of our darkness. God is not afraid to enter our darkness and journey with us to bring us to Himself. God can do great work in our deepest darkness to help us find what is true, reliable, lasting, and life-sustaining. God uses the darkness to help us find Him — our heavenly Father, our loving and presence Abba! Listen to these words of the psalmist David, words that have sustained countless millions who have found themselves in deepest darkness and seen the twinkling of grace's starlight:

Even if I am afraid and think to myself, "There is no doubt that the darkness will swallow me, the light around me will soon be turned to night," You can see in the dark, for it is not dark to Your eyes. For You the night is just as bright as the day. Darkness and light are the same to Your eyes (Psalm 139:11-12).

Now don't think of this as some saccharine attempt to sweeten the bitter darkness that may currently grip your life. Nor is this an attempt to sloganize you out of your weariness with your time in the darkness. The words of doubt and despair in these passages are strong words that speak of strong fears. These words speak frankly, even starkly, about our condition in the darkness:

- The troubles we faced were nearly more than we could handle.
- The burdens we bore nearly crushed us.
- Our strength dwindled to nothing.
- We weren't sure we would make it through the whole ordeal.
- We thought we would have to serve out our death sentences.
- God delivered us from the cold hands of death.
- I am afraid.
- No doubt that the darkness will swallow me.

These two passages emphasize the reality both of our desperation and God's presence to save us. These two passages remind us of our possible death and God's ultimate rescue. God's presence is found in the middle of our desperation. God's rescue is discovered when death crowds in closely to us and we experience the blessing of God's rescue. Read the words of these passages again and notice presence, deliverance, and hope found in the presence and power of God meeting us in the darkest of places:

We must trust solely in God, who possesses the power to raise the dead.

- Miraculously God Himself delivered us.
- We again place our hope in Him alone, and we know He will deliver us.
- You can see in the dark.
- For You the night is just as bright as the day.
- Darkness and light are the same to Your eyes.
- Do you find yourself in some kind of deep darkness? Does fear hang like a damp overcoat around your shoulders weighing you down and seizing your life?

Do you not know where to turn or how to find your way of the darkness?

Ask the Spirit to bring you the breath of heaven into your darkness. Remember, God's people of faith have been where you are now. Confess to yourself and to others, "I am not alone in my darkness. God is here. He has rescued and delivered others found here before me and my Father will find me and bring me home. Deliverance is coming. Come Lord Jesus!"

Aghabog

Bowling Club

The bowling club held their finals and presentation night on Monday 14th April.

League singles Winner was Nigel Norris, runner-up Jason Wilkin

Knockout Singles Winner was Jason Wilkin, runner –up Gary Hall

Pairs Winners – Gillian Ritchie and Mavis Harrison Runners up – Joan Lee and Daniel Hawthorne Charity singles was won by Nigel Norris and runner up Richard Truell. Each year we hold a charity singles competition and this year the money is going to AWARE.

Our thanks to all the winners and runners up and to all the other members for a good seasons playing and support throughout the year. After the presentation supper was served and enjoyed by all. Hope you all enjoy the summer break and will resume again in mid-September.

County Monaghan Orange Lodge

County Monaghan Orange Lodge held their annual service in Aghabog Church on Sunday 11th May at 3.30pm. This service was very supported and also it was good to see the Junior Lodge out for their first time in full strength. The service was conducted by Rev G. Beattie and the guest speaker was Rev. Alan Irwin. Our thanks to the organist, the readers and to Inver Flute Band for their beautiful music. After the service refreshments were served in the hall and our thanks to all who helped and brought food.

Presentation

After morning worship on Sunday 4th May Mr Paddy Grogan from St. Christopher's Hospice in Cavan accepted a cheque for €837. This money was raised from a Barbeque hosted by Aghabog parish last season. This was organised as a joint effort with other churches in the Ematris Group of parishes and also thanks to our good friends and neighbours who supported this event.

Coffee Morning

This annual event will be held on the 21st June in the church hall from 11.00am to 2.00pm Everyone welcome.

Aughnamullen

2014 seems to be the year that a lot is happening in Aughnamullen, The large renovation work that was undertaken is now finished making the church a real pleasure to worship in. We have had one big service (The Billy Fox Memorial Service) so far, with another one to come in September when we will celebrate the 150 years of the consecration of the Church combined with the Harvest Service when the preacher will be The Dean the Very Rev. Kenneth Hall. There will be more later about the service.

Dartrey/Rockcorry

Like many Churches in our land we in Dartrey and Rockcorry need money to keep our Churches in the good repair that they are in. We thank the good work of our Fund Raising Committee led by Marion Fannin who works hard to raise the money we need. There are always more jobs to be done to maintain the buildings and the ministry in Dartrey and Rockcorry and of course we need the skilled hands to do the work.

The coming Events

Friday 20th June: Dartrey Picnic from 8.00pm in the Dartrey Hall, Food, Band Parade, Face Painting and A Fancy Dress Competition.

Children's Day Sunday 6th July at 11.00am in Rockcorry Church

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Walter Wilkin on the birth of their son Charile

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Services

Sunday 1st June The Seventh Sunday of Easter

9.00am - Holy Communion

11.00am - Holy Baptism & Holy Communion

7.00pm – Top 50 Hymns (numbers 21 – 30)

Tuesday 3rd June

7.30pm – Adult Confirmation (Portora Chapel)

Thursday 5th June

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 8th June The Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday)

9.00am - Holy Communion

11.00am - Family Service & Prize Giving

3.00pm - Annual Pentecost Ecumenical Service in

Clogher Cathedral

7.00pm - Evening Prayer

Thursday 12th June

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 15th June Trinity Sunday

9.00am - Holy Communion

11.00am - Holy Communion

7.00pm - Evening Prayer

Thursday 19th June

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd June The First Sunday after Trinity

9.00am - Holy Communion

11.00am - Morning Prayer

7.00pm – Holy Communion

Monday 23rd June

7.00pm – Ulster Project Service (St Michael's RC Church)

Thursday 26th June

11.00am – Holy Communion

29th June Saint Peter's Day

9.00am - Holy Communion

11.00am - Holy Communion (Visit from St Columba's Knock)

7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Holy Baptism

Sunday 4th May – Gideon Robert Clements Sunday 4th May – Owen Ciaran McKinney

Confirmation

Sunday 18th May: Rhys Beresford, Kerri Breen, Nathan Clyde, Sophie Coalter, Daniel Cochrane, Jessica Elliott, Aaron Elliott, Andrew Ellis, Emma Glass, James Johnston, Jack Hicks, Liesl McBride, Lauren Millar, Nathan Noble, Richard Pendry, Jack Rutledge, Lara Todd and Jemma Wilson.

Christian Marriage

10th May – Lorraine Ann Brown and Ethan Flanagan 31st May – Leana Wilkin and Campbell Toal

Christian Burial

2nd May – Walter George Vaughan 3rd May – Joseph Cecil Scott

Cathedral Parish Link

On Sunday 29th June at 11am in St. Macartin's Cathedral Enniskillen a link between St. Columba's Parish Church, Knock, Belfast and St. Macartin's Cathedral will be formed. This will mark the beginning of an exciting new chapter for our respective congregations and has the full support of the Bishop of Down and Dromore, The Rt. Revd Harold Miller and the Bishop of Clogher, The Rt. Revd John McDowell. It is hope that our parish will be well represented at this service which will be followed by a picnic for everyone to enjoy. Please bring a picnic with you!

While this is a new initiative we already know each other! We are coming together as friends. You may remember Brian Acheson and Ronny Martin from St Columba's Parish cycling up our Cathedral aisle when they arrived on a Sunday morning while completing their marathon around Cathedrals in Northern Ireland to raise funds for their CMSI Zambia Team. We were delighted to give a special collection that morning to support their project. Their Rector, the Rev John Auchmuty was also present with us at that service. The Dean was delighted to be invited to preach St Columba's Harvest Service last October.

Both our congregations share a deep appreciation for liturgical worship with excellent music and active lay participation. We have an opportunity through this link to support and enrich each other in serving the risen Christ while maintaining our individual identities. This parish link will also provide an opportunity for personal friendships to be made as we get to know each other over the coming years. In addition our Parish Organisations will be able to benefit from exchange visits.

St. Columba's have invited our Cathedral Parish to their church on Sunday 7th September for our Morning Service which will be followed by a picnic in Crawfordsburn. We hope to fill a 50 seater bus and take the Mini Bus as well. All are encouraged to support our new parish link.



Photograph taken at the General Synod following discussions about the parish link - The Dean, Bishop John McDowell, Rev John Auchmuty, Bishop Harold Miller

Cathedral Hall -'Hall Together Now'

Major award for work on the Cathedral Hall

An application under the Social Investment Fund (SIF) requesting financial support for the Cathedral Hall refurbishment has been successful. An award of £543,000 has been promised which represents the full cost of carrying out the basic work on the hall. A formal letter of offer will not be issued until autumn at the earliest and work on the hall cannot begin until authority thereafter is given. The SIF is administered by the Office of the First and Deputy First Minister. The purpose of the Fund is to deliver social change. It aims to make life better for people living in targeted areas by reducing poverty, unemployment and physical deterioration. Many of the activities that take place in the Cathedral Hall help to address these problems. The Economic Appraisal that was carried out in support of our application indicated that over sixty groups and organisations use the hall each year attracting 27,000 people. Many of these organisations and groups, through their activities, help to address those social issues targeted under the SIF.

When the 'Hall Together Now' fund-raising project was undertaken, at the beginning of 2013, it was never anticipated that an award of this magnitude would be obtained. One of the arguments used in our application under the SIF Fund was that the roof of the Cathedral (a listed building) is in urgent need of overhaul and that it was beyond the capacity of the Parish to fund-raise for both the Cathedral Hall and for the Cathedral roof. In view of the Cathedral Hall's large community use it was successfully argued that the Cathedral Hall project was entitled to support under the SIF.

The 'Hall Together Now' fund-raising project has been successful. Thanks are due to those who have contributed generously and those who have organised fund-raising events. It is the intention to maintain the

momentum of the present fund-raising campaign until the end of the year. Now that funding for the basic Cathedral Hall improvements has been obtained from public sources it is proposed to carry out extra desirable work at the hall. This will include an extension to the car park and the fitting of access and exit barriers which will prevent the general public using it as is currently the practice. In addition, it may be necessary to carry out some enhancement work within the halls which will not be covered by the SIF award. The funds raised by the parish under the 'Hall Together Now' project will be used for the additional work at the hall with the balance being transferred to the Cathedral Fabric account.

The proceeds from future fund-raising activities will go to the Fabric Fund. Parishioners will be aware that leaks in the roof of the Cathedral have been a problem in recent times. This is an indicator of the deteriorating condition of the roof. All the funds that the Parish can raise will be required in due course for the Cathedral roof.

Youth Vigil



A part of our Holy Week mission 2014, St Macartin's Cathedral held a youth event called Vigil on Saturday night. The hope was to have a worship space in the Cathedral presented in such a way as to speak to the needs and culture of young people. The event was run by students from the Church of Ireland Theological Institute who joined us for the Holy Week mission, and by the team who run Xplore, St Macartin's monthly youth night.



During planning we felt that the event should not just be for St Macartin's, but should be available to other youth groups across the diocese. We were pleased to be joined by lots of youth ministries from near and far. There were about 100 people attending.

Our first step was to



transform the liturgical space. We wanted to meet in the Cathedral itself to send out a message that this is everyone's Cathedral, not just the older peoples. Young people belong here also! With the help of a light rig, projection, and even a bit of haze, the Cathedral space looked fantastic – a true blend of the modern and the traditional.

After a few gathering activities, music was led by St Macartin's Youth Praise group and then by a band of young people from Sligo. The standard of music was excellent, having us all up on our feet. After a time of confession using real tents placed around the Cathedral, there was a talk by Andrew Frame from the Church of Ireland Youth Dept. When it was all over there was time for some drinks, snacks, and conversation. We had a great night, and hopefully we can do it again. Hope you can join us next time.



Fermanagh Churches Forum (FCF)

This year's FCF conference, made possible by the kind generosity of Fermanagh District Council will be held on Thursday 12th June at the Manor House Hotel from 10.00am to around 4.00pm. The title will be "Faith in a Reconciling and Uniting Community" and the main speaker will be Dr Johnston McMaster.

Annual Pentecost Ecumenical Service

Annual Pentecost Ecumenical Service held jointly by the Church of Ireland and Roman Catholic Dioceses of Clogher will be held on Sunday 8th June in St Macartan's Cathedral Clogher at 3.00pm. The service will be conducted by both bishops.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, by water and the Holy Spirit you give your faithful people new life: Guide and strengthen us by that same Spirit that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

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Church on Sundays

11am St John's (10am during July and August) Usual morning service times resume at Harvest Thanksgiving.

'If a man wants to pray, let him pray.'

The season of prayer for the parish is underway and it has been a great blessing to us so far. As you know we have made changes to our times for Church on Sundays, during a period of six months, in order to create time and space to pray.

Prayer begins on Sundays at 10am, before the church gathers for morning worship. We are using the Litany as a structure and it is proving to be very useful and helpful to us. Approximately twenty people have been gathering and God has been faithful in leading the prayer. Last week we were led to reconsider Jesus words that 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.' These words are inscribed on a stone pillar at the entrance to St John's Church. As a church we received a number of emails from around the world requesting prayer, and I realised that we as a parish have a relationship with each of the people concerned.

One gentleman, whose information is restricted, has a brother in the parish. This man is working for Christ in a difficult part of the world, and visits us as a church when he is in N. Ireland. Another request came from a couple, Peter and Kelly Burke, who plan to move to South Africa in July, with their two sons. They intend to work with a group called Serving in Mission SIM. Kelly is a daughter of this parish and we are delighted to see fruit from the parish's youth ministry. Will and Rachel McGirr work with Operation Mobilisation OM, and currently are based in Australia. They lead the team working in Nepal, and Tara, a team member and other OMers were with us here several autumns ago. Will is a son of Canon and Mrs Eric McGirr. Mrs McGirr is also a daughter of this parish. Lastly we were asked to pray for the work of SU Fermanagh and Fivemiletown Schools' Worker, Jeff Gawn.

All nations indeed. Isn't it a great privilege to pray for God's people as they get on with the business of serving and reaching out to others, in the name of lesus.

Recently I read that 'if a man wants to pray, let him pray.' That has been the case in this last week during the week of prayer, as people got up for a 7am start. Also the parish course, 'When God's people pray,' has been helpful to many. All of these opportunities are being well responded to. I believe that our understanding of what prayer is, and our willingness to settle into it will progress and improve. I believe that God is able to draw prayer from within us, and nurture us in this way. This morning as a church we considered Hebrews 4, which refers to God's throne of mercy and grace. It calls up approach God's throne with confidence. In all of this, we are learning that prayer is a very great privilege indeed.

Pray

For Alistair Donaldson who hopes to be ordained deacon, and be placed in the parish for 10 and half months as a deacon-intern, beginning 1 September 2014.

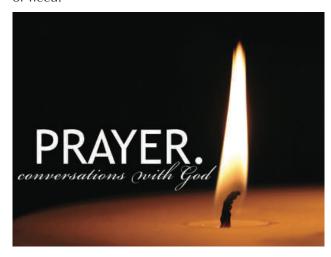
With thanksgiving for the end of season activities of our organisations. That their leadership will find rest during the summer months. Thank God for all who contribute to church and parish life here.

For those mentioned in the article on prayer.

For every parish household, and each individual. That God would 'stir up' greater faithfulness in us towards Him.

For students, and all associated with local schools, at this time of examinations.

For those preparing for baptism. For those preparing for Confirmation. For those preparing for marriage. For all who grieve. For those in any kind of distress or need.



Senior Adults Ministry

12noon Wednesday 4 June Holy Communion and Lunch. Speaker: Mrs Sharon Coote on Food Hygiene.

Mothers' Union

The meeting on 9 April followed the Lenten service. Missionary money, knitted blankets, matinee coats and bonnets for the Neo-natal Unit and knitted teddies called Trauma Teddies for Accident & Emergency Unit at the South West Acute Hospital and used stamps for the Leprosy Mission were collected.

Arrangements were made to attend the annual Area service in Aghavea Church on 16 May.

The next meeting was Visitors Night on 14 May when the speaker was Dr. Alison Irvine, "Women's Health." The meeting closed with prayer led by Elvina Funston.

'Call His name Jesus'

Friday 12 - Sunday 14 December 2014

God willing, the parish is planning to host a festival of flowers and music to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Mrs Thelma Atwell and Mrs Pauline Wilson are deeply gracious and considerate to work with. Along with the rector, they are hoping to present again the scripture story of the birth of Jesus, the people involved and the various places and settings. Already we are looking forward to a time with local musicians and schools as they help us in this celebration.

Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully



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Service Times

09:00 Drummully 10:30 Sallaghy 12:00 Galloon

Sunday School Times

Drummully 9:00-10:00am, in Drummully Church Hall. **Sallaghy** 10:30-11:30am, in Sallaghy Church Hall **Galloon** 12:00-1:00pm in Galloon Church Hall

June Services

Holy Communion will be celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of June (8th June).

Sunday 15th June is a Family Service and Sunday School Prize giving.

Trinity Sunday (29th June) will be a Group Service at 11:30 in Sallaghy Parish Church and will also be the Annual Orange Service for Sallaghy Parish.

July Services

Holy Communion will be celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of July (13th July).

Easter Sunday in the Galloon Group

There was a large turnout at the two services organised in the Galloon Group, comprising of the parishes of Newtownbutler, Sallaghy and Drummully on Easter Sunday. A series of services, shared with our neighbours had been held during Holy Week commencing in Newtownbutler Presbyterian Church on Monday, followed by Newtownbutler Methodist on Tuesday, Drummully on Wednesday, Sallaghy on Thursday when the group choir sang two pieces and concluded in Newtownbutler Church on Good Friday.

On Easter Sunday Rev Anita conducted a service of Holy Communion 1 in Sallaghy at 8.00am with approximately 50 people in attendance.

An Easter Sunday Praise Service including Holy Communion was held in Newtownbutler Church at 11.00am when Rev Anita was assisted by the Group's Diocesan Lay Reader, Charles Crawford. In excess of 100 people of all ages were present.

The service opened with the hymn "Praise my soul the king of heaven" with the Crawford family trio of Alistair, Andrew and Joanna providing the brass accompaniment.



Alistair, Joanna and Andrew Crawford

The lessons were read Darren Morrow, Eileen Hall and Charles Crawford with the duet of Roisin Kerr (harp) and Grace Kettyle (violin) playing verses of "I am the Lord of the Dance" before, between and after the readings.



Darren Morrow



Eileen Hall

The prayers were led by Charles Crawford.

The sermon by Rev Anita was based on the title "Receive, believe and become Christians, (r + 2b = C)". This was followed by the group choir singing the first of their two pieces "King of Kings, Majesty".

During Holy Communion background music was provided by Roisin Kerr (harp), the group choir and the organist Joyce Clingan. After Holy Communion the group choir sang their second piece "In Christ Alone".



The Group Choir

Following the recessional hymn Rebekah Clingan played a trumpet voluntary "Water you turned into wine".



Rebekah Clingan

A special thanks to everyone who helped with the preparations, participated in and put together our Easter Services especially the group choir who came together to produce two excellent performances of their two pieces. Once again thanks to The Rev Anita for her leadership, inspiration and encouragement of people to get as many involved as possible in the life of the group.



Revd Anita Kerr and Mr Charles Crawford *Photographs courtesy of Stephanie Wiggins*

Parish Picnic

As we travel together on our earthly journey to our heavenly destination it is always good to spend time as Jesus did with his friends; eating, talking, sharing fellowship and fun! In this spirit it is hoped to have a Parish Picnic (bring your own and share something with others), Games for the children, five aside football and hopefully sunshine!!! Everyone welcome to The Rectory Newtownbutler on Saturday 14th June 2.00 – 5.00pm

Galloon Parish

Easter Vestry

The Annual General Easter Vestry Meeting was held in The Church Hall on Wednesday 30th April 2014. The following appointments were made: Rector's Churchwarden, Mr William Allen, People's Churchwarden Mr Richard Bell, Rector's Glebewarden, Mr Ivan Wiggins and People's Glebewarden, Mr Bert Robinson.

Sympathy

We extend sympathy to the Allen family Kilturk on the death of Myrtle's mother, Mrs Wilson and also remember the entire family connection.

We also remember the Bowles family, Lisnaskea on the death of Fred and extend sympathy to his widow and family circle. The Bowles family ran a grocery business in High Street, Newtownbutler for many years before retiring and moving to Lisnaskea.

Congratulations

We congratulate Roy, elder son of George and Emily Ebbitt, Bunn, on his recent marriage to Arlene. We wish them every blessing as they set up home in Lisnaskea but come to worship with us in Galloon.

Auction

Thanks to all who helped and supported our auction in April. We look forward to the next one (DV) on Saturday 6th September 2014 at 12.00 noon.

Book Sale

The Annual Secondhand Book Sale runs from 22nd July to 26th July in the Church Hall, High Street, Newtownbutler. It will open 10.00am to 5.00pm and 7.00pm to 9.00pm Tuesday to Friday and 10.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday. There are thousands of books of all kinds for sale at bargain prices. Come along and be amazed by the number of books. It is probably the largest collection of secondhand books for sale in the country! Thanks to Ciaran and Sinead for their recent donation of sixty boxes of books to add to our already massive stock.

Tractor Run

Sunday 18th May saw a massive turnout of tractors for the Annual Vintage and Modern Tractor Run and Demonstration. Thanks to James Mohan and his committee for all the hard work put into arranging everything and making this such an enjoyable cross-

community event. Proceeds are being shared by St Mary's Primary School for a special project and Galloon Parish Church for their Sunday School Project. Sincere thanks to everyone who made the event such a success.

Illness

A number of parishioners are ill in hospital, at home and in care homes at present. Please remember them, and their families in your prayers. Please let Rev Anita know of any one in need of pastoral support.

Sallaghy Parish

Easter Vestry

The Annual Easter Vestry and the subsequent meeting of the Select Vestry were held on Tuesday 29th April. The following appointments were made:

Churchwardens: R Kettyle (Rector's), G Little (People's). GlebeWardens: R Crawford (Rector's), R Gardiner (People's).

Select Vestry: Mrs H Allen, J Bussell, C Crawford (Honorary Treasurer), H Crawford, J Clingan, R Clingan (Honorary Secretary), J Fleming, B Frazer, Mrs J Mooney, D Morrison, Mrs B Whittendale, W Whittendale.

Parochial Nominators: C Crawford & R Clingan. Supplemental Parochial Nominators: R Kettyle and Mrs J Mooney.

Diocesan Synod Member: C Crawford. Supplemental Diocesan Synod Member: G Little.

Crom Road Tractor Run and Vintage Ploughing Demonstration

A tractor run and vintage ploughing demonstration will be held at Fiddis' Farm, Crom Road, Lisnaskea on Saturday 23rd August 2014 starting at 2.00pm. All tractors welcome (small, medium, large, vintage) - £10 per entry. Registration opens at 1.00pm and all tractors must be registered before the tractor run starts. Refreshments will be available. All proceeds are in aid of local charities including Sallaghy Parish.

Parish Barbeque

It is hoped to have a steak barbeque on Friday 5th September. Tickets will be available later from members of Select Vestry and others. The Sunday School children will be free. Please keep this date free and invite your friends to attend. All support will be greatly appreciated.

Drummully Parish

Easter Vestry

The Easter Vestry took place in Drummully Church Hall on Thursday 24th April. It is great to welcome a couple of new members onto the vestry. Office bearers are as follows: Hazel Robinson as Treasurer, Eileen Hall as secretary, William Armstrong as Rector's Churchwarden, Eileen Hall as People's Churchwarden, George Moore as People's Glebewarden, Hazel Robinson as Diocesan Synodsperson, Petula Stevens as Supplemental Diocesan Synodsperson. Linda

Kelly as Parochial Nominator and Brian Robinson as Supplemental Nominator.

Car Boot Sale with Strawberry Teas

Our annual Car Boot Sale with Strawberry Teas is on Saturday 7th June. Gates open at 8am. Cars and small vans are 10 Euro, large vans 15 Euro. The parish are holding their own stall at this, which will include a cake sale and all proceeds will go to the Church roof repair fund.

There will be a further two car boot sales in the summer, which will take place on Saturday 26th July and Saturday 23rd August.

Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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Services

Sunday 8th June Kiltyclogher 10am HC

Belleek 11.30am HC

Sunday 15th June Garrison 10am FS & MP

Slavin 11.30am FS & MP

Sunday 22nd June Kiltyclogher 10am HC

Belleek 11.30am HC

Sunday 29th June Slavin 3pm EP, 5th Sunday group

service, Orange Parade service

Sunday 6th July Slavin 11.30am HC

Garrison 3pm EP, Orange Parade service

Note HC will now be held, where possible in each of the churches on the 1st & 2nd Sundays of each month.

Christian Burial

Mr Derek Acheson passed away in the South West Acute Hospital Enniskillen on Saturday 3rd May. His funeral took place in Garrison Parish Church on Tuesday 6th May, conducted by the Rector Rev Ngozi. Interment took place in the adjoining churchyard. Sympathy is extended to his cousins, close friends and neighbours.

Illness

We pray for those in our group of Parishes who are ill, particularly remembering Mabel Henry from Kiltyclogher Parish. We pray for continued improvement in the health of all those in our Group of Parishes who have been unwell, whether in hospital, at home, or nursing home.

Dedication Service

A Dedication Service will be held on Sunday 3rd August @ 3.30pm in Kiltyclogher Church. The service of Evensong will be conducted by the Bishop, Rt Rev John McDowell assisted by the Rector Rev Ngozi. The preacher will be Canon George Irwin. Gifts will be dedicated in memory of the late Valerie Irwin.

Thanks From Rector

The Rector wishes to express her appreciation and thanks to all parishioners from

the four parishes for their donations to the Rectory Fabric Fund at the recent gift services. A log burning stove has been installed in the rectory which heats the radiators and the Rector is extremely thankful for this excellent gift.

It is already proving to be a real asset in the Rectory. Thanks also to all who helped to organise the purchase and helped with the installation.

Easter General Vestry

The annual Easter vestry meetings have taken place in all four churches. This was a triennial year so there were additional appointments made this year.

2014 Easter Vestry	Garrison	Slavin	Belleek	Kiltyclogher
Rector's Churchwarden	Keith Kettyles	Raymond Gregg	Rachel Love	Edward Stephenson
People's Churchwarden	Adrian Elliott	Tom Ovens	Robert Johnston Jnr	Gordon Carson
Rector's Glebewarden	Austin Acheson	George McBride	Ernest Watson	Freda Allingham
People's Glebewarden	Neville Elliott	Robert Earls	Robert Johnston Snr	William McVitty
Secretary	Joy Graham	Florence Earls	Helen Thompson	Pauline Carson
Treasurer	Lorraine Kettyles	Elizabeth Ovens	Betty Johnston	Pauline Carson
Parochial Nominator	Eddie Graham	George Earls	Ernest Watson	Pauline Carson
Supplemental Parochial Nominator	Austin Acheson	Tom Ovens	Betty Johnston	Gordon Carson
Synodsperson	Austin Acheson	Doreen Earls	Helen Thompson	Freda Allingham
Supplemental Synodsperson	Christina Breen	Lowry Somerville	Betty Johnston	Pauline Carson

Family Service & Prize Giving

The end of year service for the Sunday schools with prize-giving is on Sunday 15th June in Garrison & Slavin churches.

Parish Website

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org

The web manager is Jenna Clarke.

Photos & articles etc. for the website to be emailed to Doreen Earls.

Social Networking: Follow us on Facebook using the name Garrison Group of Parishes. Simply 'Like' our page to receive updates on events.

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Ministry in Gods Church

On 13th June I will have served 10 years as rector in the parish of Inishmacsaint. I was ordained to serve as a deacon in the parish of St Elizabeth's, Dundonald, Belfast 36 years ago. In that ordination service in Dromore Cathedral as I knelt before the Bishop of Down and Dromore, Right Revd. George Quinn, he handed me a copy of the New Testament and spoke the words "Take authority to read the gospel in church and to preach the same" This has been both a privilege and a responsibility. I'm sure there have been times when I did not do as well as I should. Yet I am convinced that the bible has a message which is relevant and as important today in the 21st century as ever. God still speaks to us through his word by his Spirit. God has been faithful to me and given me grace to serve him over all these years.

It is important in the church that we realise ministry is not just the task of the ordained clergyman or clergywoman. The word ministry means service. According to the New Testament no one could possibly be a Christian and not be called to some kind of ministry in the church. It may be a cliché but the Christian is saved to save, ministry in the church is meant to be a shared task in which all Christians, clergy and people share together. The rector is called by God to a full time ministry of the Word and Sacrament. As a leader in the church his task is to encourage and enable the people of God in the parish to exercise their ministry in serving God in this church and in the world. The month of June is when most ordinations take place in the Church of Ireland. Please pray for all those who will be ordained this month. Pray also for more people to hear and respond to Gods call to the ordained ministry.

Annual Easter Vestry

At the Easter AGM in the parish the rector announced he will be retiring from the full time ordained ministry in the parish at the end of August. The following were appointed for the coming year.

Ron Ferguson (Rectors Churchwarden) Colin Brownsmith (Peoples Churchwarden) Albert Hamilton, Michael Skuce, Jim Wilson, Kathleen Elliott, Mary Elliott, Jennifer Ferguson, Leanne Muldoon, Joanne Armstrong, James Pattison, David Bailey, Harry Anderson, Edward Rogers, Ian Rutherford (Rectors Glebewarden and Richard Harkness (Peoples Glebewarden).

Parochial nominators: Mrs Eileen Cutler, Miss Kathleen Elliott, Mr Ron Ferguson, Mr Edward Rogers.

Diocesan Synodsmen: Mr Albert Hamilton, Mr Michael Skuce, Mr William Kilkpatrick, Mr Ian Rutherford, Mr Harry Anderson

Baptism

Sunday 26 April, James Kennedy George son of Dr Simon and Jane Crooke, 385 Loughshore Rd, Cobystown, Blaney. We pray that James will come to proper faith in Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge and love of God.

Confirmation

On Sunday 15th June we look forward to having Bishop John McDowell for Confirmation. There are five young people preparing to take the step of confirmation: Aaron Ferguson, Matthew Armstrong, James Elliott, Lydia Khew and Zara Ferguson. May they love, know and follow Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord

Kilskeery and Trillick



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Holy Matrimony

Karen Crozier and Richard Keys, Kilskeery Parish Church on April 26th.

Wendy Johnston and Kenneth Smith, Kilskeery Parish Church on May 5th.

Congratulations and all best wishes.

All praise and glory to you most gracious God, for in the beginning you created us man and woman.

Grant your blessing then, we pray, to Karen and Richard, Wendy and Kenneth so that in marriage they may be a source of blessing to each other and to all, and live in holy love until their lives' end.

Confirmation

Confirmation takes place on June 8th in Kilskeery Parish Church. Final preparation session for those being Confirmed will take place on Wednesday June 4th in Kilskeery Parish Church at 7.00pm.

Monies donated at our Lenten/Holy Week Services, to complete purchase of Defibrillator for School and Community use, in co-operation with QEII Primary School, will be presented at this Service.

Sunday School

Sunday School ends on June 15th, 'Father's Day' with Holy Baptism and Prize-Giving in Trillick Parish Church

at 10.30am and Holy Communion (for those newly Confirmed) together with Prize-Giving in Kilskeery Parish Church at 11.45am.

Messy Kids Club

Messy Kids Club meets on June 21st, 11.30 – 1.00pm, 'Abraham & Issac.'

Kilskeery Senior Citizens Club

Kilskeery Senior Citizens Club had a very lively AGM/Birthday Party (Emily's) on April 29th! Emily continues as Treasurer (66388683), George as Secretary (89561285) with Robert (Armstrong) taking on the role of Chairperson (89561494). Members continue to form the Committee!!

Bowling Club

At the time of writing, members are preparing for a Fun Tournament in memory of Mr. Cyril Monaghan, a dedicated member of the bowling club (monies raised will go towards the upkeep of the Kilskeery Defibrillator) and the Annual Dinner and presentation of Club prizes.

June 11th: St. Barnabas (1st century)

Behind every great man or woman there is always to be found another person who has influenced or supported them in earlier years and often continues to do so. These unsung heroes never pick up the praise or recognition due to them, yet without their presence there would be far fewer "great" people. St Barnabas was just such a person.

Strictly speaking, Barnabas was not an apostle, although he has always been named as one. His first name was Joseph; Barnabas was his surname and means "son of consolation". He belonged to the tribe of Levi and was a Hellenist, that is a Jew living outside Palestine. Born in Cyprus, he was Greek-speaking, and became a Christian shortly after the death of Christ. Selling all his belongings, he placed the money at the feet of the apostles and became a member of the original Jerusalem community. He is very special because it was Barnabas who befriended the convert Paul and introduced him to the apostles when everyone was still highly suspicious of their former persecutor. It was Barnabas, too, who noticed Paul's potential for the Christian cause, and brought him from Tarsus to teach at Antioch.

Together they made the first missionary journey, and it was only a difference of opinion about Mark which resulted in them continuing their missionary work separately.

A later remark in one of Paul's letters (1 Corinthians 9:5-6) indicates that Barnabas was still about but the time and place of his death are not recorded. Barnabas was Paul's strength until he could stand alone; without Barnabas would Paul have ever achieved the results he did in later years?

The Rector celebrates the 21st anniversary of her ordination on St. Barnabas' Day and thanks her 'unsung hero' – her husband Art for his continuing support!



Revd Rosemary and Bishop Mehaffey at her Ordination 21 years ago.

We continue to remember those in our parishes whose lives are saddened by the death of a relative or friend and all those who are ill at this time.

Be with them in their loneliness and give them faith to look beyond their present trouble to Jesus, the one who died and rose again, and who lives forevermore. Amen.

Lisbellaw (including Coolbuck)



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Holy Baptism

Sunday 20th April Indiana Ligutom Nixon, son of Ivan and Marie Alh Birchgrove, Lisbellaw.

Sunday 11th May Reuben James Keys, son of Gary and Victoria Cloghtogle Road, Lisbellaw.

Christian Burial

Saturday 3rd May Sidney Holland, Main Street, Lisbellaw

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 15th June 11.00am Family Service and Prizegiving

Sunday 22nd June 11.00am A Service of Confirmation **Sunday 29th June** 11.00am Holy Communion followed by Bring and Share Lunch

1st - 4th August WW1 Centenary Commemoration Weekend

Wednesday 6th August The Rector's Institution as Rector of Dromore, Co. Down and Installation as Dean of Dromore

Lisnaskea



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Services For June

Sunday 1st 11.30 am Family Service & Children's Church Prize-Giving **Sunday 8th** 11.30 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 8th 11.30 am Morning Prayer Rev. Charles Eames

Sunday 15th 11.30 am Morning Prayer Mr Keith Brown

Sunday 22nd 11.30 am Morning Prayer Mr Walter Pringle

Sunday 29th 11.30 am Morning Prayer

Marriage

Thursday 17th April - Glenda McElwaine, 38 Station Park, Maguiresbridge & Trevor Alan Ginn, 12 Corlaught Road, Lack.

Wednesday 23rd April - Lindsey McDonald, Forfey House, Lisnaskea & Stephen Ernest Lucy, 48 Rigg Road, Springfield, Enniskillen.

Saturday 26th April - Jennifer Sarah May Johnston, Carrickmacusker, Lisnaskea & Rodney Maurice Malone, 6 Tudor Park, Fivemiletown.

Saturday 10th May - Kristofer William Best & Emma Jayne Wilson, 8 Heathermount Park, Comber, Co Down. Congratualations to all the happy couples.

Burial

Friday 18th April - Florence Caldwell, 2 Castlebalfour Park, Lisnaskea.

Saturday 26th April - Burial of ashes – Mrs Sylvia Anderson.

Tuesday 6th May - Margaret Jane Wilson, Mountcharles, Lisnaskea.

Thursday 8th May - Fred Bowles, Macknagh, Lisnaskea. Our sympathies and prayers are with all who have recently been bereaved.

Easter Vestry

The General Easter vestry meeting took place on Tuesday 29th April and the following people were elected to serve for this year:

Rector's Churchwarden - Andrew Kells

People's Churchwarden - Hilda Latimer Rector's Glebewarden - Geoff Kerr

People's Glebewarden - Henry Mayne

Vestry members - Helen Wilson, David Doonan, Linda Cassidy, George Latimer, Shirley McCoy, James Brady, Betty Storey, Maxine Leary, Noel Kells, Alan McDonald, Laura Richmond & Steven Johnston.

Honorary Treasurer - Maxine Leary Honorary Secretary - Linda Cassidy

Barbecue

Looking ahead to July and the parish barbecue is planned for Friday 25th. Tickets will be available in due course.

Also on the subject of catering, our burger stall has reached the stage where most of the gas equipment needed to be updated in order to comply with current health and safety regulations so vestry decided to replace it with a mobile catering unit. This should give us more opportunities to cater at events and will hopefully be a more convenient way of working.

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The 2014/15 Select Vestry has been elected as follows: Rector's Warden: Joanne Gilmore People's Warden: Richard McBride Glebewardens: Roly Hurst and Wilfie Crawford Liane Armstrong (hon. Sec.); Arthur McKinney (hon. Treas.); Alex Elliott; Ernie Fisher; Harold Graham; George Hamilton; Helen Humphries; Gordon Lee; Howard McMorris; Sammy Nixon; Joan Quinn; Henry

The Barnabas Cup

Local church adult teams will be coming together at the new 3G Fisher Park on June 19th for a friendly 7-a-side (18+) football tournament. Kick-off will be at 6:30pm. Barnabas means "son of encouragement", and was the name given to one of the men who accompanied Paul in his mission. If you wish to enter a team, please email magheracross@gmail. com or search for Barnabas Cup on Facebook and leave a message.

Farewell

Ballinamallard bids a fond farewell at the end of June to the Revd Ken Lindsay and Patricia. This couple have been a pillar of the community and church for the past 8 years and contributed much to to both.

Confirmation



We were very privileged to have two bishops at our confirmation service when 16 young people were confirmed. Our own bishop John was assisted by Bishop Bahati Bali-Busani Silvestre of Bukavu Diocese in DR Congo, who had also spent the previous week in the parish as part of the 200th anniversary celebrations of CMSI.



Bishop Bahati with Mrs Olive Johnston



Bishop Bahati with Megan Morrow on the farm

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1st June 2:30pm Festival Bake Off/photo Comp etc

2nd June 6:30pm 10K Run

3rd June 7pm Table Quiz in Steak House

4th June 7pm Clay Pigeon at Lettermoney and

Beetle Drive in Archdale Hall

5th June 7pm treasure Hunt and BBQ

2pm Tea Dance, Archdale Hall 6th June 7pm

Ballinamallard's Talent,

Archdale Hall

7th June 9:30am Jejanga Cycle Ride

10:00am Car Boot sale

11:00am All-Age Fancy Dress Parade

1:00pm Pet Show 3:00pm Duck Derby

5pm Pool Competition (Poachers')

6pm Festival Dance/BBQ (BUFC)

11:30am Open Air Festival Service 8th June

9th June Select Vestry

22nd June Picnic at the rectory (weather permitting) 21st lune Wedding of Emma Elliott and Nathan

Kenvon

29th June Celebration and presentations for the

Revd Ken Lindsay



GFS cup winners

Magheraculmoney



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As I am writing these notes I am also thinking of what we will be preaching on over the run into the summer. Over the last few weeks we have been both challenged and encouraged by having Bishop Jeremiah Taama with us on Sunday 11th May and Bishop John with us on Sunday 4th May for the confirmation service. Bishop Jeremiah is the retired bishop of Kajiado diocese in Kenya and was in Ireland to join in the celebrations of CMS Ireland as they celebrated 200 years of missionary outreach around the world. Bishop Jeremiah and Bishop John both brought a message of challenge to ask us as a church and indeed it applies to us as a diocese and as a church in this land - are we living a holy life?

This has been something that has not left my mind since the Sunday of the confirmation service and so as you read these notes we are in the middle of working our way through the book of 1st Peter as we look to see Peters thoughts on how we should live as a holy people. God said "Be holy as I am holy!" (1 Peter1:16) My question that I am asking myself and I would encourage you to ask is this "Am I living a holy life by Gods standard of holiness?"

Confirmation at Ardess

The 2014 Confirmation Service in St Mary's Magheraculmoney, Ardess, took place on Sunday May 4th at the 11 am service. Bishop John commented that this was his fourth Confirmation in Ardess. Nine candidates were confirmed by the Bishop. Rev'd Caroline and Hazel Irvine (Youth Director) had taken the classes this year from October, including Youth Alpha as well as the Church of Ireland elements. The general feedback was that the classes were on the whole enjoyable and interesting.

The Bishop spoke in his sermon about the nature of holiness and what it is to be holy, as God asks of his people, to set themselves apart 'and be holy as I am holy'. Holiness is not a 'holier than thou' attitude, the Bishop observed. Such a mindset was all too popular in Northern Ireland. Instead it was about people feeling better about themselves in our presence, of

being aware of further and greater possibilities than they had been before.

Many thanks to all who have prayed for our candidates throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming them to CONNECT, our Youth Fellowship, where they had a celebration party on May 11th at 7pm in the Fountain Centre.



Praise Service

Sunday 8th June is Pentecost Sunday and what better evening to gather to praise God. Please do come along and join us for a time of praise and teaching at 7pm in the church.

Parish BBQ

Parish BBQ on Friday 13th June we hope to hold a BBQ at the parish hall for all the family at 6pm. Please do consider coming along for the evening and using this as a time to meet up with people for a chat.

Fathers Day

Fathers Day this year falls on Sunday 15th June and just like we did for all the mothers we will be marking this a special day.

Childrens Church

Childrens Church on Sunday 22nd June at 11am we will have a special service for all the children of Childrens Church to mark the end of another term.

Regular Events

Healing Prayer every Friday evening 7.30 -8.30pm **Prayer for the Youth** every Tuesday evening 7 -8pm, Fountain Centre

Revival Prayer every Monday, 8pm

Provision Prayer Tuesday mornings at 9am praying into the process of envisioning the parish.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 9.30 – 11am

Children's Church during 11am service for children 3-14 years. Can I encourage all parents to ensure their children are at the 11am service to be part of children's church. We simply want to help you to keep the promises that you made before the church and before God when your child was baptised.

Ardess Little Lambs Mother & Toddler Group Mondays 10 – 12 noon. During school term time.

Christian Book Exchange in Parish Centre after 11 am service every 1st Sunday.

Pick up a book or books free of charge.

Friends in the Afternoon – Outing 7th June £7 to Cleenish Church Flower festival.

Life Groups – meet weekly, either evenings or daytime. Please see Rev Henry for details about a group that would suit you and help you apply your faith to your life and help you walk in your journey with God in the company of others.

New Wine Sligo 6th - 11th July. Great week to suit EVERYONE. Get booking!!

One Day Conference for Women - "What can happen when women pray" Saturday 7th June in Orangefield Presbyterian Church Belfast 9.30am - 16.30pm. Cost £20 (including lunch).

Fountain Centre

Junior Youth Club for all P5,6 & 7 ages every Thursday 6.30-8pm £1 entry fee.

Senior Youth Club for all secondary school age Years 1, 2, 3:every Friday 7-9 pm £1 entry fee. Years 4 and upwards 9-11 pm £1 entry.

CONNECT (Fountain Youth Fellowship) Sunday nights for all secondary school age from 7-8.30pm. See Gillian Robinson for details.

After Schools Club for all secondary school age 4.30 - 5.30pm Monday - Wednesday.

20's Life Group Mondays 7.30pm in Fountain Centre.

Registers

Baptisms

11th May 2014 - Luke, son of Nadine Goodwin & Stephen McAllister, 3 Pump Lane, Ederney.

Burials

3rd May 2014 - Victor Johnston 57, Coolisk, Lisnarick, Irvinestown.

Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



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It was good to see those people who attended the Enniskillen Rural Deanery service on Sunday 11th May, in Christ Church, Maguiresbridge. We would like to thank our bishop for conducting the service and preaching, to our organist Timothy Elliott and to our

ladies for providing the supper after the service. Those who attended the service, thoroughly enjoyed.

On the same Sunday we had a fire evacuation procedure in the church at Maguiresbridge. Over the last number of months we have been drawn up a fire safety policy and checking out procedures. As a part of this we had to see how we would evacuate the church in case of a fire. Before the last hymn everyone was asked to leave the church. It was carried out successfully and it is good that people see how to do it.

Maguiresbridge Mothers' Union



As Maguiresbridge Mothers' Union was formed in May 1954, we decided to have our 60th Anniversary Dinner in Saddler's Restaurant, Enniskillen. This was a very good choice as the meal was lovely.

Twenty seven members, friends and guests gathered at 7.15pm for a group photograph and we then sat down to a beautiful four course meal.

Elma Nelson, one of our members, baked a lovely anniversary cake which was decorated by Catherine Lyttle, and we each had a piece of this with our tea or coffee. Thank you to both.

After dinner our Leader, Sandra Kettyle, welcomed all present, Bishop McDowell, Dr Margaret Knox, Diocesan President, Canon and Mrs Wilson, Mrs Day, Canon Skuce and all the members and friends of our Branch.

Sandra called on Dr Margaret Knox to present Certificates to those members who had long and faithful service to Maguiresbridge Mothers' Union Branch:

Molly Alexander - 53 years Dorothy Armstrong - 48 years

Eileen Howard - 45 years

Mary Armstrong- 30 years

Margaret Dillon - 30 years

Elma Nelson - 30 years

Dora Lee - Lisnaskea - 26 years Maguiresbridge 24 years Total: 50 years

Dr Margaret Knox then replied by saying how the Mothers' Union was a Worldwide Organisation and congratulated Maguiresbridge for honouring and continuing the work of the ladies started 60 years ago. Bishop McDowell then thanked everyone for the invitation and brought the evening to a close with the 2nd Collect for Evening Prayer.

Thank you to Joyce Howard who took the photographs.

Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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8th June Day of Pentecost

St Patrick's 10.30am Service of the Word Ballinode 12.15pm Morning Prayer

15th June Trinity Sunday

St Patrick's 10.30am Sunday School end of year Service Kilmore 12.15pm Morning Prayer

22nd June Trinity 1

St Patrick's 10.30am Service of the Word Ballinode 3pm Friendship Service

29th June Trinity 1

St Patrick's 10.30am Service of the Word

Christian Burial

It was with regret and sadness we learned of the death of Mr. Russell Taylor on the 16th April at Drogheda Hospital. He was one of the oldest members of St.Patrick's and was regular at worship until ill-health prevented him attending. The esteem in which the deceased and his family were held in the Community was much in evidence at his funeral service in St. Patrick's Church on Friday 18th April which was conducted by the Rector, assisted by Walter Pringle and afterwards at Coolshannagh Graveyard. We offer prayerful sympathy to his wife, Phyllis, daughters Lynne & Joyce and their families and daughter-in-law, Peggy and her family on their sad loss. Please remember them and all who have recently suffered bereavement in prayer.

Illness

Please pray for all those who are ill or recovering, the housebound and those in residential care and their families.

Mothering Sunday

The Sunday School children presented the Mums and ladies of the Parish with a potted plant

Easter Offering

We express our grateful thanks to all those who responded so generously to our Easter Appeal.

Annual Easter Vestries

St. Patrick's Easter Vestry was held on Monday 28th April in the church. The Annual accounts were presented and adopted, there were reports on the

activities of the various organisations and the Rector thanked all who gave of their time and talents in the service of the church.

The election of the officers and Vestry resulted in the following:

Rector's Church Warden: Miss Lila Hardy People's Church Warden: Mr. Sammy Genoe Rector's Glebe Warden: Mr. Bertie Wedlock People's Glebe Warden: Mr. Dick Shirley

Parochial Nominators: Mr. Chris Treacy & Mr. Dick Shirley Supplemental Nominators: Mrs. Hilary Workman &

Mr. Bertie Wedlock

Synodsman: Mr. Chris Treacy

Supplemental Synodsman: Mrs. Hilary Workman Select Vestry: Chris Treacy, Elizabeth Murphy, Trevor Jordan, Muriel Treacy, Hilary Workman, Dawson McConkey, Florence Crawford, Pat Shirley, Amanda Garland, Sadie Jordan, Albert Hall & Fern Wedlock.

Ballinode Easter Vestry was held on Thursday 1st May in the church. The Annual accounts were presented and adopted, the Rector thanked all who gave of their time and talents in the service of the church, in particular Mr Ronnie Wilkinson who has stepped down as Hon. Treasurer.

The election of the officers and Vestry resulted in the following:

Rector's Church Warden: Mr. Tom Hamilton People's Church Warden: Mr. William Carson Parochial Nominator: Mr. Ronnie Wilkinson Supplemental Nominators: Mr. Thomas Wilkinson

Synodsman: Mrs. Heather Stirrat

Supplemental Synodsman: Mrs. Ruth McMahon Select Vestry: the existing Select Vestry were re-elected with the addition of Mrs Doreen McClean and Heather Stirrat.

Kilmore Easter Vestry was held on Tuesday 6th May in St Patrick's Hall. The Annual accounts were presented and adopted, there were reports on the activities of the various organisations and the Rector thanked all who gave of their time and talents in the service of the church. The election of the officers and Vestry resulted in the following:

Rector's Church Warden: Mr Robert McBride People's Church Warden: Mr Robert Brown Parochial Nominator: Mr Robert McBride Supplemental Nominator: Mr Henry Flack Synodsman: Mrs. Georgina Anderson Supplemental Synodsman: Mr. Robert Anderson Select Vestry: the existing Select Vestry were re-elected with the addition of Miss Rachel Brown and Mr. Robert Anderson.

The Ladies' Group

The Ladies' Group Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 29th April in Andy's and the following were elected as office holders for 2014/2015: Chairperson: Mrs. Frances Ebbs Secretary: Mrs.Florence Crawford Treasurer: Miss Lila Hardy. Suggestions were made for the coming year and the evening was enjoyed by all including a very appetising supper! Resuming in September. New members always welcome.

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union Area Service was held in St. Maeloid's Church, Castleblayney on Friday, 2nd May and a number of members from our branch attended.

Bowling Club

The club had a very successful year and are looking forward to resuming again in September. All new members will be welcome.

Vortex Youth Group

Vortex Youth Group continues to meet fortnightly with a varied programme of events. They will mark the end of their year with a service in St. Patrick's at 10.30am on the 8th June- with members participating in the service. We would express grateful thanks to the leaders for giving of their time and talents to work with our young people.

Children's Day & Sunday School Prize Distribution

This will be on Sunday, 15th June in St. Patrick's with the young people playing a leading role in the service.

Friendship Service

Friendship Service will be held in Ballinode Church on Sunday 22nd June at 3.00pm with refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Exams

The state exams commence early June and prayerful support for our young people and their families would be appreciated.

Rossorry

Vacant

During the vacancy the Revd Canon David Skuce, Rural Dean, is in charge, and the Revd Canon Desmond Kingston is providing priestly cover, along with Mrs Sue Hogg and Mrs Joan Nelson, Diocesan Pastoral Assistants, providing pastoral cover.

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Farewell Function For Rector

After his final Service, on Sunday 20th April, at Rossorry, Rev. Canon Barrett (now Dean Barrett of Raphoe) went to a packed Parochial Hall with his family for lunch and the presentation of gifts from the Parish and the Youth Organisations. After speeches and presentations, Rev Barrett and Brigid responded. They spoke fondly of their time in the Parish and the pain of leaving good friends behind. They thanked the Parish for the beautiful gifts. Rev Barrett spoke of his pride on how the Parish had developed and his hope for future

plans. Whilst it was sad occasion for the Parish, we wish him well in his new role.



The Barrett family at their farewell lunch.



Dorothy Wilson (Secretary) presenting one of the gifts to Rev.Canon Arthur Barrett

Institution of new Dean in Raphoe

Our former Rector was instituted as Dean of Raphoe on Saturday 3rd May. So many wanted to attend, from Rossorry, that we had to hire a coach as well as all the private cars that went. Over 80 parishioners squeezed into a packed Raphoe Cathedral for the event. Some of the music was provided by Nathan Barrett and our own m-Blaze Praise Band. It was a lovely service and we were treated to a fabulous spread in the Cathedral Hall afterwards. In his thanks at the end, the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe commented on the warmth and genuine sense of loss of the Rossorry parishioners.

Confirmation

Confirmation this year took place in Rossorry on Sunday 11th May. We were delighted to have the Bishop back in Rossorry to confirm our young people, ably prepared for Confirmation by Canon Barrett (now Dean Barrett of Raphoe), Chris Burke, Nick Hambly and Rachel Lucy, during the winter and spring. This year's Candidates were: Charles Armstrong, Richard Armstrong, Rhys Baker, Emma Coalter, Rose-Anna

Daley, Klóe Gault and Jenna Wilson. We wish them well, as they take this important step on their Christian journey. After Confirmation, the Bishop presented each candidate with a Youth Bible, a gift from the Parishioners.

Wednesday Club Outing

On Wednesday 16th April The Wednesday Club had an outing to a local Coffee Shop and Garden Centre. Their choice was to Granny Walsh's Coffee Shop at Ashwoods. A large turnout enjoyed the delights of the home bakes and a tour of the Garden Centre. A very enjoyable trip. (All welcome to attend the Wednesday Club – if you want more information – contact Ethel Oldcroft on 02866 326339)

The Club has an outing to Donegal on 14th May and will then be closed for the summer – opening again in September.



Rossorry Wednesday Club enjoying their outing to Granny Walsh's Coffee Shop

Parish Register

Baptism

13th April 2014

Louis James McGuinness, son of Lynn Johnston and Brian McGuinness.

Marriages

21st April 2014 Christopher Burke and Donna Morrison. 22nd April 2014 Chris Niedzwiecki ana Sarah Livingstone. 23rd April 2014 Stephen Lucy and Lindsey Mc Donald in Lisnaskea.

Burials

14th April 2014 William Thomas Ivan Saunderson, Kinarla Park. 28th April 2014 Mrs Annie Carruthers, Whaley Terrace. 3rd May 2014 Joe Scott, Elliott Place.

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Easter Club

A very big thank you to all the helpers (Donna Harron, Melaine and Colin Stronge, Rosemary Whiteman, Nicola West, Don and Jessica Williamson, Kath Turner, Deborah, Sarah & James Armstrong who assisted with our Annual Easter Club. Without your help we could not run this event. This year we had 60 children enjoying the fun. We would also like to thank Mr. Jim Monteith for donating the burgers for the young people on the day.

Good Friday Service

Once again we thank all our young people who took part in Annual Good Friday Service Youth service. We especially thank Jessica Williamson for leading the service and all other young people from our various youth groups for their poems, prayers, drama and Bible readings. A special word of thanks goes to Mrs. Ann Bloomfield as organist and arranging our music group for this enhanced the service.

Clabby Rededication Service



Mr. Ian Adams People's Churchwarden. Bishop John McDowell, Rev. Canon Maurice Armstrong and Rector's Churchwarden Mr. Iim Monteith.

Sunday 27th April marked an historic landmark day in the work and witness of St. Margaret's Parish Church, Clabby. A special service of thanksgiving for the completion of the extensive restoration was held along with the rededication of the Church and a number of gifts. The Rector conducted the service, the Bishop was the Preacher and also rededicated the Church and the gifts. The worship was led by the organist Mrs. Ann

Bloomfield assisted by the Church music group. The hymns were How great is our God, By Faith, Be thou my vision, The Lord is my Shepherd and Tell out my soul. Mr. David Thompson and Miss Carla Sinnamon sang a duet. We had a poem wrote especially for the Service The way forward by Kath Turner.

The lessons were read by a former parishioner Mr. William Morrow and the People's churchwarden and Restoration Fund Treasurer Mr. Ian Adams. The prayers were led by Mrs. Joanne Bennett, Miss Zoe Harron, Miss Deborah Armstrong and Mrs. Gretta McCutcheon. The collection was taken up by Mr. Jim Monteith, Mr. Ian Adams, Mr. Colin Stronge, Mr. William Morrow, Mr. Sam Morrow, Mr. Harold Wilson and Mr. Leslie McCutcheon. Miss Sarah Armstrong looked after PowerPoint and sound desk.



St. Margaret's Parish Church Praise Group with Mrs. Ann Bloomfield.

The following gifts were dedicated:-

Flower Table – In loving memory of Mr. Harry McCutcheon from his wife Mrs. Margaret & Family.

Pew Covers & Book Rests on pews – In loving memory of Mr. Harry McCutcheon presented from his Family Circle & Friends.

Large Table in Welcome Area – In Memory of Mr. Robert Henry and Mrs. Margaret McCutcheon presented by Mr. & Mrs. Leslie McCutcheon and family.

Flower Stand – The gift of J. McNickle & Sons.

Display Unit & Lectern – In loving memory of Mrs. Ciss & Mr. Sam Milliken married in St. Margaret's Parish Church 14th June 1948 presented by her sister Miss A. Woods.

Prayer Desk & Kneeler – In memory of Mr. Thomas & Mrs. Violet Monteith presented by Mr. & Mrs. Jim Monteith & Family.

The Recording System – In memory of Mr. Richard & Mrs. Anna Abbott & their son Robert presented by The Abbott Family.

30 Church Hymnals – In memory of loved ones presented by Mr. & Mrs Thomas Morgan.

20 Prayer Books – In memory of Mr. Archie & Mrs. Margaret Browne Presented by Mr. & Mrs. Albert Browne & Family.

Crockery, Teapots/Coffee Pot & Trays – In memory of Mr. Reggie Nixon presented by his wife Mrs. Laura Nixon.

The New Church Aisle Carpet – In memory of Mr. John McManus, his parents Mr. James & Mrs. Rebecca and his sister Mrs. Queenie Coulter – presented by his wife Mrs. Irene McManus.

New Hymn Numbers & Sundays of the Year – presented by 1st Clabby & Tempo Scout Group & Teen Scene Youth Club.

New Holy Communion Storage Box for Church Silver - Presented by Mr. Harold Wilson.

New Vestry Desk & Storage Unit – Presented by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Irvine.

2 Leather Sofas – Presented by The Stronge Family in memory of their Parents Mr. David & Mrs. Hazel Stronge.

Point of Boil Boiler – Presented by Mrs. M. Brunt & Family in memory of Mr. Robert Brunt.

40 Chairs

Carpet Tiles in Welcome Area Visual PowerPoint System

At the end of the Service surprise speeches were made by Mr. Leslie McCutcheon people's glebe warden and Miss Audrey Woods honorary Secretary expressing their thanks to the Rector for his leadership and commitment to the restoration of the Church and to his wife Jean for her assistance and support with production of publicity material and applications for grants. Audrey presented the Rector with an inscribed pen marking the date of the opening of the Church and Jean with a bouquet of flowers.

Tea was served in the Church hall after the service. A number of speeches followed from Mr. Stephen Leighton Diocesan Architect, Mr. Victor Chambers (Contractor), Mrs. Arlene Foster M.L.A. Mr. Sam Morrow a former parishioner, Mr. David Gilmore on behalf of the Methodist Church, the Rector and the Bishop.

The Rector and Select Vestry acknowledge with sincere gratitude the support they have received financially from the many grant awarding bodies, the wider community and the parishioners. They also wish to thank all those who organised a number of fund raising events since 2012 for the restoration fund.

The collection received to date including gift aid is £12,288-00.



The view from the top of the Church showing the new welcome area at the rear of the Church.

Tempo Annual General Vestry Meeting

Rector's Churchwarden – Mr. Jim Beatty (Also Hon Sec) People's Churchwarden – Mr. Adam Nixon

Rector's Glebe warden - Mr. Richard Woods

People's Glebe warden- Mr. Cecil Armstrong

Select Vestry – Mrs. Joan Rutledge (F.W.O. & Gift Aid Sec), Mrs. Cynthia White, Mrs. Rosemary Whiteman, Mr. Brian Monaghan, Mr. George White, Mr. John Trimble, Mr. William Rutledge (Hon Treas) and Mr. Don Williamson.

Synod Representatives - Mr. George White and Mr. Cecil Armstrong. Supplemental - Mr. Don Williamson and Mr. John Trimble.

Parochial Nominators - Mr. Adam Nixon and Mr. Cecil Armstrong. Supplemental - Mr. John Trimble and Mr. Deering Armstrong.

Clabby Annual General Vestry Meeting

Rector's Churchwarden – Mr. Colin Stronge

People's Churchwarden – Mr. Ian Adams (Hon Treas)

Rector's Glebe warden – Mr. Harold Wilson

People's Glebe warden- Mr. Leslie McCutcheon

Select Vestry – Mrs. Cheryl Bell, Mrs. Wendy Gardiner (Both F.W.O.) Mrs. Vera McConnell, Miss Panzy Abbott, Miss Audrey Woods (Hon Sec) Lady Kath Turner, Mr. Ian McCutcheon, Mr. Jim Monteith, Mr. Tommy Morgan, Mr. Clive Vance.

Mr. Edwin Armstrong did not seek membership of the select vestry. We thank him for his service on the select vestry both as Churchwarden and an active member of it. The Rector would like to thank Edwin And Hilrary for all their hard work and dedication for fundraising for the restoration fund and their help and support.

Synod Representatives - Lady Kath Turner.

Supplemental - Mrs. Wendy Gardiner

Parochial Nominators - Miss. Panzy Abbott, Mr. Leslie McCutcheon. Supplemental - Mrs. Wendy Gardiner and Mrs. Vera McConnell.

June Diary

8th June Sunday School Prize giving **27th June** Parish Bar-b-que 7:30 pm Clabby Church Hall Proceeds towards Church Restoration Fund.

Trory and Killadeas



Dear Parishioners,

On Children's Day in Trory (15th June) Anne Loane our Sunday School superintendent will retire from her duties. Anne has contributed over four decades of service to the spiritual education of our children as a

teacher and as superintendent. As rector I am proud to lead the parish in thanking Anne for an invaluable service to Trory and its young people.

Dates for your diary in June and July

Sunday 1st June at 10.00am. Holy Communion in The Priory with the dedication of a memorial plaque to MORAN, WILLIAM HENRY (HARRY)

Rank: Fusilier

Service No: 14468911 Date of Death: 03/06/1947

Age: 19

Regiment/Service: Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers

Harry Moran died while on duty in Italy with the United Kingdom occupation forces. He is buried in Udine war cemetery near Trieste in Northern Italy. His name was not originally included on the parish roll of honour and it is right that a member of the parish should take his place among those who died while in our armed forces.

Sunday 1st June at 3.00pm in Trory Church the Rite of Confirmation and Holy Communion.

N.B. No 11.30am service in Trory.

Sunday 8th June at 11.30am Trory L.O.L. 647 Annual Parade service in Trory church.

Saturday 14th June parish Sunday School outing to Dublin Zoo. Details available in Church.

Sunday 15th June at 10.00am in The Priory and 11.30am in Trory. Children's Sunday with prize giving. **Sunday 22nd June** 11.30am (Weather permitting) Annual Outdoor service of the word at Trory Church. 3.00pm Killadeas L.O.L. 558 Annual Parade service in The Priory.

Sunday 27th July Killadeas R.B.P. parade service at 3.00pm in The Priory.

All other services and activities are as announced.





MOTHERS' UNION NEWS

Annual Area Services

The Annual Area Services were held this year in, Castleblayney, Aghavea and Inishmacsaint Churches.

Castleblayney Church

St Maeldoid's Parish Church, Castleblayney, was the venue for the southern area of the Diocese of Clogher Mothers' Union Service on Friday 2nd May. The service was led by Mr Walter Pringle and the speaker was the Revd Anita Kerr, Diocesan Curate, Galloon, Sallaghy & Drumully. The Organist was Miss Charlotte Adair and the choir of First Castleblayney and Frankford Presbyterian Church led the singing and sang two pieces "In Times Like These I Need a Saviour" and "Amazing Grace".

Mrs Ethel Coulter, Branch Leader, Revd Anita Kerr, Mr Walter Pringle, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant.

It was a very important event in the calendar of the Mothers' Union, an organisation which provides Christian care for families across the world. During the service "long service certificates" were presented

to four members of the Ballybay Branch (Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno), Mrs Ethel Coulter, Mrs Harriet Hill and Mrs Audrey Hill. A fourth long service member, Mrs Shirley Rusk, was unable to attend. The presentation of the long service certificates were made by the Diocesan President, Dr Margaret Knox, who expressed her pleasure at being in the County where her father was born and rared. The local branches of the Mothers Union, Donagh; Drum with Ematris Group; Galloon and Sallaghy, and Monaghan Group of Parishes were among those represented and their respective banners were on display in addition to the Clogher Diocesan banner.

In her address Revd Kerr spoke of the work of the Mothers' Union and the realisation of members' that in addition to material support and care their children needed spiritual welfare and they recognised the value of having an organisation where mothers could meet and support each other in Christian fellowship.

Dr Knox, Diocesan President, at the recent Council meeting said "The Mothers Union theme for 2014 is 'Sowing the Future Together' and we have the privilege of working alongside others and to gain help and support from one another.



Presentation of Long Service Certificates to Castleblayney members Mrs Ethel Coulter, Mrs Harriet Hill, Dr Margaret Knox, Diocesan President, Mrs Audrey Hill.

We need to sow the future together where God's love is shown through loving, respectful and flourishing relationships and through Christian faith so that communities worldwide can be transformed and stable marriage, family life and children can be protected. No matter how small our branch is we should never feel isolated. We are all part of a team with different aptitudes. Jesus was a team person and his disciples shared many different gifts. We all live and work in a community. Let us reach out into these communities and reach out with hands across the world to sow the seeds of the kingdom".

Following the service members had the opportunity to chat together whilst enjoying a light supper which was served in the church.

Aghavea Church



The Revd James Boyd (Dromore) challenged the Mothers' Union members to leave a legacy for the next generation. Speaking from 2 Timothy 1, he showed that Eunice and Lois, Timothy's grandmother and mother, had both left a legacy by passing on the faith within their family to Timothy. We each have our part to play, but only if we have a legacy to pass on: we can only show this faith by first receiving Christ as our personal Saviour, who is the foundation of our life.

The way to leave the legacy is by service, prayer and relationship. James spoke of his own mum, and the way she had passed on her faith. Members were reminded of the prayer of Mary Sumner, another legacy leaver: 'All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee; and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken, whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen.'

Inishmacsaint Church

The President, Dr Margaret Knox, attended the Inishmacsaint Service where the preacher was the Revd Peter Bourke, assistant minister in St Elizabeth's Dundonald and son of Chancellor Stanley and Mrs Sylvia Bourke.

Peter Bourke spoke about sowing the future together and the role of Mums and Grandmothers in bringing their children/grandchildren up in the Christian faith, for example the reading of the bedtime stories and bringing them along to church and sunday school. He also talked about the aims and objects of the MU and the importance of marriage - a Mum, Dad and children, and how the Gay Marriage Bill looks as if it will soon be accepted here. Totally against the teaching of the Bible.

There was a good crowd in attendance, and Sylvia Bourke organised a lovely supper in the church. Dr Margaret read a lesson, as did Peter Bourke. Eileen Cutler led the prayers. The MU Diocesan Sercteray, Mrs Diane Whittaker was in attendance. Dr Margaret Knox thanked Inishmacsaint MU for hosting the service and thanked Chancellor and Mrs Bourke for all their work in the Diocese and wished them well in their forthcoming retirement.





DEVENISH GRAVEYARD NOTICE

Devenish Parish in the Diocese of Clogher

Registration of Graveyard

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Signed: Revd Sampson Ajuka Incumbent of the Parish of Devenish

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