



# CHURCH OF IRELAND

## The Clogher Diocesan

# MAGAZINE

Member of the worldwide Anglican Communion

April 2016 | £1/€1.10



Looking forward to the Queen's 90th Birthday Beacon's Event

[www.clogher.anglican.org](http://www.clogher.anglican.org)

# ARMSTRONG

## Funeral Directors & Memorials

- A dignified and personal 24hr service
- Offering a caring and professional service
- Memorials supplied and erected
- Large selection of headstones, vases open books
- Open books & chipping's
- Also cleaning and renovations to existing memorials
- Additional lettering

**Dromore Tel.**  
028 8289 8424

**Omagh Tel.**  
028 8224 0803

**Robert Mob.**  
077 9870 0793

**Derek Mob.**  
079 0027 8633

35 Kildrum Rd, Dromore,  
Co. Tyrone, BT78 3AS



## BLANEY PUMP SERVICES

028 6864 1634 / 07974 221 331



- ✓ INSTALLATION
- ✓ SERVICING
- ✓ REPAIR

www.SEWAGE TREATMENT IRELAND.co.uk  
BLANEY, ENNISKILLEN, BT93 7ER

*Wrought Iron Gates, Railings &  
Victorian Style Outdoor Lighting*



*Made and fitted to  
your specifications  
Mobile: 07814263148*

*Kenneth Hall  
43 Abbey Road  
Lisnaskea  
Co. Fermanagh  
BT92 0NE  
Tel: 028 89531679*



# Grave Image<sup>®</sup>

GRAVE PLOT SERVICES

## Specialists In Quality Grave Care

- Cleaning of Headstones & Surrounds
- Resetting Fallen or Leaning Headstones or Damaged Surrounds
  - Reconstruction of Sunken or Raised Graves
- Supply & Erection of Memorial Headstones & Grave Surrounds
  - Additional Inscriptions & Repairs to Lettering
  - New Marble or Granite Chips in your Chosen Colour
  - Marble or Granite Chips Washed & Restored
- Regular Maintenance Visits eg : Weekly, Monthly, or Special Dates
  - Floral Tributes(Anniversary or Special Dates)



**Contractors to The Commonwealth  
War Graves Commission**

**A Quality Professional & Personal Service**

www.graveimage.co.uk • info@graveimage.co.uk

Contact : Stuart Brooker

**Tel: 028 6634 1611 Mob: 07968 738 491**

Cullen, Monea, Enniskillen BT93 7BR

## Healing Service

with Revd John Hay

Monday 4th April 2016  
8.00pm at Ashwoods Christian Fellowship  
Ashwoods Farm,  
4 Ashwood Road, Enniskillen. BT74 5QR

## IAN MCELROY JOINERY

For all your joinery, carpentry, roofing and tiling needs  
Tel: 02866385226 or 07811397429

## A. S. Oil Boiler and Cooker Services

- Servicing, Commissioning, Repair & Installation of Oil Fired Boilers / Cookers (All models)
- Out of Office and 24 Hr. Emergency Service can be provided
- All Harmful Fumes Eliminated, i.e. Carbon Monoxide (Computer Printout Given)
- Flues/Chimneys Cleaned/Repaired
- Special offers on all Church Properties
- Also Small Plumbing Jobs Carried Out
- Qualified OFTEC technician 101, 102, 105 & 600A

**We are now in a position to carry out all small construction**

**Home: (44) 02889521060 Mobile: 07713357156**

# CONTENTS

**NOTE FROM THE BISHOP 4**

**CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS 5-6**

**DIOCESAN NEWS 6-7**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 8-9**

**MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE NEWS 10**

**YOUTH NEWS 10-11**

**CHILDRENS SECTION 12-14**

**MOTHERS' UNION NEWS 14**

**PARISH NOTES 15-51**

## Clogher Magazine Committee

**Chairperson:** Mrs Eleanor Lynn

**Vice-Chairperson:** Mrs Barbara Ingram

**Secretary:** Vacant

**Treasurer:** Mrs Mabel Black

The Revd Canon Desmond Kingston  
and Mrs Jean Stinson

**Packing Team:** Mrs Margaret Porter, Mrs Muriel Henderson, Mrs Barbara Ingram, Mrs Sadie Kane, Mrs Joyce Kerr, Mrs Eleanor Lynn, Mrs Maureen Robinson, Mrs Jean Stinson, Mr Robert Robinson and Hilda Lucy

**Editor:** Mr Glenn Moore

**Assistant Editor:** Ms Ruth McKane

The Clogher Diocesan Magazine is published monthly except January and August. It is usually available from Parish Churches and other selected outlets by the first Sunday of each month. Annual Subscription £10/€11. Postal Subscription £20/€22. Views expressed in the magazine are those of the contributors and not necessarily those of the Magazine Committee, the Diocese of Clogher nor the Church of Ireland.

The Magazine Committee reserves the right to decline any material without assigning a reason. No correspondence can be entered into regarding non-publication of material or advertisements. Names and addresses of contributors must be provided with material submitted and may then be published. The Magazine Committee accepts no responsibility for loss, damage or the return of material.

**Advertising rates are available upon request.**

If parishes wish to alter the number of magazines ordered each month please inform Mrs Barbara Ingram on 028 66 388306.

## HONORARY SECRETARY

Due to the resignation of our Honorary Secretary, Mrs Pru Mahood, the Magazine Committee seeks someone who would be willing to fill this role. If you are interested please contact the Diocesan Office on tel 028 66347879 or email [admin@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:admin@clogher.anglican.org)

## Diocesan Office

Diocesan Office, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh. BT74 7DR  
**T:** 028 66 347879 **E:** [secretary@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:secretary@clogher.anglican.org)

## Next Magazine

Deadline for submission of material **15th April 2016**.  
Content to be sent to [editor@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:editor@clogher.anglican.org)

## Advertising Charges

From February 2016 there will be advertising charges for material submitted in addition to the routine diocesan and parish submissions.

## Front Cover Photo

Monsignor Peter O'Reilly (St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church), Ken Rainey (President, The Rotary Club of Enniskillen), Viscount Brookeborough (Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Co. Fermanagh) and Very Revd Kenneth Hall (St. Macartin's Cathedral).

# St Anne's Parish

## Festival of Flowers

in St Anne's Church,  
Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal  
themed on  
**'To God be the Glory'**

27th, 28th & 29th May 2016

**FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT**

**Maeve Fenton:** [robinshill@eircom.net](mailto:robinshill@eircom.net)

**Sheila Gibson:** 0 (00353)87 9974954

## A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



Dear Friends

Something a little bit different...

Towards the end of last year I was invited to St. Anne's cathedral in Belfast to speak at the launch of a book which had been edited by an old friend of mine. In one sense it was a rather 'rarefied' book of sermons preached in Belfast by an eighteenth century parson. In another sense it was

anything but 'rarefied' as the preacher tried to apply the scripture readings to the lives of the ordinary folk around him. The original manuscripts of the sermons had been found by someone who was sorting through some old documents in a storeroom and they are the largest surviving set of sermons preached by an ordinary Church of Ireland clergyman of the eighteenth century.

Although I studied history at university and have tried to keep up some reading on that subject, I am by no means an expert on eighteenth century Ireland. I am pretty certain that the only reason I was asked to launch the book was because the editor (Professor Raymond Gillespie of the National University of Ireland) and I had been in the same class all the way through primary school, grammar school and for four years at university - eighteen years in all.

Although our paths had crossed a little since we graduated in 1978 I hadn't seen much of Ray, but had read a fair number of his many publications. When we met briefly on the evening of the launch he asked me "Well, what does a professional make of them?" I assume he meant a professional clergyman rather than a professional historian. I was able to say to him that perhaps the most remarkable feature of the sermons was that (with a few adjustments to the old fashioned language) they could have been preached today and been found useful. We modern people often think of ourselves as uniquely circumstanced and very different from our ancestors. In some ways that is true but every generation has its joys, trials, uncertainties and achievements.

In the Belfast of his day James Saurin had particular problems to overcome. As his name would suggest he came from a distinguished Huguenot family. Both his father and grandfather were clergymen-scholars and he too was very well read. However he wore his learning lightly and didn't show it off from the pulpit. In his day Belfast was an overwhelmingly Presbyterian city with a tiny Catholic population and about two hundred members of the Church of Ireland, all of whom were his parishioners. The services in the parish Church wouldn't have looked out of place today in the Diocese of Clogher. One practice which would look a bit odd today was of taking off putting on a black Geneva gown to go into the pulpit to preach.

**The Rt Revd John McDowell**

The See House, 152a Ballagh Road,  
Fivemiletown, Co. Tyrone. BT75 0QP

**Tel:** 028 895 22461

**Email:** [bishop@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:bishop@clogher.anglican.org)

Despite horror stories to the contrary, clergymen did not preach for an hour in those days. I reckon that most of his sermons would have lasted about 15 - 20 minutes. He wrote them out more or less in full and used them many times throughout his ministry - in a few cases about twenty times. This was at a time when there were relatively few books and people remembered what they heard with much greater accuracy than we do today.

The fact that the Church of Ireland population were in such a minority certainly didn't inhibit James Saurin from making his mark on the civic and religious life of the city. He was on many charitable boards and was in every way an exemplary clergyman - well known in the city and with his finger on the pulse of what was going on. That he knew his parishioners very well is clear from the application of his preaching to their daily lives.

He lived and ministered during the first period of what is sometimes known as the 'Great Awakening' in Great Britain and Ireland when the Wesley's and George Whitfield were preaching in the open air often to thousands of people at a time. However Saurin seems to have been untouched by this Evangelical movement possibly because he was already someone who stressed the idea of 'the religion of the heart'. Many of his sermons were critical of formal, cold conventional religion and he frequently urged his congregations to open both their hearts and not just their minds to the Holy Spirit. However he was also frequently critical of a zeal that was without knowledge and expected people to be able to give an account of the faith that was in them. He would have been interesting to listen to on a Sunday morning and in the modern church it would have been encouraging to see his name appear at a Board of Nomination.

He seems to have had a couple of rather odd ideas. For instance he believed that the only reason why the Church of Ireland did not baptise infants by total immersion was because of the cold climate and his own baptismal practise seems to have been to pour water over the baby's face rather than his/her head. I don't think that would go down well today.

Finally and contrary to today, Easter was a bigger feast than Christmas in eighteenth century Ireland and Saurin's Easter sermons were preached to his largest congregations. Although it may not be a very 'spiritual' motive, at least part of the reason for the bigger crowds was because it must have been bitterly cold in December and rather more comfortable in a big unheated Church in March or April. I hope it was (and is) also because the great feast of the Resurrection is the source of the greatest happiness, hope and peace in his world and in ours.

+ John

# CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

## Church of Ireland 2016 Communications Competition

The Central Communications Board's annual Magazine, Website and Social Media Competition is now open and invites entries within each category (details below) from Church of Ireland parishes, dioceses and associated organisations as well as individuals whose social media activity clearly relates to Church activity/outreach/witness. Quality of presentation, strength of content and outreach potential are once again to be the standards of excellence against which entries will be judged.

**The closing date is Friday 15th April 2016. Winners will be announced at the General Synod in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire, County Dublin, 12th-14th May 2016.**

Parish and diocesan magazines are important for the exchange of news and views across Church communities and printed media continues to play a vital role within the life of the Church of Ireland. In addition, websites are now firmly established as vehicles which allow the wider community to know about and participate in the life of the Church of Ireland, whether in parishes, dioceses or organisations, as well as helping 'internal communications' by providing the hub for information and enabling increasing interaction. Beyond this, social media channels such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, E-zines, Flickr, along with Vimeo and YouTube video content and blogs create two-way platforms for communications, providing a potentially vast audience and offering innovative ways to assist in the Church's ministry. Within the Church of Ireland there are good examples of how all these various forms of communication are being used to build Christian community and communicate the Christian faith. This competition is an opportunity to learn what others are doing, to showcase good work and to join in.

**CCB Chairman, the Most Revd Pat Storey, says:** "Ways of communicating our faith and our Church, both old and new, are so important. It can be really hard work and time-consuming but so worthwhile! I encourage you to send in your best work and we are looking forward to seeing how different parishes and dioceses present themselves to the world."

In the Magazine section entries are invited in three print media categories:

- Diocesan Magazine
- Parish Magazine/Newsletter
- Church of Ireland affiliated organisation Magazine/Newsletter

**In the Website section entries are invited in three categories:**

- Diocesan Website
- Parish Website
- Church of Ireland affiliated organisation Website

In the Social Media and Blogs section, two categories:

- Most innovative use of social media e.g. Facebook, Twitter, E-bulletin etc.
- Most engaging Blog

Entries are welcome from any committee or group associated with the Church of Ireland.

Please obtain an entry form for Magazines, Websites and Social Media categories from Peter Cheney, Church of Ireland Press Office (by email: [press@ireland.anglican.org](mailto:press@ireland.anglican.org) or phone: from NI 028 9082 8882, from ROI 048 9082 8882) and send entries as follows.

N.B. Magazines and Newsletters – one recent copy – must be sent in hard copy with entry form to Peter Cheney, Press Office, Church of Ireland House, 61-67 Donegall Street, Belfast, BT1 2QH, Northern Ireland. Website and Social Media entry forms should be sent with an example or link including a description of the technology, how applied and the objective of the initiative to Peter Cheney, Press Office, Church of Ireland House, 61-67 Donegall Street, Belfast, BT1 2QH, Northern Ireland or to [press@ireland.anglican.org](mailto:press@ireland.anglican.org)



## Irish College of Preachers 2016 Conference



Revd David Huss

Details have been announced by the Irish College of Preachers for its 2016 Conference, which will be held in the Church of Ireland Theological Institute from 14th–16th September.

The guest speaker is David Huss, Rector of the Donegal Group of Parishes and Archdeacon of Raphoe.

David is an accomplished preacher and teacher and

the Conference is aimed at all aspiring preachers both lay and ordained.

Further details of the Conference can be obtained from Bishop Ferran Glenfield at [bishop@kilmore.anglican.org](mailto:bishop@kilmore.anglican.org)

## Church of Ireland Primary School Management Association Conference 16 April 2016

The Annual Conference of the Church of Ireland Primary School Management Association will be held in the Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise on Saturday 16th April. The day begins with a service in the adjoining St Paul's Church at 10.30am, followed by tea/coffee and registration.

The Bishop of Cashel & Ossory, Rt Revd Michael Borrows will preside and the speakers are Professor Brian McCraith, President of DCU who will speak on the new arrangements for primary teacher training, Ms Bernie Collins of St Patrick's College, Drumcondra

who will speak on gender and sexuality issues arising in the school system, Ms Susie Hall on Mediation as a means of dispute resolution and Ms Jacqui Wilkinson of CICE on Revising the RE syllabus. The issues covered by the Conference are not covered by the training programme provided by the Department of Education. The day will conclude with the AGM of the Association.

All members of Primary School Boards of Management under Protestant management in the Republic of Ireland are eligible to attend and should apply through their school. The cost of the conference is €15 per board, including full lunch, and the final date for booking is 11th April, made through Dr Ken Fennelly, Secretary to the General Synod Board of Education and Education Officer (RI) at [ken.fennelly@rcbdub.org](mailto:ken.fennelly@rcbdub.org) or 01 4125 609.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### Clogher Diocese Social Fund

The Fermanagh Protestant Orphan Society is a long established charity within Clogher Diocese and was formed in the 1860's just before the disestablishment of the church in 1869. The main purpose of the Society was to provide for 'destitute and needy orphans'. Over the years, the Society has made provision (by way of financial grant) for those children who had been orphaned. Orphans continue to receive financial support up until they have finished their education.

During 2015 the Fermanagh Protestant Orphan Society were called forward by the Charity Commission to be a registered as a charity. The Charity Commission is the independent regulator of charities in Northern Ireland, responsible for ensuring Northern Ireland has a dynamic and well governed charities sector in which the public can have confidence. The Commission regulates charities operating in Northern Ireland whose responsibility it is to make sure charities are meeting their legal requirements and to work with charity trustees to put things right if they go wrong. In doing so, the Commission plays a crucial role in the development of charities, enabling them to meet modern expectations and obligations. All registered charities are now listed on the Charity Commission's website and can be accessed by following the link: - [www.charitycommissionni.org.uk](http://www.charitycommissionni.org.uk)

As part of the registration process the Society had to take into account new legislation such as the need to demonstrate our ability to meet the 'public benefit' test. It was also an opportune time to review our governing rules and structures to ensure they were relevant and fit for purpose. There were two main changes made in our registration. One was to change the name of the charity to Clogher Diocese Social Fund, which now clearly reflects the area of benefit for our charity. The second change was to extend the scope of our grant making to include those who were suffering financial hardship. The charity have been successful in its registration and have been allocated charity number NI 104016.

Shortly, details regarding the constitution and governance arrangements of the charity will be made available on the Clogher Diocese website. The new

fund consists of 8 trustees of which 4 are clergy and 4 are lay people. The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd John McDowell is the chairperson and the Honorary Secretary is Mr Michael Skuce. The trustees of the fund would like to make as many of the Diocese aware of the existence of this fund. Applications to the scheme are made in the first instance by the rector of the parish in which the applicant resides or the rural Dean during a vacancy.

We are holding our AGM on Tuesday 19th April at 10.30am in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 10.30am and it is open to all clergy and laity in the Diocese.



## 'Living with Cancer Evening'

**Clogher Diocesan Board of Social Theology in Action and Clogher Diocesan Ministry of Healing are holding an event on Thursday 28th April in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm.**

This event is aimed at highlighting the services available locally for those living with cancer. There will be a number of speakers from various service providers in this area and there will be an opportunity to ask questions and have a general discussion.



You are invited to....

## The Queen's 90th Birthday Beacon's Event

St. Macartin's Cathedral  
Thursday 21st April from 6.00pm

Hundreds of official birthday beacons will burst into flames all over the UK on the night of the Queen's 90th birthday on 21st April 2016.

When Royal Pageant Master Bruno Peek recently updated the ever-burgeoning list of festive celebrations around Britain he welcomed Enniskillen's birthday event as "the most westerly beacon in the United Kingdom".



**Preparing for Her Majesty the Queens 90th Birthday Beacons Event at St. Macartin's Church of Ireland Cathedral: Ken Rainey (President, The Rotary Club of Enniskillen), Monsignor Peter O'Reilly (St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church), Very Revd Kenneth Hall (St. Macartin's Cathedral) and Viscount Brookeborough (Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Co. Fermanagh)**

After Her Majesty lights the Principal Beacon, Viscount Brookeborough, Lord Lieutenant for County Fermanagh, will formally light Enniskillen's beacon at St. Macartin's Cathedral, which will be a particularly significant feature of the town's birthday celebrations. As the flames flare higher two additional beams of light will pierce the night sky and intersect hundreds of feet above the island town.

The 'crossing of lights' poignantly symbolises the Queen's historic visit to St. Macartin's Church of Ireland Cathedral in 1912 for a service of thanksgiving to mark her Diamond Jubilee. Following her attendance at the service the Queen crossed the street to St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church where she met representatives of the community. It also

commemorates the 70th anniversary of Her Majesty's first of three visits to Co. Fermanagh as a young Princess on the 20th March 1946.

Organised by local churches together with Enniskillen Rotary Club, those attending the Queen's 90th birthday beacon celebrations will be able to enjoy complimentary light refreshments and music at The Jolly Sandwich, Darling Street at 6.00pm prior to a short interdenominational service led by the Cathedral choir in St. Macartin's at 7.30pm. Everyone attending the service will receive a copy of 'The Servant Queen and the King She Serves', published by The Bible Society and uses the Queen's own words to draw out the central role of her Christian faith and the Bible. After the service the Cathedral Bell Ringers will ring a special peal of bells in celebration as the birthday beacon is lit and the beams of light shine brightly into the night sky.



Monsignor Peter O'Reilly of St. Michael's and Dean Kenneth Hall of St. Macartin's extend an open invitation to the entire community of Enniskillen and beyond with the words "The Queen was warmly welcomed by the community of town and county when she came to Enniskillen. We return the honour she did us with our prayer and our remembering."

Ken Rainey, President Enniskillen Rotary Club expressed his delight in supporting local churches with the planning of Her Majesty The Queen's 90th Birthday Beacons Event. Rotary International's theme for 2016 is 'Be a Gift to the World' and the Birthday Beacon Celebration Event is one of several local community projects Enniskillen Rotarians are actively involved with this year. Ken hopes that everyone will join them in celebrating this important milestone in the Queen's life and is looking forward to Thursday 21st April. He acknowledged the help and support of local business's including The Jolly Sandwich who will be providing refreshments for the event and Beatty Fuels & Flogas for sponsoring the gas for the Birthday Beacon.

### Adult Confirmation

A Confirmation Service for adults will be held on Thursday 5th May (Ascension Day) in the Chapel of Portora Royal School at 7.30pm. If you would like to be confirmed please contact your Rector.

# DIOCESAN DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## April 2016

Friday 1st April – **Parish Dance** from 10.00pm - 1.00am in Sallaghy Parish Hall. Music provided by Dusty Diamond. Tickets: £5 including supper. Proceeds in aid of Church funds.

Saturday 2nd April – **Parish Auction** in Galloon Parish Hall, Newtownbutler at 2.00pm. Viewing from 11.00am.

### Sunday 3rd April - The Second Sunday of Easter (White)

**Sunday 3rd April** – **Special Service of Thanksgiving to celebrate 175 years since the opening of Rossorry Parish** at 3.00pm. Preacher: Rt Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher.

### Monday 4th April - The Annunciation of Our Lord (White)

Friday 8th April – **5k/10k Fun Run** from Clabby Church Hall at 7.00pm. For more details contact Colin Stronge tel: 028 89521830 or 07901678180 or Alan Robinson tel: 028 89522193 or 07810258481.

Saturday 9th April – **Parish Auction** in Tempo Parish Hall at 1.30pm.

### Sunday 10th April - The Third Sunday of Easter (White)

Friday 15th April – **Police Male Voice Choir Concert** in Aghavea Church Hall at 8.00pm. Tickets available from Select Vestry members.

Saturday 16th April – **Parish Dance** in Rossorry Parish Hall.

Saturday 16th April – **'Deeper into God's world' CDYC Youth Event:** organised by Monaghan and Clones Rural Deaneries.

Saturday 16th April – **Beetle Drive** in Killeevan Parish Hall at 8.00pm. Organised by Children's Group 'Shine to support the work of children's ministry in the area.

### Sunday 17th April - The Fourth Sunday of Easter (White)

**Sunday 17th April** – **Friends Service and Annual Reunion** in St Macartin's Cathedral, Clogher at 5.00pm. Speaker: The Very Revd William Morton, Dean of Derry.

Sunday 17th April – **Evening of Hymns Old and New** at 7.30pm in Lisbellaw Parish Church with James Strange and Lynda Lindsay. Collection in aid of youth work in the parish.

Tuesday 19th April – **Clogher Diocese Social Fund AGM** at 10.30am in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 10.30am. Open to all clergy and laity in the Diocese.

Wednesday 20th April – **Deadline for Bishops' Medal and Archdeacon Ruddell Prize entries.** To be submitted to Clogher Diocesan Office.

Wednesday 20th April – **'Spud Bears Ministry' presentation** at 8.00pm in Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Dromore. Organised by the Mothers' Union.

Thursday 21st April – **Clogher Clerical Holy Communion** at 10.30am in Aghavea Parish with meeting afterwards in the Church Hall.

Thursday 21st April – **The Queen's 90th Birthday Beacon's** Event in St. Macartin's Cathedral from 6.00pm. Organised by local churches together with Enniskillen Rotary Club. Complimentary light refreshments and music at The Jolly Sandwich at 6.00pm prior to a short Interdenominational Service led by the Cathedral choir in St. Macartin's at 7.30pm. Everyone attending the service will receive a copy of 'The Servant Queen and the King She Serves', published by The Bible Society and uses the Queen's own words to draw out the central role of her Christian faith and the Bible. After the service the Cathedral Bell Ringers will ring a special peal of bells in celebration as the birthday beacon is lit and the beams of light shine brightly into the night sky.

Friday 22nd April – **Institution of Revd Canon David Skuce as rector of Inishmacsaint Parish** at 7.30pm.

### Sunday 24th April - The Fifth Sunday of Easter (White)

**Sunday 24th April** – **Annual Friends Service** in Clabby Parish Church at 3.00pm. Preacher: Rt. Revd Ken Clarke. Soloist: Miss Jessica Given.

Sunday 24th April – **Commissioning Service for Admission of Parish Readers** in Kilskeery Parish Church at 7.30pm.

### Monday 25th April - Saint Mark the Evangelist (Red)

Thursday 28th April – **'Living With Cancer' Evening** in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm. Organised by Clogher Diocesan Board of Social Theology in Action and Clogher Diocesan Ministry of Healing. This event is aimed at highlighting services available for those living with cancer with speakers from various local service providers.

## May 2016

Tuesday 3rd May – **Clogher Diocesan Board of Education meeting** at 10.00am.

Tuesday 3rd May – **Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** at 11.00am.

Tuesday 3rd May – **Clogher Diocesan Council meeting** at 2.00pm.

Thursday 5th May – **Adult Confirmation Service** in Portora Royal School Chapel at 7.30pm (Ascension Day). If you would like to be confirmed please contact your Rector.

Friday 6th May – **Mothers' Union Area Service** in Aghabog Parish Church at 8.00pm.

Saturday 7th May – **Vintage Bike Run** from Clabby Church hall at 10.00am. Details from Jim Monteith tel: 028 89521167 / 07751 803660.

### Sunday 8th May – Colebrooke Friends' Service at 3.30pm.



Sunday 8th May – **Service of Dedication** of the extension to Cleenish Church Porch by Bishop John McDowell in Cleenish Parish at 3.00pm.

Thursday 12th - Saturday 14th May 2016 – **General Synod** in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire.

Friday 13th May – **Mothers' Union Area Service** in Fivemiletown Parish Church at 8.00pm.

Friday 13th May – **Mothers' Union Area Service** in Magheraculmoney Parish Church, Kesh at 8.00pm.

**Sunday 15th May – Mullaghfad Friends' Service** at 3.30pm.

Sunday 15th May – **Friendship Service** in Tydavnet Parish Church, Ballinode, Co Monaghan at 3.00pm featuring Bawn Silver Band and visiting singers.

Wednesday 18th May – **Annual Gardening Evening** in Drummully Church Hall. Kim Rickey will be back by popular demand.

Thursday 19th May – **Service of Praise and Thanksgiving** in St Patrick's Church, Monaghan at 7.30pm. Featuring pupils from seven National Schools and Monaghan Collegiate school, along with a combined choir from churches throughout Co Monaghan.

Thursday 19th May – **Clogher Clerical Association Holy Communion** at 10.30am in Galloon Parish with meeting afterwards in the Sunday School Hall (clergy only).

Thursday 19th May – **MU Spring Council** in Magheracross Parish Church, Ballinamallard at 7.30 pm. 'Bring and Buy' Sale will be held from 7.00pm.

Friday 20th May – **Coffee Morning and Soup Lunch** from 10.30am-2.00pm in aid of County Monaghan Protestant Orphan Society. Mrs Miriam Moore, Vice President of the Society will host the morning at her beautiful home at Bishopscourt on the outskirts of Clones on the Newbliss road. Visitors will have the opportunity to buy delicious home-made cakes as well as plants for their

gardens. An historical talk will be given at 12 noon.

## June 2016

Thursday 2nd June – **Indoor Members Prayer Cycle** Afternoon Tea in The See House.

Saturday 4th June – **Fun Day** from at 12 noon-4.00pm at Clabby Parish Hall. All Proceeds to Church Funds.

Saturday 4th June – **Car Boot Sale with Strawberry Tea and Cake Sale** at Drummully Church Hall. Gates open for cars at 8.00pm. Teas served at 9.30am.

**Sunday 5th June – Favourite Hymns Evening** in Aghavea Church Hall at 7.30pm.

Thursday 16th June – **Clogher Clerical BBQ** in the See House at 6.00pm.

## September 2016

Friday 2nd September – **Midnight walk** from Clabby Church Hall. Details from Edwin and Hilary Armstrong tel: 028 89541852.

**Sunday 4th September – Diocesan Commissioning Service** for Sunday School Teachers and all involved in Children's Ministry at 7.00pm in St Patrick's Church, Monaghan.

Tuesday 6th September – **Clogher Diocesan Board of Education meeting** at 10.00am.

Tuesday 6th September – **Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** at 11.00am.

Tuesday 6th September – **Clogher Diocesan Council meeting** at 2.00pm.

**Sunday 11th September – Diocesan Commissioning Service** for Sunday School Teachers and all involved in Children's Ministry at 7.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen.

Thursday 15th September – **Clogher Clerical Association Holy Communion and meeting** in the Cassandra Hand Centre, Clones at 10.30am. Speaker: Sr Margaret McQuaid on Stress Management (clergy only).

Thursday 29th September – **Clogher Diocesan Synod** at 4.30pm.

Friday 30th September - Sunday 2nd October 2016 – **Flower Festival** in Tempo Parish Church.

## October 2016

Friday 28th October - Friday 4th November 2016 – **Clogher Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome** (5 nights) and Assisi (2 nights). For more information contact Revd Canon David Skuce on 028 677 21250.

## November 2016

Tuesday 1st November – **Clogher Diocesan Board of Education meeting** in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 10.00am.

Tuesday 1st November – **Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 11.00am.

Tuesday 1st November – **Clogher Diocesan Council meeting** in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 2.00pm.

Friday 11th November – **Launch of 'The Stories Behind The Stones'**, in Lisbellaw Parish Centre at 7.30pm. This book will commemorate the 150 men from Lisbellaw and Tamlaght who served in World War I.

Thursday 17th November – **Clogher Clerical Association Holy Communion** at 10.30am in St John's Parish, Fivemiletown with meeting afterwards in the Church Hall. Theme: 'Sharing of ideas about Christmas Services'.

Friday 25th - Sunday 27th November 2016 – **Christmas Tree Festival** in Rossorry Parish as part of their 175th Anniversary Celebrations.

## December 2016

Thursday 8th December – **Clogher Clerical Association Holy Communion** at 10.30am in Derryvullen South Parish with Christmas Lunch afterwards in the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen.

## MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE NEWS

### Syria: Signs of hope at five year anniversary of war

As the five year anniversary of the civil war in Syria arrived last month there were surprising signs of hope amongst the stories of sorrow and pain; some small businesses have opened, a new church has been planted, and more people are coming to Christ than ever before.

In February this year a new furniture factory was opened in Homs with support from Open Doors. The business is providing work for 30 people, and already has international orders. "Thank you that there are still people thinking about our city and willing to help us", said one of the church leaders involved in starting the project.

In another city, Open Doors was able to provide the finances to open a new pharmacy. It employs fewer people than the furniture factory, but enables people to buy medicines at reasonable prices, and provides discounts for those in need.

"I can't express the happiness of the elderly men and women who can buy their medicine from the pharmacy with a discount of 50% or more, the church leader who monitors the project says. "One of them said to me: I thank God for you and for the donors who made this possible. I pray to God that He will reward them a hundred times." One of the needy women who received medicine for free burst into tears. "In the name of the Christians in our city, I thank you for your love and your support."

Alongside long-term projects such as these, Open Doors is also supporting the church in Syria as they meet people's immediate needs, providing for 10,000 families - approximately 50,000 people - every month with aid including food, medicines, rent subsidies, and medical help.

It is the love of Christ shown through the church that is drawing many to faith in Jesus. One Syrian believer from a Muslim background from Aleppo has shared: "What attracted me is the loving environment of

the church." However, these new believers can face serious consequences for choosing to leave Islam. In a Lebanese refugee camp one Syrian originally from a village close to Damascus said: "We [my wife and I] both became Christians. My wife took her veil off, but people started to threaten us. "One pastor has told Open Doors: "The Muslims coming to faith are ready to die for their new beliefs; that is a different kind of Christianity. We're in a big harvest. God is waking up a sleeping church."

In 2015 Open Doors distributed 29,000 Bibles and 34,500 Children's Bibles in Syria, many of which went to new believers to help them grow in their new faith. One church that Open Doors partners with, the Alliance Church in Damascus, even planted a new church close to Homs in February. One church leader in Syria told Open Doors: "We continue to live in Syria with hope that our country will heal from its painful outcomes. It will heal from its wounds and will regain peace soon. We, under the Lord's grace and through his strength, have decided to stay and carry on."

Please pray:

- For God to bless the small businesses that are opening in Syria
- That the love of Christ would continue to shine through his church
- For strength and encouragement for church leaders and other workers who are serving the Syrian people
- For God to strengthen the faith of new believers and keep them safe
- For peace in Syria.

Open Doors is an international ministry serving persecuted Christians and churches worldwide. We supply Bibles, leadership training, literacy programmes, livelihood support and advocacy services. We also seek to mobilise the church in the UK & Ireland to serve Christians living under religious persecution.

To find out more about what we do visit [odireland@opendoorsuk.org](mailto:odireland@opendoorsuk.org) or call +44 (0)28 9075 1080.

## YOUTH NEWS

### CDYC Rural Deanery Youth Event 'Deeper Into God's Praise'

It must have seemed very strange to Silas to be locked up in the depths of a Macedonian prison with the apostle Paul. This was supposed to have been a missionary journey based on a clear call by the Spirit to Paul in a vision. 'A man from Macedonia' no less! And yet here they are beaten and slung into stocks and chains for showing mercy to a demonised girl.

I can hear myself asking Paul "Could you have misunderstood that man from Macedonia? Just asking Paul!" But wait; because these two missionaries do not look to their circumstances but in the face of them they praise God believing that He will not see them defeated. The rest of the Acts 16 story is of a miraculous change of circumstances, salvation for their jailer, his household and exoneration at the hands of those who so quickly accused, beat and imprisoned them.

Happily, we rarely know anything of this type of persecution today in our society but sadly the same cannot be said for other Christian believers throughout the world.

The idea of praising God in the face of trial and difficulties was at the heart of the Clogher rural deanery's 'Deeper' diocesan youth event. Geoff Donaldson from the Open Doors organisation was invited to speak to the gathered young people and leaders on the persecuted church and how praise so often brought victory to them in the face of their troubles.



**OpenDoors**  
Serving persecuted Christians worldwide

Before Geoff addressed our young people the evening got off to an energetic start with Clabby Parish Church hall set out with interactive games and challenges. You could try knocking down skittles, lighting candles, sorting coloured sweets or just enjoy catching up with your friends as you watched others having fun. Leading praise for the evening was the 'Committed' Band, which was very appropriate considering Geoff's message to come. Geoff read from 1 Peter 4:12-16 "Think it not strange concerning the fiery trial....if you are reproached be happy.....the Spirit of glory rests on you". He went on to outline what the present situation is for the persecuted church. Today 50 countries ban the bible for example. In some, leaders are worshipped and citizens have to bow down to them. Christian's lives are often in danger. Ten of thousands of Christians are imprisoned for their faith with no hope of justice. Many are simply executed. Christian meetings are in secret and if caught worshipping they can be taken and locked up

in shipping containers to be overheated by day and frozen by night.

Without water many die very quickly. In some countries persecuted Christians will be shot on the spot if they dare to worship vocally. Geoff told us of churches that gather during rainstorms so that they can sing and not be heard.

This story clearly underlined to us all how thankful we should be that we could not only worship God freely but also share the good news freely. Listening to Geoff we all realised how much we take that freedom for granted. He finished the formal part of the evening by inviting the band to play joining with us all in singing "I have decided to follow Jesus" as a whisper. They then led more worship as the young people came forward to post prayers for persecuted Christians on a large world map.



Feeling challenged but glad to have been able to share in some small way the pain of our brothers and sisters in foreign lands we were able to take home material to help us all to continue to pray for the persecuted church. It is so encouraging to see how well our young people respond to these types of opportunities. Praise is a very powerful weapon for us as a church and that was very much a part of the conversation over a BBQ supper provided at the end of the evening.

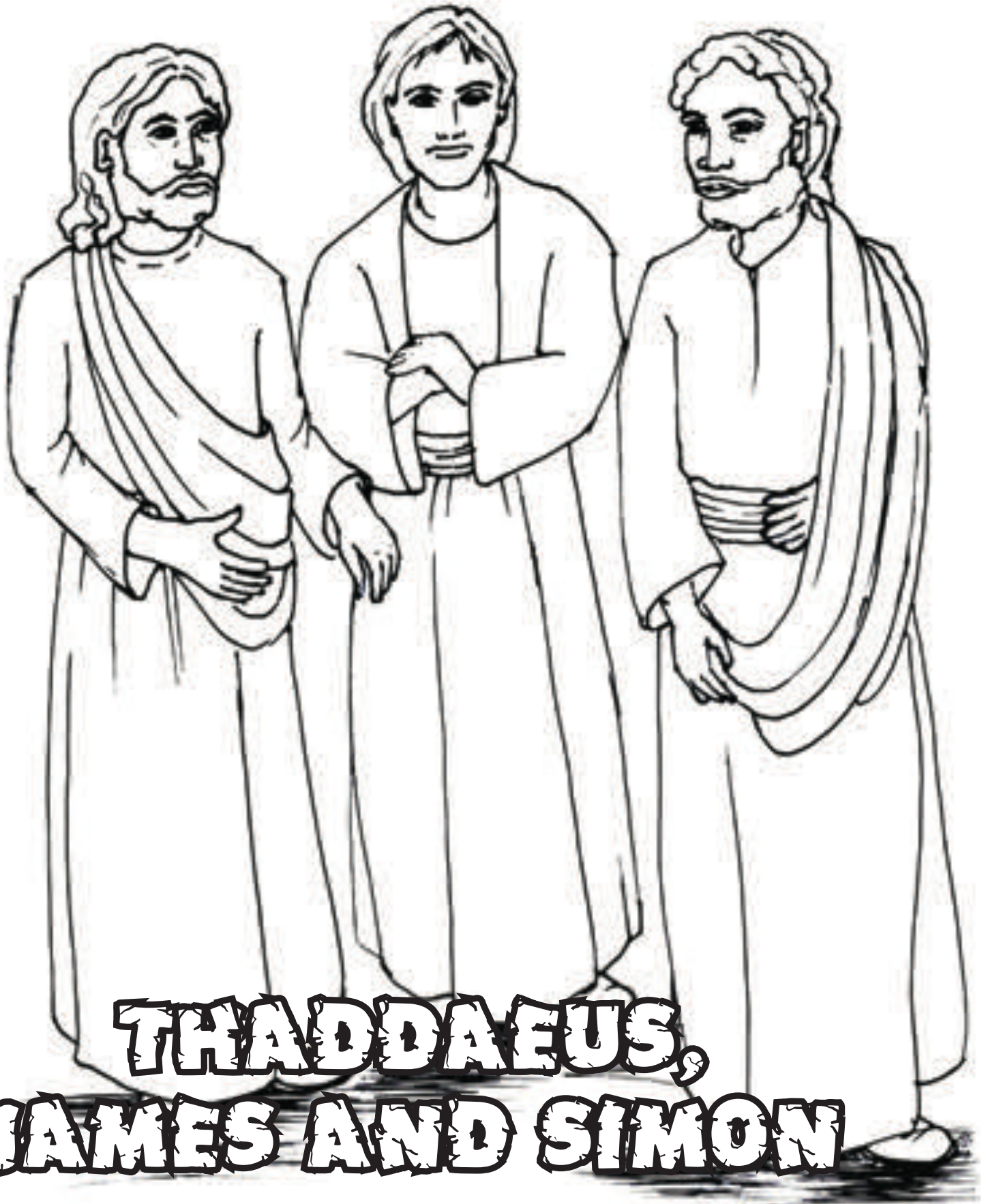
The Youth Council 'Deeper' events continue in April with the Monaghan and Clones rural deaneries hosting 'Deeper Into God's World' on Saturday 16th April. This will provide the next opportunity for our young people to consider yet another aspect of what it means to go Deeper in their faith and trust in God.

**EACH MONTH**

<p><b>322 CHRISTIANS ARE KILLED FOR THEIR FAITH</b></p>	<p><b>214 CHURCHES AND CHRISTIAN PROPERTIES ARE DESTROYED</b></p>	<p><b>772 FORMS OF VIOLENCE ARE COMMITTED AGAINST CHRISTIANS</b> (SUCH AS BEATINGS, ABDUCTIONS, RAPES, ARRESTS AND FORCED MARRIAGES)</p>
---	---	--

CHILDREN'S SECTION

COLOUR



# READ

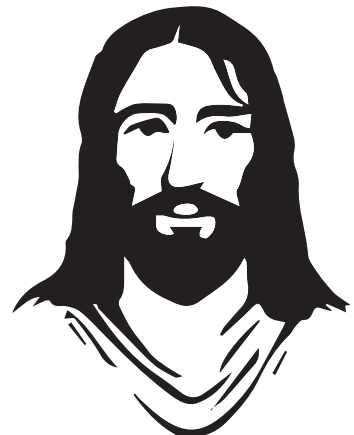
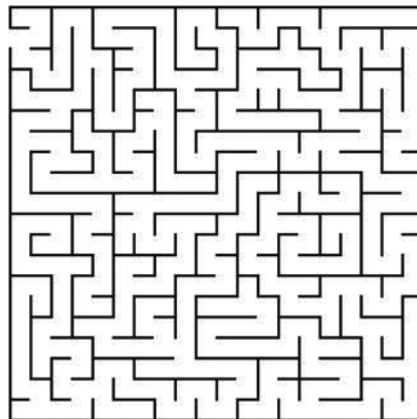
## Three lesser known disciples (Matthew 10 verse 3, John 14 verse 23, Luke 6 verse 15)

Want do you want to be when you're older?" There are lots of answers to this question: maybe you want to be a farmer, a nurse, a teacher, a lorry driver..... Some people answer, "I want to be famous." I wonder why? Maybe they think that being famous would them feel important. Lots of people use Facebook to tell other people about themselves. Maybe this makes them feel 'famous' or important? Over the last few months we have been finding out about the 12 men Jesus chose to be his disciples, his special friends. You might remember the four fishermen: Peter, Andrew, James and John, Matthew the tax collector, Thomas who doubted, Philip and Bartholomew and the fig tree and Judas Iscariot who betrayed Jesus. There are only three other disciples from the 12 that Jesus chose -Thaddaeus, Simon and James (son of Alphaeus). The Bible doesn't tell us very much about these three men. The name of James' father was given so that he would not be confused with James the fisherman. Thaddaeus was also called Judas but was better known as Thaddaeus. He asked Jesus why the disciples knew about him but not the whole world. Jesus explained that the disciples would tell the world about him and those who believed would be blessed. Simon was known as Simon the Zealot. That's about all the Bible tells us about them. We do know that they were chosen by Jesus and they followed Jesus. Just because we don't know much about these three men does not mean they are not important - they were important to Jesus and he chose them to be his special friends. Sometimes we think people who are well known are more important or better than others. God does not think like this. Maybe you don't feel important today. Maybe not very many people know you. God knows you. God made you. God loves you. You are important to God and he wants you to follow him. God might not call us to be celebrities, to be famous, but he calls us to be faithful.

# FIND THE PATH

Find the path through the MAZE to follow Jesus.

Draw a picture of yourself here



An easy way to remember the disciples' names is to create a **MNEMONIC**  
For example STAMP the Toast with Peanut Butter and 4 Jams stands for Simon, Thaddaeus, Andrew, Matthew, Philip, Thomas, Peter, Bartholomew, John, James, Judas, and James. Maybe you can think of another one – write it here

# CROSS OUT

Cross out every other letter (start with W) then write the remaining letters to reveal what Jesus said in John 14 v 27  
**DWOLNHOUTFLRENTKYSOTUBRPHKEDAQRYSKBIEGTRRMOIUYPOLLEPDEAFN  
YDODMOHNGODTSBDERAYFGRHATIKD**

D O N \_\_\_\_\_

## Sunday School Teacher Training



Jill Hamilton

Jill Hamilton, Children's Project Officer for Connor Diocese, delivered two very enjoyable Training Evenings for Sunday School Teachers in Monaghan and Maguiresbridge in February. Focusing on the theme,

'Journey to Easter', Jill shared a huge range of ideas and resources including songs, crafts, stories, drama and video clips relating to Lent, Holy Week and Easter. The events were organised by Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education and they greatly appreciate the efforts of everyone who helped make both evenings successful.



Concentrating hard at the Training Evening for SS Teachers in St Patrick's Monaghan on Monday 22nd February.

## MOTHERS' UNION NEWS

### Prayer Breakfast



On Saturday 20th February nearly 150 MU members and friends gathered at the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen for a Prayer Breakfast. The event was planned by the Vice-President and Co Ordinator of the Faith and Policy Unit, Mrs Valerie Stewart and Mrs Valerie McMorris, with the assistance of the Trustee Body.



The new president, Mrs Irene Boyd, welcomed everyone and Dean Hall said the Grace before a delicious breakfast was served.

## Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

Mrs McMorris introduced the guest speaker, Mrs Jacqui Armstrong, the All-Ireland Faith and Policy Co-Ordinator. Jacqui's theme for the morning was 'A Celebration of Faith'. She encouraged those present to celebrate what gifts they were given with those around them in the Branches, Parishes and Communities.

The room was decorated with balloons and each person was given a bookmarker with Mary Sumner's Prayer and a Bible Text attached to a Celebration sweet! Mrs Boyd thanked Jacqui for her talk and presented her with a small gift. The Revd Chancellor John Stewart closed the morning with the Grace.

### Area Services

The Area Services this year will be held in:

#### Aghabog Parish Church

Friday 6th May at 8.00pm

#### Fivemiletown Parish Church

Friday 13th May at 8.00pm

#### Magheraculmoney Parish Church (Kesh)

Friday 13 May at 8.00pm

### Spring Council

This year the Spring Council will be held in Magheracross Parish Church (Ballinamallard) on Thursday 19th May beginning at 7.30 pm. The usual 'Bring and Buy' Sale will be held from 7.00pm.

### IMPC Afternoon Tea in The See House

Thursday 2nd June 2016 - please note change of date.

## PARISH NOTES

### Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt



**Church Army Officer:**  
Captain David Hamilton  
The Rectory, Drummadarainy,  
Stonebridge, Clones,  
Co. Monaghan.

**T:** 047 20826  
**E:** aghadrumsee@clogher.anglican.org

#### Services

##### Sunday 3rd April

**Aghadrumsee** 12.05pm Morning Prayer

**Clogh** 10.45am Morning Prayer

**Drumsnatt** 9.30am Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 10th April

**Aghadrumsee** 12.05pm Holy Communion

**Clogh** 10.45am Holy Communion & Baptism

**Drumsnatt** 9.30am Holy Communion

##### Sunday 17th April

**Aghadrumsee** 12.05pm Morning Prayer

**Clogh** 10.45am Morning Prayer

**Drumsnatt** 9.30am Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 24th April

**Aghadrumsee** 12.05pm Morning Prayer

**Clogh** 10.45am Morning Prayer

**Drumsnatt** 9.30am Morning Prayer

#### Confirmation

We were pleased to welcome our Bishop to a Service of Confirmation in March and wish all those confirmed God's Richest Blessing in this new chapter of their lives.



Pictured above, confirmation candidates with the Bishop.

#### Easter Vestry Meetings

Easter Vestry Meetings were held in Aghadrumsee and Drumsnatt during March and concluded on Tuesday 5th April in Clogh. A list of the 2016/2017 Vestries will be made available in the May edition of this magazine.

#### Meetings for April

**Young Ladies Group** – Tuesday 12th April at 8.30pm  
'Bling Bling'

**Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild** – Thursday 21st April at 8.00pm

#### Mothers' Union

Clogh Mothers' Union Visitors evening is on Thursday 14th April at 8.00pm in the hall with speaker Mrs Valerie Stewart, The Manse, Clones. All ladies welcome.

#### Congratulations

Congratulations to Richard and Joanne Moore of Drumsnatt Parish on the birth of their son.

#### Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs Myrtle Fleming and family on the death of her husband Fred, to Mrs Anna Stockdale and family on the death of her husband Bertie, to Mr and Mrs Mervyn Robinson and family on the death of Mervyn's brother Eric and to Miss Muriel McAdoo on the death of her cousin.

### Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



**Rector:**  
The Revd John McClenaghan  
Colebrooke Rectory, 8 Owenskerry  
Lane, Killarbran, Fivemiletown,  
Co. Tyrone. BT75 OSP

**T:** 028 895 31822  
**E:** aghalurcher@clogher.anglican.org  
**W:** www.colebrookeparish.org

#### Services

##### April

##### Sunday 3rd

10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion

12.15pm Cooneen Holy Communion

##### Sunday 10th

10.45am Colebrooke Morning Prayer

12.15pm Cooneen Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 17th

10.45am Colebrooke Morning Prayer

12.15pm Cooneen Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 24th

11.00am Colebrooke Family Service

3.30pm Mullaghfad Holy Communion

## Special Services

**24th April**

3.30pm Mullaghfad Holy Communion  
 8th May 3.30pm Colebrooke Friends' Service  
 15th May 3.30pm Mullaghfad Friends Service

## Easter Vestries

**Colebrooke** 5 April 2016 at 8pm in the parish hall  
**Cooneen** 6 April 2016 at 8pm in the rectory

## Confirmation



On Sunday 28th February Bishop John conducted a service of Confirmation in St Ronan's, Colebrooke. The church was filled, as family and friends gathered to witness their young adults taking on for themselves the promises made on their behalf at their Baptism. Bishop John confirmed eight of our young people at this service, and also celebrated Holy Communion. Two others of our group will be confirmed in April due to commitments taken before the original had to be changed because of my own circumstances. Refreshments were served in the parish hall following the service. I would like to take this opportunity to express how much I have enjoyed working with this group of ten young people over the past two months. They showed interest in the material and subjects we were covering on the course and they are a real credit to their families, and a joy to have in the rectory. Many thanks to Bishop John for his ministry to us in this Bishop's Service, and thank you to those who supplied scones and tray bakes at the refreshments.

## Holiday Bible Club

We plan to hold a holiday Bible club on the last week of June, Monday 27th June to Friday 1st July 6.30pm to 8.30pm in Colebrooke Parish Halls, ending with a Sunday service on 3rd July in Colebrooke Halls at 11.00am. Using music, drama, crafts, games and more we will be teaching the children how to live God's way as we explore the letter to the Philippians using a sea theme. 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 on 028 8953 1596.

## Coffee Mornings

Our coffee morning fellowship is held on the first Wednesday of every month, the next being on Wednesday 6th April from 10.30am to 12.00noon. If you fancy some home-made goodies, and fresh coffee (or tea), please drop in and join us.

## Mothers' Union

Eleven members attended the Women's World Day of Prayer in Brookeborough Methodist Church, where they shared in the service with Aghavea Mothers' Union members. All present participated in the programme prepared by the women of Cuba and enjoyed fellowship and refreshments afterwards.

At the time of writing, members are looking forward to hearing Letitia Moffatt share her 'Walk in Faith' and also have an opportunity to purchase books from the IEB Bookshop.

The Branch Visitor's Night is planned for Wednesday 20th April at 8.00pm in Colebrooke Parish Hall. The Revd Eric McGirr has been asked to share his experiences of ministry in Abu Dhabi. Everyone from the two parishes is invited as well as visitors from the area.

All members of Mothers' Union in the Clogher Diocese are invited to share in a Holy Communion Service in Christchurch Cathedral, Dublin at 11: 15am on Thursday 5th May. Members from our twinned Diocese of Tuam are also invited. Please inform your branch leader if you would like to attend and transport will be arranged.

Please keep free Friday 13th May, to attend the area service in St John's Parish Church in Fivemiletown.

MU members are encouraged to attend the Easter Vestries in their parishes and remember these events in prayer. Members of Select Vestry have an important role in the life of each parish and each parishioner has a responsibility to select and support those appointed. It would also be a great encouragement to the Rector as chairman of the Select Vestry.

## SNATCH

(Sunday Night At the Church Hall) Youth Ministry Aghavea & Colebrooke - alternate Sundays at 7.00pm in Colebrooke Church Hall

All young people of secondary school age welcome.

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/snatchyf](http://www.facebook.com/snatchyf)

Website: [snatch.colebrookeparish.org](http://snatch.colebrookeparish.org)

## GFS

Girls Friendly Society every Monday at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall for girls 3 years +

## Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Group meet every Tuesday and Friday (for Scouts) from 7pm-8.30pm 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. The season has now ended, but will begin again in September. New members will be very welcome.

## Aghavea



**Rector:** The Revd Gary McMurray  
The Rectory, 256 Belfast Road,  
Lurgan, Brookeborough,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT94 4DS

**T:** 028 895 31210  
**E:** aghavea@clogher.anglican.org  
**W:** www.aghavea.blogspot.com

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 3rd

11.00am Holy Communion and Sunday School

#### Sunday 10th

11.00am Morning Prayer and Sunday School

#### Sunday 17th

11.00am Church Family Service

7.00pm Evening Prayer - Brooke Memorial Hall

#### Sunday 24th

11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School

### May

**Sunday 1st** 11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School

Dear friends,

Did you know that the Bible mentions quite a few people who were 'vertically challenged'? There's Peter, James and John, who slept on their watch (Matt 26:40); Nicodemus, who was a ruler - just 12 inches long! (John 3:1); Bildad the Shuhite - only the height of a shoe! (Job 2:11); and Knee-high-miah, sorry, Nehemiah!

While those are just a bit of fun, there is a man in the Bible known for being short. And I have a lot of sympathy with him. The day came when our Upper Sixth photo was to be taken; the last school photo before our year group went our separate ways. So we were lined up in two lines - girls in one, boys in the other, in height order. The lines snaked back and forth in the square in front of the Sixth Form centre as we found our place. And, yes, you've guessed it, my place was towards the back of the line; one of the shortest in my year group (but not the very shortest!).

Zacchaeus would have been keeping me company. As Jesus came through Jericho, we would have struggled to see over the crowd. Zacchaeus certainly did. So he had a plan - get a grandstand view by climbing up into a tree. He would be able to see Jesus, and remain hidden from the crowd - you see, as well as being short, he wasn't well liked. Zac was a tax collector.

So up he climbed, and down he looked, as Jesus passed by. Except, Jesus didn't pass by. He stopped, looked up, and told Zacchaeus to hurry down, because he was

coming to his house! Zacchaeus was seeking to see who Jesus was (Luke 19:3), but it was Jesus who was seeking Zacchaeus.

This was a Search and Rescue mission, but not with helicopters or lifeboats. It was the very reason Jesus came - to search and rescue, or as we're more used to hearing: 'For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.' (Luke 19:10). It isn't that we're on a search for God; that God has hidden himself and we need to find him. No, God has come to find us. His mission to search and rescue continues, as he seeks and saves short people and tall people; men and women, boys and girls; and people of every nationality - seeking and saving the lost. Have you been found and saved by him?

Yours in Christ,  
Gary

## Easter General Vestry

The Easter Vestry is an important meeting in the life of the parish, as we mark another year of ministry and witness to the Lord Jesus in Aghavea. We look backwards, as we receive reports from the past year, and look forwards as we choose Churchwardens, Glebewardens and the Select Vestry. This year our Easter Vestry will be held on Wednesday 6th April at 8.00pm in the Church Hall. All are welcome, although only registered Vestry members can stand for election and vote.

## Gospel Concert

Thank you to all who came along and supported our Annual Gospel Concert. We're looking forward to hosting the Police Male Voice Choir on Friday 15th April, to which you're invited. Tickets are priced at £6 including supper, and are now available from Select Vestry members or the Rectory (028) 8953 1210.

## Through the Bible in a Year

We've been following the 'Through the Bible in a Year' since the start of January, with two or three Old Testament chapters and half a New Testament chapter each day. The next fellowship group for people following the plan will be in the Rectory on Tuesday 5th April at 8.00pm. If you'd like to start reading the Bible each day, and be able to cover the whole Bible in one year, then why not start today? The plan can be found at: <http://static.esvmedia.org/assets/pdfs/rp.through.the.bible.pdf>

## Sunday School

Sunday School meets at 11.00am, during the Morning Service. After the opening part of the service, the boys and girls move across to the church hall for age-appropriate Bible teaching and activities. For more information, please speak to Linda McClelland.

## Mothers' Union

At our March meeting we were joined by Joan Watson from Clabby, who shared with us some of her inspirational writing and songs.

Members enjoyed listening to the stories of the crucifixion and the empty tomb from the perspective of Mary, the mother of Jesus, and John, the beloved disciple.

For our April meeting, on Tuesday 12th at 8.00pm, we are looking forward to welcoming Letitia Moffitt as our guest speaker.

Members are also looking forward to our annual outing on Saturday 7th May, which this year is heading to Ballymena. We'll stop for morning coffee in Cafe Vic-Ryn at Lisburn, and our evening meal will be in Viscounts, Dungannon. For more information, speak to any member of Mothers' Union.

## SNATCH

SNATCH (Sunday Night At The Church Hall) is our youth group for secondary school age young people, in partnership with Colebrooke and Clabby Parishes. The summer term is more relaxed, to help our young people chill out in the midst of revision and exam pressures. Details of our summer term programme will be available shortly, and shared in the notice sheets at church. New members are very welcome - registration forms can be filled in by parents on arrival.

## Find us on Facebook and iTunes

The best way of keeping up to date with what's happening at Aghavea is our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/aghavea](http://www.facebook.com/aghavea). There you'll find news, notices, sermons, photos, prayer points and lots more! Our sermon podcasts are now available on iTunes. Search for 'Aghavea Church' and subscribe to have them automatically delivered to your computer or device.

## Ballybay, Clontibret and Mucknoe



**Rector:** The Revd Neal Phair  
The Rectory, Drumcrew,  
Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan

**T:** 042 9740483  
**E:** [ballybay@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:ballybay@clogher.anglican.org)

## Club Diversity

The Youth club will meet on 9th April and the final session till September on 23rd April. All of which start at 6.00pm -7.00pm. Refreshments served and new members always welcome!

## Clontibret

### Easter

As we moved towards Easter a number of us enjoyed the Bible study of St Matthew with Revd Margaret Pringle, Revd Charles McCollum, Archdeacon Helene

Steed and Canon David Skuce. We thank them for their guidance.

## On Mother's Day

On Mother's Day the Sunday School children presented the mums with boxes of chocolates which were gratefully received. Our thanks go to Alison Donaldson who made the necessary purchases.

## Floral Demonstration

On 8th March the church hall was packed to capacity with over 100 people, who enjoyed a Floral Demonstration by Wilma Simpson of JP Flowers, Monaghan. Wilma chatted amiably with her audience as she created six beautiful arrangements which were raffled on the night together with a beautiful food hamper. As it was International Women's Day Wilma very kindly gave each lady a gerbera flower nicely presented in a sheath. We all enjoyed a lovely supper and thank all those who supported our fundraiser. Thanks are due to Reginald Dickson who managed the parking of the cars and Walter Pringle who provided the sound system.

## Prayers

We remember in our prayers those who have been unwell and especially Jim and Robert Graham. We pray for Esther Dunn and Mable Leathem in St Mary's Nursing Home and for the staff who look after them day by day in such a caring manner.

## Exam Time

As the children and students move into exam mode we wish them well and trust that they and their parents will not find the weeks ahead too stressful and that they will achieve the results they need to embark on their chosen careers.

## Easter Vestry

Wednesday 13th April at 8.00pm in the Church Hall.

## Muckno

### Mothers Union

An enjoyable evening was had by the ladies at a card making evening in Clontibret. A lovely supper was provided.

The Closing night of MU for the group will take place in early April. (Please listen for out for announcements) Ethel and Jennifer travelled to the MU breakfast on Saturday 20th February in Killyhevin Hotel, Enniskillen. Mrs Irene Boyd, the new MU President opened the event in prayer and Dean Hall give thanks for the food. A lovely Ulster fry with lots of calories delighted the gathering. Ms Jacqueline Anderson, MU Faith and Policy Co-Ordinator then spoke on the MU theme for 2016 'Celebration of Faith.'

## World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer was held in St Maeldoid's Church Hall on Friday 4th March. The theme this

year was 'Receive children. Receive me' written by the women of Cuba. Thanks goes to Mrs Valerie Stewart, Clones on her inspirational talk on the theme. She referred to Matthew chapter 19 verses 13-14:

### **"The Little Children and Jesus"**

Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them. Jesus said, *"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*

Thanks go to the PW Ladies who took part and provided the exhibits on the night, also to the ladies for providing the lovely supper. The leader, Mrs Ethel Coulter also wishes to express a grateful thanks to Janet and Siobhan who decorated the Hall and made it so welcoming.

### **Mothering Sunday**

Wow, what a lot of work the Sunday school children and their teachers were doing! They had been preparing for Mothers Day over the past few Sundays by making beautiful paper butterflies. They were absolutely gorgeous. Thank you also for the lovely prayers that were said by the children. Thank you to Revd Neal for his encouraging sermon on Mothers from the Bible. Fittingly there was a little birthday surprise at the end of the service for Martha. Hope you celebrated in style Martha and that the children spoil you. After all the celebrations, a lovely cup of tea was then provided.

### **Visitor**

On Sunday 28th February, we at St Maeldoids had a surprise visit from Jane Adair and Stephen, who travelled all the way from Ballymena to be with us for 10.00am! It was lovely to see them both and Jane is already preparing for the Annual Friends Service in June.

### **Lenten Bible Study**

Thank you to Archdeacon Helene Steed for coming to speak to us on Matthew chapters 12-17 at the Church Hall Castleblayney on 2nd March. Bible study continues in Clontibret. A celebration of Holy Communion takes place on Thursday 24th March at 8.00pm in the Church.

### **Get Well Wishes**

Get well wishes to John Montgomery as he recovers from major surgery. We hope that it will not be long until you are back to your old self.

### **A date for your Diary**

Easter Vestry meeting 19th April at 8.00pm.

## **Ballybay**

### **World Day of Prayer**

The World Day of Prayer for the Ballybay area took place in the Church of Ireland this year on Friday 4th March. The theme this year was based on children and a wonderful crowd of around 70 people turned up for the event. Many thanks to all those involved in making it a special occasion.

### **Mother's Day**

On Mother's Day Tyana Pratt-Clarke presented the ladies and indeed some of the men with lovely bunches of flowers. Our thanks to Tyana and Tanya for preparing these for the members of the congregation.

### **Sympathy**

Deepest sympathy is extended to Tanya Pratt and the family on the recent death of two of Tanya's Aunts - Shirley Sheriff and Irish Neill. May the peace of God continue to be a comfort to you all at this time.

### **Holy Communion Services**

Easter Sunday Holy Communion Service will be at 9.00am in Christ Church on Sunday 27th March and Holy Communion will be at 9.00am in April, May, June, July and August – all on the 1st Sunday of the month.

### **Lenten Bible Study and Good Friday**

Thank you to Revd Margaret Pringle and Canon David Skuce who came to lead the Bible studies that took place in Christ Church. An informal All Age service took place in the Church Hall on Good Friday, 25th March at 11.00am where the Good Friday story were retold and the children will made an Easter Garden with soil, stones and flowers etc. Refreshments were served with Hot Cross Buns.

### **Easter Vestry**

Sunday 10th April immediately after Church around 1.00pm in Christ Church.

### **Remembering and Praying**

Remembering and praying for those housebound in the parish, especially Mrs McGregor and also Mrs Jean Harkness in St Mary's Hospital in Castleblayney.

## **Carrickmacross Union, Magheraclone and Ardragh**

### **Vacant**

The Revd Canon Charles McCollum  
Tel: 087 2885019

## **Services**

### **Carrickmacross**

10.30am Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays  
10.30am Morning Prayer 1st and 3rd Sundays

### **Magheraclone**

12 noon Holy Communion 1st Sunday  
12 noon Morning Prayer 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays

## Ardragh

9.30am Morning Prayer 1st Sunday  
1.15pm Holy Communion 3rd Sunday

Holy Days, Special Occasions and 5th Sundays as per announcements

## After the winter

After a winter of so much heavy rainfall the gardens and indeed farmland in general are struggling to dry out. Work on farmland and in our gardens is probably well behind schedule. Some days ago I was attempting to do a few jobs in the garden at my house when a neighbour came along and made some moderately complimentary comment on what I was doing. It reminded me somehow of a story I heard once where a parish rector came along, leaned across the gate and said to the one working in the garden "You and God between you have turned that overgrown patch into a beautiful garden". "Yes", replied the gardener, "but God wasn't making much progress with it until I came along". Both were partly right and I felt a bit like that when I first tackled my patch. God has created a world which is, in many places, of outstanding beauty. Yet God has shared the work of creation with us human beings, and relies on us to bring his creative work to completion. This applies to every aspect of what we undertake, as well as to work in the garden.

## Boundary Wall Collapse

By the time this issue of the magazine appears we anticipate that the reconstruction work on replacing the damaged wall will be under way. The contract has been set and the parishioners together with the community in general look forward to having this unfortunate situation made good.

## Fund-raising

As a consequence of the collapse of the boundary wall as well as necessary remedial work on the main roof and to the topmost part of the spire, a considerable amount of fund-raising will have to be undertaken. While the work itself to the top of the spire may not be significant, nonetheless the process of getting equipment up there can be expensive.

The select vestry is formulating a series of fundraising events in the near future to support these three projects. We will be outlining in the near future how these might be approached.

## Illness

We are glad to report that parishioners who have been hospitalised in recent times have returned to their homes, and we pray that they are continuing to make satisfactory recoveries.

# Cleenish and Mullaghduin



### Rector:

The Revd Canon Geoffrey Bridle  
Cleenish Rectory, Bellanaleck,  
Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh. BT92 2BA

T: 028 66 348259

E: cleenish@clogher.anglican.org

W: www.cleenishparish.weebly.com

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 10th

10:00am MP Mullaghduin

11:30am MP Cleenish

#### Wednesday 13th

10:00am Monthly Healing & HC Mullaghduin Parochial Hall

#### Sunday 17th

10:00am MP Mullaghduin

11:30am Holy Baptism Cleenish

#### Sunday 24th

10:00am MP Mullaghduin

11:30am Holy Baptism Cleenish

### May

#### Sunday 1st

10:00am MP Mullaghduin

11:30am MP Cleenish

Please see the local Services Sheet in Church for up to date changes which may occur from time to time.

## Vestry Meetings

### Wednesday 6th April

Cleenish General Easter Vestry

### Thursday 7th April

Mullaghduin General Easter Vestry

## Monthly Service of Holy Communion

This Service is held in Mullaghduin Parochial Hall on the second Wednesday of each month. It combines a shortened form of Holy Communion with the opportunity for prayer for the sick and bereaved, followed by a cup of tea and time for a chat. The next Service will be held on Wednesday 13th April.

## Dedication of Church Porch

The Dedication of the extension to Cleenish Church Porch by Bishop John McDowell will be held on Sunday 8th May at 3.00pm.

## Bicentenary of Mullaghduin Church

The Church was first built on its present site in 1817, and since that time the building has been upgraded on several occasions. To mark this historic occasion it is anticipated some type of event will be held in the

Church in 2017. The Select Vestry would be interested if any history could be provided by any member or former parishioner, nearer the time leading up to this celebrated occasion.

### Cleenish & Mullaghduin Mothers' Union

Members of Mothers' Union were encouraged at the February meeting to remember their mothers on 6th March by supporting Mothers Union in the make a Mothers' Day campaign. Buying a Mothering Sunday gift through this resource could help transform a life, would mean the wider community would also thrive. Cleenish Family Service taken from the 'A Service Of The Word', and led by Rowena Sheridan on Sunday 6th March, included resources from the Mothers' Union Family Service. Branch leader Lettie Coulter read the first lesson from Exodus 1:1-10 "The love of a mother". Prayers were lead by Caroline Watterson Mothers' Union member of Mullaghduin, and Sunday School members Sarah, Andrew E & Cody. The second lesson read by Sunday School members William, Andrew E, and Emily.

During the service Mothers were given a bookmark coloured by the Sunday school, highlighting the words God says "As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you". Cards featuring a large heart were tastefully coloured by Sunday school members to give to their mums.

Express thanks on behalf of Mothers' Union to Cleenish Mother and Toddler Group, who had a voluntary collection following their meeting on Tuesday 1st March, to support the annual "Make a Mother's Day campaign". Their contributions will enable a parish in Rwanda to help women, especially widows and single mothers, become more financially independent.

God says, "As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you" Isaiah 66:13

**Tuesday 19th April:** Visitors' Night, Gay Fairbairn – Quilt Making in Cleenish Parish Hall.

### Cleenish Brownies

Brownies are now due to return after their Easter break. Each member made a card to give to their parents for Easter. Fifteen members are now continuing with Badge work.

### Parent and Toddler Group

Parent & Toddlers have now resumed after the Easter break, there were 48 toddlers present during one Tuesday morning last month. The Group continues to meet on Tuesday mornings.





### Cleenish Parish Supper Dance

A total profit in excess of £3800 was made at the Parish Supper Dance held on Friday 12th February. Proceeds go to assisting the expenditure in constructing the Church car park, and completing the extension to the Church porch. Thanks again to all who assisted, and to all who supported this very enjoyable evening.

### Installation of Canon Wright as Dean

Our former Rector in Cleenish & Mullaghduin, Canon Sam Wright has been installed Dean of The Chapter of St Saviour, in the Diocese of Conner. The Installation Service took place in the Cathedral of Christ Church, Lisburn, on Thursday 3rd March.

### Golden Wedding Anniversary



Herbie and Kathleen Hicks

Congratulations to Herbie & Kathleen Hicks, Cleenish Parish, who celebrated their Golden Wedding on Saturday 5th March. They were married in Derrylin Parish Church by Revd Lynn on 5th March 1966. The couple first lived for short periods in Darragh and then Kinglass, both in the townland of Macken. They then moved to Thornton Villas, Bellanaleck, where they reared their five children. John; Neville; Alice (Sam); Phyliss; and Elliott (Rhonda). Kathleen is an active member of Cleenish and Mullaghduin Mothers' Union.

### Bellanaleck Local History Group Exhibition

The Group warmly invite you to come along to their forthcoming exhibition, showcasing the background to the abandoned houses on Cleenish Island built as part of a soldier's resettlement scheme after the Great War, and telling the stories of the eleven men who came to live there in the early 1920's. Cleenish Island is also the former site of the original Church, hence the name of the Parish of Cleenish.

The exhibition will be held in Cleenish Parish Hall, Bellanaleck, and will be open to the public free of charge between 14th and 17th April at the following times:

**Thursday 14th April: 2.00pm - 10.00pm.**

The exhibition will be officially opened at 7.30pm by guest speaker, Elizabeth Croke, Professor of Museum and Heritage Studies, University of Ulster. Special guest: Father Brian D'Arcy.

**Friday 15th April 10.00am - 10.00pm**

**Saturday 16th April 10.00am - 10.00pm**

**Sunday 17th April 2.00pm - 6.00pm**

Any groups wishing to come, please inform secretary Marion Maxwell at email: [bellanalecklhg@outlook.com](mailto:bellanalecklhg@outlook.com) or tel: 02866348521 so that we can ensure a welcome. Tea or coffee, and light refreshments for groups available by request.

### Bereavement

#### Andy Smyth

Deepest sympathy from the Rector, Select Vestry and parishioners of Cleenish Parish, to vestry member Clive Smyth, on the death of his father Andy Smyth, Tarmon Brae, Enniskillen, on Thursday 3rd March.

### Cleenish Centre

Over the past weekends we have been delighted to host Groups from different churches in Omagh and Belfast. This Group included international students who are attending university in Belfast, and members of their families. It was the first time we have had people from as far away as China staying at the Centre.

Details of the Easter Morning service, will be reported in next issue.

If you feel that you are called to serve in any way, please contact the Centre by email at [enquiries@cleenishcentre.com](mailto:enquiries@cleenishcentre.com) or tel 028 66349647.

### Bellanaleck Community Group

At the February meeting of The Group, members give a welcome back to Ruby Arnold who has fully recovered from her recent operation.

After some discussion about Community Policing, a short discussion took place about the allotments and compost bins in the Community Garden. The main item on the agenda was preparation for 'The Challenge Fund', which included apple tree planting, wildflower planting, and bat & bird boxes.

It is intended to hold the Family Fun day again this year, possibly 1st Saturday in June, however this is not

yet finalized in an attempt to avoid a clash with other similar events.

On Monday 29th February, Police representatives and a sub group, met with residents from the Corn Mill, who are very concerned about security as a result of a recent house robbery in the estate. Sharon Elliott has very kindly taken on the task as coordinator, with a view to maybe setting up a Neighbourhood Watch within the estate. Next meeting, Wednesday 27th April.

## Clogher Cathedral Group



**Curate Assistant:**  
The Revd Olivia Downey

**T:** 028 677 51297 (temporary tel. no)  
**E:** odowney@clogher.anglican.org

**Rural Dean:**  
The Revd Canon Maurice Armstrong

**Diocesan Pastoral Assistants:**  
Mrs Irene Boyd  
Miss Isobel Stewart

We have been fortunate to have as speakers the daughters of two of our members who both spoke about their careers in Occupational Therapy and Veterinary Practice during our February and March meetings.

Members look forward to hearing from Dr Irvine in April when her subject will be Women's Health.

The Mothers' Union in the Clogher Cathedral Group have greatly appreciated the support and leadership from Canon Regan during his ministry and all join in wishing him and his wife God's blessing in his retirement.

## Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



**Rector:**  
The Archdeacon,  
The Ven. Helene T. Steed  
The Rectory, Scotshouse,  
Clones, Co. Monaghan.

**T:** 047 56962  
**E:** clones@clogher.anglican.org

### Services

#### April

##### 3rd April

10.00am Errigal Portclare HC  
11.30am Clogher Cathedral HC  
10.00am Augher MP  
11.30am Newtownsaville MP

##### 10th April

9.00am Clogher Cathedral HC  
10.00am Errigal Portclare MP  
11.30am Clogher Cathedral MP  
10.00am Augher HC  
11.30am Newtownsaville HC

##### 17th April

10.00am Errigal Portclare MP  
11.30am Clogher Cathedral HC  
10.00am Augher MP  
11.30am Newtownsaville MP  
5.00pm Clogher Cathedral Friends  
Service & Annual Reunion

##### 24th April

9.00am Clogher Cathedral HC  
10.00am Errigal Portclare MP  
11.30am Clogher Cathedral MP  
10.00am Augher MP  
11.30am Newtownsaville MP

### Mothers' Union

The members of Clogher Cathedral Group of Parishes Mothers' Union, who, this year celebrate 140 years of faithful service to families and communities, have enjoyed the fellowship and inspirational talks at our recent meetings. We were pleased to welcome a new member, Mrs Gladys Mills at our Holy Communion and Enrolment Service in January. Members also attended the Diocesan Prayer Breakfast in the Killyhevlin Hotel on 20th February, organised by Mrs Irene Boyd, Diocesan President.

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 3rd: The Second Sunday of Easter

10.00am Clones Holy Communion  
11.30am Newbliss Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 10th: The Third Sunday of Easter

10.00am Currin (Scotshouse) Holy Communion  
11.30am Killeevan Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 17th: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Clones Morning Prayer  
11.30am Newbliss Holy Communion

##### Sunday 24th: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Currin (Scotshouse) Morning Prayer  
11.30am Killeevan Holy Communion

#### May

##### Sunday 1st: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Clones Holy Communion  
11.30am Newbliss Morning Prayer

*Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
Give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened  
and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.  
(Collect ii: Third Sunday of Easter)*

### First Aid

All interested are invited to an evening about basic first aid. During the evening Mr David Watson from Ballinamallard will talk to us what to do in an emergency situation and what is good to keep in a first aid box. Do join us in Killeevan Hall on Tuesday 5th April at 8.00pm. All welcome.

## Beetle Drive

The Children's group Shine invites all enthusiastic players to a Beetle Drive on Saturday 16th April at 8.00pm in Killeevan Hall. Young and old are most welcome. Please come and support the work of the children's ministry in the area. Refreshments served.



Come to our Beetle Drive says the children in Shine

## Killeevan Parish and Missionary Sale

On Saturday 23rd April from 11.00am – 1.00pm you are all warmly welcome to the Killeevan Parish and Missionary Sale. As usual, there will be many different stalls, something for the children, and refreshments will be served. Welcome!

## Belfast Marathon

Would anyone be interested to be part of a team running the Belfast Marathon on Monday 2nd of May? We need five runners and the marathon is divided into the following legs:

1. Leg A: 6.2 miles
2. Leg B: 3.3 miles
3. Leg C: 7.2 miles
4. Leg D: 4.5 miles
5. Leg E: 5.0 miles

Please speak to the rector or Pamela McCaughey if you are interested!

## Coffee Morning and Soup Lunch at Bishopscourt, Clones



The Annual Coffee/Tea morning extending into Soup Lunch in aid of County Monaghan Protestant Orphan Society will take place on Friday 20th May from 10.30am - 2.00pm. Mrs Miriam Moore, Vice President of the Society will host the morning at her beautiful home, Bishopscourt, on the outskirts of Clones on the Newbliss road.

Visitors will have the opportunity to buy delicious home-made cakes as well as plants for their gardens. At 12 noon there will be a historical talk. All are welcome to what promises to be a congenial and pleasant event. For more information, please contact the rector or Mrs Etta Crowe on 047 51647.

## Bereavement

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

Mr Ernest and Mrs Gwen McMeakin on the sudden death of their son-in-law, Mr Noel Johnston.

## Congratulations

Welcome Lewis, Mr David and Mrs Amanda Keating's son, Matthew, Noah and Alex's brother. May God bless Lewis and his family.

## Colaghty



**Rector:**

The Revd Alan Irwin  
The Rectory, Main Street,  
Lack, Co. Fermanagh.  
BT93 0DN

**T:** 028 686 31689

**E:** colaghty@clogher.anglican.org

## Services

### April

**Sunday 3rd** Holy Communion 11.30am

**Sunday 10th** Family Service 11.30am

**Sunday 17th** Morning Prayer 11.30am

**Sunday 24th** Morning Prayer 11.30am

### May

**Sunday 8th** Holy Communion 11.30am

**Sunday 15th** Family Service 11.30am

**Sunday 22nd** Morning Prayer 11.30am

**Sunday 29th** Morning Prayer 11.30am

## Christian Burial

**7th March 2016:** William George Oldman, Cronien, Lack.

As you read these notes, Easter will be over, and as we have looked again at the Easter story, may we be encouraged and challenged in how we witness for Christ and the Christian faith.



## Colaghty Bowling Club



Nelson Kilfedder, runner up in singles Competition and Revd Alan Irwin



A young member, runner up in the Doubles competition



Alan Curtis receiving the Winners trophy in the Singles competition from Revd Alan Irwin



Doubles winners Betty Johnston and Alan Curtis receiving their trophy from Revd Alan Irwin



Jason Kilfedder, runner up in the Round Robin competition receiving his shield from Mr Ken Curtis

The club enjoyed their annual dinner in the Hunting Lodge, Irvinestown. The indoor member's competition trophies were presented at the weekly club night by the rector. A new perpetual shield was presented by Ken and Sally Curtis for the Round Robin competition with the winner being Alan Curtis and runner up Jason Kilfedder.

## Crosslinks

We were pleased to welcome our Crosslinks partners Trevor and Andrea Watson and their children Emily, Grace and Alice to our service on 6th March, Mothering Sunday. Trevor shared with us their upcoming missionary work to Sweden, and of the importance in remembering that Christ's commission is equally relevant on local shores as it is in distant lands. Flowers were given out at the conclusion of the service as an appreciation of our mothers.

## Easter General Vestry

Wednesday 6th April at 8.00pm in the parish hall, please plan to be there. Only registered general vestry persons will be entitled to vote.



Alan Curtis, winner of the Round Robin receiving the Ken and Sally Curtis Perpetual Shield

## Over the top

On 30th June from 8pm – 10pm there will be a talk, discussion, display reflecting and remembering the 100th anniversary of the Somme and the contribution of those from our locality who were part of that offensive. The evening will close with a service of reflection and thanksgiving and light refreshments will be served. Please put this date in your diary

## Holiday Bible club

The Holiday Bible Club will run from Monday 1st – Thursday 4th August, Monday – Wednesday 7 – 8.30pm, Thursday 7 – 9pm. Theme 'Go in the strength of the Lord'

# Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale

### Vacant.

During the vacancy Archdeacon Cecil Pringle is in charge, and is providing pastoral cover together with Mrs Eileen Cutler and Miss Isobel Stewart, Diocesan Pastoral Assistants.  
E: derryvullenorth@clogher.anglican.org

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

*"The Light shines in darkness, but the darkness has not overcome it"*  
John 1v5

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 3rd

Holy Communion Castle Archdale 10.15am  
Derryvullen North 11.30am

#### Sunday 10th

Family Service Derryvullen North 10.30am  
Castle Archdale 11.30am

#### Sunday 17th

Morning Prayer Castle Archdale 10.15am  
Derryvullen North 11.30am

#### Sunday 24th

Morning Prayer Castle Archdale 10.15am  
Derryvullen North 11.30am

### May

#### Sunday 1st Holy Communion

Castle Archdale 10.15am  
Derryvullen North 11.30am

## Mothers' Union

27th April at 8.00pm: Speaker Diocesan President Mrs Irene Boyd. She will speak on the life of Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer. This is a 'Visitors Night' so we hope other Branch members and friends will join us.

The February meeting was cancelled as a mark of respect to Mrs Emily Somerville who had been a member of our Branch for 36 years.

A number of our ladies attended the Diocesan Prayer Breakfast on Saturday 20th February.

## Family Fun & Stew Night – 20th February

There was a good attendance and this was a very enjoyable evening. Thanks to our Women's Group who had organized the event, the proceeds of which will go towards the purchase of a defibrillator.

## Tuesday Club

The Easter Communion for our members will be held on Tuesday 15th March at 2.30pm. We thank Archdeacon Pringle for taking the service and also for giving Home Communion to those housebound parishioners. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 12th April at 2.30pm.

## Derryvullen North & Castle Archdale Senior Citizens Dinner

This was held on Tuesday 8th March in Derryvullen North Parish Hall with 68 people present. The meal took the form of a carvery served by the Saddlers Restaurant. This was a very enjoyable evening with a lovely meal, followed by singing from the Church Choir, a comedy sketch and poem by 'Fran & Sylvia' from Ardess Parish. The evening drew to a close with community hymn singing and we all joined the Archdeacon in saying the Grace together. Thanks to all who made the event possible.

## Family Services

We thank the Sunday School with Ethel and Rachel for their input into the Family Service each month and we also appreciate the refreshments provided by the Women's Group in Derryvullen Hall after the service.

## Mothering Sunday

In Castle Archdale, during the Holy Communion service the children led our thoughts with their prayers and Revd Lorraine Capper gave a very interesting talk for the children with appropriate interaction. The children then presented each lady with a beautiful primula; again our thanks is due to Wendy and Alison and Mrs Sylvia Woods.

## Boys Brigade Display

We look forward to our BB Display on Saturday 12th March. We are very mindful of the faithfulness of the Officers in service to the boys of the Company.

## Sky TV

Last month the Revd Glenn West did a short talk on Celtic Spirituality with special reference to St Patrick's

Church, Castle Archdale by kind permission of our Bishop. A number of shots were taken inside the church and the programme will appear at a later date.

## Women's World Day of Prayer

This service was held on Friday 4th March in the Sacred Heart Church, Irvinestown. The Church of Ireland was well represented and several ladies took part in the service. The Choir was drawn from all 4 churches in Irvinestown.

## Funerals

**Tuesday 24th February:** Emily Anna Somerville, Drumcrin, Irvinestown (Interment in adjoining church cemetery)

**Tuesday 1st March:** Noel Martin, Meelbawn, Lack (Interment in Townhill cemetery)

We offer our sympathy and prayers to all those who have been bereaved. Please continue to pray for those who are ill at home or in hospital and for those who care for them.

We are an Easter people; let us live *"to proclaim good news for all throughout the earth"*

## Derryvullen South and Garvary



Rector: The Revd Chancellor John Stewart  
The Rectory, 2 Ballylucas Road,  
Tullyharney, Tamlaght, Enniskillen,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT74 4PR

T: 028 66 387236  
E: derryvullen.garvary@clogher.anglican.org  
www.garvaryderryvullen.weebly.com

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 10th April

10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

12.00noon Morning Prayer Garvary

#### Sunday 17th April

10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary

12.00noon Holy Communion Derryvullen South

#### Sunday 24th April

10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

12.00noon Morning Prayer Garvary

#### Sunday 1st May

10.30am Holy Communion Garvary

12.00noon Holy Communion Derryvullen South

## Christian Burial

On Tuesday 1st March the Funeral Service for David Noel Johnston, Derrybrusk House, Derrybrusk, Tamlaght, was held in Lisbellaw parish church and conducted by the Revd Stephanie Woods, followed by

the interment in Derryvullen South churchyard. Noel was well known as the manager of Crom Estate where, a couple of years ago, he had gone to much trouble to make our Mothers' Union feel very welcome. We extend sympathy to his wife, Amanda, his sons, Ashley, Jamie and Luke, his mother, Violet, and his sisters, Betty, Joan, Caroline and Cynthia.

*"I am the resurrection and the life" John 11 v 25*

## Bereavements

We extend sympathy to all who have been bereaved including Yvonne Wilson, Derryhillagh, on the death of her brother, Derek Ashfield, Canary Islands; Martin Hinchcliff, Ballydoolagh, on the death of his mother, Muriel, Inis Fold, Enniskillen; and to Robert Rowley, Killyvilly, on the death of his cousin, Alan Fox, Bangor.

## Bowling Tournament



Chancellor Stewart, George and Myrtle Hurst

The finals of Garvary Bowling Club's annual tournament took place this year in Garvary parish hall on Friday 4th March. There were 92 entries from as far away as Antrim and included competitors from the southern border counties. We congratulate the winners, George and Myrtle Hurst, Ballinamallard Methodist. The runners up were Brendan and Rose Donnelly. Sidney Parkinson was the umpire. The tournament was again a great success. Our thanks to our club secretary Miss Hilda Lucy, for her enthusiastic and efficient organisation, and to club members who helped each night with the supper and organising the mats. Thank you also to the select vestry for the use of the hall and to everyone for your support.

## Mothers' Day

During the service this year, Joan Bullock, Garvary, and Freda Burleigh, Derryvullen South, representing the mothers in each parish, read a lesson. The rector distributed Mothers' Day cards and following the service a little hand made pouch of almonds was given out to each lady. Our thanks to Mrs Stewart, Jean Hunter and Kathleen Kettyles for making the pouches and to Freda Burleigh, Ivy Edwards, Anne Rowley, Freda Beacom and the young people for helping with their distribution.



Kathleen, Freda and Jean. Derrylvullen South Mothers' Day



Anne, Ivy and Freda. Garvary Mothers' Day

## Mothers' Union

On Monday 11th April at 8.00pm members will join Maguiresbridge for their visitors' night.

## Clothes

Miss Hilda Lucy is organising another collection of second hand clothing. The collection will take place at Garvary parish hall on Tuesday 5th April. Bags of clothes can be left at the hall on the previous Saturday 2nd April between 10.00am and 12noon.

## Easter Vestries

Our Easter Vestries will be held in Derrylvullen South parish hall on Monday 4th April at 8.00pm and in Garvary parish hall on Thursday 7th April at 8.00pm. While only those on the General Register may vote, anyone is entitled to attend and indeed we encourage a greater number of parishioners to do so.

## Sunday School

The Sunday Schools will resume on Sunday 10th April after the Easter break.

## Institution

Canon David Skuce, our rural dean, will be instituted to Inishmacsaint parish on Friday 22nd April at 7.30pm.

## Devenish and Boho



### Diocesan Curate:

The Revd Sampson Ajuka  
The Rectory, 10 Castletown  
Road, Monea, Enniskillen, Co.  
Fermanagh. BT74 8GG

T: 028 66 341672

E: devenish@clogher.anglican.org

## Funerals

**Saturday 27th February 2016:** Roy Cathcart, Carrickreagh Enniskillen. The funeral service was held in the home and burial was in Devenish Parish churchyard. We extend our deepest sympathy to Roy's wife Maureen, sons Richard and Matthew, daughter, Julie Ann, mother, Peggy, brothers Ian and Malcolm sister, Joan and the wider family circle.

**Thursday 3rd March 2016:** George Walsh, Ashbrooke Care Home and formerly of Toneystick Meadows. The funeral service was held in Devenish Parish Church and burial was in the adjoining churchyard. We extend our deepest sympathy to George's sons Jeremy and Paul, brother-in-law, Hueston, friend Emily and the wider family circle.

**Friday 4th March 2016:** Dorothy Rebecca Nicholl (nee Dickson) Birmingham and formerly 32 Dernamore Drive, Belfast and Springfield. The funeral service was held in Devenish Parish Church followed by a private cremation. We extend our deepest sympathy to Dorothy's sons Jeremy, Richard and David, her brother in law William and the wider family circle.

## Easter General Vestries

**Devenish Parish:** Thursday 7th April at 8.00pm in the Reade Hall.

**Boho Parish:** date to be confirmed.

## Mothers Union

On Friday, 4th March Devenish & Boho Parishes hosted the 2016 Women's World Day of Prayer in Devenish Parish Church. We were delighted to welcome all those who had attended from our neighbouring churches. Thank you to Georgina, our Branch Leader, for organising the service, Mrs. Joan Cathcart, guest speaker, the readers, Mrs. Jill Spence, organist, the choir and all the ladies who provided and served a lovely supper.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19th April at 8.00pm when we can look forward to an evening of aerobics.

## Reade Hall Project

At a meeting on 27th February the Select Vestry have appointed Harold Graham as contractor for Stage 1 of the Reade Hall Project. This will include a new toilet block, a new entrance and stairs. Work is due to commence in April.

## Donagh and Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



**Non-stipendiary Minister:**  
The Revd Betty Thompson  
En-Rimmon, 4 Ardlougher Road,  
Irvinestown,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT94 1RN  
T: 0044 28 686 28258  
T: 0044 77 195 86659  
E: donagh@clogher.anglican.org

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 3rd The Second Sunday of Easter

10.30am Donagh A Celebration  
of Holy Communion

12.00noon Tyholland A Celebration  
of Holy Communion

##### Sunday 10th The Third Sunday of Easter

10.30am Donagh Morning Prayer  
12.00noon Errigal Truagh A Celebration  
of Holy Communion

##### Sunday 17th The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.30am Donagh Morning Prayer  
12.00noon Tyholland Morning Prayer

##### Sunday 24th The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.30am Donagh Family Service  
12.00noon Errigal Truagh Service of the Word

#### 6th April

Annual General Vestry Meeting for Donagh  
Parish in the Church Hall at 8.00pm.

#### 27th April

Mothers Union Closing Service in  
Tyholland Parish Church at 8.00pm.

### World day of Prayer

This year the service was held in Glennan Presbyterian Church on Friday 4th March with Mrs McNee as guest speaker. Thanks to everyone from Donagh Parish who took part in the service. It was great to see so many children at the service which was well attended. The evening concluded with a lovely supper.

### Mothers' Union

On Wednesday 17th February the Mothers' Union Visitors evening took place in the church Hall. The speaker for the evening was the Diocesan President Mrs Irene Boyd, who gave a very interesting talk on 'her journey of faith'. She also shared memories of happy times living in County Monaghan. It was a most enjoyable occasion and the evening concluded with a lovely supper served by the members of Mothers Union. We wish Irene God's Richest Blessing in her role as Diocesan President.

### Sympathy

To the Montgomery Family circle we offer our deepest sympathy and prayerful support on the death of Gladys Roberta Montgomery. Gladys was a member of Mothers' Union for 60 years and up to a few years ago she was an active member of Tyholland Parish church. A large congregation attended the Service of Thanksgiving for her life in Tyholland Parish Church on Wednesday 17th February.

We offer our sympathy To David and Ethne McCord on the death of David's father and to Jeremy Herron on the death of his brother.

### Mothering Sunday

This was a special occasion with the young people singing and playing the piano in Donagh Parish Church. The children presented their mum's with a book mark and plant at the end of the service.

### Dromore

#### Vacant.

During the vacancy the Revd Canon Mark Watson, Rural Dean, is in charge, and is providing pastoral cover.

E: dromore@clogher.anglican.org

  
**HOLY TRINITY DROMORE**  
Sowing seeds, Growing Community

*'Christ in you the hope of glory'*  
Colossians 1 v 27

### Services

11.30am each Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion (first Sunday of month)

11.30am Holy Communion (third Sunday of month)

### Regular Organisations

#### CLB, GFS and Bowling Club

(CLB, GFS and Bowling Club finished from Easter, to resume in September)

#### Tots Powerhouse

Creche during Sunday service at 11.30am

#### Junior Sunday School (4-11's)

During Sunday service at 11.30am

#### IGNITE (12-18's)

Bible Study during Sunday service (twice per month) at 11.30am and socially on Saturdays (twice per month) from 8.00-10.00pm

#### The ARK

Tuesdays from 10.00am – 12noon

#### Bible Study

Tuesdays at 8.00pm (in Togherdoo Methodist Church during the vacancy)

#### Mothers Union

third Wednesday of the month at 8.00pm

## Vacancy Prayer

Parishioners are asked to remember our Parish daily in prayer during the Vacancy. In particular they are asked to pray for our four nominators – Gordon Deazley, Arnold Jackson, Jonathan Keys and Robert Thompson and for our Bishop and the Diocesan nominators as they seek God’s guidance in the appointment of the next Incumbent for the Parish.

## Thanks

We want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the Clergy and Lay Readers who come to us each Sunday and on other occasions and we also wish to thank Canon Mark Watson, our Rural Dean who is taking care of our pastoral cover in the vacancy, and the Clogher Diocesan Office for arranging cover for the Parish.

## Re-decorated Church Hall

As part of the Select Vestry’s ongoing programme of improvements new PVC windows and some new doors have been fitted in our Church Hall, which also has been re-painted recently. These improvements greatly enhance the building.

## Fields of Life Team Trip to Uganda in July

Arrangements are progressing well for our Parish Team’s trip to Uganda in July and we will be remembering the twelve members in our thoughts and prayers as they give their time and talents voluntarily to serve God in this way. We also pray for the Ugandan people and the teachers and pupils of Burunga Hope Life Primary School where the team will be working.

## Mothers Union Event

The ‘Spud Bears Ministry’ from Portrush will be delivering a presentation on Wednesday 20th April at 8.00 pm in the Parish Hall. The mission of Spud Bears ministry has two aims: to supply hospitals and orphanages in Uganda, Ghana and Tanzania with cuddly Teddy Bears to bring comfort and encouragement to the children many of whom are alone and afraid and also to provide solar powered talking bears which are able to read Bible stories and share God’s love along with health care education about malaria and other diseases with the children, many of whom are unable to read or are blind and have no one to read to them. All are welcome to attend and any donation of suitable small teddies would be much appreciated.

## Can’t Cook, Won’t Cook!

A ‘Can’t Cook Won’t Cook’ event took place on Tuesday 15th March in the Parish Hall. It was organised and supported by Holy Trinity Dromore Mothers’ Union to help to support the work of Mothers’ Union Worldwide.



The event was very well attended with almost 100 people from the local Methodist, Presbyterian and Church of Ireland churches. Mr Gareth Hayden judged the cooking skills of Revd Canon Mark Watson and Revd Alan Irwin...chicken curry was on the menu! Throughout the evening inspirational hymns were sang, humour abounded and the evening concluded with an epilogue from Canon Mark.

## Annual General Easter Vestry

Parishioners are reminded that the Annual General Easter Vestry will take place in the Church Hall on Thursday 7 April 2016 at 8.00 pm. Registration forms are available from the Church Wardens and should be completed and returned to them as soon as possible.

## Drumkeeran, Templecarne and Muckross



**Bishop’s Curate:**  
The Ven. Cecil Pringle

**T:** 07742516188

**E:** drumkeeran@clogher.anglican.org

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 3rd

10.00am Templecarne HC

11.30am Drumkeeran HB

#### Sunday 10th

10.00am Muckross HC

11.30am Drumkeeran MP

(Sunday School resumes on 10th)

#### Sunday 17th

10.00am Templecarne HC

11.30am Drumkeeran MP

#### Sunday 24th

10.00am Muckross MP

11.30am Drumkeran HC

## Annual Easter Vestry

The Easter Vestry meetings as follows:  
 Tuesday 5th April: Drumkeeran at 7.30pm  
 Thursday 7th April: Muckross at 7.30pm and  
 Templecarne at 8.30pm

## BB and GB Display

Pettigo BB, which is attended by many of the boys from the group of parishes, held its Annual Display on Friday 11th March. The GB held its Display on Friday 18th March. Our good wishes to both organisations and appreciation of their service to young people from this group of parishes and from the surrounding area.

## Lent

The attendance at the Ash Wednesday service, marking the beginning of Lent, was smaller than expected, perhaps in some way due to the unfavourable weather on that evening. However it is always good to have events that bring together parishioners from the three churches in the group, particularly on the occasion of marking the first day of Lent.

## Lough Derg

The annual day of Friendship and Prayer normally held on Ash Wednesday on Lough Derg has been put back until 14th September. The speaker will be Bishop Patricia Storey, C of I Bishop of Meath.

## Hospitality

A number of ladies from the group of parishes attended the annual Women's World Day of Prayer service held annually on the first Friday of March. The area service for this year was held in St Joseph's, Ederney. Readers in the service included representatives from each of these three parishes. Appreciation of the warm hospitality received.

## Mothering Sunday

The services in both churches on 6th March, 4th Sunday in Lent, had the theme of Mothering Sunday. In Drumkeeran towards the end of the service four of the Sunday Children came back into church to present gifts. Thank you to the children and a particular 'thank you' to Mandy Aiken who organised the effort and prepared the gifts. It was a most pleasant experience at the end of the service.

## Coffee Morning

A Coffee Morning, Cake Sale and Children's Activities was held in Drumkeeran Parish Hall on Saturday 5th March in aid of the Lullaby Trust was a most successful and enjoyable event. The Trust funds research into what is known as 'Cot Death'. It was organised by the Sunday School teachers

and their helpers. Our grateful thanks to the team for organising a most enjoyable and successful morning.



The amount raised was £2,974. An event at Christmas in connection with Kesh Primary School Carol Service, this year held in Drumkeeran Church, raised £508 for the Trust. A sincere thanks for the great support and generosity shown.



## Sympathy

James Hilliard died in hospital and was buried at Drumkeeran on 20th February. James spent most of his life farming in a small way around Tubrid and Irvinestown. In recent years he was a resident in Gngarara Care Home on the outskirts of Enniskillen. We extend our sympathy to the family circle.

## Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum



**Non-Stipendiary Minister:**

The Revd Margaret Pringle  
Rawdeerpark,  
Clones,  
Co. Monaghan

T: 047 51439  
E: ematris@clogher.anglican.org

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 3rd

Aghabog 9.45 am MP  
Rockcorry 11.00am MP  
Drum 12.15pm MP

##### Sunday 10th

Aughnamullen 9.45am MP  
Dartrey 11.00am MP

##### Sunday 17th

Aghabog 9.45am HC  
Rockcorry 11.00am HC  
Drum 12.15pm HC

##### Sunday 24th

Aughnamullen 9.45am HC  
Dartrey 11.00am HC

### Aghabog

#### Illness

We extend our best wishes to those who have been unwell recently.

#### Bereavement

We extend our sympathy to Ruth Wilkin on the recent death of her uncle Bertie Sloan and to anyone unknown to us who have been bereaved recently.

#### Social

A social will be held in Drumate Orange Hall on Friday 22nd April. Music by JJ's. All are welcome.

### Dartrey/Rockcorry

#### Holy Baptism

In Dartrey Church on Sunday 28th February, Abbie Alexandra, infant daughter of Eric and Ashley Fannin sister of Kelsey and Paige.

#### Bible Study

Bible Study Groups met on a weekly basis during Lent. Although the attendance on some occasions left much to be desired they proved to be beneficial and worthwhile to all who attended.

### Mothering Sunday

Mothering Sunday was observed in Rockcorry Church. The Sunday School children had prepared packets of sweets which they distributed to the congregation. Many thanks to Tommy and Chrissie for all their help in this regard.

#### Illness

During the month, a number of parishioners have been ill both at home and in hospital. We remember them in our prayers and wish them a speedy return to good health.

### Aughnamullen

Our thanks to all those who came along and supported our Table Quiz held on Friday 4th March in Latton Resource Centre and to all who gave donations.

A special word of thanks to Mrs Alice Forde for granting us the use of the Resource Centre and to all those who provided prizes for the event. Thanks also to all those who arranged and provided food for the supper and to those who provided tables and set them up. A special thanks to Mr Harold Weir and Mrs Helen McMurray for arranging the Quiz.

#### Illness

We remember in our prayers all those who are ill either at home or in hospital.

#### Condolences

Our sympathy with anyone in our parish suffering the loss of loved ones especially Mrs Teresa Carey on the death of her cousin.

## Enniskillen Cathedral



**Rector:** The Dean,  
The Very Revd Kenneth Hall  
St Macartin's Deanery,  
13 Church Street, Enniskillen,  
Co. Fermanagh BT74 7DW

T: 028 66 322465  
E: dean@clogher.anglican.org



**Curate Assistant:**  
The Revd Olivia Downey  
E: odowney@clogher.anglican.org

**Diocesan Pastoral Assistant:**  
Mr Will Stevenson  
**Cathedral Office Secretary:**  
Mrs Beth Rennick  
T: 028 66 322917 E: enniskillen@clogher.anglican.org  
W: www.enniskillencathedral.org

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 3rd: The Second Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion  
11.00am Holy Communion  
7.00pm Evening Prayer



**Thursday 7th**

11.00am Holy Communion

**Sunday 10th: The Third Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Prayer

7.00pm Evening Prayer (Pre-Confirmation Service)

**Thursday 14th**

11.00am Holy Communion

**Sunday 17th: The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Holy Communion

7.00pm Confirmation & Holy Communion

**Thursday 21st**

11.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Service of Thanksgiving for Her Majesty the

Queen's 90th Birthday

**Sunday 24th: The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Prayer (Family Service)

7.00pm Holy Communion

**Thursday 28th April**

11.00am Holy Communion

1.05pm Healing Service

**Holy Baptism**

13th March 2016: Micah Edward Clements, son of Revd Rob and Julie Clements.



Revd Rob Clements, his wife Julie and their other two children, Sophia and Gideon with their son Micah Edward Clements after his Baptism by Dean Kenneth Hall.

**Christian Burial**

**28th February 2016:** Alistair George Irvine, 71 Dublin Road, Enniskillen.

**4th March 2016:** Mary Jane (Myra) Perrott, Drumgay, Enniskillen.

**5th March:** Harold (Harry) Weir, The Old School House, Mullybritt, Lisbellaw.

**9th March 2016:** Robert Eugene Cullen, 28 The Oaks, Corcrair Drive, Portadown.

**Easter General Vestry**

We thank the outgoing Churchwardens, Linda Corrigan and Jack Spratt, and the outgoing Select Vestry for their support, and welcome those who have been elected to serve on the Select Vestry for the coming year. We also

welcome Jonathan Woods as Rector's Churchwarden and Noel Johnston as People's Churchwarden.

**Donation to Hospice**

On Sunday 1st November 2015 a Service of Remembering was held at 7.00pm. The service provided a time for reflection and thanksgiving for loved ones who had died. The service was quiet and meditative and gave an opportunity to remember those 'whom we have loved but see no longer,' and to bring our own prayers to God. Parishioners, who had died since the Dean's institution on 28th September 2010, were remembered by name during the service. Additional names of loved ones who had died before that period were also included. A retiring collection was received for the Northern Ireland Hospice.



Dean Hall pictured above with Dr John Graham who received the donation on behalf of the Northern Ireland Hospice.

**Her Majesty the Queen's - 90th Birthday**

All are welcome to an interdenominational Service of Thanksgiving in St Macartin's Cathedral on Thursday 21st April at 7.30pm to mark the Queen's 90th birthday. The service has been organised by local churches together with Enniskillen Rotary Club and will be led by the Cathedral choir. Those attending the Queen's 90th birthday beacon celebrations will be able to enjoy light refreshments and music at The Jolly Sandwich, Darling Street at 6.00pm prior to the service. Afterwards the Cathedral Bell Ringers will ring a special peal of bells in celebration as the birthday beacon is lit and the beams of light shine brightly into the night sky. Full details of the celebration can be found in the Diocesan News section.



The Dean accompanying The Queen when she 'crossed the road' during her Diamond Jubilee visit in June 2012.

### Prayer

*Lord Jesus Christ, help us to see differences in others not as a threat but as an opportunity, and so help us to live in unity with all your people, to the glory of your name. Amen.*

### Adult Confirmation

Any adults, who are not already confirmed, and would like to be confirmed please contact the clergy or fill in a questionnaire available from the Parish Office and a member of the Clergy will contact you.

A service to confirm adults from Clogher Diocese will be held in the chapel at Portora Royal School on Ascension Day at 7.30pm. Any adults throughout the Diocese are welcome to be confirmed at that service – please contact your rector for details.

### Tuesday Club

Dean Hall opened the February meeting with a reading of Psalm 121 and a prayer. The Revd Olie Downey, our speaker was welcomed back to work after along spell in hospital. Revd Olie's theme, 'Who am I' was illustrated with the aid of slides, including an introduction to her extended family. After working locally she went to England to train as a nurse. Her specialty was cardiology. Returning to work in Belfast and always aware that God was calling, she left nursing and trained for the Ministry. We are so fortunate that trained, she has come to work amongst us. The Revd Rob Clements and family received a small token in appreciation of his support from the Tuesday Club Tea and brought the afternoon to a close. There was a meeting on Easter Tuesday, 29th March at 2.00pm which was a Beetle Drive, and again on 26th April when Sally Redman will be the guest and her subject Skin Care.

### Mothers' Union

Members attended the Prayer Breakfast in the Killyhevlin hotel on Saturday 20th February.



Mrs Stephanie Hamilton and Mrs Jenifer Johnston pictured above with the Dean and Revd Rob after their commissioning service on 6th March (Mothering Sunday) Stephanie as Branch Leader and Enrolling Member and Jenifer as Overseas Representative.

### Curate's Farewell

On Easter Sunday we will lose our highly respected and faithful curate, the Revd Rob Clements as he takes up the post as Rector of Kilternan Parish in the Diocese of Dublin. While we offer our hearty congratulations to the Revd Rob we will greatly miss his presence, and that of Julie, Sophia, Gideon and baby Micah among us, for they have blended so well into parish life in St Macartin's. The Revd Rob was to the forefront in many activities, not least Messy Church, Pilgrim, All Age Services, Nursing Home and School Ministry. We have been blessed by their presence. The challenge will be for all of us to carry on with our now active outreach programmes. Full details will be covered in the next edition.

### Fivemiletown (including Kiltermon)



**Rector:**  
The Revd Kyle Hanlon  
The Rectory, 160 Ballagh Road,  
Fivemiletown, Co. Tyrone. BT75 0QP

**T:** 028 895 21030



**Parish Office**  
10.00am-2pm Wednesday and Friday.  
Secretary: Mrs Heather Robinson

**T:** 028 895 22422  
**E:** fivemiletown@clogher.anglican.org

**Associate Minister:**  
The Revd Canon Dennis  
Robinson, Lisbellaw.

*Psalm 119:18 'Lord, open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.'*

Today was a beautiful day. So beautiful in fact, I ventured out across sodden lawns, with new secateurs in hand, to get to the prize I have been watching for some time. Years ago I ordered coloured Willow whips from England. They came in bundles of ten or so, and I planted the little eight inch cuttings in the hope they would produce something. The dark purple whips grew and produced the lovely silver-white willow buds I had been admiring in other peoples' gardens. And the orange barked ones, I had also planted, grew and grew, and last year had to be cut down for fear they would become unwieldy. And from the coppiced stumps have grown beautiful upright stems, just right for cutting and bringing indoors to admire.

The journey there and back took all of fifteen minutes, but I was rewarded with an eyeful of delights bursting out into the approaching Spring sunshine. The snowdrops my son had moved in the green, and planted along the driveway, are now there for their fourth year, and showing off their little white heads. Two lovely yellow flowering Hamemellis (witch hazel) have survived from the original group of three and are looking splendid just now. I had never seen them before until I spotted a large specimen growing in a relative's winter garden, and wondered what it was. And I had to have one, or two, or in fact four.

Miniature Narcissi and very late flowering Christmas Roses are doing their very best, and I also passed the now very large clumps of red and yellow Dogwood which are at their very best in Winter and Spring. Of course there were other sights I would not wish to see, and which will need the attention of my new shiny secateurs and wheelbarrow, in the not too distant future. But that is for another day. Today, I had eyes to see, and was rewarded with great delights.

I began thinking about the ways in which, sometimes, I do not have eyes to see, or ears to hear, what God might want to say to me. I can play a game, which I never tend to win, of knowing that there are delights to be had from God and His Word, yet do not actively go out to meet with Him. I can be aware that He is there, but not venture near enough to be blessed, or to engage with Him in any meaningful way. When I do venture out towards Him, I am always rewarded with His presence, even if at times he seems to be nearer than others.

The words from the Psalmist are words I grew used to hearing, on what seemed to be most Sundays, said by my rector at home, at the beginning of His sermons. Perhaps he didn't say them all of the time, but that is the memory, and I wonder if I was always listening, not just to him, but to Him, and paying attention to the delights of His Law. All these years later, I am in the pulpit, and the prayer of the Psalmist remains as important as ever.

*'Lord, open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your Law.'*

January, February and March were positive and busy months in the parish. The highlight was the morning on which the Bishop spent with us in early March. He had telephoned asking if he might celebrate the Holy Communion in Kiltermon Church, as it was the last remaining church in the diocese where he had yet to do so. Such an occasion had an interesting effect on us here in the days leading up to that Sunday, and the outcome was that we really were well presented on the day. Kiltermon Church looked well, and parishioners stayed for tea after the service. At St John's, we also marked the

occasion of one hundred and forty years since the founding of Mothers' Union. A celebratory cake was baked, cut and eaten, and many people commented on how much they enjoyed the Bishop's words.

You will be reading this after Easter, when our thoughts will turn to the Easter Vestry, the CLB Fashion Show in aid of funds and a Health Care Project in Peru, Area Services, Youth and Children's Day and a host of other planned events. For me, I am looking forward to BREATHE, which is a time set aside for quieter prayer and worship and reflection.

The first three have proven to be very well received, and people are pleased with the space and support given to their relating to God. The next three are planned for the first Sunday of each month in April, May and June, at 7.00pm the Parish Hall.

Kind regards,  
Kyle Hanlon

## Mothers' Union

The March meeting followed a Lenten Service in St John's Church.

## Congratulations

Congratulations were extended to Margaret & Will Cowan who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 9th March. They were visited and a gift was brought to them by members of the Mothers' Union who also visited Doreen Moore as she celebrated her 90th birthday.

## The Woman's World Day of Prayer

The Woman's World Day of Prayer, hosted by the Methodist Church, was held in St John's Church and seven of our members took part in readings.

## Mothers' Day



From left: Revd Kyle Hanlon, Sheila Burke, MU Treasurer, Elvina Funston, Branch Leader, Emily Kells, MU Secretary and The Bishop

On Mothers' Day the Bishop was present as we celebrated the 140th Anniversary of the founding of the Mothers' Union and our members took part in prayers and readings in both churches. They also distributed bookmarkers to the ladies in the congregation.



## Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully



**Rector:**  
The Revd Anita Kerr  
The Rectory, 23 Drumcru  
Road, Newtownbutler,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT92 8JD  
  
T: 028 677 38245  
E: galloon@clogher.anglican.org

### Services

**9:00am** Drummully  
**10:30am** Sallaghy  
**12:00 noon** 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 Sunday School Rooms

### Monthly Cycle of Services

Service of Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month, celebrated in all three Churches.

A Family Service will normally be on the third Sunday of the month. During the year some Group Family Services will be held and these will rotate between the three Parishes.

Service of Morning Prayer on the second and fourth Sundays in the month.

A United Group Service on the fifth Sundays in the year (with a cup of tea afterwards, rotating between the three Parishes).

## Mothering Sunday

A service of celebration for the gift of mothering, for the spiritual guidance, goodness and godliness we have received from those who have mothered us was held in St Mary's, Drummully. Thanks to Drummully for their warm welcome and hospitality and to Linda Kelly for her scrumptious cupcakes. Once again the three parishes supported the work of the Mother's Union. A total of £181.95 & €58 was raised to support their Parenting Programme.

## Galloon Parish

### Easter Vestry

The Annual Easter vestry followed by the meeting of the Select Vestry were held on Thursday 10th March. The following appointments were made: Rector's Church Warden - Mrs P. Wiggins; People's Church Warden - Mr A. McAlister; Rector's Glebe Warden - Mr A. Morrow; People's Glebe Warden - Mr B. Robinson.

Select Vestry: Mrs M Allen, Mr W Allen (Honorary Secretary), Mr R Bell (Honorary Treasurer), Mrs C Heaslip (Honorary Assistant Secretary), Mrs D Hutchinson, Mr L Hutchinson, Mr E Johnston, Mrs I Kelly, Mr I Little, Mr D Morrow, Mrs H Noble, Mrs A Rickey.

### Parish Auction

The Spring Parish Auction will be held on Saturday 2nd April commencing at 12 noon. Viewing will be possible from 11.00am. This is a twice-yearly event (the second auction usually held in September) and is a significant contributor to Parish funds. The usual items will be on offer and tea/coffee, sandwiches, etc. will be available, thanks to the ladies of the parish. William Little and his ever willing helpers will be doing their usual activities in order to make this venture the success that it always has been. We ask all those who have supported our fund raising activities in the past, to kindly continue to do so again on this occasion.

### Church Hall

It has been decided to hold an open meeting of information, discussion, expressions of interest for the future development of the Church Hall. This meeting will be held in the hall on Friday 13th May at 8.00 pm. It is planned to have Mr Stephen Leighton and Mrs Carol Fallis in attendance. Everyone who may have an interest is invited to attend.

### Galloon & Drummully Mothers' Union

A Branch meeting along with the AGM will be held on Monday 25th April at 8.00pm when arrangements will be finalised for various services and forthcoming events. A reminder for members also, that the Branch has been invited to Clogh MU Visitor's Night on Thursday 14th April leaving Newtownbutler at 7.30pm. The speaker is Mrs V. Stewart, wife of Revd Stanley Stewart, Clones. Any one wishing to attend should contact Myrtle on 07872600474.

## Holy Baptism

On Sunday 13th March the sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered to Lily Pauline Kerr Evans, daughter of Gary and Gemma Evans.

## Bereavement

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs Joan Wiggins, and her family, on learning of the death of her brother Mr Noel Johnston.

## Sallaghy Parish

### Bowling Club



Mrs Doreen Armstrong (daughter) presenting the Irene McWilliams Memorial Trophy to winners Mark Granleese and Derek Johnston

Sallaghy Bowling Club celebrated another successful tournament recently with bowlers travelling from clubs as far away as Cookstown, Sixmilecross and the border counties. The tournament was played over four nights with two pairs qualifying each night for the finals which took place on Friday 12th February.



Mrs Helen Allen congratulates Karl Bradshaw and Ali Graham who finished as runners up in the Sallaghy Bowling Tournament.

Some excellent bowling took place over the course of the four nights with the successful pairing of Derek Johnston and Mark Granleese from Colebrooke Bowling Club taking the honours at the Friday final over

runners up Karl Bradshaw and Ali Graham. Mrs Helen Allen presented the winners with their prizes who in turn thanked the tournament organisers for a very well organised, enjoyable and successful tournament. The winners were also presented with the Irene McWilliams Memorial Trophy which was presented to Sallaghy Bowling Club by members of the McWilliams family in memory of their late mother who was a founder member of the club.

### Easter Vestry

The Annual Easter vestry followed by the meeting of the Select Vestry were held on Tuesday 15th March. The following appointments were made: Rector's Church Warden - Mrs M Crawford; People's Church Warden - G Little; Rector's Glebe Warden - R Crawford; People's Glebe Warden - R Gardiner.

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

### Parish Dance

A Parish Dance was held on Friday 1st April in the Church Hall. The music will be provided by Dusty Diamond with dancing from 10.00pm – 1.00am. Supper was served and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

### Mothers' Union

The monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 7th April when Kenneth Douglas will speak on 'His faith, life and work as a paramedic.'

## Drummully Parish

### Easter Vestry

The Annual Easter vestry followed by the meeting of the Select Vestry were held on Monday 14th March. The following appointments were made: Rector's Church Warden - William Armstrong; People's Church Warden - Eileen Hall (Honorary Secretary). Junior Wardens: Andrew Kelly, Brian Hall, Amie Somerville. Glebewarden: George Moore.

Select Vestry: Mary Godfrey, William Godfrey, John Hall, Linda Kelly, Brian Robinson, Hazel Robinson (Honorary Treasurer), John Robinson and Petula Stephens.

### Church Roof

We are delighted to announce that work will commence on replacing the slates on the Church roof in April. Whilst the scaffolding is erected please do not attempt to enter the church and take care when visiting graves in close vicinity to the Church. The Church Hall and Car park will still be in use for fundraising events such as our Gardening Evening in May and our Car Boot Sales in the summer months. All proceeds of our fundraising events go towards the Roof Refurbishing Fund. If you need to visit graves during the works being carried out please contact either William Armstrong on (028) 67738833 or George Moore on (028) 67738648.

Sunday worship will be held in Sallaghy at 10.30am and Galloon at 12.00 during the roof refurbishment. The Sunday School have been invited to join with Sallaghy Sunday School for the summer term.

### Gardening Evening

Our annual gardening evening will be held in Drummully Church Hall on Wednesday 18th May. Kim Rickey will be back by popular demand.

### Car Boot Sale

The first of our summer car boot sales will be held on Saturday 4th June in Drummully with the annual Strawberry Teas and cake sale. Please note that the gates will be open at 8.00am for car-booter's to set up their stalls, but the Hall will not be open for teas until 9.30am.

## Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



**Rector:**  
The Revd Ngozi Njoku  
The Rectory, 39 Brollagh Road,  
Garrison, Co. Fermanagh. BT93 4AE  
**T:** 028 686 58699  
**E:** garrison@clogher.anglican.org  
**W:** www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 10th

Kiltyclogher 10.00am HC  
Belleek 11.30am HC

##### Sunday 17th

Garrison 10.00am MP & FS  
Slavin 11.30am MP & FS

##### Sunday 24th

Kiltyclogher 10.00am MP  
Belleek 11.30am MP

#### May

##### Sunday 1st

Garrison 10.00am HC  
Slavin 11.30am HC

### Mothers' Union

The February meeting was held in Garrison Church Hall and we welcomed Mrs Muriel Kerr from Kinlough who entertained us by story telling from days gone past. Muriel also showed us some crafts that she had made and we thank Muriel for the gifts she raffled freely to members.

The April meeting is due to take place on Wednesday 20th April in Kiltyclogher at 7.00pm followed by a meal in Garrison Church Hall. All are welcome to come and join us.

### Mothers' Day Service

On Mother's Day in Slavin, the Bible readings were read by Mothers' Union members, Phemia Gregg and Doreen Earls. Sarah Johnston read a prayer. Ethan, Oisin, Sarah and Aoife read a poem entitled, 'Planting Seeds.' The Sunday School children sang a song, entitled, 'Thank you for the love that our Mums give to us each day.'



Children from Garrison Sunday School practising for the Mothers' Day Service



Garrison Sunday School children practising their song for the Mothers' Day service

In Garrison Glen, Ryan, Cara and Clare took the letters of the word MOTHER and told us how each letter meant something relating to Mothers. Abi and Avril read a poem about Mothers. Carly and Emma read prayers. All the children sang a song for Mother's Day.

### Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have been unwell at home or in hospital in recent weeks.

### Christian Burial

Sincere sympathy to Miss Christina Breen on the loss of her sister-in-law, May Breen who passed away just a short time after her husband John. Our thoughts and prayers are also with May's son Andrew, his wife Christine and daughter Florence who often join us in worship when visiting Christina.

Noeleen McCordick passed away on Thursday 10th March. The funeral service took place in Garrison Parish Church on Saturday 12th March conducted by the Revd Ngozi with burial in the adjoining churchyard. The Rector commented on the tough character she was and the challenges she faced in life since her husband's passing 27 years ago. Our sympathy to all the sons and daughters, extended family, and particularly to Diane, and her family who live in the Parish and Ernie who lives nearby.

## Holy Baptism

Brody Gordon Brock, baby son of Ian and Arlene, Killybig, Garrison was baptised by the rector, Rev Ngozi on Sunday 21st February in Garrison Parish Church. We welcome baby Brody to the church fold.

## Keep up to date

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on [www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org](http://www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org). The web manager is Jenna Earls. Photos & articles etc. for the website to be e-mailed to Doreen Earls at Social Networking. Follow us on Facebook using the name Garrison Group of Parishes. Simply 'Like' our page to receive updates on events.

## Inishmacsaint

### Vacant

During the vacancy the Revd Canon David Skuce, Rural Dean, is in charge, and is providing pastoral cover together with Miss Isobel Stewart, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant.

E: [inishmacsaint@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:inishmacsaint@clogher.anglican.org)

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 3rd

11.30am Holy Communion

#### Sunday 10th

11.30am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 17th

11.30am Family Service

#### Sunday 24th

11.30am Holy Communion

## Looking forward

We are looking forward to the institution of Canon David Skuce on Friday 22nd April in our parish. Please keep praying for him as he enters a new chapter in his life.

The Annual Easter Vestry will take place on Tuesday 12th April in Derrygonnelly Orange Hall at 8.00pm. All parishioners are very welcome as we select a new vestry for the coming year. Supper will be served afterwards.

## Thanks

A special word of thanks to all our visiting preachers over the last year, and also to Miss Isobel Stewart for her pastoral visiting during the vacancy. This was greatly appreciated.

## Kilskeery and Trillick



### Rector:

The Revd Rosemary Logue  
The Rectory,  
130 Kilskeery Road, Trillick,  
Co. Tyrone. BT74 3RJ

T: 028 895 61457

E: [kilskeery@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:kilskeery@clogher.anglican.org)

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 3rd: The Second Sunday of Easter

10.30am Trillick Holy Communion

11.45am Kilskeery Holy Communion

#### Sunday 10th: The Third Sunday of Easter

10.30am Trillick Morning Prayer

11.45am Kilskeery Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 17th: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.30am Trillick Morning Prayer

11.45am Kilskeery Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 24th: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.30am Trillick Morning Prayer

11.45am Kilskeery Morning Prayer

7.30pm Kilskeery Commissioning Service for Admission of Parish Readers

## Church Groups/Organisations

**Sunday School** - During our morning services

**Crèche** - During our morning services

**Girls' Brigade** - Mondays 6.30 -

8.00pm (Gwen 89561763)

**Mothers' Union** - The 3rd Monday of

each month (May 89561291)

**Craft Group** - Mondays as arranged

(Gwen 89561763)

**Kilskeery Silver Band** - Mondays 8.00pm

**Kilskeery Senior Citizens' Group** - Tuesdays

2.00 - 4.30pm (Emily 66388683)

**Choir** - Tuesdays 8.30 - 9.30pm (Art 89561457)

**Boys' Brigade** - Wednesdays 7.00 -

8.30pm (Pauline 89561715); Thursdays

7.15 - 9.00pm (Roger 89561254)

**Youth Club** - Fridays (2nd and 4th of each month)

**Bowls Club** - Saturdays 8.00pm (Marlene 89561285)

**Messy Kids Club** - The 3rd Saturday of

each month (Clare 89561196)

## Burial of the Dead

*'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.'*

Mrs Sarah Jane Bell, Enniskillen: It was with great sadness that we learned of Sarah's death on 24th February,

and we again extend our deepest sympathy to her husband Jimmy, sisters Eileen, Mildred and Anne, brothers Tom, John, Sam and her children - Bill, Joanne, Henry, twins Mary and Sammy and all the family circle.

And of the sudden death of Thomas Brunt's beautiful step-daughter, Victoria and her unborn baby on March 8th in Scotland and we extend our deepest sympathy to Thomas and his wife Greer and all the family circle.

Your stay was so short

My little one, down what centuries of light did you travel to reach us here,

your stay so short-lived;

in the twinkling of an eye you were moving on,

bearing our name and a splinter of the human cross we suffer;

flashed upon us like a beacon we wait in darkness for that light to come round,

knowing at heart, you shine forever for us.

*O God our Father, we pray for those whose life is saddened by the death of a relative or friend and we remember in our prayers all those in our parishes who have recently been bereaved.*

### At the time of writing

At the time of writing, Girls' Brigade are preparing for their Annual Dinner; Boys' Brigade for their Parents' Night; Messy Kids for Easter - making Easter Egg Baskets with memory verse/Easter Cards and cupcakes and hearing the Easter Story courtesy of 'Veggietales' (March) and in April, hearing of Daniel & the lions; Kilskeery Parish for a Craft Fair, planned for April 15th and together with Queen Elizabeth II primary school, we are considering how best to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday with a party event at the school on, Saturday 11th June.

### Youth Club

Sincere thanks to members and friends who raised a substantial sum for church funds by way of a very enjoyable Quiz on 5th March.



Janice (Leader) with member (Shanelle) presenting proceeds to Adrian (Hon. Treasurer).

### Kilskeery Bowling Club

Kilskeery Bowling Club held a very successful tournament this year with over 100 pairs entering and after very competitive bowling the final game was Gary McNabb/Jim Teague against Ally Graham/Harold Nixon. Gary and Jim proved to be the better bowlers on the night.

Thanks was extended to all bowlers who supported the week and to everyone who helped out with the smooth running of the event with special thanks to Mills Oil, Trillick who once again sponsored the tournament.



Winners Gary McNabb and Jim Teague (Fintona BC)  
Mr. George Lawder, Captain Kilskeery BC, runners-up  
Ally Graham and Harold Nixon (Wellington BC).

### Commissioning Service for Admission of Parish Readers

Bishop John McDowell will join us for a Commissioning Service for Admission of Parish Readers (to include Adrian!) on Sunday 24th April at 7.30pm in Kilskeery Parish Church and on Sunday 19th June in Trillick Parish Church at 11.00am for a Celebration of Confirmation.

### Lisbellaw

#### (including Coolbuck)



**Rector:**

The Revd Stephanie Woods  
The Rectory, Faughard, Lisbellaw,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT94 5ES

**T:** 028 66 385894

**M:** 07759 949932

**E:** lisbellaw@clogher.anglican.org

**W:** www.lisbellawparish.com

**FB:** www.facebook.com/  
lisbellawparish

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 3rd: Second Sunday of Easter

Lisbellaw 11.00am Holy Communion Form 2

Coolbuck 3.00pm Holy Communion Form 1

##### Sunday 10th: Third Sunday of Easter

Lisbellaw 11.00am Morning Prayer Mr John Irvine

Coolbuck 3.00pm Evening Prayer Mr John Irvine

##### Sunday 17th: Fourth Sunday of Easter



Lisbellaw 9.45am Holy Communion Form 1  
 11.00am Morning Prayer  
 Coolbuck 3.00pm Compline  
**Sunday 24th: Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
 Lisbellaw 10.00am Confirmation Class  
 Lisbellaw 11.00am Family Service  
 Coolbuck 3.00pm Evening Prayer

## Sympathy

The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Noel Johnston, formerly of Derrybrusk; the late Anna Boyce, formerly of Portadown; the late Dougie Phair, formerly of Newtownbutler; the late George Ewing, formerly of Dungannon and the late Charlotte Fisher, formerly of Derrylin.

## Easter General Vestry Meeting

Easter General Vestry Meeting on Friday 1st April at 8.00pm in the Parish Centre.

## Mother's Day



A Sunday school member reading on Mothering Sunday.

## Rector on holiday

Rector on holiday from 9th April to 16th April. Mr John Irvine will take Morning Prayer in Lisbellaw at 11.00am and Evening Prayer in Coolbuck at 3.00pm on Sunday 10th April. Canon David Skuce will provide pastoral care and can be contacted on 028 677 21250.

## Evening of Hymns Old and New

Evening of Hymns Old and New with James Strange and Lynda Lindsay on Sunday 17th April at 7.30pm in Lisbellaw Parish Church. Collection in aid of youth work in the parish.

## Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union meets on Tuesday 26th April in the Parish Centre at 8.00pm featuring guest speaker, Mrs Irene Boyd, who will be giving a talk on 'Caring for the Family.'

## Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes continue on the following dates at 10.00am in Lisbellaw church: 24th April; 1st May; 8th May and 15th May. Confirmation candidates are expected to remain for the church service or attend the service in Coolbuck at 3.00pm and know, by memory, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments. They will be tested on this knowledge before confirmation.

## Thank You

A warm thank you and sad farewell to our neighbour, Revd Canon David Skuce, who has been appointed as the rector of Inishmacsaint Parish Church. We extend our congratulations, wishing him every happiness, as he begins his ministry there on Friday 22nd April. He has been a good and faithful friend to the parish of Lisbellaw with Coolbuck over many years and he will be sorely missed.

## Knitting and Crochet Group

Knitting and Crochet group meet each Tuesday morning from 10.00am to 12 noon in The Credit Union Offices, Cloghcor Road. Beginners and new members very welcome.

## Communion

Gluten free bread will be used from now on for communion in Lisbellaw and Coolbuck churches. Non-alcoholic wine is available on request.

## Easter Holy Communion



Easter Holy Communion and fellowship at the rectory.



Renee Elliott and Peggy Beacom enjoying fellowship at the rectory.

## Book Launch

A group of committed and enthusiastic individuals from Lisbellaw, Tamlaght and the surrounding area are currently working on a book which chronicles the lives of those who left the area to fight during World War 1. Please note Friday 11th November 2016 when this book will be launched in Lisbellaw Parish Centre.

## Thinking Day Service



Getting ready to bring in the flags on Thinking Day

## Lisnaskea



**Rector:** The Revd Alan Capper  
The Rectory, 3 Castlebalfour Road,  
Castlebalfour Demesne, Lisnaskea,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT92 0LT

T: 028 677 22413  
E: [lisnaskea@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:lisnaskea@clogher.anglican.org)  
Parish Office T: 028 677 23977  
E: [lisnaskeaparishchurch@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lisnaskeaparishchurch@hotmail.co.uk)

## Services

### April

**Sunday 3rd** 11.30am Morning Prayer  
**Sunday 10th** 11.30am Morning Prayer  
**Sunday 17th** 11.30am Service of Confirmation  
**Sunday 24th** 11.30am Morning Prayer

## Burial

**Sunday 28th February 2016:** Violet Charlton, Millcroft Nursing Home, Enniskillen.

**Wednesday 9th March (Burial of Ashes):** Basil Foster Armstrong, Copenhagen.

We remember in our prayers the Charlton & Armstrong families and all who have been recently bereaved.

## Mother's Union

At our March meeting we held our AGM. The Branch Leader thanked all the members for their support and thanked the Rector for chairing the meeting and for his support over the year. Positions: Branch Leader, Doris Johnston, Secretary, Mary Forster, Treasurer, Blanche Gordon. All other Branch Reps. remain the same. Later we were entertained by Mrs Eva Baxter who brought Susannah Wesley to our meeting in her dramatized version of that wonderful lady's life.

Our members attended the Women's World Day of Prayer service. This year it was lovely to see the younger members of the different churches being involved. During our Mothering Sunday service in church we had a short enrolment where new and present members affirmed their commitment to the Mother's Union. We are grateful to the rector for including this in the service.

We send love and congratulations to Diane and Andrew Kells on the birth of their daughter Victoria, a sister for Lucy and Faith. We pray that they will be blessed as a family.

## Women's World Day of Prayer

It was a great pleasure to host this service in our church on 4th March and to welcome a good number of ladies from the Presbyterian, Methodist and Catholic churches as well. It was also encouraging to have several young people take part as the theme of the service, prepared by the women of Cuba was 'Receive children, receive me.'



We are very grateful to Helen Wilson for leading the worship, Revd Lorraine Capper for her wonderful address, our organist Karen and to everyone who helped in any way. The evening concluded with a cup of tea being served along with some very tasty "Cuban cookies" courtesy of Doris Johnston. Thank you Doris, Hilda and Jacqueline.

### Mothering Sunday

Our service this year took the form of Holy Communion and Mother's Union enrolment. It was lovely to have some of our Children's Church take part with readings and also distribute gifts to all the ladies. These were little baskets supplied by CMSI and filled with sweets by Mothers' Union.

### Concert

Thank you to Jacqueline and Mildred for organising a very successful concert for the parish on 11th March. This featured all local talent and compere was Albert Brown. A total of £679.57 was raised and this will be split between Down's Syndrome & Leukaemia charities and parish funds.

### Jiving classes

These will begin on Friday 1st April in The Archdale Centre at 8.00pm and will be led by Rodney & Sandra Noble. It is hoped a good number will come along and take advantage of this opportunity.

### Confirmation

On Sunday 17th April seven candidates will be presented to the Bishop for a Service of Confirmation.

## Magheracross



**Rector:** The Revd Canon Brian Harper  
The Rectory, 27 Craghan Road,  
Ballinamallard, Co. Fermanagh,  
BT94 2BT

**T:** 028 66 388238 or 07989743545  
**E:** magheracross@clogher.anglican.org



**Non-Stipendiary Minister:**  
The Revd Charles Eames

**T:** 07792191565  
**E:** ceames@clogher.anglican.org  
**W:** www.magheracross.co.uk

### Sports Service

We had the privilege recently of hosting two special services in Magheracross. The first was the Sports Service in association with Ballinamallard Football Club. Using the theme "My Chains Fell Off", the

sporting community gathered for worship and prayer. Our guest speakers were former parishioner, Wilson Beare, and footballer Ivan Sproule. Wilson now lives in Tandragee and works with Urban Saints in an all-Ireland capacity. Ivan, from Castlederg, is currently on loan to Ballinamallard from Linfield and is actively involved in Castlederg Parish Church. Both men spoke movingly and confidently about their faith and family and how their Christian faith has supported and led them on their journeys. Scripture readings were read by Liam McKenna (club committee), Ryan Campbell (player) and Fiona Teague, fiancée of rally driver Alistair Fisher.

### Woman's World Day of Prayer



In March, Magheracross hosted the local Women's World Day of Prayer, developed by the women of Cuba. The guest speaker was Irene Boyd, diocesan MU President, and the liturgy was led by Heather Harper and many participants.





## Mothers' Union

The April meeting of the Mothers' Union will be held on 7th April. Helen McCrea will be presenting a cookery and tasting evening.

## Guest Preacher

On April 17th the Revd Roger Thompson will be visiting Magheracross in the morning and sharing an update from our CMSI Mission Partners in Kenya, Ronnie and Maggie Briggs. Roger visited Kenya and the Briggs in March.

## Marathon Run

Pictured left, Revd Canon Brian Harper successfully completed a recent 'Vitality' Half Marathon in Liverpool. Well done!

## Magheraculmoney



**Rector:**  
The Revd Canon Henry Blair  
The Rectory, 47 Main Street, Kesh,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT93 1TF

**T:** 028 686 31820  
**E:** magheraculmoney@clogher.anglican.org



**Curate Assistant:**  
The Revd Caroline Mansley  
3 Castle Manor, Kesh,  
Co. Fermanagh.  
BT93 1RT

**T:** 028 686 32751  
**E:** cmansley@clogher.anglican.org

**Parish Office**  
**T:** 028 6863 2695 **E:** office@ardess.org  
**W:** www.ardess.org

As I am writing the magazine notes that you are now about to read the sun is beaming in through the study window and it is a lovely spring morning. It is one of the first mornings I have found myself thinking that it would be nice to be outside rather than sitting at the desk. The temptation is to get out and get on with all that the day has for us but before I do that I need to stop and take sometime with God. Jesus needed to spend time alone with His Father. How much more, then, do we? After all, He is our example. Luke 5:16 says, "... Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed." Luke 5:15 explains that Christ's fame was spreading, and the success of his ministry compelled Him to spend more time with God. In the midst of an increasingly busy ministry, He separated from the multitude for quiet time. Mark 1:35 says, "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary

place, where he prayed." Before the busyness of His day began, Jesus spent time with the Father.

Daily devotional time is the single most important discipline in the Christian life. During that daily time, Jesus transforms us, feeds us, and gives us new revelation. On the other hand, not spending sufficient time with God can bring the agony of defeat. How often have we raced out of the house, hoping to accomplish a little bit more, only to return bruised, depressed, and hurt? When we start the day without time with our Lord, we lack power and joy to face the demands of life.

Some Christians resist the notion of setting apart daily time to seek God. Some even say, "I pray all the time." Yes, the Bible tells us to pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:16), and Paul implores us to "... pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests" (Ephesians 6:18). But Jesus gives us the other side of the coin. Jesus says in Matthew 6:5-6, "And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full but when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen." These verses map out a specific time set apart to seek the Father—a time to meditate on His Word, listen to the Spirit's voice, worship Him, and intercede for others. The key to a successful future is spending time with God.

## Parish Administrator

We are very sorry to have had to say goodbye to Mrs Dorothy Noon as our parish secretary. Dorothy has been working in the parish office for the last 18 months and has been a great help in all she did. We wish Dorothy and John well as they move back to live in Belfast again.

## Regular Events

It is impossible to keep track of all our events here so please visit our website [www.ardess.org](http://www.ardess.org) for a full list of all that's going on in Ardess parish. A snapshot of the regular events is below.

**Sunday Worship** at 9:30am & 11:00am in Ardess church

**Children's Church** during our 11.00am service

**Mullaghfarne Church Service** third Sunday in month at 3.00pm

## Prayer Opportunities

**Revival Prayer:** Monday 8.00pm in the Moffitt Room, Parish Centre

**Wednesday Prayer:** 9:30-11:00am in the Moffitt Room, Parish Centre

**Healing Prayer:** Fridays 7:30-8:30pm in the Parish Centre

**Prayer Ministry** is available at our 11am Sunday service

**24-hour prayer** each month

**Prayer for Mission**, a prayer sheet to help us pray specifically for the missionaries connected to Ardess parish, is produced several times throughout the year.

## Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union meets 3rd Thursday in month at 8.00pm in the Moffitt Room in Ardess Parish Centre Thursday 21st April at 8.00pm: Tubs and Shrubs with Kenny Crawford Cloon Garden Centre.

## Friends in the Afternoon meets

Friends in the Afternoon meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday in month at 2.00pm in the Moffitt Room at Ardess Parish Centre. Come along and bring your friends. Tuesday 12 April: Patrica Donald speaking on 'Government support entitlement' Tuesday 26th April: Bible study with Bobby Beare

## In Stitches

In Stitches - Thursdays at 8.00pm in the Fountain Centre. An evening of simple crafts, good craic and fun. Everyone welcome.

## Book Club

Book Club meets fortnightly on Monday at 10.00am in Liz & Phil Crooks' house. Current book is 'Leota's Garden'

## Waterworks

Waterworks - Tuesdays (term time) 3.15 - 4.15pm in Kesh Primary School for all primary school age children. Your son/daughter is very welcome to come along and learn Bible stories in a fun & active way.

## Fountain Centre Activities

**Junior Youth Club:** Thursday Night from 6.30 - 8.00pm. Age Group: P.5, P.6 and P.7. Sports, Games, Crafts, Movies, Theme nights, Tuck Shop and more...£1.

## Senior Youth Club

Friday Night 7-9pm. Age Group: Year 8 - Year 10. Friday Night 9-11pm. Age Group: Year 11+ Sports, Music, Big TVs, Soft Seats, Tuck Shop and more... £1

### Connect YF

Sunday Night 7-9pm. Age Group: Year 8+. Food, Icebreakers, Games, Interactive talks, Faith, Discussion and more. . .

Look out for more information about our activities on our Facebook page.

### Registers

#### Baptism

14th February 2016: Katie Rose O'Connor daughter of Gillian and Sean O'Connor. 64 Castle Manor, Kesh.

#### Burial

28th February 2016: Alistair George Irvine, 71 Dublin Road, Enniskillen, age 37.

For further information please contact Ardess Parish Office in The Fountain Centre on 028 6863 2695 / [office@ardess.org](mailto:office@ardess.org)

## Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



**Rector:** The Revd Canon David Skuce  
The Rectory, 15 Drumgoon Road, Maguiresbridge, Co. Fermanagh. BT94 4PB

**T:** 028 677 21250  
**E:** [maguiresbridge@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:maguiresbridge@clogher.anglican.org)

### Parish Register

#### Baptism

Christ Church, Maguiresbridge  
13th February 2016: Olivia Grace Anthony, 2 Granlee Court, Maguiresbridge

It is always a pleasure and delight to baptize and welcome into the household of faith and we wish Olivia Grace as she begins her Christian journey.

### Evening of Hymns

On Sunday 31st January we had an evening of hymn singing with hymns from the new hymn book. We had a great evening of singing. Some of the hymns in the new hymn book supplement are excellent with very appropriate words and beautiful tunes.

### Thanks

One of the hardest things a rector can do is to announce that he is moving to another parish. The bishop asked me if I would be interested in going to the parish of Inishmaccsaint and after much thought, I have accepted his offer and I will be instituted to the parish of Inishmaccsaint on Friday 22nd April at 7.30pm. I would like to thank all those people who helped and supported me throughout my time in the parishes of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk.

## Maguiresbridge Mothers' Union

Several members attended the Women's World Day of Prayer in Lisbellaw Presbyterian Church on Friday 4th March.

Members enjoyed a good workout with Lorna Mitchell doing armchair aerobics at our March meeting.

Our Visitor's night will be on Monday 11th April at 8.00pm and we welcome Mothers' Union Members from our neighbouring branches and also the Methodist and Presbyterian Ladies. Our guest will be Mr Timothy Elliott who will speak and do various flower demonstrations.

## Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



**Rector:** The Revd Canon Ian Berry  
The Rectory, Clones Road, Monaghan, Co. Monaghan.

**T:** 047 81136  
**E:** [monaghan@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:monaghan@clogher.anglican.org)  
Diocesan Pastoral Assistant:  
Mr Walter Pringle

### Services

#### April

##### Sunday 3rd: First Sunday after Easter

10.30am St Patrick's Holy Communion 2

12:15pm Kilmore Holy Communion 2

##### Sunday 10th: Second Sunday after Easter

10.30am St Patrick's Service of the Word

12:15pm Ballinode Morning Prayer 1

##### Sunday 17th: Third Sunday after Easter

10.30am St Patrick's Morning Prayer 2

3.00pm Ballinode Praise Service

##### Sunday 24th: Fourth Sunday after Easter

10.30am St Patrick's Service of the Word - All Age Worship

12:15pm Kilmore Morning Prayer 2

### The Ladies' Group

The Ladies' Group met in Monaghan Museum on Tuesday 16th February, with an interesting talk on 1916 Centenary and St. Davnet's Exhibition "World Within Walls", the evening concluded with light refreshments.

The April meeting will be their annual general meeting with election of officers for 2016/17.

### Condolences

We offer prayerful sympathy to Mrs. Sandra O'Toole and family on the death of her aunt.

## Diocesan Mothers' Union Prayer Breakfast

Diocesan Mothers' Union Prayer Breakfast was held on Saturday 20th February and a number of members from St. Patrick's attended. The guest speaker was Ms. Jacqui

Armstrong, All-Ireland Faith and Policy Co-ordinator, who gave a very interesting talk on the work of Mothers' Union worldwide.

## Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union met on Tuesday 1st March in the Hall for their visitors' night. There was a large attendance of members, visitors from neighbouring branches and friends to hear a very informative and wide ranging talk by Ms. Adele Phair, CT and Dexa Radiographer, the topic being Osteoporosis. She was joined by Aine McKenna and Sandra Armstrong, both of whom are CT and Dexa radiographers in Cavan and Enniskillen, respectively, for a question and answer session. The evening concluded with a sumptuous supper and fellowship.

The members will meet on Tuesday 5th April, the guest speaker will be Ms. Tracey Allister, her topic being "Hearing"

## General Easter Vestries

**General Easter Vestries will be held as follows:**

**Monday 4th April:** 8.00pm Monaghan Parish

**Tuesday 5th April:** 8.30pm Kilmore

**Wednesday 6th April:** 8.30pm Ballinode

Please make a special effort to attend these meetings.

## Rector's Sabbatical

Canon Ian will be away from the Parish from 11th April until 10th July. Please remember him and family in prayer during that time. Service cover will be organised by the Diocese and Revd Neal Phair will provide pastoral cover assisted by Mr Walter Pringle.

## Bible Study

Bible Study continues each Wednesday during Lent at the Rectory, using material produced by Bishop Steven Croft, Bishops of Sheffield. He focuses on exploring God's love under the following headings: "Lost and Found", "In Prison and Set Free", "Sick and Made Well", "Storm Tossed and Comforted", and "Living a Fruitful Life".

## Mothering Sunday

We were privileged to welcome Mrs Irene Boyd, Diocesan Mothers' Union President, to our service to present long-service certificates to the following Mothers' Union members:

**Mrs Adie Leitch** - 68 years

**Mrs Betty Carson** - 36 years

**Mrs Mary Jamieson** - 61 years

**Mrs Jean Garland** - 27 years

**Mrs Sally Clarke** - 39 years

**Mrs Winifred Jordan** - 27 years

**Mrs Muriel Treacy** - 39 years

**Mrs Sadie Jordan** - 27 years

**Mrs Myrtle Mills** - 39 years

**Mrs Dorothy Adams** - 27 years

**Mrs Ruby Heasty** - 36 years

**Mrs Ruby Brown** - 56 years

**Mrs Elsie Boyd** - 36 years



'The Mothers' Union presented a potted plant to each lady in the congregation.

## World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer was held in St. Joseph's Church, Monaghan on Friday 4th March – the reflection was by Sister Moya on the theme 'receive children, receive men.'

## Illness

Please remember in prayer those who are ill, those in residential care and the housebound and their families.

## Vortex

Vortex youth group continue to meet with a varied programme, most recently enjoying an evening with the bowling club.

## Friendship Service

Friendship Service on 15th May in Ballinode Parish Church Monaghan at 3.00pm, featuring Bawn Silver band and visiting singers!

## Rossorry



**Rector:** The Revd Canon Dr Ian Ellis  
Rossorry Rectory, Kinarla, Enniskillen,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT74 5PX

**T:** 028 66 320239

**E:** rossorry@clogher.anglican.org

**Parish Office:** T: 028 66 329889

**Diocesan Pastoral Assistants:**  
Mrs Sue Hogg & Mrs Joan Nelson

## Services

### April

#### Sunday 3rd

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Holy Communion

3.00pm 175th Anniversary Service (preacher Rt. Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher)

#### Sunday 10th

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 17th

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 24th

9.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Prayer

## Parish Register

### Marriage

On Friday 12th February at Rossorry Parish Church, Karen (nee Kennedy) and Stephen Kyle. Heartiest congratulations to the happy couple for their future together, from all the parishioners of Rossorry.



Karen (nee Kennedy) and Stephen Kyle

## Bereavements

The Parish was saddened to learn of the deaths of 3 of our parishioners and extend our sympathy, prayers and support to their families.

**Mrs Muriel Randles** of Inis Fold, Enniskillen, who died on 11th February 2016 and was buried at Rossorry after a Funeral Service at 2.00pm on 14th February 2016.

**Mrs Daisy Mills** of The Graan Nursing Home, Enniskillen, who died on 14th February 2016 and was buried at Rossorry after a Funeral service at 2.00pm on 17th February 2016.

**Mr Andy Smyth** of Tarmon Brae, Enniskillen, who died on 3rd March 2016 and was buried at Rossorry after a Funeral service at 2.00pm on 5th March 2016.

## 175th Anniversary Service

We are looking forward to our special service on 3rd April at 3.00pm to mark 175 years of worship in the present church. The Bishop of Clogher, Rt Rev J McDowell will preach the sermon as we come

together to give thanks to God for the great heritage we have received as parishioners of Rossorry and which we pass on to a new generation. We hope to be joined by invited guests including representatives of the local community, neighbouring clergy, former rectors and friends of Rossorry etc. We trust that this service will be an important occasion in the life of the parish as we celebrate the work and witness of Rossorry church.

## Easter Tree

This year to as part of our Easter celebrations we placed and decorated a special Easter Tree in church. It was also a way to raise some funds for a local cancer support charity – Cancer Connect NI. Parishioners were asked to write a dedication on a label to be attached to a decorative Easter Egg and then placed on our Easter Tree. They could also make a donation to support the charity Cancer Connect NI which is a Fermanagh based charity. The tree was decorated on Easter Eve and on Easter Day was a magnificent bright display visibly demonstrating the promise of new life we proclaim at Easter.



## Rossorry Old Church

We are currently planning an event to connect our congregation with the ancient site of St Fanchea's Church at Old Rossorry which was the original Rossorry Church. We are hoping to arrange an afternoon outdoor service provisionally set for Sunday 29th May.





It is anticipated other local churches might join us as we use the opportunity to reflect upon our common Christian heritage of the ancient church in this land. Further details to be announced after Easter.

## Church Repair Fund

In order to cover the costs of the church repairs and improvements the Select Vestry took the decision to launch a Church Repair Fund. A special Gift Sunday was held on Trinity Sunday 31st May when parishioners brought their contributions to the Church Repair Fund Appeal. In addition a series of fund raising activities are being planned beginning in April 2016 in conjunction with our 175th Anniversary celebrations. We thank parishioners in anticipation of their support as we work together to enhance and beautify God's church for His worship in years to come.

At the time of writing there has been a marvellous response by the parishioners to the Church Repair Fund Appeal. There are still some more envelopes to be returned but the response has been humbling and reflects the love that our parishioners have for our beautiful church and their commitment to improving it and passing it on to the next generation in tip top condition.

*"Connecting with God. Connecting with others. Serving all."*

## Rossorry Prayer Group

The Bible Study was held over 5 Wednesdays in Lent, starting on 17th February in the Parish Office at 7.30pm. We followed a short course designed by the Diocese of York on "The Psalms- prayers for today's church". This was an informal group and was open to anyone. The exploration and use of the Psalms was fascinating – we do take things for granted that we are used to – yet there is so much more when you delve into them. There was a great response and turnout each week.

## Wednesday Club News

### April Programme

#### 6th April

Annual Sale of Work

#### 13th April

Video of Esinehower W.W.2 visit to U.S. Troops - Roger Edmondson

#### 20th April

Serviette Folding - Ethel

#### 27th April

Games morning - Ethel

## May Programme

### 4th May

Memories of the year looking back

### 11th May

Summer Outing

(Club closed until September 2016)

The meetings of the Club are every Wednesday at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome - there is always room for new members. If you want to know more contact Ethel Oldcroft on 028 66 326339.

## Rossorry Mothers' Union

The group hosted the Women's World Day of Prayer (facilitated by Mrs Heather Ellis) at Rossorry at 8.00pm on Friday 4th March. The preacher was the Revd Isobel Nixon. The service was well attended and fellowship over tea and goodies was held in the Parish Hall afterwards.

The next monthly meeting is at 8.00pm on Thursday 21st April. The Guest Speakers will be Denise Walker and Mabel Greaves from Homestart. All welcome.

## Easter Communion Service

The annual Easter Communion Service for our elderly parishioners was held on Sunday 13th March at 3.00pm in The Parish Hall. It was lovely to see some "old" friends who find it more difficult to get to morning services. Canon Ellis celebrated the Eucharist, assisted by Canon Kingston. The afternoon was rounded off by afternoon tea – kindly supplied and served by Rossorry Mothers Union.

Those who were unable to attend for whatever reason will be attended in their own homes by the Rector, Canon Kingston and Revd Isobel Nixon.



Everyone enjoying their afternoon tea

## Scouts and Guides



Scouts and Guides held their Founder's Day parade on Sunday 28th February last. There was a great turnout and

they got a beautiful Spring morning (they always do – how do they do it ??) for their parade to Church and the return.



## Arts & Crafts Classes

Arts & Crafts Classes are ongoing in the Parish Hall on Wednesday afternoons. Presently underway is the Acrylic Painting class and the Basket Weaving started on 11th March. All are welcome – no level of skill is required – novices welcome !!

## Tempo and Clabby



**Rector:** The Revd Canon Maurice Armstrong  
The Rectory, 177 Clabby Road,  
Camgart, Clabby, Tempo,  
Co. Fermanagh. BT75 ORD

**T:** 028 895 21697  
**E:** clabby@clogher.anglican.org  
**W:** parishesoftempoandclabby.com

## Easter – What next?

After his resurrection Jesus spent fifty precious and special days showing his disciples he had bodily rose again from the dead and preparing them for his ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Gospels tell us very little about that time John (21:25) says “Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down I suppose that even the whole world would not have enough room for the books that would be written.

Luke and Matthew both have their accounts of Jesus’ departure and commission to the disciples, with the call to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit and the making of disciples, the mission of the early Church.

Our time and life is both precious and short. How much of it do we spend with Jesus in prayer, reading God’s word, worship and service for God? Psalm 90:12 tells us to use our numbered days wisely. Psalm 31:15 our times are in his hands. We have no guarantees on our earthly future, nor should we live it without God (James 4: 13-15). We are called now to come and invite Jesus into our lives (Revelation 3:20 2nd Corinthians 6:2). Then we can not only enjoy fellowship here on earth

with Jesus, but one day spend an unending time with Him in Heaven.

## Restoration Fund

A very successful Car Wash and Coffee Morning was held on 20th February. There were a large number of cars for washing and a good crowd for refreshments. Thank you to the team of men who washed cars and the ladies who worked in the hall. There was £790.00 raised for the funds.

## Further Restoration Fund events

**Friday 8th April:** 5K/10K Fun Run from Clabby Church Hall from 6.00pm. Fun Run starts at 7.00pm. Further details from Alan Robinson on 07810258481 or Colin on 07901678180.

**Saturday 9th April:** Tempo Parish Auction at 1:30pm.

**Saturday 7th May:** Vintage Bike Run – leaving Clabby Church Hall at 11-00 a.m. Further details contact Jim Monteith 89521167 or mobile 07751803660.

## Annual Friends Service

Annual Friends Service in Clabby Church at 3.00pm on Sunday 24th April. Preacher: Right Revd Ken Clarke. Soloist Miss Jessica Given.

## Tempo Concert

Thank you to those who supported the Annual Concert, to Mr Brian Monaghan who organised the event and to our artists The Erne U3A choir. £720.00 was raised for Church Funds.

## Advance date

Saturday 4th June: Clabby Parish Family Fun Day and Fete, Clabby Church Hall grounds 12-30pm – 4.00pm.

## Trory and Killadeas



**Rector:**  
The Revd Canon Mark Watson  
138 Killadeas Rd., Trory Rectory,  
Rossfad, Ballinamallard, Co.  
Fermanagh. BT94 2LS

**Tel:** 028 66 388477  
**Email:** trory@clogher.anglican.org

Dear Parishioners,  
Mid week services and St. Patrick’s day:  
Thanks to everyone who supported the mid week services and to Joan Nelson for reading Compline on the Wednesday evening the rector was unwell. Attendances were very encouraging and the reintroduction of Holy Communion on St. Patrick’s day was attended by almost 30 people.

### Tuesday Club Holy Communion:

Due to being unwell at the time of the last meeting in March the Tuesday Club Holy Communion for Easter has been rescheduled for the 12th of April at 2.30pm.

### Peter's going walking:

Parishioner Peter Watson is hoping to climb Mount Snowdon in Wales, Scaffell Pike in England and Ben Nevis in Scotland during the first nine days in July. Peter is hoping to raise money for Trory Parish through sponsorship. More details will be available closer to his departure.

### Spring tidy up at the Priory:

Parishioners are asked to bring their labour to keep the Priory neat and tidy on Saturday 7th May at 10.00am.

### Rite of Confirmation:

The Rite of Confirmation will be conducted by the Bishop on Sunday 12th June at 3.00pm. Confirmation classes begin on Tuesday 12th April in Killadeas Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Children should be 13 or over in this calendar year. In the mean time children should continue to attend Church and Sunday school.

### Annual General Vestry Meetings

#### Killadeas

Monday 4th April at 8.00pm in the Parish Hall.

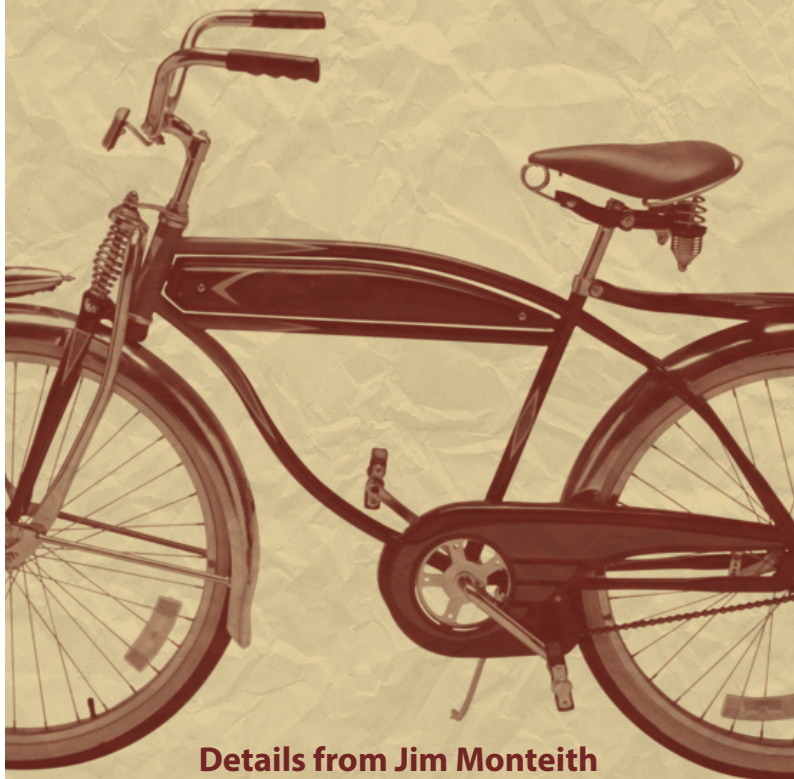
#### Trory

Tuesday 5th April at 8.00pm in the School House.

## Vintage Bike Run

Saturday 7th May 2016

from **Clabby Church Hall** at 10.00am



Details from **Jim Monteith**

tel: 028 89521167 / 07751 803660

## St Anne's Parish

Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal



presents a

### Choral Concert

with

### Seven Towers Male Voice Choir

Saturday 23rd April 2016 at 8.00pm

Admission €10, children under 12 free

#### FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT

Maeve Fenton: robinshill@eircom.net

Sheila Gibson: 0 (00353)87 9974954

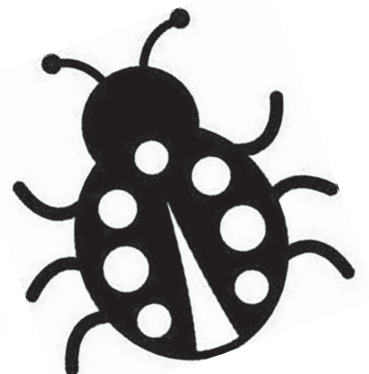


# BEETLED RIDE

Saturday 16th April in Killeevan Parish Hall at 8.00pm

Organised by **Children's Group Shine**

to support the work of children's ministry in the area





## ERNE INSURANCE SERVICES

### COMMERCIAL - INSURANCE

- **Keen Rates** and substantial Introductory Bonus for First-time Commercial vehicle Buyers (Who already have an existing private motor policy)

### MOTOR - INSURANCE

Our new motor Policy range include

- **Attractive Rates:** For Female Drivers 21-34 years
- **Competitive Rates:** For Taxi Insurance
- **Economy Policy:** Extremely Competitive Rates for Older Lower Value Vehicles.

- Special rates for drivers age 24-29 with 1 year or more no claims bonus
- **Special Rates:** Classic Insurance and motorhomes
- **Gap Insurance:** Competitive rate to cover your vehicle at new or used price for 3, 4 or 5 years at one annual premium
- **Special Quotations:** For young drivers names on parents policy for over 2 years

### HOME - INSURANCE

- **Competitive Rates:** Comprehensive cover Thatch Owners Properties

### OTHER INSURANCE PROVIDED

- Church & Halls Insurance
- Householders - Let Properties - Commercial Properties
- Employers', Public Liability Shopkeepers all in policy
- Special Farm Scheme very attractive rates
- New Motorcycle Scheme very attractive rates
- Marine Insurance cover available for all type of vessels at very keen rate, Tools Protect Policy

45 Main Street, Irvinestown BT94 1GL

T: (028) 686 21616 F: (028) 686 28019

E: [erneinsurance@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:erneinsurance@hotmail.co.uk)



PROGRESSIVE  
BUILDING SOCIETY



CLEENISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

# ARNEY

## flower festival 2016

### SHARING TALENTS WITH NATURE'S BOUNTY

In St. Mary's Church  
Arney, Bellanaleck, County Fermanagh

FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 noon – 9.00pm  
SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am – 9.00pm  
SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> June 11.00am – 5.00pm & Closing Concert 7.00pm

Coach parties and groups welcome  
Morning tea/coffee, lunch & high tea served

All fresh produce sourced locally  
We cater to all dietary requirements

For further information or  
to make a booking & coach parties bookings  
please contact

Sean Cox 07968 756543  
Email: [arneyflowerfestival@hotmail.com](mailto:arneyflowerfestival@hotmail.com)

EARLY BOOKINGS  
ARE ADVISABLE

