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BISHOP'S LETTER



Dear Friends,
 “Early in the morning on the first day of the week...
 I have used these very familiar words from St. Luke’s Gospel in my “Easter Letter” on a number of occasions because I have always found them full of

both atmosphere and meaning. They are very ordinary, simply pointing to a time and day of the week yet there is something about their simplicity which somehow “fits” what the two female disciples of Jesus are about to discover at the empty tomb. For the Resurrection is not just an event in the very dim and distant past: it is also an experience given in some measure in the here and now to all believers.

When the American poet and naturalist Henry Thoreau lay dying, his friend Parker Pillsbury, who sat by his bedside, leaned over and said “Henry you are so near to the border now, can you see anything on the other side?” “One world at a time” replied the dying man, “one world at a time, Parker.”

At first sight Thoreau’s response seems to be modest, sensible and true to life. Certainly there is nothing more futile than speculating about the details of the Age to Come or worrying about the exact state of a soul or personality after death. However Thoreau’s words don’t quite capture the New Testament sense that our life and experience in this world and in the next are closely related.

For many years in the Church of Ireland (and no doubt in other Christian traditions) one of the more or less compulsory readings at a funeral service was the entirety of First Corinthians, Chapter 15. It’s a long chapter, but then it has a lot of ground to cover as it sets out to draw an outline of the relationship between our bodies and personalities before an after death. And what St. Paul had to say was not merely speculation. It was based on his remarkable experience of encountering the Risen Christ on his way to Damascus and it impelled him to re-think what he had been taught as an ultra-orthodox Jew, so that it made sense in the light of the Resurrection.

In that chapter St. Paul invites us to consider what follows if Easter is not true and then goes on to show how belief in a Risen and reigning Christ ought to shape our way of life here and now.

In our day critics are very quick to write off Christianity as a sort of “pie in the sky when you die” and that it diverts our attention from rolling our sleeves up to make this world a better place because our hope is in heaven. The first thing to say about that accusation is that it

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totally ignores the massive contribution which people of faith have made to the wellbeing of this present world. Indeed some of the great men and women of faith (like William Wilberforce or Lord Shaftsbury) struggled their whole lives for the betterment of the downtrodden precisely because of their hope of heaven.

What they and millions of other less famous believers knew and experienced was what St. Paul had taught in that chapter of First Corinthians. That the other life is the other life now, and that we must practise eternity in the present. Eternal life is a gift of God to be lived out as far as we can now. My understanding of the teaching of the Prayer Book is that this gift is given by God in baptism and that it is nurtured (or allowed to waste away) in our life of faith and discipleship. The important fact is that it is a gift. Sometimes you hear people talking about the immortality of the soul as though such a thing was part of everyone’s natural make up. That is not what is taught in the New Testament. Instead St. Paul talks about us as God’s adopted sons and daughters through our participation in Jesus Christ.

Of course it is very challenging to live out the resurrection life in any age and not least because of the tremendous amount of heart ache and suffering which we see around us and which we all have our share in experiencing and in causing. I think St. Paul’s answer would be that the future there is part of the fruition here. Or to put it in the words of a great poet “On the earth the broken arcs, in the heaven a perfect round”.

Another, very eccentric poet has said that “time is the mercy of eternity”. This life is our point of access into another world; it literally makes eternity accessible to us. And eternity not only holds the key to the long struggle of history but also to the purpose of all our tears. Eternity is the final Amen.

But if there is to be a final “Amen” then there must first be a prayer, and that prayer will not simply be the uttering of some words important as that form of prayer is. It will be our whole lives as sort of prayer of thankfulness and service to God. A life/prayer which responds to the funniness of comedy and to the pain of tragedy; to the sorrow of loss and to the joy of receiving. A life that is itself an extended prayer for all who we encounter.

“Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.” Hallelujah.

+John

PARISH NOTES

Aghadrumsee



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Aghadrumsee Church. We welcome Holly into our church family.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mark and Aisling Graham of Drumsnatt Parish on their recent marriage.

Sympathy

Early in March the funeral service of Mrs Lily Mayne took place in Aghadrumsee Church, sympathy is extended to her sons William and Alan.

Services

Sunday 2nd April

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Holy Communion
Clogh 10.45 am Holy Communion
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 9th April

Aghadrumsee 3.00pm Palm Praise
Clogh 10.45 am Palm Sunday Morning Prayer

Thursday 13th April

Clogh 8.00pm Holy Communion

Friday 14th April

Aghadrumsee 8.00pm Reflection Service

Easter Sunday 16th April

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Holy Communion
Clogh 10.45 am Holy Communion
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd April

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer
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Sunday 30th April

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Easter Vestry Meetings

Easter Vestry Meetings were held in Aghadrumsee and Drumsnatt during March. They conclude on Monday, 24th April at 8.30pm in Clogh. A list of the 2017 / 2018 Vestries will be in the May edition of this magazine.

Crafty Church

After a successful first session our next Crafty Church will take place on Saturday, 22nd April from 3pm to 4.30pm. This new group is open to all children aged 2 – 7 years and is filled with craft activities, games and songs based on the Bible story of the day.

Young Ladies Group

Tuesday, 11th April at 8.30pm
Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild – Thursday, 20th April at 8pm.

Baptism

On Sunday, 19th March, the baptism of Holly Grace Annon, daughter of Brian and Ellie took place in

Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



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Services

2nd April

10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion
3.00pm Cooneen Dedication and Thanksgiving

5th April

8.00pm Colebrooke

9th April

11.00am Cooneen Palm Sunday Service

11th April

8.00pm Cooneen (Tuesday)

12th April

8.00pm Colebrooke (Wednesday)

13th April

8.00pm Cooneen Maundy Thursday Communion

14th April

8.00pm Colebrooke Good Friday

16th April

11.00am Colebrooke Easter Family Holy Communion

23rd April

10.45am Colebrooke Morning Prayer
3.30pm Mullaghfad Holy Communion

29th April

8.00pm Colebrooke

30th April

11.00am Colebrooke Holy Baptism

Cooneen Dedication and Thanksgiving

Over the past year, Holy Trinity Cooneen have been carrying out a series of improvements to both the hall and church buildings. Both buildings have been fully rewired. Cooneen church has had the sound system and speakers improved and also a complete set of interior lighting installed, as the existing was beyond repair.

To mark these improvements, we will be holding a service of thanksgiving where these gifts will be dedicated for use in the worship and praise of almighty God. The service will be on Sunday, 2nd April 2017 at 3pm, and will be followed by tea and refreshments in the parish hall. Thank you to everyone who has so generously gifted all of these items and improvements.

Additional Special Services

Mullaghfad

23 April 3.30pm Holy Communion

21 May 3.30pm Friends' Service

Colebrooke

7 May 3.00pm Friends' Service

28 May 7.30pm Clogher Rural Deanery Select Vestry and Officers Dedication Service

From The Registers

Christian Burial

On Tuesday, 14th March 2017, a service of thanksgiving for the life of Mrs Annie Graham was held in Holy Trinity, Cooneen, with the committal in Colebrooke Cemetery. Our thoughts and prayers are with Annie's family and friends at this time.

GFS

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

Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Group meet every Tuesday from 7pm-8.30pm for boys and girls

aged 4-11 years, and on Fridays for 11-14 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)

SNATCH

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

All young people of secondary school age welcome.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/snatchyf

Website: snatch.colebrookeparish.org

Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meets on Thursday evenings at Colebrooke Parish Hall. At present the club are currently playing matches within the churches league. New members of all ages are welcome at any stage of the indoor bowling season.

Mothers' Union

In March, some members of the branch visited The Valley Fold in Fivemiletown to provide a meal and entertainment. The theme of Saint Patrick's Day began

with a quiz sheet for residents and members to complete before they sat down to enjoy Irish Stew, apple tart, cream and ice-cream and tea or coffee and tray bakes. The quiz sheet answers were discussed and then Emma and Hazel read a drama about Saint Patrick informing all present about Patrick's role in bringing Christianity to the island of Ireland. Irene then prayed to thank God for the great gospel message left by Patrick with the shared message of the Trinity demonstrated by the shamrock. She thanked Sandra and Karen for the welcome to the Fold and for their help throughout the meal. Irene then outlined the role of Mary Sumner who began Mothers' Union over 140 years ago to encourage and support Christian family life. This year MU in Ireland are celebrating 130 years of love and service. The central theme of Christian Care for Families, not just here but right around the world, praying, enabling and campaigning, was illustrated using pictures to highlight the many projects and events over the past year. The charity uses monies raised, from member's contributions and fundraising events, to provide support for ongoing education and parenting training in developing countries as well as encouraging outreach in the local area. Irene encouraged members to continue to demonstrate their 'Faith in Action' - the theme for 2017.

The April meeting is an opportunity for members to invite a friend to share a meal in Clogher Courthouse and to hear about the outreach work carried out by Len and Joyce through Hope4U Foundation. The meeting is Thursday, 27th of April at 7.30pm. Contact any MU member for details.

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Services

Sunday 2nd April

11am Holy Communion and Sunday School
7pm SNATCH - Aghavea Hall

Sunday 9th April

11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School
7pm Revive Cafe Church - speaker: Simon Henry (CIYD)

Monday 10th - Friday 14th April

8pm Scripture Fulfilled - see details below

Sunday 16th April - Easter Day

6.30am Dawn Service followed by breakfast
11am Easter Family Celebration

Sunday 23rd April

11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School

Sunday 30th April

11am Service of the Word and Sunday School
Sunday 7th May
11am Holy Communion and Sunday School

Scripture Fulfilled

How does the crucifixion of Jesus fulfil the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament? Join us for our special Holy Week services to discover more about how 'Everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.' (Luke 24:44)

Monday 10th April - Genesis 3 - Brookeborough Methodist.

Tuesday 11th April - Exodus 12 - Aghavea Church
Wednesday 12th April - Psalm 22 - Brookeborough Methodist

Thursday 13th April - Genesis 22 - Aghavea Church
Good Friday 14th April - Isaiah 53 - Brookeborough Methodist

Services begin at 8pm each evening.

Easter Celebrations

Every Sunday we celebrate that the Lord Jesus is alive, but we especially celebrate on Easter Sunday. This year it falls on 16th April, when we'll hold our outdoor Dawn Service at 6.30am, followed by breakfast in the Church Hall. At 11am we'll have our Easter Family Celebration. We'd love to welcome you to either or both our special services on Easter Sunday.

Easter Vestry

Each year the church family elects and appoints people to important roles in the life of the congregation; Churchwardens, Glebewardens and the Select Vestry. Every three years we also elect members of Diocesan Synod and Parochial Nominators. This year, we have these triennial elections as well as the annual elections. Our Easter Vestry will be held on Wednesday, 19th April at 8pm in the Church Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend, although only those on the Register of Vestrymen can vote.

Revive Cafe Church

Revive returns on Sunday, 9th April at 7pm, hosted by SNATCH for a special Palm Sunday Praise cafe-style church event. Our speaker will be Mr Simon Henry, the National Youth Officer for the Church of Ireland Youth Department.

Sunday School

Sunday School meets at 11am, 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.

Bowling Club

Congratulations to Aghavea Bowling Club! They had an unbeaten run in their league matches this year, winning Section D of the Fermanagh Churches League. The League Play-Off was held at Monea on Thursday 9th March. Aghavea managed to beat neighbours Colebrooke in the semi-final, before losing to Rossorry in the final. The Bowling Club AGM was held on Monday 27th March, bringing the season to a close. Bowls will begin again in September - further details will be made available in due course.

GFS

GFS will close for the summer break on Wednesday, 5th April. Members are reminded of Children's Day on

Sunday, 18th June, when GFS prizes and awards will be distributed. GFS will begin again in September - watch this space for further details. Thank you to leaders Sharon, Nuala, Joanne, and all who help throughout the year.

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. In April we're meeting on Sunday, 2nd at 7pm in Aghavea Hall. Preparations are underway for our Palm Sunday Praise at the Revive cafe-style church on Sunday, 9th April. New members are very welcome - registration forms can be filled in by parents on arrival.

Mothers' Union

Aghavea MU was pleased to welcome Ruth Keys to our March meeting. Ruth shared about the important work of Marie Curie nursing. New members are always welcome. More information can be obtained from the Branch Leader Valerie Crawford, Secretary Winnie Elliott, or Treasurer Helen Rutledge.

Bible Study

Having read through the Bible in 2016, we're doing it again this year. The Bible study group have decided to use a different plan, which can be found at www.jointhebibleproject.com There's a smartphone app, which gives you the daily readings and videos to help you understand - search for 'Read Scripture' in the app store.

The Bible Study meets in the rectory. You're very welcome to join with us as we discuss what we've been reading, bringing encouragement and questions as we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus.

Football

Everyone is welcome to join us on Thursday evenings from 9pm at the Maguiresbridge 3G pitch. For more information, speak to Alan Johnston.

From the Registers

Marriage

4th March David Hunter and Jill Parsons

Funeral

23rd February Charlotte Alice (Lottie) Reynolds, Claraghy, Brookeborough

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Blayne Cartwright, Bowling Club Captain with the cup for winning Section D of the league ▶

Ballybay



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Revd James Stevenson

Revd James has been attending Christ Church, Ballybay for some time now, having come to reside at Meadowview, Ballybay beside the original Rectory on the Clones Road. Rev James is a Trinity and Cambridge Graduate and his last parish before retirement was in Manorhamilton in Leitrim.

Similarly to me, Revd James spent some of his ministry in the Church of England, so he comes with a wealth of experience after 42 years in Holy Orders. He has also offered to help out where needed and so we look forward to having his assistance in our Group of Parishes.

Youth Club

The youth club will meet on Saturday, 29th April, which will be our last one for the year which is always a special event to round off the year. Youth Club takes place in Christ Church Hall, Ballybay and is from 6-7pm. Everyone very welcome!

Ballybay News

Holy Week

On Wednesday, 12th April during Holy Week at 8pm in Clontibret Church Hall, Dillon Duffy will speak about his trip to the Somme last year with the Diocese.

On Maundy Thursday, there will be a Holy Communion Service in Clontibret Parish Church at 8pm.

At 11am on Good Friday, there will be a special All Age Good Friday Service in Ballybay Church Hall, where we will make the Easter Garden with a variety of materials and there will be refreshments with Hot Cross Buns etc. Everyone welcome!

Mad Hatter Tea Party and Cake Sale

This is a joint fundraiser for Alice Crawford who is returning to India this summer to undertake voluntary work with children and also Christ Church Parish. We are hosting the Mad Hatter Tea Party and Cake Sale in Springfield, Ballybay on Saturday, 8th April between 10:30 am and 4pm to raise funds for the community in Northern India where she Alice will be working and also to raise much needed funds for the church after the huge restoration. Come along with a friend and enjoy a tea or coffee with homemade cakes and treats and maybe buy a cake or two! Everybody very Welcome!

Confirmation

We pray for Teyiana Pratt-Clarke, Isaiah Dixon, Joshua Dixon, Adam Steele, Blake Lee and Freya Lee who will be confirmed on 14th May in St Colman's, Clontibret by the Bishop of Clogher.

Illness

We pray for Mrs Susan McGregor who is now in St Joseph's Nursing Home in Ballybay after a very long spell in Cavan Hospital. We send our good wishes also to Ashmore Gray who was hospitalised recently but is now thankfully back home again.

Clontibret News

Floral Demonstration

The brighter and longer days are very welcome and as our thoughts turn to the gardens we pre-empt the season with our floral demonstration by Mrs Anna Hughes, Floral Style, Dublin Street, Monaghan, in the church hall on Thursday, 6th April at 8pm. Last year the hall was filled to capacity and everyone enjoyed seeing the various arrangements being created and the tea and light supper. Tickets are available €10.

Easter Vestry

Our Easter Vestry meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11th April at 8pm.

Confirmation

Eleven children from the Group will be confirmed by The Rt Revd John McDowell on 14th May and three of these will be from Clontibret Parish – Emily Dickson, Chantelle Tate and Amelia Tate. We pray for them at this important milestone in their Christian journey and trust that God will guide them and that they will know his presence in the important decisions they will have to make in the years ahead.

Family Fun Day

Plans are well advanced for our attendance at the Mothers Union Family Day to be held on Saturday, 17th June from 12 noon to 4pm. All we need is good weather.

Thoughts and Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with all who are unwell and not able to be with us each Sunday, in particular Esther Dunne and Jim and Robert Graham who are in care. We remember too those awaiting surgery and trust that they will soon get that much anticipated telephone call.

Muckno News

Easter Vestry

The Easter Vestry meeting will be held on Tuesday, 4th April at 8pm in the Church Hall.

Confirmation

We pray for McKenzie O'Connor and Lucy Lawson-Smith who will be confirmed on 14th May in St Colman's, Clontibret.

Mothers Union

The Women's World Day of Prayer was held on Friday the 3rd of March at 8pm in Muckno Church Hall. A good crowd turned out on the evening and it was a very affirming experience for all those present. Our next event is during Holy Week on Wednesday the 12th of April at 8pm in Clontibret Church Hall, where Dillon Duffy will come and speak to us about his trip to the Somme last year with the Diocese.

Remembering in our prayers

We continue to pray for Eddie Robinson and Ian Collie.

CARRICKMACROSS, MAGHERACLOONE and ARDRAGH

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Service

Carrickmacross

10.30 am Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays
10.30 am Morning Prayer 1st and 3rd Sundays
Magheraclone: 12 noon. Holy Communion 1st Sunday
12 noon. Morning Prayer 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays

Ardragh

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

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

As of now we are making our way through Lent but when this issue of the magazine appears Holy Week will be almost upon us. The holiest week of the year, yet how few Christians celebrate it! But before that we celebrate Palm Sunday, when the people welcomed Jesus as a King, yet he wept at how quickly their love would go cold. On Maundy Thursday, by his impending death he sealed us into a covenant with God and with each other, affirmed by a common meal. We have a visible sign of his perpetual presence with us in the form of bread and wine.

After the solemn 40 days of Lent come the joyful 40 days of Easter, after which we are assured that the resurrection of Jesus is the seal on God's promise to give eternal life to everyone who believes. Happy Easter !

Holy Week and Easter Services

Wednesday, 12th April, 8 pm Magheraclone
Maundy Thursday, 13th April, 8 pm Carrickmacross
Good Friday, 14th April, 7 pm Ardragh
8pm Carrickmacross
Holy Saturday, 15th April, 8pm Magheraclone
Easter Sunday, 16th April, 9am Ardragh
10.30 am Carrickmacross

Institution of New Rector

The parishioners of the grouped parishes of Carrickmacross, Magheraclone and Ardragh are looking forward to the arrival of the new rector for this group. The Reverend Colin McConaghie is at present curate assistant in the Dunboyne group of Parishes in the Diocese of Meath. The Institution Service by the Bishop of Clogher is on Friday 28th April at 7.30 pm, in St. Finbarr's Church, Carrickmacross.

Bereavement

It is with regret that we mark the death of Patricia Ward, from Plas Fionn Barra, Carrickmacross. Her husband Tom was for some time the Fas employee in the parish.

Patricia was a native of Wales. She was a pleasant and courteous woman who suffered from much ill health for a long time. We offer our sympathy to Tom and to the extended family.

Her funeral was in Lakeland Crematorium, Cavan.

Carrickmacross Group welcome new rector this month



The Carrickmacross Group of Parishes welcome a new rector later this month.

He is The Revd Colin McConaghie who is currently serving as Curate-Assistant in the Dunboyne Group of Parishes in the United Dioceses of Meath and Kildare. His institution takes place in Carrickmacross on Friday, 28th April at 7.30pm.

Revd McConaghie(41) is originally from Lurgan in Co Armagh, with Shankill, Lurgan being his home parish. He has three girls; 12-year-old twins Madison and Siena and Ava(6) from a previous marriage. Apart from 28th April, Revd McConaghie has another important date on 29th May when he gets married to Janice Boyland following his proposal on Christmas Eve. Janice's great uncle, Henry Boyland was Rector of Carrickmacross in the 90's.

Prior to his ordination, he worked for Craigavon Borough Council for many years, latterly at Oxford Island Nature Reserve where he was in charge of educational visits and events with event management being his background. Revd McConaghie was ordained Deacon in 2011 and served in his year as Deacon Intern in Seagoe Parish, Portadown in the Diocese of Down and Dromore. He was appointed Curate to Drumglass Parish, Dungannon in the Armagh Diocese in 2012 before moving to become Curate in Dunboyne and Rathmolyon Group of Parishes in Meath and Kildare Diocese in 2014. He said; "My passion in ministry would include prayer, building of relationships in church and community, children's and youth ministry, social outreach and pastoral.

"My interests outside of church revolve around spending time with Janice and my three girls as well as our dog Alfie. I am also mad about sport being a season ticket holder for Ulster Rugby and avidly following Glenavon FC in the Irish League. I also enjoy running(when injuries allow) having completed two marathons and a number of half marathons...really must get back to it!"

Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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Service

Sunday 9th April, Palm Sunday

10:00 am M.P. Mullaghduin
11:30 am M.P. Cleenish

Wednesday 12th April

10:00 am Monthly Healing Service & H.C., Mullaghduin
Parish Hall

Thursday 13th April, Maundy Thursday

08:00 pm H.C. Mullaghduin

Friday 14th April, Good Friday

08:00 pm Evening Service, Cleenish

Sunday 16th April, Easter Sunday

6:00 am Sun Rise Service & Breakfast, Cleenish Centre
08:00 am H.C. Cleenish
9:30 am H.C. Mullaghduin
11:00 am H.C. Cleenish

Sunday 23rd April

10:00 am M.P. Mullaghduin
11:30 am M.P. Cleenish

Sunday 30th April

10:00 am M.P. Mullaghduin
11:30 am M.P. Cleenish

Sunday 7th May

10:00 am H.C. Mullaghduin
11:30 am H.C. Cleenish
Please see local Services Sheet in Church for up to date
changes, which may occur from time to time

Dates for your Diary

Friday 14th April, Good Friday
Sunday 16th April, Easter Sunday Sunrise Service,
Cleenish Centre
Tuesday 18th April, Easter Tuesday, Mullaghduin Flute Band
Annual Concert, Granshagh Hall.
Friday 30th June, Mullaghduin Parish Barbecue,
Mullaghduin Parish Hall.

General Easter Vestries

The confirmed dates to be announced in Church

Monthly Healing Service

The next Monthly Healing Service takes place in
Mullaghduin Parochial Hall on Wednesday 12th April. 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.

Special Service in Mullaghduin

The Parish of Mullaghduin was originally established as
a rural curacy out of the greater Parish of Cleenish in

1817, and a Church was constructed on the present site.
A special Service was held in the Church on Sunday
morning 19th March, to commemorate this Anniversary.
Details next issue.

Morning Service with Kings Chorale



Kings Chorale Choir

On Sunday morning 19th February, 42 members from
the Kings Chorale choir based in East Belfast & North
Down, performed in a very professional manner in
Cleenish Church. Revd Mark Spratt conducted both
the Choir and the Service. The Choir sang six items,
accompanied by both piano and organ. Individual
members also read prayers and scripture readings. After
the Service a light lunch was provided by the ladies of
the Parish in the Parish Hall. CD's are available from
Ruby Arnold, Tel 6634 9886

Cleenish & Mullaghduin Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union members met on Friday 21st February in
Cleenish Parish Hall, when the evening was co-ordinated
by young members within the Branch.



M.U., members with Fairtrade Products

Caroline Watterson introduced the subject, Ruth Cutler
read from James 2 vs 14-17, Barbara Smyth led in prayers
for our theme, and Ruth Nixon shared her experiences as
she researched where Fairtrade products were available.
(see photo 2) Tea and coffee was served with a delicious
Banoffee pie, Banana bread baked with bananas.
Chocolate items such as KitKat bars, Dairy Milk chocolate,
and Ginger biscuits all bearing the trademark Fairtrade.
During supper members participated in a Fairtrade
Forthnight Quiz, which created great banter where
everyone was a winner as the Branch Leader read out the
answers printed on the back of the Quiz sheet.

The evening concluded with the usual business of the meeting. The Clogher Diocesan Trustees Mothers' Union Commissioning Service to provide hospitality, took place on Sunday 26th February in Cleenish Church. Nine members were commissioned to new roles on the Board by Bishop McDowell.

Amongst those commissioned was Branch leader Lettie Coulter as Social Policy Representative for the North of the Diocese. (see photo 3) Following the service afternoon Tea was served to sixty members including President Irene Boyd, Bishop McDowell and Canon G Bridle. The Mothers' Union President thanked outgoing members of the Board, which included Cleenish Branch member Margaret Crawford for many years of dedication and service to Mothers' Union, with her various roles within the Diocese and All Ireland. Members remained busy as they hosted the Womens' World Day of Prayer in Mullaghduin Church on Friday 3rd March. The Service was led by Rosita Bridle using the booklet prepared by the women of the Philippines entitled "AM I BEING UNFAIR TO YOU?". Organist Elizabeth Hazlett and Choir led the Service in song, soloist Ruth Hazlett sang "Come and join the circle", as the Service commenced. Geraldine Beattie, Vice President of Fundraising and Communications, on the Mothers' Union Trustee Board gave the address. Supper was served in Mullaghduin Hall following the Service.



Canon Bridle, Lettie and Bishop

Cleenish Brownies are at present making various items for Mothers' Day, and will be off for a two week break during the Easter period.



Mothers and Toddlers Anniversary

Parent and Toddler Group The Group celebrated their 10th Anniversary with tea and cutting the cake in Cleenish Parish Hall, on Tuesday 7th March. The Group remains very successful, with sometimes up to forty children in attendance. Many thanks are again due to the limited number of volunteers who turn up week after week, and assist with the smooth running of each event. Rosita Bridle, Group Leader, spoke during the tea, and reiterated her appreciation to all present.



Mothers' Union members reached out to the Community, and assisted the Group celebrate their 10th Anniversary in Cleenish Hall on Saturday 4th March, with an open invitation to past and existing members and parents to attend afternoon activities, and of course a cup of tea in the Hall.

Cleenish Parish Supper Dance

The magnificent total of £4250, was raised at the above occasion. Thanks again are due to all who volunteered, and assisted in any way.

Dromore & District Male Voice Choir

The above Choir, featured in Mullaghduin Parish Hall, on Friday evening 31st March. Details in next edition.

Mullaghduin Parish Barbecue

This event will be held on Friday 30th June, at the Parish Hall. We look forward to an evening of good food, good music and good company. The music will be provided by "Panache", who were formed in 1992 by Alan Crawford, a highly gifted musician and vocalist, who plays eleven different instruments.

Illness

Please remember in our prayers, those from both Parishes who are ill during this Easter time, let it be at Home, in Hospital, or in a Nursing Home.

Obituary

John Masterson

The Funeral Service for John Masterson took place in Cleenish Church, on Tuesday 21st February. It was conducted by Dean Hall, as John resided in Enniskillen, He was laid to rest in the adjoining graveyard. Deepest sympathy is expressed to his wife Esther, and the entire family circle.

Cleenish Centre

The Centre is an inter-denominational Christian retreat overlooking Lough Erne. It has recently been busy with bookings at weekends. You are welcome to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, at our Easter morning Sunrise Service in the Courtyard at 6am. Our speaker this year will be Mr Sam Balmer from Fermanagh Christian Fellowship. This will be followed by a light breakfast in the Devenish Room, where we can all enjoy fellowship together. To hire the Centre, or if you feel that you are called to serve in any way, please make contact by e.mail: enquiries@cleenishcentre.com or telephone 02866349647. You may also view the Cleenish Centre website.

The Centre which can accommodate Groups has many attractions including accommodation for over sixty personnel, a large and spacious Conference Hall, nearby Courtyard suitable for Barbecues, and a grassed area including a football pitch. The nearby village of Bellanaleck has facilities such as game and course fishing lakes, loughshore paths suitable for running or walking, the vast River Erne suitable for boating or canoeing. A "Multi Unit Games Area" with a special playing surface and enclosed fencing, was constructed by F & ODC last year. The beautiful and mature Community Garden is most suitable for those interested in nature, and has suitable bench seats for outdoor studies or sketching. Groups will be made very welcome in Cleenish Church, which holds Morning Prayer every Sunday, and the nearby Parish Hall is available on request.

Bellanaleck Community Group

The Community Group held their usual monthly meeting on Wednesday 22nd February. The Chairman reported, that the Secretary and himself had previously attended a Blueway Scheme meeting in Waterways Ireland, where a bid was put in of seven items for improvement within the Village compound. However both representatives accepted this was ambitious thus enabling to achieve a lesser number. It was agreed to purchase some wildflower bulbs for the Community Garden. A bid had also been made for extra hours to assist the Village Orderly, as her workload had greatly increased. The local Council Representative is to request FODC to write to Bus Eireann. to maintain the Donegal to Cavan/Dublin bus service, which is a vital link to and from the village. Group details & updates can be attained from Sec, Owen Wilson: e mail owenjwilson@btinternet.co.uk Next monthly meeting, Wednesday 26th April

Christian Burial

Cleenish Parish Church
 Tuesday 21st February 2017
 John Redmond Masterson, 139 Derrin Road, Enniskillen
 Aged 80 years.

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Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to our Sunday School superintendent, Mrs Tracey Smyth on the sudden death of her mother, Mrs. Charlotte Boyd recently and also her aunt, Mrs. Edith Watters. We extend sympathy to her father Eddie, brothers Len, Mark and Daniel and the family circle.

Praise Evening

Thank you to all our artists who took part in the Praise Evening and to everyone who supported the event. The proceeds were towards the Rectory Repair Fund and raised around £1500.

Sale of Firewood

Quite a number of large and smaller bags of firewood have been sold for the Rectory repair fund. To date this has raised £1789. Anyone wishing to purchase firewood, please contact Mr. William Fannin.

Clogher Date for your diaries

Friday, 24th November 2017 - Kenny Archer and Friends Gospel Concert in Clogher Cathedral.

Mothers' Union

Clogher Cathedral hosted the Women's World Day of Prayer Service which this year was compiled by the women of the Philippines and concentrated on the problems they are currently experiencing. The visual aids on display focused the attention of the audience on these problems and spiritual solutions. The worship was led by Mrs Iris Moffett and readers from the local churches took part. An inspiring address was given by the Revd Elizabeth Stevenson from St Anne's, Dungannon. The organist was Mrs Sylvia McClung and refreshments were served at the end of the service. The members learned of the work of Women's Aid at the February meeting when their representative spoke about the problems of abuse and the role of the Centre in working with the PSNI, Social Services and other agencies to provide advice, help and accommodation. A vote of thanks was proposed by the Treasurer, Mrs Diane Domer who also handed over a gift in appreciation. During

the business meeting, the Branch Leader, Mrs Moffett welcomed new Secretary, Ann Graham and thanked Hilary Keys for all her work for the past three years as Secretary of the Branch.

The March meeting followed the Lent Service in St Mark's Parish Church, Augher when the speaker was Alice Gervais about her trip to Uganda.

On 19th April 2017 we are pleased to welcome Mrs Thelma Loane, a guide at the Ulster-American Folk Park in Omagh.

Holy Week and Easter Sunday

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday – St. Macartan's Cathedral at 8 pm Easter Sunday – Holy Communion at Usual Service times in each Church.

Annual Easter Vestries

Clogher - Monday 24th April - Clogher 8 pm
 Errigal Portclare – 7-30 pm Tuesday 25th April
 Augher – 8-30 p.m Tuesday 25th April
 Newtownsaville 8-30 pm Thursday 20th April.

Death and Resurrection

As you read these notes we are preparing for Holy Week and Easter. This is the most important week in the Christian Calendar. We reflect on the events of our Lord's last week before his suffering and death on the cross on Good Friday leading on to his Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The Cross and Resurrection are at the centre of the Christian faith. Paul in 1st Corinthians chapter 15 reminds us "that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the scriptures" (v3,4)

Jesus suffering, death and Resurrection were all according to the scriptures.

Some doubted Jesus resurrection and still do. We need to accept and believe this basic truth to provide us with certainty and hope for an eternal life and future.

"How can some say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our Preaching is useless and so is your faith" (v12-14).

Christ died in our place and on our behalf for our sins. Only his death could satisfy God's anger for our sins. He rose again defeating both sin and death. When we admit our sins believe Christ can forgive them, then confess them, we are declared forgiven and receive God's free gift of eternal life. "Thanks be to God! He gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (v57).

Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss

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Services

2nd April

Clones: 10.00am: Morning Prayer

Newbliss: 11.30am: Morning Prayer

9th April

Currin: 11.00am: Palm Sunday, Joint Service

13th April

Clones: 8.00pm: Maundy Thursday, Holy Communion

14th April

Newbliss: 8.00pm: Good Friday

16th April

Killeevan: 11.00am: Easter Sunday. Holy Communion and Baptism Joint Service. Afterwards an Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

23rd April

Currin: 9.45am Morning Prayer (note Service time)

Killeevan: 11.30 Morning Prayer

30th April

Clones: 10.00am. Morning Prayer.

Newbliss: 11.30. Morning Prayer.

The Bible Study Group

The group will meet at 8pm in the home of Roy and Etta Crowe. The Theme: "The call to serve God". We will explore how people in the Bible heard and responded to the call of God. Meetings will be held on Monday evenings 8pm to 9.30pm.

March 20th

A warm welcome to all – anyone can come.

Illness

We remember those who are ill in hospital, and especially those of our Parish who are undergoing treatment at present.

Vacancy Cover

During the Vacancy, the Revd Alan Capper, Rural Dean is in charge and the Rev. Lorraine Capper is providing pastoral care. You can contact Rev. Lorraine Capper Tel: 048 677 22413 Email: lorraine.capper@googlemail.com

Congratulations

Congratulations to Colin and Victoria Stronge on the birth of their son `Fionn Josef Peter Stronge` in Monyash, Derbyshire.

Congratulations to Mr Ian Hall of Currin Parish who has recorded an album of songs, dedication and hard work has paid off. We wish him well in the future. The CD is to be launched on Saturday, 18th April in Flemings Store, Monaghan.

Easter Vestry Meetings

Currin: Tuesday, 21st March at 8pm in the Rectory.
 Clones: Wednesday, 29th March at 8pm in the Protestant Hall.
 Killeevan: Wednesday, 5th April at 8pm in the Church Hall.
 Newbliss: Wednesday, 26th April at 8pm in the Market House.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Mrs F. Faulkner and family on the death of her brother-in-law Matt Brown. Killeevan Parishioners express their sincere sympathy to Canon Edwy Kille on the sudden death of his wife Angela. Canon Kille ministered in Killeevan for six years. His wife was laid to rest in the church grounds on Friday, 10th March.

Missionary Sale



Killeevan Missionary Sale will be held on Saturday, 29th April at 11am. A warm invitation is extended to all.

Killeevan Mother`s Union

Killeevan Mother`s Union had a very informative evening with Val Irvine on Thursday, 9th March. Val runs a food bank in Lisnaskea called "The Pantry" and she made us aware of the great need for food and clothing for homeless people and others who find it hard to make ends meet. Many thanks to the ladies who brought gifts of food to support "The Pantry". Killeevan Mother`s Union meeting on Thursday, 23rd March had the speaker, Patricia Sloan (nee Kennedy), a behavioural therapist.

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Services

- 2nd April Holy Communion, 11.30am
- 9th April Family Service, 11.30am
- 13th April Maundy Thursday, Holy Communion, 8.00pm
- 14th April Good Friday, 8.00pm
- 16th April Easter Sunday Holy Communion, 11.30am
- 23rd April Morning Prayer, 11.30am
- 30th April Morning Prayer, 11.30am
- 7th May Holy Communion, 11.30am
- 14th May Family Service, 11.30am
- 21st May Morning Prayer, 11.30am
- 28th May Morning Prayer, 11.30am

Easter General Vestry

Parishioners are reminded of the Easter General Vestry, which will take place on Wednesday, 5th April 2017 at 8pm in the Parish Hall. Parishioners are encouraged to be present for the presentation of church accounts, election of Select Vestry for 2017/18. As this, is a triennial year, it will include the election of synod members and parochial nominators remembering that only those who are registered vestry persons are entitled to vote.

Junior CE

The junior members of CE enjoyed a pancake fun night in the parish hall with games and other activities before enjoying pancakes with a range of different toppings. Thanks to Derek Evans for the pancakes and to the leaders for arranging the games. The support of parents and their encouragement helps the leaders to deliver a full programme for the children each Friday night.

Youth Fellowship Group

Members and leaders enjoyed a night of fun, food and worship in Derryvullen North Parish Church, Irvinestown hosted by Comet and arranged through CYDC as part of the Xplore programme. Monthly and weekly groups continue to meet regularly in the Parish Hall. For dates and times, please check weekly notices for any changes or additions.

Dates for your diary

- Saturday, 27th May 2017 - Parish Auction
- Sunday, 4th June 2017 – Confirmation Service
- Saturday, 22nd July 2017 – Parish barbecue
- Monday, 31st July – 4th August 2017 – Holiday Bible Club
- Friday, 6th - Sunday 8th October 2017 – Harvest weekend

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.

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Services

Sun 2nd April

Castle Archdale Holy Communion 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am

Wed 5th April

Derryvullen North Lenten Service 7.30pm

Palm Sunday Sun 9th April

Derryvullen North Family Service 10.30am
Castle Archdale 11.45am

Fri 14th April Good Friday

Derryvullen North 7.30pm

Easter Day Sun 16th April

Castle Archdale Holy Communion 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am

Sun 23rd April

Castle Archdale Morning Prayer 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am

Sun 30th April

Castle Archdale Morning Prayer 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am

Sun 7th May

Castle Archdale Holy Communion 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am

Diary Dates

1st April Mothers' Union Prayer Walk in Enniskillen at 10.30am
11th April Tuesday Club Holy Communion at 2.30pm
Faith & Friendship in Mahon's Hotel at 8.00pm
19th April Women's Group at 8.30pm
26th April Mothers' Union at 8.00pm. Visitors Night –
Speaker Gareth Rooney – from Mission Aviation Fellowship

Easter Vestries

Castle Archdale – 4th April at 7.30pm
Derryvullen North – 24th April at 7.30pm

Tuesday Club

The Tuesday Club met on 14th February – the speaker being Miss Catherine Little, General Secretary of Bible Society of Northern Ireland. Catherine gave a very interesting PowerPoint presentation on the work of the Bible Society in many parts of the world.

Family Fun Night

There was a good attendance at the Family Fun Night on Saturday, 18th February organised by the Women's Group. Thanks to Matthew who provided the entertainment and to Lorna and Caroline and their team who helped provide food and refreshments.

Comet

Comet Youth Group hosted the 'Xplore' event on Saturday, 4th March 2017 in the Church Hall. We were very pleased to welcome 50+ young people and their leaders from the Diocese – Colaghty, Kesh and Aghavea were represented. Jonny Phenix and Gillian Anderson were there to set the scene and introduce the evening's programme. We all enjoyed lively energetic social games led by Mr Jason Kilfedder. Our worship was led by the Ebenezer Praise Band and Rev Alan Irwin from Colaghty gave us a short talk on the theme 'Patience and Faithfulness'. Finally we all enjoyed a hot supper supplied by Mahon's Hotel.

A big thank you to all those who helped to organise this very successful event.

Mothers' Union

Wednesday 22nd February – A very interesting and informative meeting was addressed by Mickey from the Fire & Safety Unit from Enniskillen.

The next meeting took place on Wednesday, 22nd March following the Lenten Service with the speaker, Mrs. Valerie McMorris, Co-ordinator of the Diocesan Faith & Policy Unit. Members were reminded of the Prayer Walk taking place in Enniskillen on Saturday, 1st April at 10.30am and led by Mrs Jacqui Armstrong, All Ireland Faith & Policy Unit.

Women's World Day of Prayer

The Women's World Day of Prayer was held on Friday, 3rd March in the Methodist church and was well attended. We are indebted to Mrs Margaret Gormley who served 48 years as Secretary for our local group. She is succeeded by Mrs Carol Clarke to whom we are very grateful for agreeing to take on the role.

Baptism

Derryvullen North – Sunday 12th March 2017

Mabel Patricia daughter of Gary & Elaine

Christian Burial

Derryvullen North – 6th March 2017

William James Johnston late of Burfits Hill, Irvinestown. Interment in Irvinestown Old Graveyard

Prayers

We remember in prayer those who are ill in hospital, nursing home or at home and those in our parishes who have been bereaved. May the God of all comfort be a reality to each one.



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Calendar

9th April

10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary

14th April

7.30 Evening Prayer Garvary
(Good Friday) 8.30 Evening Prayer Derryvullen South

16th April (Easter Day)

8.30 Holy Communion Garvary
10.30 Holy Communion Derryvullen South

23rd April

10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary

30th April

10.30 Morning Prayer Garvary
12.00 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

7th May 10.30 Holy Communion Garvary

12.00 Holy Communion Derryvullen South

Christian Burial

On Saturday 18th February 2017 the Funeral Service for Margaret Helen (Kathleen) Beacom, Cavancarragh, was held in the parish church of Holy Trinity, Garvary, followed by interment alongside her late husband Cecil at Tattygar graveyard, Lisbellaw. Two of her grandchildren, Louise and Mark, took part in the service. Margaret was born on 22nd November 1925 to James and Lavina Abraham of Currin, Ballinamallard. When Margaret was three years old her mother died and Margaret was brought up by her father and grandmother in Ballinamallard where she attended Primary School. After her marriage to Cecil at the age of eighteen they raised their family first of all at Derrykeegan Schoolhouse and then at Cavancarragh. A hardworking lady, she baked fresh bread every day and made and mended clothes alongside helping with the farming.

Margaret was a loyal member of Garvary parish church and particularly enjoyed the monthly meetings of the Mothers' Union for 37 years having been enrolled the same day as her daughter-in-law Freda. She was a great reader and loved watching the soaps on TV. She enjoyed the support of her five children, and took a great interest in each of her 12 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren. The past two years of her declining health were spent in Colorado Private Care Home run by her daughter, Eileen and grand-daughter Trudy. We express sympathy to her children, Eileen, Lewis, Richard, Tom, Lavina and the wider family circle.

On Wednesday, 1st March 2017 the Funeral Service for Joseph Jim Gordon, 10 Pinewood Avenue, Omagh, was held in St Columba's Parish Church, Omagh, followed by interment in Garvary churchyard, both conducted by the Revd Ian Linton. Jim was married to a member of the Douglas family, formerly of Ballydoolagh, and we extend our sympathy to members of the Gordon and Douglas families.

Bereavements

We express sympathy to all who are bereaved including Victoria Elliott (nee Wilson), Killyvilly, on the death of her grandmother, Mary Maguire, Lisnaskea; Robert Boles, Killyhevin, on the death of his cousin, Mervyn Lee, Coolnashanton; and Jean Noble, Mae Eames, Florence Edwards and Eileen Johnston on the death of their sister, Annie Graham, Fivemiletown.

Bowls

Another successful tournament by Garvary bowling club ended on Friday night, 3rd March 2017. Congratulations to the winners Ronnie and Gordon Stubbs; the runners up were Gary Bourke and Harold Nixon. There were 96 entries from a wide area including counties Antrim, Down and Monaghan.

Before distributing the prizes Chancellor Stewart expressed appreciation to Hilda for her hard work once again preparing for the tournament. He thanked Violet Vennard and Maud Shaw, members of Enniskillen Cathedral Bowling Club along with Evelyn Thompson and members of Garvary club for their help with a most enjoyable supper each evening. The help of the gentlemen was appreciated, as well as the umpiring by Sidney Parkinson. Thank you to the Select Vestry for the use of the hall.

Cards by Sonia

Mrs Sonia Trimble has once again produced cards for different occasions in aid of Garvary parish and other charities. The drawings are Sonia's own work and your support would be much appreciated.

CMS Ireland

Last month we welcomed Mrs Jenny Smyth, mission director of CMS Ireland. She was born in Uganda and had experience of being a missionary there where she met her husband, Brian. Again this year, both Sunday Schools are involved in the project focussing on a community project in Kenya. Derryvullen Sunday School are holding a Coffee Morning in the parish hall after the service on Palm Sunday, 9th April. Your support would be appreciated and everyone is welcome.

Details of Garvary Sunday School's fundraising event will be announced shortly. CMS also raise funds by means of second hand stamps so keep this in mind whenever you are throwing out your old envelopes!

Congratulations

Well done to Jonathan Wilson, Derryhillagh, who was recently awarded an MA in Natural Sciences by Cambridge University.

G.I.F.T.

An evening for the young people of both parishes is being arranged for Palm Sunday at 7pm.

It will begin at the parish church and then move to the parish hall. We look forward to an enjoyable evening of fun and fellowship, growing in faith together.

Lenten Services

Our midweek services are drawing to a close. The next service is on Wednesday, 5th April at 8.00pm in Derryvullen South Parish Church. The following Wednesday, 12th April at 8.00pm is the Holy Week service in Garvary. Everyone is welcome.

Clothes For Clobber

Miss Hilda Lucy has organised another collection of second hand clothes. The collection from Garvary Parish Hall will take place on Tuesday, 4th April 2017. The parish hall will be open the previous Saturday, 1st April at a time to be announced.

Sunday Schools

The recent Beetle Drive run by Garvary Sunday School in aid of their resources realised the sum of £105. Our thanks to all who helped plan the event which was much enjoyed by all who took part.

The Sunday Schools will be on holiday Easter Day and the following Sunday, returning on Sunday, 30th April.

Mothers' Union

Members are reminded about the Festival Service in Enniskillen Cathedral on Friday, 12th May 2017 when the speaker will be Mrs Lynne Temby, the Worldwide President.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Betty Little (Derryvullen) Elizabeth Kingston (Lisbellaw C of I) Sue Hogg (Speaker) , Myrtle Chambers (Lisbellaw Presbyterian)



Valerie Stewart (Leader), Sue Hogg and Rosemary Watts (organist)

On Friday 3rd March 2017, St Tighernach's Church, Derryvullen South, Tamlaght hosted the Women's World Day of Prayer Service at 8.00 pm. There was an excellent congregation considering the terrible weather conditions. The Service was prepared by the women of the Philippines. Ladies from Maguiresbridge C of Ireland, Lisbellaw Presbyterian, Lisbellaw Methodist, Lisbellaw C of I, Tempo and Clabby and the host parishes of Garvary and Derryvullen took part in the Service. The leader was Mrs Valerie Stewart. The speaker Mrs Sue Hogg, MBE, gave a most interesting and informative talk. Supper was served following the Service by the ladies of Derryvullen Parish.



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Services

Sunday 2nd April

10.00 am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church
 11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church
 7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 9th April

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church
 11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church
 7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

Monday 10th April

8.00pm Holy Week Service, Boho Parish Church

Thursday 13th April

8.00pm Holy Communion (Maundy Thursday), Devenish Parish Church

Friday 14th April

8.00pm Evening Service (Good Friday), Boho Parish Church

Sunday 16th April

10.00am Holy Communion (Easter Celebration), Boho Parish Church
 11.30am Holy Communion (Easter Celebration), Devenish Parish Church
 No Evening Service

Sunday 23rd April

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church
 11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church,
 7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 30th April

10.00am Family Service, Boho Parish Church
 11.30 Family Service, Devenish Parish Church
 7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.
 Lenten Services will continue each Wednesday night at 8.00pm, alternating between Devenish and Boho churches.

Mother's Union

Thirty six members and friends attended our annual dinner in the Killyhevlin Hotel on Tuesday, 21st February. Thank you to the Management and Staff of the Killyhelvin Hotel who served up a lovely meal and to Georgina, Wilma, Barbara and Melanie for their effort into making the evening such a success.

On Tuesday, 25th April we look forward to welcoming the Rev. Mandy Durrell, Minister of Derrygonnelly, Churchill and Springfield Methodist Churches, to speak at our meeting.

Boho Parish Flower Festival

Boho Parish Church is holding a Flower Festival in May to celebrate their 240th anniversary from 1777 to 2017.

'The Church in the Vale' is located high on the Fermanagh hills with beautiful views of the Fermanagh countryside.

The Flower Festival opens on Friday, 26th May from 2.00pm to 6.00pm. It continues on Saturday from 10.00am to 8.00pm and on Sunday from 2.00pm to 7.00pm. It concludes on Monday, 29th May from 10am to 6.00pm.

Coach parties and groups are welcome and tea and refreshments are available. Group catering by arrangement. Contact Hilary Redmond 02866341610.

Donacavey and Barr



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Services

Sunday 2nd April

Barr: 10.00am HC; Donacavey: 11.30am HC

Sunday 9th April, Palm Sunday

Barr: 10.00am MP; Donacavey: 11.30am MP;
 Donacavey: 8:00pm Good Friday

Sunday 16th April, Easter Sunday

Barr: 10.00am MP; Donacavey: 11.30am MP

Sunday 23rd April

Barr 10:00am MP; Donacavey: 11:30am MP

Sunday 30th April

Barr 10:00am Children's Service; Donacavey: 11:30am Children's Service

Sunday 7th May

Barr 10:00am HC; Donacavey 11:30am Confirmation Service with HC

Sunday 14th May

Barr: 10.00am MP; Donacavey: 11.30am MP

Sunday 21st May

Barr: 10.00am MP; Donacavey: 11.30am MP

Sunday 28th May

Barr 10:00am MP; Donacavey: 11:30am MP

Lenten Services

Each Wednesday until Holy Week. During Lent we are looking at various people Jesus met on the way to the cross.

Bible Study and Prayer Group

It has been very encouraging to have such a large group of people meet on Tuesday nights in the rectory for a time of Bible study, fellowship and prayer. These times have been marked by an openness of those present and a desire to learn more of God and his amazing plan for our lives.

Denamona School World Book Day



World Book Day at Denemona PS, Fintona

When I visited Denamona for school assembly I thought I had gone to the wrong place as I was met with characters such as Snow White, Harry Potter, Horrid Henry, Superman, Incredible Hulk and many others. It turned out I was in the right place and Denemona was celebrating World Book day with the children and teachers dressing up in fantastic costumes of their favourite characters. Well done to all the staff and children for such a colourful and imaginative display.

10.30am Donagh Parish Church – a combined family service for the three parishes.

The young people from the Sunday school, the junior choir and the young musicians will take part in the service. A Church Mouse lunch will be held in the church hall at 12.30. This has been organised by members of the Donagh Branch Mothers Union. Proceeds from this lunch will go to the Overseas Branch of Mothers' Union.

Girls Brigade Display

This took place on Tuesday, 21st March in the church Hall. Thanks to the Captain Margaret Dudgeon and the leaders for the encouragement given to the girls throughout the year.

Mothers' Union

The Branch meeting was held on 15th March in the Church Hall. The evening had an Irish theme with focus on Saint Patrick. Thanks to Dorothy and Eleanor for organising the delicious Irish Stew and Apple Tart. The Mothers' Union closing service will be held on 19th April in Tyholland Parish Church at 8.00pm.

Choir Practice

Choir practice for the Junior and Senior choir at the usual time each week.

Annual General Vestry

Meetings As Follows:

Donagh Parish Tuesday 28th March.

Errigal Truagh & Tyholland on Wednesday 29th March.

Prayers

We remember those in our group of parishes who are ill at this time.

Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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Services

2nd April The Fifth Sunday in Lent

10.30 am. Donagh Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

12.00 noon Tyholland Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

9th April The Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm Sunday)

10.30 am Donagh Parish Church – A service of Praise & reflections for Palm Sunday

12.00 noon Errigal Truagh Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

13th April Maundy Thursday – Holy Communion

8.00pm Tyholland Parish Church

14th April Good Friday

8.00pm. Donagh Parish Church – a Service of hymns, prayers and reflections for Good Friday.

16th April Easter Day The First Sunday of Easter

10.30 am Donagh Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

12.00 noon Tyholland Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

23rd April The Second Sunday of Easter

10.30 am Donagh Parish Church - Morning Prayer

12.00 noon Errigal Truagh Parish Church - Morning Prayer

30th April, The Third Sunday of Easter

“ALL TOGETHER SUNDAY”

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Services

2nd April

9.00am Holy Communion 2, “What is it you want?” (Matthew 20:17 – 34)

11.30am Family Service, E100, Week 12 – “Love of the Father” (Luke 15:11 – 32)

9th April

11.30am MP 2, E100, Week 13 – “Dead man walking” (John 11)

16th April

11.30am HC 2, “Who is it you are looking for?” (John 20:1 – 18)

23rd April

10.30am Family Service (with Rainbow Hope Puppets)

Followed by Easter Vestry in the Church while the children go through to the Hall for some

more fun and teaching through the Rainbow Hope Puppets. Lunch in the Hall afterwards.
7.30pm Praise & Ministry Service

30th April

11.30am MP 2, Preacher: Canon Walter Quill

Lenten Services in April

5th April

8.00pm Theme: 'Parable of the Serving Master', Luke 12:35 – 38

Holy Week Services @ 8pm.

(Location in brackets)

- 10th Apr Monday 'Who is Jesus?' (Holy Trinity)
- 11th Apr Tuesday 'Why did Jesus die?' (Holy Trinity)
- 12th Apr Wednesday 'The Worth of a Soul' with Franklin Graham (Togherdoo Methodist)
- (The powerful new MY HOPE Film. Three lives search for lasting value as their worlds crumble.)
- 13th Apr Maundy Thurs 'The Passover Lamb', Joint Holy Communion Service (Holy Trinity)
- 14th Apr Good Friday Joint Service (Togherdoo Methodist)

Two Cups

History has preserved for us two magnificent silver cups from the boggy marshes of Ireland. The first is known as the Gundestrup Cauldron and comes from a century or two before Christ, at the time when the Irish worshiped violent pagan gods. It is adorned with pictures of gods and warriors. One panel shows a gigantic cook-god holding squirming humans and dropping them into a vat of oil. These gods demand human sacrifice to appease their appetite. The second cup is called the Ardagh Chalice and comes from the seventh or eighth centuries after Christ, a time when the Irish had turned to Christianity. Like the first it is a work of magnificent craftsmanship, but the God it depicts is radically different. It has a simple but intricate patterning. But this is a cup of peace, designed to be used in communion. As the worshiper lifts it to their lips, they are reminded that this God does not demand human sacrifice, but instead sacrifices himself for us.

Source: reported in T Cahill, How the Irish Saved Civilisation (Hodder, 1995)

During Holy Communion we are reminded that Jesus was sacrificed for us in these words:

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us therefore let us celebrate the feast.

After Holy Communion we are reminded (through the prayer below) that while there is no other sacrifice to pay for sin, in thanksgiving we offer our bodies as living sacrifices – living and working for God, carrying on Jesus' work in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Annual Guest Tea, Tuesday 28th February



Canon Walter Quill singing Sharon's Rose

We had a great night of entertainment and fellowship at our Annual Guest Tea in the Orange Hall, Dromore. After tea and eats the programme of entertainment began and also ended with Robert Pearson, a Country Singer from Irvinestown, who is no stranger to the Guest Teas. Sandwiched in-between Robert were a few new acts. Canon Walter Quill sang a solo, told a few jokes, as well as singing a number of duets with his son, Andrew. Peter Bleakley, from Fivemiletown, played a number of familiar pieces on the Saxophone and the Strule River String Band, Omagh, entertained us with their music, singing and the odd joke thrown in.



Peter Bleakley on Saxophone

A big thank you to all those who organised the night, prepared and served the food and tea, set-up the chairs, kept an eye on the cars in the car parks and who helped in any way to make the night a great success. Almost £800 has been raised so far (when expenses are taken into consideration).



The Strule River String Band

Church Lad's Brigade



Victoria Jackson with Holy Trinity Dromore's CLB

CLB had a great night on 13th March as Victoria Jackson, Development Officer, visited to give out some certificates as well as teach the boys some new games and do a fun Bible lesson with them. The boys did a colourful keyring to help them remember the Gospel message and memory verse. The Chaplain, Rev Andrew, presented Victoria with a cheque for £500, from the parish, towards the ministry of CLCGB.



Victoria Jackson teaching the boys the Gospel message

Praise and Ministry Service, 23rd April at 7.30pm

This all-age service (on the 4th Sunday of the month) is more informal and may vary in format from month to month. Opportunity will be given within the service to receive prayer ministry for anything (including healing). Come along and enjoy a less liturgical style of worship, learn some of the new songs that the Church is being blessed with and grow in your passion for God, His Word and His Works. There will be tea and coffee afterwards.

Bible Study Groups

We are currently running two Bible Study Groups (an evening one, meeting on Tuesdays @ 8.15pm and a morning one, meeting on Wednesdays @ 10.30am). As we go through the E100, why not join us in learning together from God's Word. N.B. No Bible Study Groups during Holy Week.

Early Morning Prayer Meeting and Breakfast

We are meeting every Wednesday morning from 7am until about 7.40am to intercede for the world, our nation, the community, etc., in the knowledge that it is God and His power that we need at work in our lives and in the

many situations around the world. As He taught us, we pray His Kingdom in ('Your Kingdom come'). We have a small breakfast together afterwards.

Drumkeeran, Muckross and Templecarne



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2nd April

10.00 am Templecarne MP
11.30 am Drumkeeran HC
7.00pm Dernasesk

9th April

10.00 am Muckross HC
11.30 am Drumkeeran. Sunday School Palm Sunday service.

Holy Week

Wednesday 12th April

8.00 Templecarne EP

Thursday 13th April

8.00 Muckross HC

Good Friday 14th April

8.00 Drumkeeran. 'The Passion'

Easter Day

10.00 am Templecarne HC
1.30 am Drumkeeran HC

23rd April

10.00am Muckross HC
11.30 am Drumkeeran MP

30th April

10.00 am Templecarne HC
11.30 am Drumkeeran MP including Holy Baptism.
Sunday School resumes

Annual Easter Vestry

Dates to be arranged.

BB and GB Display. Pettigo BB, which is attended by many of the boys from the group of parishes held the Annual Display on Friday, 24th March. The GB is held its Display on Friday, 31st 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

There was a fair attendance at the Ash Wednesday service on 1st March, marking the beginning of Lent. It was good to have a group service with members of the three parishes taking part. And a good way to begin the season of Lent.

Open Doors – Fast Food Project

During Lent, Irene Boyd has organised weekly meetings in connection with this project which primarily is an outreach to persecuted Christians in different parts of the world and to assist with their needs. Thus far these meetings and food sharing in the Parochial Hall have been well supported. And a big 'Thank You' to Irene and to her helper Charlotte Mawhinney.

Hospitality

A number of ladies from the group of parishes attended the annual Women's World Day of Prayer service, this year held in Pettigo Methodist Church. And members of each of the three parishes in this group took an active part. The Reflection was given by Mrs Irene Boyd, organist and member of the Select Vestry of Drumkeeran Parish. An appreciation of the warm hospitality received. Next year it is intended to have the service for this area in Drumkeeran Church.

Annual Inspections

The Rural Dean carried out the annual inspection of the churches and the rectory in the group. A number of small items that require attention were listed and will be brought before the respective vestries at their next meeting.

General Synod

The meeting of the Church of Ireland General Synod will be held in Limerick on 4th, 5th and 6th May. Remember this annual Church of Ireland event in your prayers.

Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum



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Services

Sunday 2nd April - The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Aghabog 9.45 am MP
Rockcorry 11.00 am MP
Drum 12.15pm MP
Aghabog 3.00pm Service of Thanksgiving
Drumate LOL & RBP. for past members
Guest Preacher: Dean Raymond Ferguson.

Sunday 9th April – The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)

Aughnamullen 9.45am MP.
Dartrey 11.00am MP.

Friday 14th April – Good Friday

Drum 8.00pm – Joint service for the group.
The Passion of Christ according to St. Mark.

Sunday 16th April – Easter Day-

The First Sunday of Easter

Aghabog 9.45 am H.C.
Rockcorry 11.00 am H.C.
Drum 12.15pm H.C.

Sunday 23rd April - The Second Sunday of Easter

Aughnamullen 9.45am H.C.
Dartrey 11.00am H.C.

Sunday 30th April - The Third Sunday of Easter – Family Service

Aghabog 11.00am (One service only in the group)
Other Dates for the Diary during APRIL
Easter Vestries

Saturday 1st April

8pm, Aughnamullen.

Monday 3rd April

8pm, Drum.

Tuesday 4th April

8pm, Aghabog.

Lenten Study

Wednesday 5th April

Rockcorry 8pm in Sextons House
The final theme in the series of 'The cries from the cross'
Devotional thoughts on CD by Selwyn Hughes

Mothers Union

Thursday 20th April

Rockcorry 8pm
Closing service with H.C.

Institution

Friday 28th

7.30pm in Carrickmacross
Institution of Rev Colin Mc Conaghie.

Sunday 7th May

Service Of Healing, 7.30pm
Rockcorry Parish Church.
Guest Preacher: Rev Raymond Thompson.

Sunday 14th May

Drum Parish Church. 3.30pm
County Monaghan Orange service.
Guest Preacher: Mr Keith Brown (Diocesan Lay Reader)

Sunday 28th May

Aghabog 3.30pm
Orange Service with Evening Prayer.

Rockcorry/Dartrey

Confirmation

On the afternoon of Sunday, 12th March, Bishop John returned to Rockcorry for the Confirmation of Emma Brown, Chloe Reyburn, Graeme Wilkin and Samuel Donaldson. The church was filled to capacity with parishioners, friends and relatives who had come to support the four candidates on their special day. The bishop's address to the candidates and indeed to the whole congregation was much appreciated. The service was conducted by Rev Margaret and the flowers were provided by Margaret Wilkin and Audrey Dougan presided at the organ. Our grateful thanks to

all who helped to make it a special day in the life of the parish and the Confirmation candidates.

We wish Emma, Chloe, Graeme and Samuel every blessing as they commence their Christian journey as full members of the church.

Best Wishes

On Sunday 19th February, former parishioner, Jerome Phair, was commissioned as Diocesan Reader for work in Killaloe and Limerick diocese. The commissioning took place in the context of Evening Prayer in St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick. Jerome had worked hard to pass the required exams. We congratulate him and wish him well in this important work in his diocese's ministry.

Mother's Union

Linda Keating was the guest speaker at the February meeting. Linda is a psychiatric nurse and gave an excellent and very informative address on many aspects of mental health. There was a good turn-out of members and friends and a lovely supper was enjoyed by all after the meeting.

Lenten Study

The Lenten studies entitled "Cries from the cross" continue each Wednesday night in the Sexton's house 8pm.

Illness

We are delighted to see Keith Brown out and about again following back surgery. We continue to keep in our prayers all who are ill at home, in hospital and nursing homes and all who care for them.

Aghabog

We continue to remember in our prayers those who are unwell at present. We also give thanks to God for those who have been enjoying better health in recent weeks.

Aughnamullen

Easter Gift Day Service

Easter Gift Day Service will be held on Sunday, 23rd April at 9.45am.

Fundraising Event

A coffee morning will be held on Saturday, 20th May. More details later. All welcome.

Prayers

We continue to remember those in our prayers who are unwell or have been in hospital.

Easter

Almighty and eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ vanquished the power of sin and rose triumphant over death:
with your whole church in heaven and on earth we worship and adore you;
and we ask you so to raise us up with Christ in newness of life,
that we may serve you henceforth in the power and joy of the resurrection and glorify you for evermore. Amen

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Services

Sunday 2nd April – The Fifth Sunday in Lent

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

Wednesday 5th April

7.30pm – 8.00pm – Compline
Thursday 6th April
11.00am – Holy Communion
4.00pm – Messy Easter

Sunday 9th April – The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)

9.00am – Holy Communion
10.30am – Palm Sunday Procession
11.00am – Palm Sunday Service
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Monday 10th April

7.30pm – Holy Week Service

Tuesday 12th April

7.30pm – Holy Week Service

Wednesday 13th April

7.30pm – Holy Week Service
Maundy Thursday
11.00am – Holy Communion
7.30pm – Maundy Thursday Service

Good Friday

7.30pm – Service of Meditation

Sunday 16th April – Easter Day –

The First Sunday of Easter
9.00am – Holy Communion

11.00am – Holy Communion
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Thursday 20th April

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd April –The Second Sunday of Easter

9.00am – Holy Communion
11.00am – Morning Prayer
7.00pm – Holy Communion

Thursday 27th April

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 30th April –The Third Sunday of Easter

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

Christian Burial

10th March - Edith Georgina Watters,
24 Devenish Manor, Enniskillen.

14th March - Brenda Elizabeth Abraham,
7 The Limes, Enniskillen.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” Matthew 5:4

Easter Messy Church

Thursday 6th April 4.00-6.00pm

Lent, Holy Week and Easter

By the time these notes are published we will be well into the season of Lent, in our preparation for Holy Week and Easter. These are vital and important weeks in the Church’s year. Please use the time to prepare to remember again the saving life-giving work of our Lord. The extra mid-week services during Lent and in Holy Week afford us all an opportunity to come together for worship and reflection. Don’t let these opportunities pass you by and slip away unnoticed and make no impact on you and your journey of faith. Come and join us in a holy Lent, a devout Holy Week and a joyous Easter.

In Memory of Mrs Angel Nawn



Four months have passed since the cathedral community, and especially the choir family, lost a most supportive and dear friend, soprano and organist - Mrs Angel Nawn. Angel was a steadfast presence in the worshiping life of the cathedral for much of the past century. Not only was she a devoted member of the choir, she regularly

played the organ at services on Sunday evening and Thursday morning, and often deputised at the organ for the main morning service. She was always on hand to help with the musical arrangements for services, keen to uphold the familiar musical aspects of worship in the Anglican tradition, but she also encouraged the exploration of new material such as the singing of responsorial psalms and the introduction of the Thanks and Praise supplement to the Church Hymnal. Angel’s contribution to the life of St Macartin’s will be recognised

in perpetuity thanks to the generous contributions from family, friends and parishioners, who have responded to the kind request by Angel’s family that donations in lieu of flowers benefit the Cathedral Organ Fund, a fund which finances the ongoing maintenance of our fine Connacher Pipe Organ. When the organ was originally built, it included a stop called a Vox Céleste. This was subsequently removed during latter alterations to the instrument. In memory of Angel, a similar stop will be re-installed on the organ, one that is appropriately called a “Vox Angelica” which translates to Angels Voices. Upon installation, the stop will be dedicated in memory of Angel, along with a number of other enhancements to the organ, including the installation of a cymbelstern and improvements to some of the existing pipework.

Mothers’ Union

Our March visitors evening was held in Saddlers, Belmore Street with the theme, “Question Time” with guests. The Dean opened the meeting with prayer and extended a warm welcome to members and visitors. Margaret Owens was an able chairperson for the evening with a panel from Education - Adele Kerr, Security - Trevor Stevenson, Health - Hilary Campbell and from the clergy, Revd Chris MacBruithin. The panel answered in detail a number of questions that had been submitted by the members about their own professions. We had both an interesting and informative evening. Special thanks goes to Norman Coalter for the use of his premises and providing supper for over 50 people. Stephaine closed the meeting with the MU prayer. No branch meeting on 10th April as there is a Holy Week Service in Cathedral 7 30pm.

Tuesday Club

The Dean opened the February Tuesday Club meeting with a scripture reading and prayers, remembering those members who are unwell and those hospitalised. A warm welcome was extended to Doris Tracey who on the accordion led an afternoon of community singing with intervals of recitations. Light refreshments brought a very enjoyable afternoon to a close.

Meetings have been arranged for 28th March which is chair exercise with Lorna Mitchell and on 25th April when Yvonne Elliott will demonstrate her flower arranging skills. The organisers will be glad to welcome regular and hopefully new members. Transport can be arranged by contacting Eleanor Lynn on 6632 24603.

The Facilities

The cathedral hall is located in the heart of the Enniskillen Neighbourhood Renewal area and its attractive facade will contribute significantly to the streetscape in this important part of the town. The facilities include an attractive reception area with coffee bar, the refurbished main hall, a meeting room to be known as the ‘Devenish Room’, a much improved minor hall to be known as the ‘Enniskeen Room’, the cathedral office with a separate photocopier room, a quiet or prayer room to be known as ‘The Iona Room’, and an enlarged ‘Hilliard Room’ together with an adjoining store. A separate kitchen will serve this part of the building. A new range of toilets has been

provided. An integral part of the hall development programme has been the installation of a modern stainless steel kitchen which will enable a wide range of catering activities to be undertaken. St Macartin's Mothers' Union were successful in being offered grant aid for the kitchen equipment under the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council's Capital Grant Aid Scheme.

St Macartin's Cathedral Hall Re-opens



The completion of the 'Hall Together Now' project, which involved major renovation and extension of St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, opens up new and exciting opportunities for the Church of Ireland parish of Enniskillen, and also for the Clogher Diocese, and the wider community. The cathedral hall, which was built in the early 1960s, was one of the finest church halls in the country at that time. It has now been restored and developed to a very high standard and offers quality accommodation far in excess of what existed previously. What has been achieved would not have been possible without the financial support of the Northern Ireland Executive Office's Social Investment Fund.

Youth Accommodation

An additional floor has been created in the previous stage area. The first floor area, which will accommodate 60 people, is to be known as the Upper Room and is served by a concrete stairway and lift in order to meet disability needs. Stores and meeting room accommodation have been provided in the area under the 'Upper Room'.

Diocesan Resource Centre

In the lower car park area a suite of offices has been provided for the Church of Ireland Clogher Diocese. This will be a valuable resource centre for the entire diocese. The facilities include three offices, a meeting room, tea room and toilet facilities.

Valuable Resource

The entire building has been attractively decorated with serviceable floor coverings. New lighting and heating systems are energy efficient. The newly developed hall accommodation will be complemented by an extended car park which will be an extremely valuable resource in the town of Enniskillen. Traffic control barriers will be an integral part of the car park provision.

Professionalism

An extensive range of professional people have been involved in the design and build of the hall facilities. The original plans were the work of Robert Brown and these were subsequently developed by Tracey Architects of Londonderry when they were appointed to lead the design team under the Social Investment Fund arrangements. McKelvey Construction Ltd of Castlederg was appointed as the main contractor. All the work on the hall has been carried to a very high standard.

Outreach

The extensive new facilities will enable the Church of Ireland to facilitate increased community activities which will lead to social and community development and improvement in the conditions for the people of County Fermanagh. The objectives of the Social Investment Fund will be met through the outputs from the wide range of activities undertaken in the hall.

Confirmation

April is our last full month together before the Service of Confirmation on 14th May. Doesn't time fly! It will be extra important to attend all remaining sessions of preparation, as we get our portfolios ready and cover last topics before the big day itself.

Dates for your diary in April ...

Saturday 1st @ 7.30-9pm Diocesan Xplore Night.

Confirmation candidates are invited to join us at the Cathedral along with youth groups from around Clogher diocese. There will be some worship, teaching on 'Gentleness and Self-Control', creative prayer activities, and hot food to end. All young people in Years 9 and up are invited to attend.

Monday 3rd @ 6.30 Confirmation Class

Monday 10th No class (Holy Week)

Monday 18th No class (Easter Monday bank holiday)

Monday 24th @ 6.30 Confirmation Class

Please note also that there will be a Pre-Confirmation Service on Sunday, 7th May at 7pm in the Cathedral. All candidates must attend this service, and we hope to see parents and guardians, godparents and others there too.

Xplore

On Saturday, 1st April, it's the Cathedral's turn to host the young people of the Diocese at Xplore. As we continue reflecting on the fruit of the Spirit, the evening's theme will be gentleness and self-control. Revd Suzanne Cousins from the Moville Group of parishes in Inishowen, Donegal, will be our speaker. Come along for some fun and games, prayer and worship, all followed by hot food and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you in our newly refurbished Cathedral Halls!

Messy Easter

Next Messy Church on Thursday, 6th April 4-6pm. Watch our for updates on Pew News and The Messy Church Facebook page.

Cathedral Youth Club –

Saturday Night Live

Reopens on Saturday, 22nd April from 7pm to 9pm in the all new Cathedral Halls for Year 7 upwards.

Contact Ronnie at ronniecarson@hotmail.com or by text 07872900852.

Thy Kingdom Come 2017



The Archbishop of Canterbury is encouraging Christians of all denominations around the world to join in a focused time of prayer from Ascension (25 May) to Pentecost (4 June 2017) as part of the global prayer movement Thy Kingdom Come. Last year more than 100,000 people joined with the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to pray in the 10 days between Ascension

and Pentecost – a time when the church traditionally focuses on prayer. They encouraged everyone to join in a wave of prayer asking for the Holy Spirit to help them be witnesses to Jesus Christ and to pray for others to discover that living faith.

Archbishop Justin Welby says: “Jesus prayed at the Last Supper that we, those who follow him, might ‘be one that the world might believe’. We are invited to make a lasting difference in our nations and in our world, by responding to his call to find a deep unity of purpose in prayer.”

This year we are planning to join with other Christian communities throughout the world and pray for 10 days. We will be opening our new Iona Prayer Room in the Cathedral Hall between 9am and 9pm every day. There will be opportunities for:

- you to share in daily morning and evening prayer
- individuals to spend time in private prayer and reading God’s Word
- people to join together and pray for our children, education, government, and health services

Our prayer is that everyone within the Cathedral family will find the time to spend at least one hour in prayer during the 10 days. Please join with us as we pray to Our Father. . . .

Prayer

Almighty God,
 you have made us members of Christ and of his Church here in this Cathedral Parish of Enniskillen.
 May we as congregation reach upwards to your throne in worship and adoration; inwards to one another in understanding and fellowship; and outwards to the world in evangelism and social compassion.
 Make this Cathedral Parish like a city set on a hill whose light cannot be hidden, so that men and women may find Christ as the light of the world, and his Church as the family of the redeemed, and eternal life as the gift of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Services

Worship on Sunday

9.30am Church at Kiltermon

11am Church at St John’s

7pm Breathe a quieter time of worship and prayer: first Sunday of month.

Today I was a little bit shocked as I read the set reading from Jeremiah. Not known to sugar his words, Jeremiah speaks for the Lord, and warns about a man who turns his heart from the Lord. ‘He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it.’

I am interested, as I journey through Lent, in discipleship. That is, the following on after Jesus. But as Jeremiah warns, much as we might journey on, so too, it makes sense that we are at risk also of falling away, of becoming a wasteland to the Lord, of becoming deaf to what He might be saying. He adds, ‘I, the Lord, search the heart, to give each man what his conduct and his actions deserve.’ Lots also about blessing, trees with their roots in a stream, green foliage and bearing fruit.

Discipleship is about keeping going in life’s journey, following in the way of Jesus. But it is also good to be aware that we can fall away, become dull to Christ, distant from His words and His ways. Either a dry wasteland, or a well watered tree. Today’s Psalm, number one, carries the same theme.

Perhaps in the back of my thinking is a little phrase I read some weeks ago, where Jesus says ‘show yourselves to be my disciple.’ I am interested that my salvation though costly to Christ, is a free gift to me. However, I am responsible for my part in following. I am responsible to show myself to belong to Him. I am to live out my following, to take care that I journey on, that I don’t allow myself to drift away, to become complacent, to become one of the unfaithful servants of the parables.

I began Lent with good heart, determined to read through the gospel according to St Matthew, with a small reading group of men. As the days have passed and I begin to miss sugar, cake, buns, sweets etc., I also see the

road changing as my thoughts and prayers shift. I find myself increasingly in a Light which is looking at me, my responses, my following after. The challenge will be to stay in the Light, not to slip away from His loving gaze, to stop reading and praying. I am reminded of the words of Jesus, when he asks, 'What Father does not discipline His children?' The challenge this Lent will be to allow God to speak, to be willing to listen, and to journey on with Him. Fourteen days done, 20 something to go!

Diocesan Quiet Morning in Fivemiletown Parish

Saturday, 13th May 2017 with Witness Canon Raymond Fox
May I invite you to a Quiet morning open to the diocese, led by Canon Raymond Fox, from the Fellowship of

Contemplative Prayer? contemplative-prayer.org.uk

The shape of the morning is as follows:

10am Coffee, tea and scones served in the Parish Hall

10.30 Contemplation in St John's Church

Break

11.45 Contemplation in St John's Church

12.45 Lunch a light lunch served by the parish

A donation of £10 will be collected at lunch

Quiet Mornings have contemplations which focus on words of God the Father, or Jesus, from the scriptures.

Please book with the parish office in Fivemiletown:

8952 1030 on a Wednesday or Friday,

or by email: fivemiletown@clogher.anglican.org

Mothers' Union

The March meeting followed the Lenten Service.

Branch Leader, Elvina Funston welcomed Hayley Corbett, one of our young parishioners. Hayley's talk, illustrated by video and slides, took us through her visit, with a team of 18 young people on a two week trip to Uganda in the summer of 2016. She spoke of how they worked with the street children and how children were sponsored to be educated. Some of the children she worked with were selected for The African Children's Choir, who are currently visiting Northern Ireland.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mamie Alexander. A letter received from the new Action and Outreach Co-ordinator, Noreen Little was read. She outlined the ongoing projects in the Clogher Diocese and the items required by the Nursing Homes, Hospital and Woman's Aid.

A letter of thanks was read from Doreen Earls thanking the branch for their donation of £300 for the Relief Fund.

A large number of knit and sewn items for the Hospital and Nursing Homes were received and Branch Leader Elvina Funston expressed thanks to all who had contributed to these ventures.

As there is no MU meeting in April because it coincides with The Three Churches Lenten Meal. Arrangements were made for Visitors' Night on 10th May when the speaker will be Kelly Bourke - Capetown Reflections.

Branch Leader Elvina Funston read a letter from Spud Bears Ministry detailing their work in China before closing the meeting with The Grace.

Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully



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Services

9:00 Drummully

10:30 Sallaghy

12:00 Galloon

Sunday School Times:

Drummully: 9:00-10:00am in Drummully Church Hall

Sallaghy: 10:30-11:30am in Sallaghy Church Hall

Galloon: 12:00-1:00pm in Galloon 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).

Holy Week Services

Monday 10th April – Methodist Church Newtownbutler at 8.00pm

Tuesday 11th April - Presbyterian Church Newtownbutler at 8.00pm

Wednesday 12th April – Sallaghy at 8.00pm

Maundy Thursday 13th April - Galloon Holy Communion at 8.00pm (Confirmation Class & TAG Group will be taking part in this service)

Good Friday 14th April - Drummully 'Quiet Service of Reflection' at 8.00pm

Easter Sunday Early Service - Galloon Holy Communion at 8.00am

Easter Sunday Praise Service – Sallaghy at 11.00am

Lent Bible Study

This will take place on Wednesday's in Sallaghy Parish Church Hall at 8.45pm and will be based on the book "Essential 100 Bible Readings"

Choir Practice

Our choir practice continues on Wednesday evening at 8pm in Sallaghy Church

TAG

The TAG (Teens and God) Group will meet in the Archdale Centre, Lisnaskea on Sunday 9th April from 7.30pm – 9.00pm. TAG is for children of Secondary School age.

Group Family Parish Day

A Group Parish Family Social will be held on Friday, 5th May at 7.30pm in Sallaghy Parish Church Hall and Car Park. It will take the form of a Barn Dance and everyone is encouraged to come along and join the Ceilidh with "caller" Jason Kilfedder. There will be a sausage and burger BBQ and parishioners are encouraged to bring and share deserts. It will be great fun. All welcome.

Group Service

There will be a group service on Sunday, 30th April (fifth Sunday) in Drummully Parish Church. All Welcome

Galloon Parish

Auction

An auction will be held in the Church Hall on Saturday, 22nd April 2017. Items are needed for this auction and you are encouraged not to leave it until the last minute to search out things to donate. Items should be clean and in usable condition. Collection can be arranged and storage is possible if absolutely necessary. Please contact William Little 67738676, Richard Bell 67738294 or any member of the Select Vestry.

Galloon & Drummully Mothers' Union Visitor's Night

The Galloon and Drummully Mother's Union Branch were delighted to welcome Lord Erne to a packed Church Hall on Monday 27th February. Our guest speaker shared his family story and journey of faith, particularly since the loss of his much loved father in 2015. It was a wonderful evening of fellowship shared with Lord Erne, who chatted and reminisced during the supper about growing up in Fermanagh and life in Crom. Our thanks to all the visiting branches for joining us, to the ladies who provided such a beautiful supper, to the Mother's Union Committee and not least to Lord Erne for being such a wonderful guest.

"Lost & Found":



Galloon trowel

On 30th January 2017, Rev Anita received an email from a member of the Kerry Archaeological and Historical Society and a long standing member of the RSAI, who whilst browsing on eBay had come across two Presentation trowels. The trowels originated from Galloon and the Presbyterian Church in Belturbet. Keen to see these returned to their proper home the gentleman had contacted her. Rev Anita promptly forwarded the email to Mr Bert Robinson, the Glebe Warden. Bert was most enthusiastic. Our thanks to Bert for researching the history of our Presentation trowel and acting so promptly to see the trowel returned to the parish.

The Newtownbutler trowel was presented to the

Earl of Lanesborough (surname Butler) after laying the foundation stone of the rectory in Newtownbutler on 11th April 1914. This solid silver trowel with all the silver hall marks was made by Hilliard and Thomason in 1883 in Birmingham. The handle is either ivory or bone. The inscription on the trowel reads:- Presented By The Select Vestry Of Galloon Parish To Major The Right Hon The Earl Of Lanesborough On The Occasion Of His Laying The Foundation Stone Of A New Rectory Newtownbutler 11 April 1914.

It's interesting to note that there is a lapse of 29 years between making and presentation. It was presented to the 7th Earl of Lanesborough who lived in Lanesborough Lodge at Quivy near Belturbet. This house was burned during the 1920s troubles and is now only a ruin. The Lanesborough surname was Butler and they were very prominent in the Cavan and Fermanagh area. The 8th Earl who was Major Henry Cavendish Butler lived for some time on Inish Rath Island opposite the New Bridges going to Derrylin. Bert recalls "As a young boy I remember him reading the lessons in the church in Derrylin on Sundays for Rev Canon Grant." His son, Denis Anthony Brian Butler, the 9th Earl died in 1998 with no male issue so the title is now gone.

Bert spoke to some of the church members who showed great interest in retrieving the Newtownbutler trowel. It is part of our history and complements the original plans which we have and also the books of quotations which were contributed to and bought by supporters as a fund raiser at the time of the building of the Rectory. The seller was contacted and after some negotiating we were able to make a deal. This presentation trowel was anonymously purchased as a gift to the Parish. On behalf of the parish, Rev Anita would to express their gratitude to those who contributed to the purchase of the Newtownbutler Presentation Trowel.

Sallaghy Parish

Bowling Club Tournament:

Congratulations to the Bowling Club on the successful running of their Annual Tournament which attracted 104 pairs. The winners of the McWilliams Cup this year were Paul Hagan and Eneas Hamilton with John Carson and Aidan Rafferty as runners up. All four men are from St Joseph's Bowling Club in Donaghmore.



Galloon bowling prize

Mothers' Union:

Two members of Sallaghy Mothers' Union were part of the Clogher Diocesan Mothers' Union Commissioning of Trustees' Service held recently in Cleenish Parish Church. Noreen Little was commissioned as the Action and Outreach Co-ordinator. The work of Beulah Whittendale who had stepped aside, along with three other ladies, from the Trustees Board after 19 years was acknowledged by Irene Boyd (Diocesan President). Irene Boyd said that Beulah along with the other ladies "had served with commitment, enthusiasm and integrity in their roles in the Clogher Diocese and within All Ireland" as she acknowledged their "dedicated and unstinting service". At the monthly meeting on 6th April at 8.00pm in the Church Hall, Noreen Little will speak about her new role as the Diocesan Action and Outreach Coordinator.

Dance

A Parish Dance will be held on Friday, 7th April 2017 in the Church Hall. Music is by Dusty Diamond with dancing from 10.00pm – 1.00am. The cost will be £5 including Supper and all proceeds are in aid of Church Funds. Everyone will be made most welcome.

Derryadd Church

An Easter Service will be held in Derryadd Church on Sunday, 23rd April at 4.00pm. The service will be led by Dean Ferguson.

Burial Register

Mary Kathleen Murray, 8 Boyhill Park, Maguiresbridge on Friday 24th February 2017 aged 87 years. The service was conducted by the Venerable Brian Harper. Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection Life of the Life."

Drummully Parish

Concert

Curtis Magee will be in concert in the Protestant Hall in Clones, Co. Monaghan on Friday, 7th April from 8.00pm until late. The proceeds will be going towards Drummully Parish Church Funds. Tickets are €10/£10 including supper, or you can pay on the door on the night. This should be a great night's entertainment and we look forward to seeing you there.

Car Boot Sale

We are holding a car boot sale with Strawberry Teas and Cake Sale in Drummully on Saturday, 10th June. Gates open at 8.00am. Teas served from 9.30am.



Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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Services

- Sunday 9th April Kiltyclogher 10am HC
- Palm Sunday Belleek 11.30am HC
- Holy Wednesday 12th April Slavin EP 8pm
- Maundy Thursday 13th April Belleek HC 8pm
- Good Friday 14th April Kiltyclogher EP 8pm
- Sunday 16th April Easter Day Garrison 10 am HC
- Slavin 11.30am HC & Holy Baptism
- Sunday 23rd April Kiltyclogher 10am MP
- Belleek 11.30am MP
- Sunday 30th April Slavin 11.30am Dedication, Group Service
- Sunday 7th May Garrison 10am HC
- Slavin 11.30am HC

Mothers' Union

The February meeting was held in Garrison Church Hall and Dot Barlow presented a slide show of her safari trip to Tanzania. It was an excellent evening and has made many of us want to experience such a magnificent holiday.

The April meeting is the closing service in Kiltyclogher Church on Wednesday, 19th April at 7pm followed by a meal in the church hall.

This year there will be a Festival Service marking 130 years of MU in Ireland. It will be held on Friday, 12 May at 8pm in Enniskillen Cathedral. The special speaker will be Mrs Lynne Tembey, MU worldwide President.

Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have been in hospital or unwell in recent weeks. We remember Billy Nelson, Albert Irwin, Betty McVitty and Donna Pye's parents(Mr & Mrs Hughes from Dromore) who are both very ill at the time of going to print. We sincerely pray for a recovery to good health for everyone.

Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayers are extended to parishioners who have lost a loved one over the last month or two. We remember Mrs Sadie Acheson on the death of her aunt, Mrs Eileen Kirkpatrick on the loss of her brother Eddie Armstrong and Jane Weir on the loss of her Mum.

General Easter Vestry Meetings

- The dates for the General Easter Vestry meetings in each of the four churches are as follows:-
- Monday 3rd April: Kiltyclogher at 7pm, followed by Belleek at 8.30pm
- Tuesday 4th April: Slavin at 8pm
- Thursday 5th April: Garrison at 8pm

All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend these annual meetings, you do not need to be a member of the Select Vestry.

Dedication Service

A special service of dedication will be held in Slavin Church on Sunday, 30th April. This is a fifth Sunday group service at 11.30am when the church bell will be dedicated in memory of the late Ernie Stinson.

Fundraising Event for Kiltyclogher Parish Church

A fundraising Table quiz and Draw was held in The Riverside Bar and Restaurant, Garrison on Saturday night, 11th March at 8:00pm for Kiltyclogher Church Funds. A total of £470 and €41 was raised. Many thanks to everyone who supported the night and those who gave donations.

Diary Dates

Friday, 15th September - Slavin Harvest Thanksgiving Service and Act of Dedication of a Memorial Stone to the late Katherine Cecilia Elliott (1850-1910), first organist and Choir Mistress of Slavin. Everyone will be most welcome at this special service.

Thursday 26th October - Launch of Poetry Book entitled, 'The Slavin Poetry Book of Katherine C. Elliott'. By Vivienne Ferguson. The Rt Rev John McDowell will be present to launch the Book, and this function, which is open to all, will be held in the Wark Hall, Belleek at 7.30pm.

Keep up to date

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org. The web manager is Jenna Earls. Photos and 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 Parish Church

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Services

- 5th April Holy Communion Service In Churchill Methodist
- 12th April Morning Prayer Evening Service
- 13th April Maundy Thursday Service At 7.30Pm
- 14th April Good Friday Service
- 16th April Holy Communion
- 23th April Morning Prayer Holy Communion
- 30th April Morning Prayer Evening Prayer

Services for Lent and Holy Week 2017

Each Wednesday morning there will be a service of Holy Communion at 10.30am and in the evening at 7.30pm there will be the order of service 'Compline'. During Holy Week there will be a service of Holy Communion at 10.30am except for Maundy Thursday when the service will be at the slightly earlier time of 10.00am and in the evening, the service will be at 7.30pm. During the season of lent many people give up something – why not this year take something on and join with us in our services.



Kilskeery and Trillick



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Services

Sunday 2nd April: The Fifth Sunday in Lent

10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Holy Communion
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Holy Communion

Sunday 9th April: The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)

10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Morning Prayer
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Thursday 13th April: Holy Thursday

8.00pm Trillick Parish Church

Friday 14th April: Good Friday

8.00pm Kilskeery Parish Church

Sunday 16th April: Easter Day - The First Sunday of Easter

10.00am Trillick Parish Church – Holy Communion
11.30am Kilskeery Parish Church – Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd April: The Second Sunday of Easter

10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Morning Prayer
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Sunday 30th April: The Third Sunday of Easter

10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Morning Prayer
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Morning Prayer

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 third 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 (Adele 89561932)

Youth Club Fridays and as announced (Gwen 89561763)

Bowls Club Saturdays 8.00pm (Marlene 89561285)

Burial of the Dead

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

Mrs Sarah (Sadie) Jane Murphy, Kilskeery, February 19th.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Sadie and we again extend our deepest sympathy to Sadie's son Raymond, daughters Dwina and Thelma, her daughter-in-law Adele, her son-in-law William, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and the wider family circle.

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

Holy Baptism

Jacob, Aaron Mills son of Leeroy and Caroline, in Trillick Parish Church, on February 26th 2017.

Cayden, Christopher Irvine-Young son of Christopher and Kate, in Kilskeery Parish Church, March 5th.

God our Creator, thank you for the waiting and the joy, thank you for new life and for parenthood.

Thank you for the gifts of Jacob and Cayden entrusted to our care.

May we be patient and understanding, ready to guide and forgive, that in our love Jacob and Cayden may know your love.

May they learn to love your word and the whole family of your children;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Girls' Brigade

At the time of writing, Girls' Brigade are preparing for their Annual Dinner on March 25th, Boys' Brigade for their Parents' Night on March 31st and Messy Kids to hearing 'Jesus chooses his disciples' (18th March) and 'The Story of Easter' (15th April).

Faith Mission

Faith Mission held a very successful Annual Conference in Trillick Parish Church, on March 4th and were delighted to welcome guest speaker, The Right Reverend Ferran Glenfield.

David Bennett (Faith Mission) writes to thank us and to say how much they enjoyed being with us!

Easter General Vestry Meetings

Easter General Vestry Meetings will be held this year on Monday, April 3rd (Kilskeery) in Kilskeery Hall at 8.00pm and on Wednesday, April 5th (Trillick) in the 'Wee House', again at 8.00pm.

This is the yearly meeting where the Select Vestry, Church Wardens, Glebe Wardens and other office bearers are elected and, this triennial year, Synods-persons and Parochial Nominators for the triennium. Anyone over 18 years of age and whose name appears on the list of Registered Vestry persons is entitled to attend this meeting and vote. Because you attend the meeting, doesn't mean that you will be voted into office against your will - your consent is needed. If you don't want to serve on the Select Vestry, why not come along and give your support to those who are willing to serve!

MU Members

MU Members played a large part in the recent Women's World Day of Prayer Service in Kilskeery Parish Church on March 3rd (one of the wettest evenings of the year!) Photograph below – preparing the church (the Holy Table was especially meaningful), reading (together with women from neighbouring parishes), singing (sincere thanks to the Choir and Soloist, Catherine Johnston) and providing a fabulous supper (thank you Gwen and Team!).



Our guest speaker, Elizabeth Armstrong, was very well received and we again thank her most sincerely together with Evelyn Armstrong (Secretary WWDP) and May Kee (MU Branch Leader). Members will attend at the Maundy Thursday Service in Trillick Parish Church on April 13th and are reminded that Worldwide money will be collected at this service.

Senior Citizens' Club

Senior Citizens' Club will hold their AGM in Kilskeery Hall, on April 4th at 2.00pm. Dinner is available every Tuesday – Booking essential - and we again thank Emily, Gwen, Pauline and Violet who look after us so well!!! The hall is open for Boccia/New Age Curling and other games on every Tuesday from 2 – 4.30pm

Kilskeery Bowling Club



Kilskeery Bowling Club held a very successful tournament this year with almost 100 pairs entering and after very competitive bowling the final game was James Shaw/Ian Hobson against Malcolm Cunningham/Glenn Smith. James and Ian proved to be the better bowlers on the night. Kilskeery Club Captain Trevor Brian extended thanks to all bowlers who supported the week and to everyone who helped out with the smooth running of the event with special thanks to W G Motors and Mills Oil, Trillick who sponsored the tournament. Photo shows, from left, runners-up Malcolm Cunningham and Glenn Smith (Cookstown High BC) Mr. Andy Crawford, W G Motors and winners James Shaw and Ian Hobson (Dungannon Indoor BC).





Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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Services

Sunday, 2nd April 2017 Fifth Sunday in Lent

Lisbellaw: 11.00am Holy Communion
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Holy Communion
(Sunday School and Bridge)

Sunday, 9th April 2017 Palm Sunday

Lisbellaw: 11.00am Family Service
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Service of the Word for Palm Sunday
(No Sunday School or Bridge)

Friday, 14th April 2017 Good Friday

Lisbellaw 8.00pm Service of the Word for Good Friday

Sunday, 16th April 2017 Easter Day – the First Sunday of Easter

Lisbellaw: 9.45am Holy Communion
11.00am Family Communion
Coolbuck: 3pm Holy Communion
(No Sunday School or Bridge)

Sunday, 23rd April 2017 Second Sunday of Easter

Lisbellaw: 11.00am Morning Prayer
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Evening Prayer
(No Sunday School or Bridge)

Sunday, 30th April 2017 Third Sunday of Easter

Lisbellaw: 11.00am Morning Prayer
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Evening Prayer
(No Sunday School or Bridge)

Sympathy

The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Margaret (Kathleen) Beacom formerly of Cavancarragh, Lisbellaw and Annie Graham formerly of Grogey, Fivemiletown.

Pastoral Holiday Cover

Pastoral holiday cover from 29th April to 6th May 2017 will be provided by Dean Kenny Hall while the rector is on holiday. He can be contacted on 028 663 22465 or 028 663 22917.

Prayer Group

Prayer Group will meet in Lisbellaw church on Tuesday, 4th April at 8pm to pray for those who are sick, dying, caring for others, bereaved or in need of any kind. Service of prayer will be based on 'A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing' on page 457 in the Book of Common Prayer. If you are unable to attend but would like to pray at home OR if you wish to be included on the prayer list, please tell the rector.

Collectors



Lisbellaw Rainbows



Lisbellaw Guides Liz and Andrea



Lisbellaw Scouts Leaders



Lisbellaw Guide Leaders



Bible Study

Bible Study in the rectory on Wednesday, 12th April at 7.30pm.

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union on Tuesday, 25th April at 8pm in the Parish Centre with Mrs Morag Armstrong speaking on origami.

Choir Practice

Choir practice in church on Thursday, 27th April at 8pm.

Parish Registers: Baptism

19th February 2017 Ezra Irvine McCleery, son of Kyle and Sharon, Cornafannog, Lisbellaw.

Ann Orr

In February, Ann Orr celebrated a special birthday and this, together with her recent entry into the Queen's New Year's Honours List (British Empire Medal), prompted the congregation at Coolbuck to mark both occasions with a few gifts for this remarkable woman who gives, like her mother before her, so much of her time and talents to the ongoing well-being of Coolbuck church - both the building and its' inhabitants!

Many thanks to Jean Hunter, Ann's regular co-conspirator! for making this remarkable cake and picking out a beautiful brooch (Photograph below).



Lisnaskea



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Services

Sunday 2nd April
 11.30 am Holy Communion

Palm Sunday 9th
 11.30 am Family Service

Wednesday 12th April
 3.00 pm Holy Communion in Trinity Hall
 for senior citizens.

Maundy Thursday
 8.00 pm Holy Communion

Good Friday
 8.00 pm Evening Service

Easter Sunday 16th April
 11.30 am Holy Communion
 (Collection for World Vision sponsored children)

Sunday 23rd & Sunday 30th April
 11.30 am Morning Prayer

Burial

Thursday 9th March
 John Alexander Phair, Gortacharn, Lisnaskea.
 Sympathy is extended to the bereaved at this time.

Police Choir Concert

We very much enjoyed having the members of the Police Choir and other artists at our church on Saturday, 11th March and it was lovely to have visitors from other parishes join us also. Thank you for supporting this event and your generous donations.

General Easter Vestry

This will take place on Tuesday, 25th April at 8pm in The Archdale Centre and we would encourage as many as possible to attend. As this is a Triennial year, as well as electing a new Vestry we will also be electing Synodsmen and Parochial nominators. Although the meeting is open to all parishioners only those whose name is on the Register of Vestrymen will be entitled to vote should the need arise.

Abaana Concert

A group of 20 children have travelled from Uganda to the UK to share their stories through song and dance and they will be performing in our church on Thursday, 4th May at 7.00 pm Everyone will be very welcome to this event.

“Crafty Harvest”

Plans are already being put in place for a Harvest with a difference this year on Friday, 29th September and

Sunday, 1st October. We are encouraging everyone from the parish and indeed the wider community to display their talents, let it be painting, pottery, knitting, needlework etc. Over the weekend these items will be incorporated with the usual displays of fruit and vegetables and the church will have an open day so local people can come along to view. There will be a reminder closer to the time but we would like everyone who enjoys such hobbies to take part.

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The month of April gets off to an exciting start on April with the confirmation of 17 teenagers. They are Chloe Armstrong, Matthew Beatty, Pryce Beatty, Ryan Beatty, Matthew Brown, Chloe Elliott, Hugh Elliott, Alice Graham, Kathryn Graham, Alannah Harpur, Matthew Humphrey, Nikki Kernaghan, Thomas Kerr, Jack Manley, Jamie Mills, Kirsty Thompson, Timothy Weir.

Holy Week in Ballinamallard will start with Palm Sunday evening in the Methodist Church at 7pm., Tuesday at 7pm in Magheracross and Wednesday at 8pm in the Methodist church.

On Maunday Thursday, Holy Communion will be celebrated in both churches at 8pm and on Good Friday, the evening service will be at 8pm in the Methodist Church.

On Easter Day, there are two local dawn services. The Priory Church at Killadeas will be celebrating Holy Communion at the lakeside and there will also be a “hilltop” service at the home of Jim Hamilton, Salloon.

Our triennial Easter Vestry will be held on Monday, 24th April at 7:30pm

SNITCH

The Sunday evening youth nights (Sunday Night in the Church Hall) continue to draw an excellent all-age congregation on the first Sunday of each month at 7pm. In March, the guest speaker was Johnny Harper and on April 2, we welcome Wilson Beare. Both have parents in Ballinamallard!

Abaana New Life Children's Choir

On 7th May, we are delighted to be hosting a concert by the Abaana New Life Children's Choir. This event will be held in the Parish Church, starting at 7pm.

Mothers' Union

Thank you to all members who attended the Commissioning Service on Sunday, 26th February in Cleenish Parish Church and Women's World Day of Prayer held in Kilskeery Parish Church on Friday 3rd March. Both of these services were very uplifting with very powerful messages from the Bishop of Clogher, Rt. Revd. John McDowell and Elizabeth Armstrong (respectively).

The March meeting was held on Thursday, 2nd March and again it was pleasing to see a good attendance. The evening consisted of a question and answer session with the panel members who consisted of Tanya West – Dental Hygienist, Keith Moore – Butcher,

Gary Johnston – Gardener and Timmy McClure – Pharmacist.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 6th April when the visiting speaker will be Val Irvine from Lisnaskea who will speak on her faith and the work of the Food Bank which she co-ordinates.

Sport and faith at Magheracross

Magheracross Parish Church hosted the annual Celebration of Sport and Faith with Ballinamallard United Football Club on Sunday evening. This is the third such celebration.

The club chaplain, Archdeacon Brian Harper, adopted the theme "Fit for Purpose."

The event included interviews with assistant coach Andy Crawford about his involvement with a trip to Zambia with Ambassadors in Sport, and John Kee, director of the youth festival "Summer Madness" which will be marking its 30th anniversary with a cycle from the original site at Castle Archdale to the current location at Glenarm.

Also taking part were Danske Bank Premiership players, Niall Owen and Shane McCabe (assistant captain) and Lorna McHugh.

The Archdeacon commented that the event has quickly become a firm fixture in the community diary and has attracted the support of several local sporting clubs beyond football.



Committee and helpers from Ballinamallard United FC, Andy Crawford, Noel Fallis, May Sweeney, Wendy Shannon, Tom Elliott, Brian Harper, Jeff Aiken and Jackie Palmer.

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Easter Celebrations

As Easter comes round again, I cannot help ask the question, "Are we excited for Easter or the fact that we know Spring will be in full swing and we will be able to get out and enjoy the spring weather". This year, we are looking to change our celebration of Easter to really help those on the fringe of the church to reignite the love of God in their hearts. I do encourage you to come along to the Easterfest activities and be part of all that God is doing in our lives. All that we can do is simply tell the love that we have realised God has for us, and to do everything we can to further nurture that love.

Going Deeper

At the end of February, we concentrated on the subject of commitment at our first 'Going Deeper' evenings. We looked at Joshua's commitment to God and what that led him to do for God. Like Joshua, when we have the right commitment to God by putting Him first in our lives, we can see the kingdom of God in advance. However, the other side of the coin, is what happens when we are not committed. As we thought about this, we looked at what Jesus had to say to the church of Laodicea (church in Revelation Chapter 3 that is charged with being lukewarm in terms of their faith). The idea of being lukewarm in our faith is where we fit our faith into the normal routine of life and so God is no more important to us than anything else we do. It is expressed in an attitude that says we will go to church if we are free or have nothing more important to do, or we will go if we are bothered. The result of this lukewarm attitude however brings a stark warning from Jesus, as he says he will spit us out of our mouth (the same reaction you would probably have to drinking lukewarm water, if you were expecting it to be either hot or cold). Cold brings with it the sense of distance, dispassion and not caring. However if we are hot the fire of God's spirit burns within us and we are passionate, involved and excited. The only thing that we can be is hot, lukewarm or cold leads to death.

Xplore Deanery Youth Event

On Saturday, 4th March 2017, our youth attended the Xplore Youth Event at Derryvullen North Church Halls, Irvinestown. This event focused on patience and faithfulness and we had a wonderful time of worship, companionship and fun, followed by a delicious supper.

Confirmation Service

On Sunday, 12th March 2017, Chloe McKeivin, David Braden, Joel Robinson and Lucy Ellis declared their faith in God and were confirmed by Bishop John. This annual service of confirmation marks the start of a lifelong journey for each of them with God as they travel through life and the struggles it brings. We pray that they seek God continually in life and have a deep personal relationship with Him.



NANETTE EVANS ©

Friends in the Afternoon

The Friends in the Afternoon continue to have wonderful times together twice a month with a variety of speakers and delicious afternoon tea. Deane Houston joined them on St Valentine's Day to talk to them about matters of the heart. He spoke about Christian love and also the love that the Lord has for each of us.

Rachel Anderson, the award winning knitwear designer (who was previously a neuroscientist) uses her mathematical genius to produce complicated and amazing knitwear. We were very privileged to have Rachel, who has published patterns for Knit Now and was the Sirdar Designer of the Year 2016 award winner, to join us and show us a selection of her work. Revd Noel Regan provided an excellent presentation (full of personal anecdotes) on the history of Mullaghmore and his knowledge of the Mountbatten in Broadlands, Hampshire, and the royal-like entertainment lifestyle they had in August of each year at Casltebawn. He also let us know of Lord Palmerston's involvement with the development of the harbour at Mullaghmore.

Easterfest

Saturday, 8th April to Monday 17th April 2017

This year we will be 'Bringing the meaning of Easter alive' with activities for everyone as we reach out into

the community to bring the truth of the Easter story into everyday situations and circumstances. The various things that will be happening are as follows (please see our website for more updates closer to the time!):

Saturday, 8th April 2017

9am Men's breakfast @ Ardess Parish Centre
Speaker – Mr George Barkely

Monday, 10th April 2017

11am Coffee morning @ Moffatt Room, Ardess Parish Centre
Coffee & treats with a talk on creative prayer
8pm Movie & Food @ Fountain Centre

Tuesday, 11th April 2017

7pm Men's Film Night @ Fountain Centre
With food, short talk and testimony
8pm Bakes & Brooches @ Old School Room, Ardess Parish Centre
Baking demo, brooch making workshop & Easter 'snippet'!

Wednesday, 12th April 2017

11am Beetle Drive @ Joan Armstrong's House
Beetle Drive & Helen Houston sharing her story
8pm Movie Night @ Fountain Centre

Thursday, 13th April 2017

8pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service @ Ardess Parish Church

Friday, 14th April 2017

10.30am - 12.30pm Messy Easter @ Fountain Centre
Crafts, games, songs, stories & activities followed by lunch for kids and parents
8pm Good Friday Service @ Ardess Parish Church

Saturday, 15th April 2017

4.30pm Camp Out @ Muckross
Parent & Child Camp Out (each young person must have a parent along with them). Please bring a tent along and join us for supper at the campfire. After a good night's sleep(!), we will join in our Easter Dawn Service at the Muckross Quay and then have breakfast.

Sunday, 16th April 2017

6.15am Easter Sunday Dawn Service @ Muckross Quay
Followed by Breakfast on the Lough Shore.

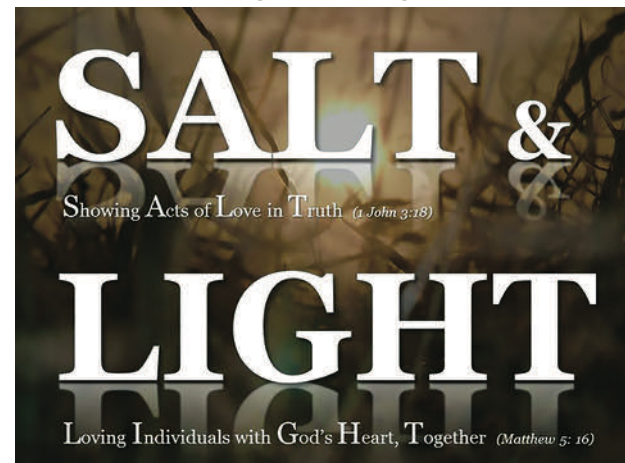
Monday, 17th April 2017

Culcagh Mountain Walk
Walk up Culcagh mountain and come down to barbecue/testimony and gospel.

What can you do?

Bake a cake – wash a car – invite around for coffee and buns – cut grass - offer to go shopping – take someone out for a drive – buy flowers – visit an elderly neighbour – give a box of chocolates – pay someone on the bus – hold the door open for someone – offer a skill – do something for someone less fortunate than yourself – make a friend - compliment someone (honestly) – brush a neighbour's path – bring donuts to work – come to the rescue of someone in need – do a task that no one else wants to do – offer to babysit – give something to someone who needs it – pay someone's bill - buy someone a book (non-religious) – try to fix a broken relationship – give away a CD etc... (Use your imagination!!)

Easterfest - Being Salt & Light



If this Easter is really going to make a difference, then we all need to get involved and do something. Prayerfully read the following and decide what you can do to bring the love of Christ into your life and be 'salt and light' at this Easter time.

Regular Events

Youth Groups

Glow Youth Club (P5 - P7) - Thursdays 6.30pm - 8.00pm @ Fountain Centre
Blaze Youth Club (Year 8 - Year 10) - Fridays 7.00pm - 8.30pm
Flame Youth Club (Year 11+) - Fridays 8.30pm - 10.30pm
Ardess Little Lambs - Every Monday, 10.00am-12.00noon (term-time only) @ Parish Centre, - for mums/dads/childminders and their babies/tots (not on 17th April 2017)
Share Ardess Drop-In Centre - Every Tuesday 11.00am - 1.00pm @ Main Street, Kesh - call in for a cuppa and a chat. Contact Number: 07542 827 127
Healing Prayer - Every Friday 7.30pm - 8.30pm @ Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.
Friends in the Afternoon - 2.00pm every 2nd & 4th Tuesday @ Parish Centre
11th April - Holy Communion Easter Tea
25th April - Falls Prevention Program with gentle exercise (by Seamus)
In-Stitches - crafts every Thursday (except the 3rd Thursday in the month) 8.00pm @ Fountain Centre.
Mothers' Union - every 3rd Thursday of the month @ Parish Centre
20th April - Open Night - Timeless Interiors with Paul Cuthbertson
Going Deeper - 24th, 25th & 26th April

Registers

Baptisms

26 Feb 2017 Shelby John Stevenson, son of Jamie & Rachel Stevenson of 25 Erne Park Kesh.

Burials

22 Feb 2017 David John Cecil Foster (known as Cecil) 72 of 21 New Street Ederney. Our sympathy and prayers are with the Foster family at this time.

Further Information

For ALL our events and further information, please see our websites www.ardess.org and www.thefountaincentre.org or contact Ardess Parish Office on 028 6863 2695/office@ardess.org. Please join our Facebook pages for regular updates: 'Ardess Parish Church' and 'The Fountain Centre'

Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk

Vacant

During the vacancy the Ven Brian Harper is providing pastoral cover together with Mrs Sue Hogg, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant.

Parish Register

Baptism

Jack William, son of Margo Galbraith and Trevor Beattie.
Theia Renee, Daughter of Helen and Stephen Henry.

Sympathy

Both Parishes would like to express sympathy to all who have been recently bereaved. Our thoughts and prayers are also with those who are sick at home or in hospital.

Mothers' Union

In February, members attended the Mothers' Union Commissioning Service in Cleenish Parish Church for the Trustee Board for the Diocese of Clogher. Members were invited to Galloon Visitors' night and in March attended the Women's World day of Prayer in Derryvullan South Parish. For our March meeting we were delighted to have Mr Rodney Connor, one of the Trustees for 'Air Ambulance' N.I. He gave a very informative talk about what stage the service is at and where the helicopters will be based etc. Joan presented Mrs Connor with a basket of flowers for her help in assisting with the presentation. Mr Connor thanked the group for their kind donation towards this very worthwhile Service. We were delighted to have Derrybrusk members join with us and also members from the Parish. Keep free Saturday, 6th May for a Coffee Morning /Cake Sale in Christ Church Hall. Proceeds will go towards the Rectory refurbishment.

Easter Vestry

Easter Vestry will be held on Tuesday, 25th April in Christ Church Parochial Hall.



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Services

2nd April Fifth Sunday in Lent

St Patrick's All Age Communion 10.30am
Kilmore Holy Communion 12.15pm

9th April Sixth Sunday in Lent

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

16th April Easter Day

Dawn Service 7am @ Monaghan Collegiate School
St Patrick's All Age Communion 10.30am
Kilmore Holy Communion 12.15pm

23rd April Second Sunday of Easter

St Patrick's Morning Prayer 10.30am
Ballinode Holy Communion 12.15pm

30th April Third Sunday of Easter

St Patrick's Service of the Word 10.30am

7th May Fourth Sunday of Easter

St Patrick's All Age Communion 10.30am
Kilmore Holy Communion 12.15pm

The Ladies' Group

This group met on Tuesday, 21st February in the Church and attended the talk on "Aspects of the Reformation" by Bishop McDowell. The evening concluded with light refreshments and business meeting. The Ladies' Group AGM will be held in Andy's Restaurant on Tuesday, 25th April at 8pm.

The Mothers' Union

had their Visitors Night on Tuesday 7th March and the guest speaker was the former Rector of the Clones Group, Revd. Helene Steed, who gave an interesting and challenging address on "Nurturing Faith". The evening concluded with refreshments and fellowships. The April meeting will be on Tuesday, 4th April and will be a talk on the "African Baby Centre" by Ms Ann Condell and Ms Gladys Gibson

Women's World Day of Prayer

Women's World Day of Prayer was held in St. Patrick's on Friday, 3rd March. The guest speaker was Mrs Shirley Kerr and her address was based on "Am I Being Unfair to You?" which was the theme for this year.

Illness

Please continue to remember in prayer all who are ill at this time, the housebound and those in residential care and their families.

Lenten Arrangements

During Lent on Sundays we are looking at the 5 Solas of the Reformation answering the questions, still relevant to today of how we know God and are right with God, that this is according to Scripture alone, by Grace alone, through Faith alone, in Christ alone, for God's glory alone. On Thursday's in Lent there is a celebration of Holy Communion in St Patrick's at 10am

Bible study

continues looking at 2 Peter. We meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 8pm in the Rectory

General Easter Vestries

General Easter Vestries will be held as follows;
 Monaghan Monday 3rd April 8pm
 Ballinode Tuesday 2nd May at 8.30
 Kilmore TBA
 Please make a special effort to attend these meetings.

Holy Week Services

We come together with other Churches in the town for worship and teaching during Holy Week. The services will be hosted by the Methodist Church each night at 8pm with a service of Holy Communion on Thursday night. Vortex Youth Group continue to meet with a varied programme of events.

Abaana New Life African Children's Choir

We were delighted to host the choir for a charity concert on Sunday, 5th March. It was a fantastic night of song and dance and of sharing what Abaana do in their work with children in Uganda. The concert raised over €1400 and there was also an opportunity to sponsor children through Abaana.

The choir were also able to share in assemblies in the Model and Drumacrutin National Schools (even getting some pupils to learn some African dancing) and at Monaghan Collegiate School.

A big thank-you to all who helped, cooked, hosted children and chaperones



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Services

Sunday 2nd April 9.00 am Holy Communion

11.00 am. Holy Communion.
 7.00pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 5th April

8.00pm Lenten Service.

Sunday 9th April

9.00 am Holy Communion.
 11.00 am Palm Sunday Family Service.
 Holy Week (a series of services reflecting on "People of the Passion")

Monday 10th April 8.00pm Compline.

Tuesday 11th April 8.00pm Late Evening Office.

Wednesday 12th April 8.00pm Evening Prayer.

Thursday 13th April 8.00pm Maundy

Thursday Communion Service.

Friday 14th April 8.00pm "Lift High the Cross"

(a meditation in words and music on the Passion)

Sunday 16th April 9.00 am Holy Communion.

11.00 am Holy Communion.

Sunday 23rd April 9.00 am Holy Communion.

11.00 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 30th April 9.00 am Holy Communion.

11.00 am Morning Prayer

A note from the Rector

Celebrating 175 years of worship at Rossorry

As our year of celebration draws close to the end, we are delighted by the spirit of fellowship and co-operation that our events fostered within the parish and wider afield. We have managed to get very close to our Building Fund target and we have raised a considerable amount for our selected charities, as we share our good fortune with a the wider community, and we can be happy that the fabric of our beautiful church is prepared for the next generation. All our events and services were both an expression of celebration and thanksgiving for the wonderful gift of an active and generous family of God. There are still a few events, to come, to close off the year. We have a dance / social in the Hall after Easter. The Favourite Hymns and the Auction are being held back until autumn time. Details of dates and times are below.

Lent 2017

Lent is the season of 40 days preceding Easter and has been observed in the church since the early centuries. The word Lent comes from the Old English word 'lencten' meaning 'spring season' – nature's period of new growth.

It is a time of deepening devotional life and is penitential in character reflected in the use of the colour purple in church. It has been followed by many Christians as a season of fasting and prayer, however today many use this time not just to give something up but to take something up - for example Bible study / spiritual reading or giving to charity.

With that in mind this Lent we are holding a series of mid-week services in church. These will be held on Wednesdays at 8.00pm and begun on Ash Wednesday, 1st March with a service of Holy Communion. Services on following Wednesdays are a short form of Evening Prayer with an address based upon the five chapters of the book of James. I hope that you might join us for these mid-week services as you keep Lent this year.

Holy Week and Easter 2017

Holy Week and Easter provide us with opportunities to reflect upon the core message of the Christian faith –the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and the new hope these events bring to the world. This is a timeless message which we try to present in engaging ways especially through our special services of worship during Passiontide. During Holy Week this year in church we have planned services with a series of addresses to help us explore the Passion through the eyes of five different characters caught up in the events of that extraordinary week in Jerusalem. Their stories cause us to ask how we can experience God's love and become, ourselves, 'People of the Passion'.

These services are short and reflective in nature and all are welcome to come along to join us in the lovely setting of Rossorry Church. I invite you to come along, perhaps for a couple of evenings to spend time in prayer and worship to hear again the story of the Passion of our Lord.

Rossorry Parish Church 175th Anniversary (1841– 2016)

Forthcoming Events

Sat. 29th April 2017 "Hooley in the Hall "
May or September 2017 Our Favourite Hymns night
Parish Auction date to be confirmed

Mothers Union

The March meeting of Rossorry Mother's Union took the form of the AGM.

The new Branch Leader is Mrs. Heather Ellis.

The speaker was Mrs. Heather Ellis, who gave an informative talk, illustrated with photographs of colourful gardens locally and abroad. She spoke of her affection for growing flowers for colour.

A number of members from Rossorry attended the Women's World Day of Prayer service in Mullaghduin Parish Church, Letterbreen.

The next event for the Mothers' Union members will be their annual outing and meal which this year takes place in May at Tully Mill Restaurant, Florencecourt and a visit to a local garden.

Wednesday Club News

The Wednesday Club has a wide and varied programme of events planned to take them up to summer. Details below.

5th April - Musical Bingo.

7th April - Easter Craft Fair on hall proceeds to R.N.L.I.

12th April - Holy Week (no club in hall) Morning Coffee, Ashwoods Garden Centre.

19th April - Memories of club 2016.

26th April - Video of Christmas Tree Festival.

3rd May - Photos of presentation of B.E.M. to Ethel at Hillsborough Castle.

10th May - Summer Outing.

Club closed to September

The meetings of the Club are every Wednesday at 10.30 am. Everyone is welcome - There is always room for new members. If you want to know more give Ethel Oldcroft a ring at 66 326339

Parish Cake Sale



The Cake Sale Lorraine and Barbara ready for action

On 25th February some ladies of the Parish braved the winter chill on the Diamond at Enniskillen for our Annual Cake Sale of home baking, kindly provided by the parishioners, in aid of our Parish Building Fund. It was a very successful morning with £600 raised for funds. A big vote of thanks to all who helped.

Parish Quiz

As part of our ongoing Anniversary year in Rossorry, a Parish Quiz was held at Castlehume Golf Club (kindly lent) on Friday, 10th March 2017. In a lovely venue, the very successful fun evening was well attended and much enjoyed by the parishioners and visitors.

Arts & Crafts Classes

Classes continue weekly – acrylic painting and basket weaving. All are welcome – no level of skill is required – novices welcome!!

For information – speak to Yvonne Elliott on 02866 342514

Rossorry Bowling Club

The Bowling Club continues their programme of games and matches on a Monday evening and occasionally on a Thursday in the Parish Hall at 8pm.

For information:- contact William Stevenson on 07719662473.

Scouts

The Scouts in Rossorry have had a busy old time of late with events.



Rossorry Cub Scouts at Rugby on 11th March

On 11th February, the Scout Troop held a Curry Night in the Parish Hall.



The chefs!" & "Plenty of cold drinks!

The Cub Scouts had a 'sleepover' on 25th February as part of their Founders' Day celebrations. And if that wasn't enough activity for them, they went

Contact Us

The Parish recently launched our new Website at rossorryparish.com

The site was built largely by Michael Skuce of Inishmacsaint and Garry Clarke of Rossorry. Feel free to go online and see our colourful and informative site which chronicles the everyday life of our Parish.

We are also on Facebook as Rossorry Parish Church and we update, regularly, on events in the church as well as weddings and christenings. You can contact by these means or by e-mail at rossorryoffice@btinternet.com or indeed by Telephone at 02866 329889.



Cubs need snacks!" & "Longer arms needed!"



During the quiz

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Restoration Fund- Future events

Friday, 7th April – 5K/10K Fun Run at Clabby Church Hall. Registration from 6 pm leaving at 7pm. For further details contact Alan Robinson 07810258481 Colin Stronge 07901678180.

There will also be a Fashion Show run by Spoilt Rotten on Thursday, 18th May at 7-30pm. This will take place at Clabby Church Hall.

Saturday, 6th May Vintage Bike Run at 10am. All vintage bikes welcome and entry includes all refreshments. Bikes will leaving the Church Hall at 11am

Saturday, 3rd June Garden Fete from 12 noon – 4pm.

Tempo Parish Church

Soup Lunch

Thank you to Mrs. Carole Graham for organising the recent Soup Lunch in Tempo Church Hall after the morning service and to all who provided food and helped in any way and to all those who supported the

event (pictured below and to the right). The proceeds were given to support our link missionaries, The Watson Family working with Crosslinks in Sweden and Church missions in general. The amount raised was £450.

Darkness and Light

This time of year, spring is about new life in nature. The darkness of the winter days has passed, the days are longer and all looks bright, new and fresh.

In the Church's year the period of Lent always seems like an increasing darkness until it culminates in the real darkness of Holy Week and Good Friday. It speaks of the spiritual darkness of sin seen in the deeds of the religious leaders, authorities and crowd. "Men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light". (John 3 v 19-20) Therefore they crucified the Son of God, Jesus Christ, the light of the world, "This is the verdict Light has come into the world but men loved darkness instead of light".

But the good news is that the light has overcome the darkness by the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today the God who created the world and said "that there be light" wishes to shine into our lives and give us the light of the gospel of our salvation, the forgiveness of our sins. Christ through his death and resurrection offers us light and life. We must respond to this offer by coming to the light like a moth attracted to the light, we will then have Jesus as our light to guide us through this dark world, until one day we arrive in the light of his presence.



The team serving the soup lunch in Tempo



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Dear Parishioners,

Let me begin with wishing everyone of you a happy and blessed Easter.

At the start of Lent we symbolically buried the Alleluia of praise. On Easter morn we will proclaim the risen Christ with the words: Alleluia, Christ is risen! and respond The Lord is risen, Alleluia!

This is the high point of our faith. Victory for the sinner over death and the fiery reward for our sin. For in Christ, the wages of sin are paid and the gift of God is eternal life.

As I write both congregations in our group are in a period of build up to events that will please God enable us to have a year to remember in our parish. Trory are hosting a flower festival on 2nd-4th June in aid of parish funds and the R.N.L.I.. This event calls

us all to volunteer our time and talents to ensure the event is a success. A document outlining the volunteering and contributing needs of the event is being sent to every home along with our annual report. Please consider your ability to help and return it. Killadeas Priory after much planning is about to begin the tendering process of restoration for the Priory. This is a major scheme of works and I urge the parishioners and friends of the Priory to support the gift Sunday service on 7th May at 10am. Again each parishioner will receive a letter with the financial report outlining the works and costs involved in the restoration.

Lent

We continue with the Lenten series on figures from the reformation up to the week before Holy Week. Looking at the lives of Thomas Cranmer, Huldrych Zwingli, John Knox, John Wycliffe and William Tyndale.

Daily Office

Also in Lent every Friday morning at 10am parishioners are invited to the rectory to say the Daily Office and reflect on the readings for the day. Thanks to the Bishop for celebrating the feast of St. Patrick with us on the 17th March.

Holy Week and Easter Day

Holy Week services will be held in the Priory on Wednesday (Compline), Thursday (Holy Communion) and Friday (Tenebrae) at 8pm.

Dawn Service

On Easter Day the Dawn service is at 6am on the shore at Killadeas.

N.B. No Breakfast this year.

10.00am. Priory Holy Communion

11.30am. Trory Holy Communion

Killadeas Gift Sunday 7th May

Rite of Holy Communion at 10am with the dedication of Alms dishes in memory of the late Canon Aubrey Northridge.

Trory Flower Festival

Trory Flower Festival 2nd-4th June 2017

Details of the event are on the back cover of the magazine.

Annual General Vestry Meetings

Killadeas; Monday, 24th April at 8.00pm in The Parish Hall.

Trory; Tuesday, 25th April at 8.00pm in The School House.

Chocolate evening

Thanks to those who supported the chocolate evening in Killadeas parish hall. The total of £225 was raised at a very interesting evening.



MOTHER'S UNION

www.clogher.anglican.org

Clogher Diocesan Mothers' Union 'Commissioning of Trustees' Service

A Clogher Diocesan Mothers' Union 'Commissioning of Trustees' Service was held on Sunday 26th February in Cleenish Parish Church, Bellanaleck.

Eight new Trustee Members were commissioned by The Bishop of Clogher, the Rt Rev. John McDowell.

Those commissioned were: Diane Whittaker (Enniskillen) as Vice President Finance and Central Services; Muriel Treacy (Monaghan) as Vice President Faith and Policy; Geraldine Beattie (Donacavey & Barr) as Vice President Fundraising and Communications; Liane Armstrong (Magheracross) as Diocesan Secretary; Dr. Margaret Knox (Derryvullen North) as Indoor Members Contact; Lettie Coulter (Cleenish) as Social Policy Contact; Noreen Little (Sallaghy) as Action and Outreach Co-ordinator; Doreen Earls (Garrison, Slavin, Belleek & Kiltyclogher) as Public Relations Officer. Lynn Winslow (Clogher), Vice President Action and Outreach was unable to be present.

The President, Irene Boyd acknowledged the dedicated and unstinting service of four ladies who had stepped aside from Trustee Board membership; Valerie Stewart – 30 years, Margaret Crawford – 25 years, Beulah Whittendale – 19 years and Dorothy Adams - 18 years. These ladies had served with commitment, enthusiasm and integrity in their respective leadership roles in the Clogher Diocese and within All Ireland. As a token of sincere thanks for their work, the President asked Bishop John to present a small token of appreciation to each lady.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

April 2017

Saturday 1st April – **MU Prayer Walk** in Enniskillen at 10.30am. Led by Mrs Jacqui Armstrong, Mothers' Union All Ireland Faith & Policy Rep.

Sunday 2nd April – **Friends of St Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher The Friends of St Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher 62nd Friends' Service and Annual Reunion** in St Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher at 3.30pm. Preacher; The Most Revd Pat Storey, Bishop of Meath and Kildare.

Wednesday 5th April – **Lenten Lunch** from 12.45-2.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen. Share a simple lunch followed by Scripture reflection and prayer. Organised by Fermanagh Churches Forum.

Thursday 6th April – **CMS Ireland Kajjado Focus Event with Ronnie & Maggie Briggs** (Mission Partners) in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm.

Thursday 6th April – **Floral Demonstration by Mrs Anne Hughes, Floral Style**, Monaghan, in Clontibret Church Hall at 8m for Clontibret Parish.

Friday 7th April – **Annual 5K/10K Fun Run** at Clabby Church Hall. Registration from 6.00pm, leaving at 7.00pm. For more details contact Alan Robinson on 07810258481 or Colin Stronge on 07901678180.

Friday 7th April – **Parish Dance** in Sallaghy Church Hall. Music is by Dusty Diamond with dancing from 10.00pm–1.00am. Cost £5 including supper. Proceeds in aid of Church Funds.

Friday 7th April – **Curtis Magee in Concert** in the Protestant Hall, Clones from 8.00pm until late. Proceeds towards Drummully Parish Church funds. Tickets €10/£10 including supper or pay at the door.

Saturday 8th - Monday 17th April 2017 – **EasterFest Bringing the meaning of Easter alive** will be hosted by Magheraculmoney Parish, Kesh at selected venues. Further information at www.ardess.org and www.thefountaincentre.org

Thursday 13th April – **Clogher Clerical Association Maundy Thursday Holy Communion and Chrism Service** at 11.00am in St Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher. Celebrant: Bishop John McDowell. Followed by soup & sandwich lunch in The Courthouse, Clogher.

Friday 14th April – **Good Friday**

Saturday 15th April – **Easter Eve**

Sunday 16th April – **Easter Day** - The First Sunday of Easter (white or gold)

Sunday 16th April – **Dawn Service on Easter Day** at 6am at Killadeas Shore of Lower Lough Erne

Sunday 16th April – **Easter Sunday Dawn Service** at Muckross Quay, Kesh at 6.15am followed by breakfast on the Lake Shore.

Part of EasterFest - bringing the meaning of Easter alive.

Wednesday 26th April – **Deadline for entries to Archdeacon Ruddell Prize and Bishop's Medal**: 'The 10 Commandments'. All entries to be left in the Diocesan Office, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen.

Friday 28th April – **Institution of Revd Colin McConaghie** at 7.30pm in Carrickmacross Parish Church.

Sunday 30th April – **Deadline for receipt of applications for the next round of the Music Bursary forms.**

Sunday 30th April – **Service of Dedication** in Slavin Parish Church at 11.30am when the church bell will be dedicated in memory of the late Ernie Stinson.

May 2017

Tuesday 2nd May – **Clogher Diocesan Council meeting** at 2.00pm.

Tuesday 2nd May – **Clogher Diocesan Board of Education meeting** at 10.00am.

Tuesday 2nd May – **Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** at 11.00am.

Tuesday 2nd May – **Music Bursary Committee meeting.**

Thursday 4th - Saturday 6th May 2017 – **General Synod** in the South Court Hotel, Limerick. For more details visit www.synodireland.anglican.org

Thursday 4th May – **Abaana Concert of stories through song and dance** in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea at 7pm.

Sunday 7th May – **Healing Service** in Rockcorry Parish Church. Organised by Clogher Diocese Ministry of Healing Committee.

Friday 12th May – **Clogher Diocesan Mothers' Union Festival Service** in St.Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 8pm celebrating 130 years of Mothers' Union in Ireland. Speaker; Mrs. Lynne Tembey, Mothers' Union Worldwide President.

Saturday 13th May – **Diocesan Quiet Morning** in St.John's Parish Church, Fivemiletown at 10am with Witness, Canon Raymond Fox.

Thursday 18th May – **Clogher Clerical Association meeting** in Magheracross Church, Ballinamallard with Holy Communion at 10.30am. Afterwards Archdeacon Brian Harper will reflect on some of the issues at General Synod in the Parish Rooms.

Sunday 21st May – **Service of Celebration for 140 Years of GFS in Ireland** in Christ Church, Bray, Co. Wicklow at 3pm. Theme: Yesterday, Today and Forever.

Thursday 25th May - Sunday 4th June 2017 – **Global Prayer Event**: Thy Kingdom Come.. in the new Iona Prayer Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen between 9am and 9pm each day from Ascension to Pentecost.

Friday 26th - Monday 29th May 2017 – **Boho Flower Festival**: the 'Church in the

Vale' to celebrate their 240th anniversary from 1777 to 2017

June 2017

Friday 2nd - Sunday 4th June 2017 – Flower Festival: 'Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever' in St Michael's Parish Church, Trory.

Saturday 10th June – Car Boot Sale with Strawberry Teas and Cake Sale at Drummully Parish Hall. Gates open at 8.00am with teas served from 9.30am.

Friday 16th June – Clogher Clerical Association BBQ at 6.00pm in The See House, Fivemiletown.

July 2017

Wednesday 12th July – Twelfth of July Catering available in Lisbellaw Parish Hall. For reservations please contact Harriett Kirkpatrick Tel. 02866385362, Jean McElroy Tel.02866387448 or Hilda Dane Tel. 02866387213.

September 2017

Sunday 3rd September – **Ordination of Deacons** in St Macartan's Cathedral Clogher by the Bishop of Clogher at 7.00pm. Ordinands: Lindsey Farrell and David Moses. Preacher: The Archdeacon of Derry, the Ven Robert Miller.

Tuesday 5th September – **Clogher Diocesan Council meeting** at 2.00pm.

Tuesday 5th September – **Clogher Diocesan Board of Education meeting** at 10.00am.

Tuesday 5th September – **Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** at 11.00am.

Thursday 14th September – **Information Evening on Copyright** will be held in Aghavea Parish Hall, Aghavea, on Thursday, 14th September 2017 at 8pm. Parishes are invited to send representatives to discuss regulations over the use of hymns and worship songs in services from a CCLI official travelling from England for the event.

Friday 15th September – **Dedication of Memorial Stone** at Slavin Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 8pm in memory of the late Katherine Cecilia Elliott(1850-1910), first organist and choir mistress of Slavin.

Thursday 21st September – **Clogher Clerical Association meeting** in Dromore Church with Holy Communion at 10.30am. Afterwards Revd Andrew Quill will speak on Film Ministry.

Thursday 28th September – **Clogher Diocesan Synod** at 4.30pm in St Macartin's Cathedral and Hall, Enniskillen.

Friday 29th September - Sunday 1st October 2017 – **"Crafty Harvest"** in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea to reflect talents in painting, pottery, needlework.

CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

Appointment of Academic Administrator at Theological Institute

The Church of Ireland Theological Institute has announced the appointment of Ms Rhiannon Carey Bates to the post of part-time Academic Administrator. Rhiannon has previously worked in the Secretary's Office in the University of Dublin, Trinity College, where she also recently submitted a PhD in Medieval History. She will commence her employment with CITI on 20th March. The Director of CITI, Revd Canon Dr Maurice Elliott, commented: "Robust processes within increasingly complex administrative systems and strong communications both internally and externally are key drivers towards the enhanced delivery of all training programmes. We are confident that Rhiannon will quickly play her part in the consolidation and expansion of these, and are delighted to welcome her as a member of the Institute team."

Thy Kingdom Come 2017

The Archbishop of Canterbury is encouraging Christians of all denominations around the world to join in a focused time of prayer from Ascension on 25th May to Pentecost, 4th June 2017 as part of the global prayer movement, Thy Kingdom Come.

Last year more than 100,000 people joined with the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to pray in the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost – a time when the church traditionally focuses on prayer. They encouraged everyone to join in a wave of prayer asking for the Holy Spirit to help them be witnesses to Jesus Christ and to pray for others to discover that living faith.

Archbishop Justin Welby says: "Jesus prayed at the Last Supper that we, those who follow him, might 'be one that the world might believe'. We are invited to make a lasting difference in our nations and in our world, by responding to his call to find a deep unity of purpose in prayer."

This year St. Macartin's Cathedral Parish is planning to join with other Christian communities throughout the world and pray for 10 days. They will be opening their new Iona Prayer Room in the Cathedral Hall between 9am and 9pm every day.

There will be opportunities for:

- you to share in daily morning and evening prayer
- individuals to spend time in private prayer and reading God's Word
- people to join together and pray for our children, education, government, and health services

The Dean of Clogher and rector of St. Macartin's Cathedral, the Very Revd Kenneth Hall said: "Our prayer is that everyone within the Cathedral family will find the time to spend at least one hour in prayer during the 10 days. Please join with us as we pray to Our Father..."

Reprint of the Book of Common Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer is going to be reprinted. A Working Group has been established by the Standing Committee to arrange a reprint of the Book of Common Prayer, which is now completely out of stock. A revised edition of the Book of Common Prayer will be going to press in 2018 and will include the various changes and additions that have been approved by meetings of the General Synod since 2005. It is intended that the pagination will remain unchanged (as far as this is possible).

However, the Working Group is hearing from parishes of an urgent need for copies of the Book of Common Prayer at the present time, and is asking members of the clergy to tell them of this need, in order that the desired number of copies can be made available by the short-term reprint. This will be a reprint of the basic pew edition. It is hoped to keep the euro price as it currently stands (c. €20), depending on the number of copies printed; fluctuations in the exchange rate may affect the sterling price.

The Synod Officer, Dr Catherine Smith, has asked any clergy whose parishes would like to order the Book of Common Prayer in 2017 and the first half of 2018 would contact her by email by 31st March to let her know how many copies they require, so that the Working Group can order the appropriate number from the publisher. Dr Smith can be contacted by email at catherine.smith@rcbdub.org

CHILDREN'S SECTION



FAITHFUL MEN IN THE FIERY FURNACE

The armour of God: the shield of faith (you can read this in Ephesians chapter 6 verses 10 to 20 and Daniel chapter 3 verses 3 to 30)

The fourth piece of armour is the shield of faith. Unlike the other pieces of armour, the shield isn't strapped on to a part of the body. The shield can move to cover weaknesses in a soldier's armour and keep arrows from piercing through. The shield of faith moves to cover our doubts and struggles. This story from the book of Daniel tells us about three brave, faithful men known as Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They lived in a place called Babylon and they worked for King Nebuchadnezzar.

One day the king decided to build a huge image made of gold. He told everyone that whenever they heard the music they had to bow down and worship the statue. Anyone who did not worship the statue would be thrown into a fiery furnace (a bit like a huge oven!). So the next time the music played everyone bowed down

to worship this idol. Everyone except for Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

They did not want to worship a piece of gold, they worshipped God only. Some of the king's workers saw that they did not bow down to the image so they immediately ran to tell the king.

When king Nebuchadnezzar heard the news he was very angry and told them they would be thrown into the furnace. This did not worry Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and they said, "The God we worship will save us, and he will rescue us. But even if he doesn't, we want you to know, that we will not worship the image of gold you have made." That made the king even madder. He ordered the furnace to be heated hotter than it usually was and ordered some of the strongest soldiers to take Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to throw them in the fire. As the soldiers were pushing the men into the furnace the flames of the fire killed the soldiers, because the fire was so hot. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego fell into the hot, hot furnace.

FAITH NOT FEAR

Then king Nebuchadnezzar jumped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisors, "Weren't there only three men thrown into the fire?" They replied, "O, yes king." He said, "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, untied and unhurt, and the fourth looks like some kind of angel!" Nebuchadnezzar then came as close as he could to the furnace and shouted

in the doorway, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, come out here!" So the three men walked out of the furnace without any burns and no smell of fire or smoke on them at all. Nebuchadnezzar realised that they worshipped a real God not some statue. God had sent an angel to protect them from harm. That explained the fourth person in the fire!

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE WORDSEARCH

SHIELD

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WORSHIP

STATUE

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ANGEL

SHADRACH

MESHACH

ABEDNEGO

GOD



Hopefully you will never be thrown into a huge fire! But you might have to face difficult situations, when you just don't know what to do or how things will work out.

This is when you need your 'shield of faith'. You need to trust God to do the right thing. Just as Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego did not know if God would save them from burning in the furnace, they believed and trusted God to look after them - they had faith in God.

And God is always faithful.

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WORSHIP, LITURGY, MUSIC

Clogher Diocese hosts information on copyright for churches

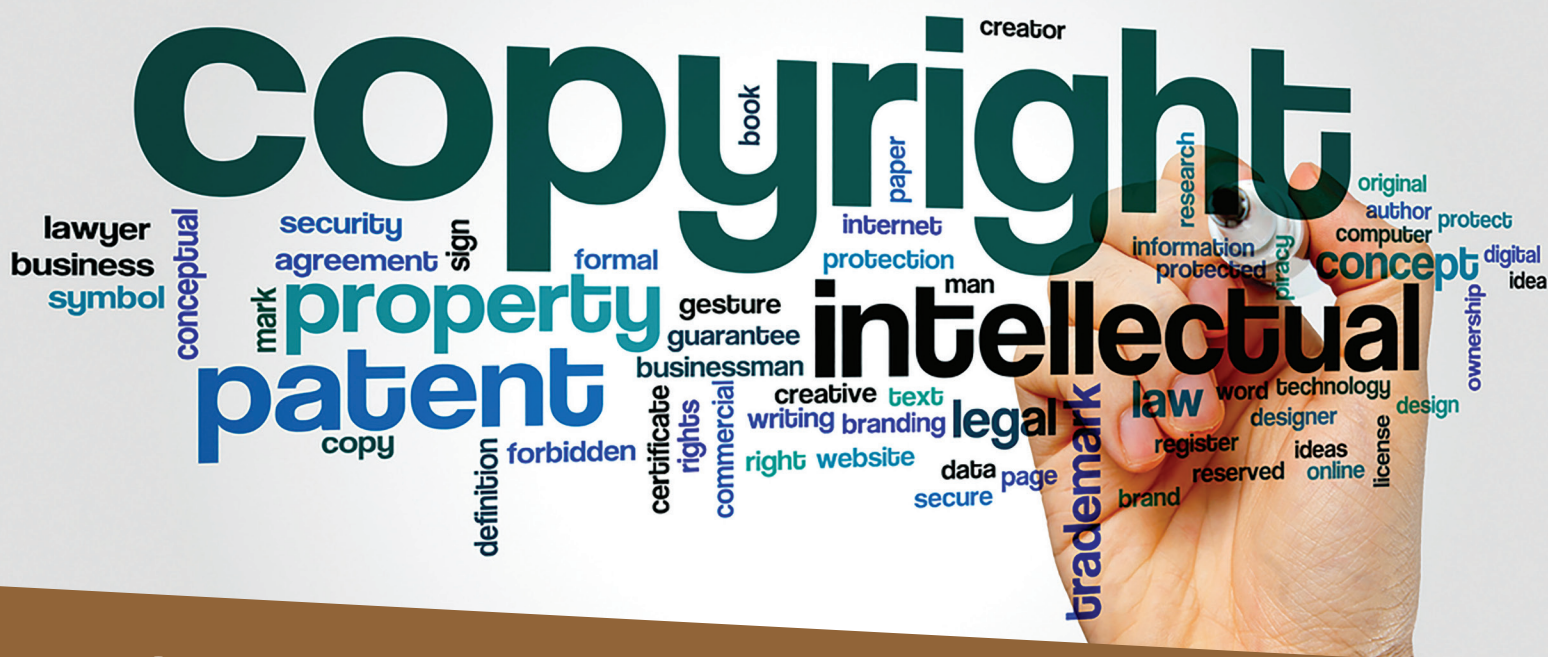
Reproducing hymns and worship songs on service sheets or projecting the words of hymns and songs on screens in churches necessitates the payment of a licence fee to CCLI, Christian Copyright Licensing International. CCLI offers a range of licences, resources and support to help churches make the most of multimedia in the course of their worship while staying legal.

But how are your parish needs met by this?

A special information meeting will be held in Aghavea Parish Hall, near Brookeborough on Thursday, 14th September for parish representatives when they will be updated on the regulations by a representative of CCLI.

The meeting will be of interest to all parishes who reproduce the words of hymns onto screens or orders of service for singing by the congregation, where hymns are photocopied from authorised publications, where music is performed live or from a sound recording, where services are recorded on audio video for use by others or where song lyrics are downloaded.

Anyone in a parish who has suggestions for the meeting should contact Ethne McCord from the Clogher Diocesan Music Bursary Committee by email; david.ethne@btinternet.com



YOUTH NEWS



PATIENCE & FAITHFULNESS

Our journey of discovery through the fruit of the Spirit with our diocesan young people took yet another step in March as we looked at “Patience and Faithfulness”. Our hosts were the youth leaders and young people of the Derryvullen North parish in Irvinestown. It was great to see the rural deanery youth groups gathering together from Colaghty, Irvinestown and Ardess with some sixty young people and their leaders attending the evening.

Things got off to a very lively and energetic start with Jason Kilfedder leading a series of social games and line dances. Both games and dances were very familiar to our young people and so even more so enjoyable. With the need to catch their breath and sit down a perfect moment came to introduce our worship band and speaker for the evening. The Ebenezer band led by Willie Balfour connected very well with the young people and the atmosphere moved from praise to worship under his leadership.

This provided the perfect setting for our speaker the rural dean for Kesh, the Revd Alan Irwin to open up an “Xploration” of the fruit of Patience and Faithfulness. He engaged the young people’s attention immediately by asking them how they thought they would manage if their mobile phones were removed from them. How would they manage being “unconnected”? Would they have the patience to wait for them to be returned? Would they be faithful to the conditions of the removal or would they be inclined to cheat?

This was a great start to his message and he went on to look at biblical characters such as Abraham, Sarah, Caleb and Joseph who all had to endure and learn the importance of patience and faithfulness. Alan reminded the young people that God always rewards us when we are patient and remain faithful to His promises.

The aroma of freshly cooked chips, chicken nuggets and beans filled the air as the Revd Irwin ended his talk and a hearty supper was enjoyed by all at the end of the evening. Much thanks is due to the leaders and young people of the parish who worked so hard to ensure that we all enjoyed a great evening together.

The last event of our Xplore season will be hosted by the Enniskillen rural deanery on Saturday, 1st April. The theme will be Xploring “Gentleness and Self-Control”. All young people from throughout the diocese are very welcome to attend the event along with their youth leaders.

Summer CAMPS

Are you and your parish youth ministry young people planning to attend a summer camp this summer?

If so, you can apply for a Clogher Diocesan Youth Council grant to help with the cost for each young person and leaders. Please contact the Diocesan Youth Officer, Jonny Phenix to receive your group application form.

dyo@clogher.anglican.org

Tel: 06850881712

Closing date for applications is 17th May 2017

SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2017

Is there a young person from Clogher Diocese planning to serve in a mission this summer? The Clogher Diocesan Youth Council annual individual youth mission trip grants are available again this year!

To receive an application form please contact the Diocesan Youth Officer,

Jonny Phenix

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Closing date for applications is 17th May 2017

COMMUNITY NEWS

Age NI encourages 'conversation' to address loneliness

An initiative called "start a conversation" is being encouraged by Age NI to address loneliness and encouraging people to take positive steps to combat this issue.

Linda Robinson, Age NI Chief Executive, said: "Age NI welcomes the spotlight on loneliness as a result of the Jo Cox Commission on Loneliness, a significant challenge that is facing many older people.

"We all have a role to play in reducing the loneliness and isolation experienced by older people.

From 20th March to 23rd April, we will be encouraging individuals, families and communities to 'start a conversation' on loneliness, whether that's by being friendly and chatting with a neighbour, visiting or staying in touch with an older relative, or simply making time for the people we meet every day.

"Loneliness takes the joy out of life and undermines a person's feelings of self-worth. Described as a 'public health challenge' and an 'epidemic', loneliness can have a profound effect on the mental, emotional and physical health or wellbeing of our older friends, family and neighbours, often disconnecting them from other people and their local community.

"Every year, Age NI provides support, care and companionship to thousands of older people who are living with a range of health conditions like dementia, mobility issues, stroke and cancer. An underlying issue shared by many is excruciating loneliness and isolation. "Age NI believes that if we all come together and start a conversation about loneliness, we can take positive steps towards tackling an issue that devastates the lives of many people in our society," she said. To get involved, follow Age NI twitter activity using #startaconversation.



DIOCESAN NEWS

Bishop's Roadshow on the Reformation

The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd John McDowell has travelled around the diocese delivering an address to parishioners on "Some Aspects of the Reformation." Bishop McDowell presented his informal talk at three roadshows in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen; St. Patrick's Church, Monaghan and St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher hosted by the Dean and Chapter.

In 2017, many Christians will be commemorating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. During his informal talks, Bishop McDowell examined some of the key people and key developments involved in the Reformation which shaped Christian faith from the 16th Century.

He explained how the culture and institutions of many countries in Western Europe were shaped by the Reformation. He went on to say, that although the Church of Ireland had its roots from 4th and 5th Centuries it had been greatly influenced by the Reformation of the sixteenth century. "In Ireland, as we know, the progress of the Reformation was very patchy and it was the only Kingdom in these islands which did not become predominantly Protestant. Again there have been all sorts of theories to account for that but it is undoubtedly true that as a national movement the Reformation failed in Ireland in the sixteenth century," he said.

The Bishop of Clogher with (from left); Gordon McLaren; Canon Maurice Armstrong, Lord Anthony Hamilton and Jack Johnston.





Attending the roadshow were (from left); Audrey Woods, Clabby; Bella Smith, Clabby and Jean Armstrong, Clabby.

Looking at society in the era of Martin Luther in the early years of the 16th Century, Bishop McDowell said life was very public and life was also extremely fragile. "People then were always living on the edge of an abyss; two bad harvests could result in famine," he said.

He described people as being more 'earthy' than they are now and would be considered 'coarse' in today's society. Bishop McDowell said that in its beginnings, the

Reformation was very much a scholarly movement, and that Luther's works ran to 120 volumes. "The Reformation was a revolution started by scholars who were able to make use of the rediscovered skills of reading ancient languages, particularly the Greek and Hebrew of the Bible and other scholarly developments to engage again with the original biblical texts. "Because the Reformation became a European wide movement these scholars wrote mostly in Latin so that they could understand each other. But not always. John Calvin could not read German and Martin Luther could not read French so they misunderstood many things about each other."

Bishop McDowell said Luther was far from being the only reformer. "There were many others such as Calvin as well as Heinrich Bullinger, Martin Bucer and Peter Martyr (who had much more influence in England and Ireland in their day) but there was often great disunity among reformers," he said. The language used was often robust but also very difficult to understand.

Bishop McDowell said: "In my view one of the reasons why Luther's theology appealed to many people in early modern Europe was because of the extraordinary precariousness of human existence and also the enormous resentment which had built up against the role of the church, and particularly the clergy, in everyday life."

He concluded by outlining how parochial Luther's life had been, staying mostly in the same region of Germany apart from one visit to Rome. Bishop McDowell said Luther often had to defend his teachings and refused to back down. Martin Luther died in 1546 in the town of Eisleben in Saxony, the same town where he was born.

Attending the Bishop's Roadshow on "Aspects of the Reformation" were Robert and Heather Robinson, Fivemiletown; Oral Graydon, Colebrooke and Eric Graydon, Maguiresbridge.



Parishes representatives attend Charities Information Event



Myles McKeown, Head of Compliance and Enquiries of the Charities Commission for Northern Ireland with Revd Gary McMurray, rector of Aghavea Parish and The Ven. Brian Harper, rector of Magheracross and Archdeacon of Clogher at the information event.

Over 100 parish representatives and some independent examiners attended a Charities Information Event held in Aghavea Parish Hall on the evening of Thursday 23rd February 2017.

Archdeacon Brian Harper welcomed everyone to the event and opened with prayer.

Mr. Myles McKeown, Head of Compliance and Enquiries of the Charities Commission for Northern Ireland, gave a very clear power point presentation on running a charity in Northern Ireland – post registration.

During the presentation there was an opportunity for people to ask questions.

The Diocese wishes to thank Myles for his presentation and the information he provided to parish representatives.

Diocesan Quiet Morning in Fivemiletown Parish

May I invite you to a Quiet morning on Saturday, 13th May and which is open to the diocese, led by Canon Raymond Fox, from the Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer? contemplative-prayer.org.uk

The shape of the morning is as follows:
10am - Coffee, tea and scones served in the Parish Hall

10.30 - Contemplation in St John's Church Break

11.45- Contemplation in St John's Church

12.45 -Lunch a light lunch served by the parish

A donation of £10 will be collected at lunch

Quiet Mornings have contemplations which focus on words of God the Father, or Jesus, from the scriptures.

Please book with the parish office in Fivemiletown: 8952 1030 on a Wednesday or Friday, or by email : fivemiletown@clogher.anglican.org



MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE NEWS

East Africa Emergency Appeal launched in response to worsening crisis

The Disasters Emergency Committee in the UK, has launched an East Africa Crisis appeal, in response to the rapidly deteriorating situation in the region which has left millions of people starving and in need of immediate humanitarian assistance. Bishops' Appeal is calling on our supporters to pray for those affected by the crisis, and to give what you can to help these men, women and children in their time of need. All the money raised for our emergency appeal will be split between two of our main partner charities: Christian Aid and Tearfund, both of whom are members of the DEC.

Overview of the crisis

Hunger on a massive scale is looming across South Sudan, northern Nigeria, Somalia and Yemen, as a combination of drought and conflict have left nearly 20 million people severely food insecure – meaning that they do not have enough food to feed themselves. Kenya and Ethiopia are also on the verge of crisis, with millions in need of humanitarian assistance. Across the four countries, people are in critical need of food, water and health support, with women and children suffering the most. The UN says that 1.4 million children are at imminent risk of death from severe acute malnutrition.

The numbers affected

In South Sudan, 100,000 people are facing starvation, another one million people are on the brink of famine and a further 3.9 million need urgent food aid. In Nigeria, Five million people do not have enough food, including half a million children who are facing imminent starvation. In Somalia, 6.2 million people are going hungry, and reports state that 363,000 children under five are extremely malnourished. In Yemen, Seven million people are severely food insecure after years of ongoing conflict. In Kenya, 2.4 million people do not have enough to eat as a result of repeated failed harvests. In Ethiopia, 5.7 million people are facing severe food shortages, after two years of drought.

A more detailed review of each country

South Sudan has been engulfed in a vast humanitarian crisis since violence broke out in 2013. Over 3.4 million people have fled their homes and the land they farmed. Drought in parts of the country has worsened the effects of the ongoing conflict. Nearly five million people do not have enough food and close to 100,000 are in imminent danger of death by starvation. The crisis in northern Nigeria is one of the most complex and most serious in the world right now.

Conflict has forced around two million people from their homes and over five million people do not have enough food, including 2.5 million children under five and their mothers. Around half a million malnourished children could die if they do not get food and medical care immediately. In Somalia, the main problem now is drought. The country has had less than half its normal rainfall for nearly three years. Crops have withered and animals have died. Experts warn that, without immediate scale up in humanitarian assistance, a situation worse than that of the 2011 famine could unravel in the next few months. So far, nearly three million people are severely food insecure.

More people are severely food insecure in Yemen – a staggering seven million – than anywhere else in the world. Over two million have fled their homes because of ongoing fighting, and two-thirds of them live with host families. In Kenya, the government declared a national emergency and asked for international support earlier in February 2017. Following the short-rain assessment in January 2017, the number of food insecure people in Kenya has doubled to 2.7 million compared to 1.3 million in August 2016. Ethiopia is facing the worst drought in half a century and some 5.6 million people require food assistance this year.

How Bishops' Appeal partners are responding

Christian Aid Ireland

Through local partner organisations, they are already working to provide access to food and water to some of the most vulnerable people in Kenya, Ethiopia and South Sudan, and in Somalia they are working through the ACT Alliance sister agencies. With further support from Bishops' Appeal, they hope to provide school meals to children, provide more cash and food vouchers for families, and repair much needed water sources. Christian Aid is also supporting ongoing projects in Nigeria, and launched an appeal for both Nigeria and Yemen back before Christmas.

Tearfund Ireland

Tearfund Ireland is already working with local churches in South Sudan and Ethiopia to alleviate poverty and hunger. With further support from the Bishops' Appeal they hope to provide much needed food vouchers and cash to the most vulnerable families, while building the capacity of local groups towards increased resilience to future shocks and disasters. Tearfund Ireland is partnering with local faith based organisations and collaborates with members of the Integral Alliance.

ANGLICAN COMMUNION NEWS

Church leaders issue statements following death of Martin McGuinness

Church in Ireland leaders issued statements following the death of Martin McGuinness, the ex – IRA leader turned politician who has died aged 66.

Martin McGuinness worked at the heart of the power-sharing government in Northern Ireland following the 1998 peace settlement. He went on to become Deputy First Minister of Northern Ireland for a decade from 2007, working initially alongside his former bitter foe, Protestant politician, Ian Paisley.

The Most Revd Dr Richard Clarke, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland: I express my sincere sympathy to Martin McGuinness's wife, family and friends on the news of his death. Martin McGuinness's adult life was in so many ways one of two very distinct halves, and most of us have great difficulty in connecting the two. That having been said (and it must be said), while recognising the hurt, fear and misery brought into hundreds of other lives in the first part of that life,

we should also convey proper appreciation of the immense statesmanlike qualities that Martin McGuinness brought into the political life of Northern Ireland in recent years. He displayed both real courage and a genuine openness to those of different political viewpoints from his own.

The Archbishop of Dublin, the Most Revd Dr Michael Jackson said: "I wish to express my sympathy on the death of Martin McGuinness to all members of his family and to those who hold him dear. I do so in recognition of his contribution to peace and to reconciliation as an integral part of the process of politics. Over a sustained period he committed himself in partnership with others to building a platform of peace in a broken world.

"Reconciliation changes individuals and it changes lives because at its heart it is transformative of inherited and accumulated caricatures and wrongdoings. It is one of the signs of the Kingdom of God in our midst. God calls all to work for the furtherance of the Kingdom regardless of our human frailty. I further wish to recognise the courage he showed in enduring a most debilitating illness in the last months and to pray for comfort for his wife and family at this time."

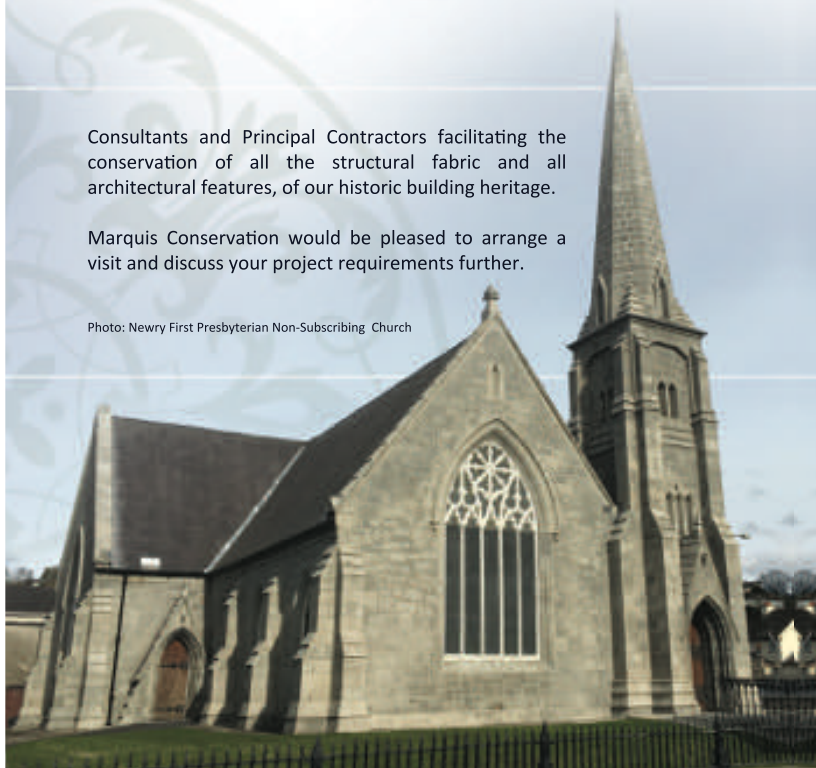


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