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# A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



The Bishop of Clogher delivering his Presidential Address

The Presidential address, given by the Bishop of Clogher, Rt Revd John McDowell to the Clogher Diocesan Synod Brothers and sisters in Christ, it is with a strong sense of thankfulness to God that I begin this presidential address as I celebrate just over six years of episcopal ministry and my seventh Diocesan Synod here in the Diocese of Clogher. And I am grateful not only to God but also to so many of you here tonight and to others in this Diocese for the support and encouragement you have given to me personally and for the many aspects of the life of the People of God to which you have contributed.

A little later I will welcome some of our ecumenical guests and ask for the Synods's permission for them to bring greetings. But I want to take this opportunity to welcome also Mr David Ritchie the Chief Officer of the Representative Church Body and the Secretary General of the Church of Ireland. David began work with the RCB about a year or so ago and over the past twelve months he has been trying to get to all the Diocesan Synods. He has already made a significant impression on how we organise ourselves centrally to best to equip the church for our mission and has made much progress on the culture of openness,

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flexibility and honesty needed if we are to succeed ( whatever "success" looks like in our context). David, you are warmly welcome.

We welcome also Mr Simon Henry of the Church of Ireland Youth Department who is also an honoured guest with us. Simon we wish you well in your support role for youth activities with the Church of Ireland.

## Parish Visitations

In last year's Synod Address I announced that I would undertake a general Visitation during the year ahead and that I would say something about that exercise to this year's Synod. I will do that shortly. I also tried last year to take a look at what is often called the "big picture" not just for the Diocese or the Church but for the world so that our worship, our witness and our service have a context or a background to be seen against. I identified the growing inequalities both between and within nations as a very ominous background against which to view contemporary political and social developments. I am no less wary this year of what is going on around us in the wider world and cannot help feeling that a quality of leadership - wise, unhurried, simple and trustworthy is needed more than ever both in church and state.

One of the principal tasks of a leader is to communicate reality to those who wish to take his or her lead, and the reality that I observe all around me, not just in Church but in every sphere of life, is a mood of impatience with other points of view, of an increasing narrowing of vision and of a drawing back from the sort of commitment that creates sustainable and worthwhile communities. It is hardly an exaggeration to call these developments the triumph of individualism and I sometimes think that the word "individual" should be banned from Christian conversations and replaced by a word like "person" to reflect the complexity

and value which each of us has - what we share as much as what we need.

## Individualism

This individualism which is so prevalent in our world and sometimes in our parishes is the enemy of reasoned debate and very far from the spirit of Anglicanism. Over the past ten years or so a new and very revealing way of opening a conversation or a debate has entered into our way of talking. "Speaking as an X.." somebody will say, whatever X might be. Speaking say as a woman or speaking as a progressive or speaking as a traditionalist or speaking as a unionist or as a republican -whatever it might be. But the intention of that way of opening a conversation is not to engage in an equal conversation but to establish some sort of privileged position. "I am X and you are not, so you couldn't possibly understand". It is an attempt to set up a wall against questions and it turns conversations into an encounter about power. The winner of the argument won't be the person who has the strongest reasons but the one who has the morally superior identity and can express the greatest outrage at being questioned.

The key word to look out for is "offended". Other people's arguments aren't weak or illogical - they are offensive. What replaces argument is a series of taboos rather like in the old paganism where only a small number of people, like the Druids or the shamans, were permitted to speak on certain matters or do certain things but nobody else not of that caste could interfere. Propositions become pure or impure, not true or false. Ask any of your children who have been to university recently about the matters which people simply aren't allowed to debate any more or the beliefs which are denigrated because they are outside a certain limited range of reference.

As you may have guessed by now I believe that the antidote to this strange perversion of the liberal spirit is the smallness and the diversity of the parish. It is what I meant when I said last year that the parish is the place where we create local significance in a globalised world. The parish is the place where you simply cannot turn your back on other people's personality or ideas or eccentricities. It is the place of God - given difference where we learn to work out those relationships that Paul talks about so clearly when he writes to the churches in Rome and in Corinth. It is the place where we work out our salvation and our transformation; that is we put it into practice in the ordinary circumstances of parish life where it is blessed by God for our good and for the good of the church.

### Parochial

The county Monaghan poet, Patrick Kavanagh famously extolled the significance of the parochial over against the Provincial (always looking over its shoulder to see what was happening in the metropolis and making a bad imitation of it) or the metropolitan with what is now identified as its "anywhere" rather than "somewhere" allegiances. Kavanagh himself was born and brought up as he proudly recorded... in the townland of Mucker, in the parish of Inniskeen".

His poetry deals with great universal themes through participation in the parochial. A very famous poem of his begins

*"We borrowed the loan of Kerr's Ass  
To go to Dundalk with butter  
Brought him home the evening before  
market  
An exile that night in Mucker".*

That was an odd way to begin a poem in the 1950's when people in Ireland were still arising and going to the Lake Isle of Inisfree or up the airy mountain and down the fairy glen, in search of little men.

And if you will bear with me on this theme just a little while longer here is something further which this local Clogher man wrote about the importance of the parish.

### EPIC

*"I have lived in important places, times  
When great events were decided, who  
owned  
That half a rood of rock, a no-man's land  
Surrounded by our pitchfork-armed claims.  
I heard the Duffys shouting 'Damn your soul'  
And old McCabe stripped to the waist, seen  
Step the plot defying blue cast-steel—  
'Here is the march along these iron stones'  
That was the year of the Munich bother.*



Revd Philip Bryson with Mrs Doreen Earls and Rev. Ngozi Njoku.

*Which  
Was more important? I inclined  
To lose my faith in Ballyrush and Gortin  
Till Homer's ghost came whispering to my  
mind  
He said: I made the Iliad from such  
A local row. Gods make their own  
importance."*

It is easy for us to become either preoccupied with what we can do little to influence or to yield to despair in the face of the bigness and complexity of the world's problems. Well occasions like this one tonight are an opportunity to remind ourselves that it is not our vocation to solve or even to address every problem in the world, but it is our vocation to build up the Kingdom in our parishes so that God may be sincerely worshiped, his world truly served and that his people may be saved through Christ forever. The parish is the context of our mission and the Diocese is the extended family to support us in that vocation. I am more convinced than ever of this following my Visitation.

I gather that some of you thought that there was an ulterior motive to my

tramping round the Diocese over the past 12 months. Apparently some of you thought that I was reconnoitring the lie of the land in preparation for closures and amalgamations. Nothing could have been further from my mind. What I did was to send clergy a list of questions about their approach to ministry in and beyond the walls of the church and about their own spiritual sustenance. I then arranged a visit of about two hours (sometimes more sometimes less) which began with a short act of worship. This was followed by a discussion loosely based around what people had written in response to my questions. And, by the way, it isn't that I am more interested in the clergy than in the laity, but that I am old fashioned enough to believe that the leadership given by clergy is a determining factor in the health and well-being of any parish and that that leadership is itself dependent on Christian leaders keeping themselves in very close communion with the source of spiritual life, Jesus Christ himself.



Douglas Maguire, Killeevan; Julie Crawford, Ballybay; John Keating, Newbliss and Revd Neal Phair.

## Time for Retreat

It is for that reason that I emphasised with each of them that every clergy person or Evangelist should have a period of five or six days each year (which are not holidays) which they should set aside for a retreat or some other form of spiritual renewal according to their own temperament and make up. In any other walk of life it would be called professional development or in-service training and as a Diocese we need to take the organising and provision of it more seriously.

We also talked about the “core” tasks in a parish clergy person or Evangelist’s vocation, which are quite simply those which are laid out in the ordination or commissioning services. Before I go on to speak about ordained ministry I want to say something about ministry in general, because they are very closely related. And this relationship is becoming more and more important in a world which we can no longer assume has any real understanding of the Gospel or of what is entailed in a life of discipleship of Jesus Christ.

I want to use some words which I had written for the commissioning of a Diocesan Reader last week.

Each of us has a personal ministry - things we do because we are the people God has made us and where he has placed us - our care of our families and neighbours, acts of mercy, hospitality, generosity, self-control, our prayers, our worship, the sharing of what God has done for each of us.

These ministries are as various as we are but are all rooted in our obedience to Christ and fed by our worship. Our sustenance and inspiration for these come from the ordinary devotion of our prayers and parish life, our walk with other Christians and our membership of community groups. These personal ministries are the bedrock of our Christian life and any other kind of ministry will be empty without them.

## Recognised Ministry

There will also be people who have a recognised ministry. There will be the person who is always asked to read in Church because their voice is strong, the person you can rely on to pray for you, the one who will not allow anyone to go home without being fed, the one who will sit quietly with you when you wait for bad news, the one who will always give money or time, the one whose smile makes people feel valued.

Without these personal and recognised ministries the other Commissioned or Ordained ministries are useless. They are in many ways the smallest part of the picture but getting them right demands a great deal of attention. To spend this time (and also money) on them is not to belittle the other types of ministry, but to try to make sure that what is done in the name of us all is faithful to the calling of Christ and the needs of the church.

Ministry cannot be what it once was thought to be in any of the traditional Churches. It

is no longer the pastoral care of a Christian nation. However that should free us up to make sure that it is the pastoral care of the People of God - that is of the parish.

## Evangelism and Mission

Although it may not have been obvious to those clergy and Evangelists who addressed the questions I asked of them, we were in fact dealing with two very clear priorities for the future, evangelism and mission. By evangelism I mean how a parish proclaims and embodies the Gospel in what it says and what it does. That can mean many things. In a deeply divided society such as ours in Northern Ireland and to a degree in the Republic of Ireland also it is both proclaiming and embodying the Gospel to set community relations at the heart of our parish presence. If there is one matter which the most varied NT writers agree on it is that if we say we love God who we cannot see but do not love our neighbours who we can see, then we are fooling ourselves.

Christian belief is both a gift and a vocation. And it is a very demanding vocation. That is why, as I said earlier the Church needs to take the time and trouble to ensure that those who are its official representatives (largely but not exclusively clergy and Evangelists) are properly trained and equipped for service. That is also the reason why there is a greater requirement for oversight of clergy - because what they do and say is taken as the voice of the Church and of the Gospel. We need to serve with

accountability and that accountability will, I think be a greater demand as the years progress.

## **Demands of Ministry**

Earlier I mentioned the Ordinal which contains the liturgies (often deriving from very ancient sources) which set out the shape of the clerical vocation. The Ordinal makes clear that each and all of the demands of ministry are both pastoral and a proclamation of the Gospel. Visiting the sick, preparing the dying for death, teaching people how to pray, preaching the Word, celebrating the sacraments of the New Covenant - all of these are the work of a shepherd feeding his or her flock and of a herald pointing towards the values of the Kingdom of God. I found on my visitation that the vast majority of clergy and Evangelists found that attending to these tasks made for a fulfilling life.

## **Ordinations**

And as an aside that is something which we need to emphasise much more to our young people. This year we were fortunate to have two ordinands from Clogher made deacon (one, the Revd Lindsey Farrell, to serve here in Clogher and another the Revd Alison Irvine to serve in the Diocese of Meath and Kildare) and we are grateful to God that he still calls people from our parishes to ordained ministry. But we need more of our own people to do so otherwise the Church of Ireland will start to become the Church of a few very populous areas of the island and cease to reflect the character of what has traditionally been the backbone of the Church of Ireland - the rural parish. Our reticence and our modesty in encouraging people to consider ordained ministry is an amiable fault, but a fault nevertheless. And encouragement to consider the path to ordination is very often best coming from lay people who see someone in their parish who they feel has the makings of a pastor of God's people but don't feel they should say so. Well I would encourage you to do just that so that the ordained ministry may truly reflect the variety and strength of the Church of Ireland.

As many of you will know I worked at a fairly senior level in business before I was ordained and when people asked me how I found the move into Holy Orders I usually said that I left a good job and found a better one. I still believe that as I am convinced that most of my colleagues do also as I have discussed matters with them throughout

Doreen Primrose, Cooneen; Rev. John McClenaghan, Aghalurcher Group and Valerie Clendenning, Aghalurcher.

the year. Sometimes there is nothing more difficult but almost always there is nothing more fulfilling than straightforward parish ministry.

In 1963 an Australian novelist called Morris West wrote a book called *The Shoes of the Fisherman*. It was a novel dissecting the high politics of the Catholic Church but there is in it these words about parish ministry:

"I'd be a country priest with just enough theology to hear confession....but with heart enough to know what...made others cry into their pillow at night. I'd sit in front of my Church and read my [prayer book] office and talk about the weather and the crops and learn to be gentle with the poor and humble and unhappy ones". Is that not a vocation worth having?

My Visitation also confirmed in my mind the obvious truth that although God calls us to a particular pattern of ministry he does not call us to a uniform or slavish application of that ministry. He has called each of us to bring our gifts to ministry and to work that ministry out in His company. It will take many forms depending on gifts and context but it will always be active. That does not mean hurried or breathless or unthinking, but always reflecting, devising and acting. Either doing something new or doing something old even better than we did it before; and all done in the service of the good working of the parish. That is not always going to be comfortable (in fact it may seldom be so) but, thinking back to Patrick Kavanagh,

nor should it be the beginning of the Trojan Wars.

## **Census**

As we await the results and analysis of the latest Church of Ireland census we need to remember that the other sobering context of our parochial mission is that in the Church of Ireland in general only about 15% of those claiming to be Church of Ireland attend church regularly. In the Diocese of Clogher it is rather more (about 22%) but even this is hardly a figure we can be very pleased about.

## **Youth ministry**

And needless to say certain age groups are very poorly represented. It is going to be very difficult to win back people in their thirties and forties who have moved into settled patterns of life and see no need for God. All of the evidence shows that it is much much better to attract people when they are young to the disciplines of prayer and discipleship. As I said in a recent *Ad Clerum* - we cannot do everything but we can do something. So I am inviting every parish in the coming year to do something which they haven't done before specifically for young people in their parish. It could be a one off event or it could be a discipleship programme or an Evangelists' outreach. It could be a school of prayer or 1001 other things. I would only ask a few things to be borne in mind:

That you may wish to look at the Clogher Diocesan Youth Councils Mission statement





Mr. Colin Brownsmith and Mr Albert Hamilton, both of Inishmacsaint.

which highlights the Anglican Communion's Five Marks of Mission. Indeed you may even think it worthwhile to speak to the CDYC's new chair, the Rev. Philip Bryson or to Jonny Phenix to help you think about what you might do. And this is a good opportunity to thank Philip for taking on the task of chairing the Council to which vocation he has brought much dedication, prayer and focus. But I would also ask Select Vestries to ensure that any such activity or initiative has adequate financial resources, support and encouragement within the parish. Finally, in relation to this general request, I would ask that the clergy, evangelist or youth worker lets me know what is being done simply for the purpose of information and so that I can remember what you are doing in my own prayers. And remember in these days when so many in society denigrate the Church and so many church people can become despondent - remember, the supreme wonder of the history of the Christian Church, is that always in the moments when it has seemed most dead, out of its own body there has sprung up new life; so that in age after age it has renewed itself, and in age after age by its renewal has carried not just itself but the whole world forward into new stages of progress, as it will do for us in our day, if only we give ourselves in devotion to its Lord and take our place in its service. Charities Registration, Methodist Covenant and Ordained Local Ministry

I have mentioned the word accountability a number of times in what I have said about clergy and parishes and it is a matter of growing importance in all areas of personal and collective service. There probably won't be anyone in this room who hadn't more forms to fill in or give a greater account of what they do today than they had to 10

years ago. Indeed this Synod has been a means of accounting for ourselves which had taken place for the past one 146 years. One area where accountability is being particularly emphasised at present is in the area of Charities Registration. You are, I know, all very aware of that.

### Thanks

So first I want to thank the enormous amount of preparatory and advisory work that has been undertaken for the parishes of the Diocese and for the Diocese itself by our Diocesan Accountant, Mrs Ashley Brown. It really has been a gargantuan task of first of all learning herself and of making that expertise available to those who need to know. But I want also to thank all of you in the parishes (and especially Honorary Treasurers) for your commitment to getting this right so that we not only comply with the letter of the law but through good governance become better stewards of our resources and of the Kingdom. It has not been an easy few years in terms of adjusting to new and more formal methods of (particularly financial) accountability but progress is steady. We have had much help from the regulatory authority, especially from the Charities Commission in Northern Ireland and we are grateful for that. However above all we are very thankful to those hundreds of people across our parishes who for years (in some cases decades) have run charities or been responsible for the management of charitable funds and resources with great care and dedication, seeking and receiving no reward; providing honest and decent service and who wish to continue to do so in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and appreciation with the regulatory authorities each understanding the limits of the others resources and bringing the virtues of common sense, proportion and humanity to all that they do. We are most grateful. On another subject altogether I want to highlight the continuing work of the Church of Ireland/Methodist Covenant as we try to deepen our common witness in the Diocese. As the clergy and Evangelists amongst you will know, with the help of the then Lakelands District Superintendent, the Revd Sam McGuffin we have made arrangements for a degree of interchangeability of Church of Ireland Diocesan Readers and Methodist Fully Accredited Local Preachers. I would ask that the opportunity for this mutuality and building up the unity and common witness is taken by as many parishes as possible in the coming year. Again, although I do not want to say a great deal about it until the details are more closely worked out, the House of Bishops

have agreed, on foot of a motion from this year's General Synod, to introduce a programme for the section and training of what is currently known as Ordained Local Ministry (OLM) and I will hopefully be in a position to say more in detail about that initiative to the appropriate people as the year progresses.

### Schools

One area of Diocesan activity of which we in the Diocese, both North and South can be justly proud is our involvement in schools where we many people serve as school governors or volunteers-not to mention teaching or other forms of employment. This year I would like to mention particularly our involvement in schools in County Monaghan. In the Republic of Ireland many of the schools continue to be under the patronage of Churches. So I am patron of four primary schools (Clontibret, the Billis, Rockcorry and Drumacrutin, still known as National Schools) and one second level school, Monaghan Collegiate. We also contribute very significantly to the governance of the Model National School in Monaghan. That patronage carries with it responsibility for the ethos of a school and many of our clergy and lay people in county Monaghan are very involved in school Boards of Management and Boards of Governors. Our patronage of schools is both a privilege and a responsibility and is a significant part of the Protestant community's contribution to education and to social cohesion in a pluralist society in Ireland and I want to thank all of our people who are involved in the governance and management of schools in county Monaghan, and to our principals and teachers. We may be numerically small. It is a numerically but we contribute whole heartedly to the well-being of the whole community. I want to say a particular word of thanks to Canon Ian Berry who is very conversant with the legislative and administrative background to education in the Republic of Ireland and who acts more or less as my unofficial adviser on these matters. As well as being involved at all levels of governance in number of schools he also helped organise some very high quality training for newly appointed Boards of Management last year and as a Diocese we are in his debt.

### Rwanda Project

It has been on my conscience for some time that as a Diocese we do not have a specific overseas mission project to support and to engage with. I know that every parish supports mission partners and projects as part of their solidarity with the



Universal Church especially where it labours under very difficult economic and social conditions. However as a Diocese I would also like to ask us focus on a particular project as indeed has been done in the past with Diocesan projects in Kaduna, in Sri Lanka by the Holy Land Medical Relief Fund and in a hospital in Gaza.

Many people find that mission links work best where there is some local connection between the partners concerned and I have been in contact with the Rev'd Jerome Munangaju who many of you will know was, for about 10 years, the rector of the parish of Killyleagh. Jerome and his wife Mary have since returned to their native Rwanda. They had intended simply to find some work there for a few years before retiring. However they became increasingly concerned and aware that there were very many elderly homeless people who would normally have been looked after by their extended families but whose children had been killed during the genocide.

So Jerome and Mary have begun a modest project to provide a care home facility free of charge as a community of social care and spiritual welfare. The fundraising and partnership work is led by Mrs Mavis Gibbons and the Rev'd Bobbie Moore who will be known to many of you and I am hoping to identify a small Diocesan group who might organise fundraising and support activities for the project here in Clogher.

## Diocesan Office

Last year we held our Diocesan Synod in Monaghan and it was a good opportunity to get out and about in that part of the diocese. This year we are back again to what I expect will become our more regular venue in these very impressive halls. As most of you will know the money to undertake the refurbishment of the old halls to make this new building was provided ( following a very rigorous selection process) by the Social Investment Fund of the Executive Office and as a diocese we are grateful too them for the confidence they have shown in the Cathedral Parish to make a difference in terms of social cohesion here is Enniskillen. And we are grateful to the Select Vestry of Enniskillen Cathedral not only for allowing us to host our Synod here tonight but also for providing our new Diocesan Office on reasonable terms. The move from the temporary office in Darling Street back here to Hall's Lane allowed us to have a fresh look at staff deployment as the Diocesan Secretary moved to part time hours and Brian Donaldson took up his role in Diocesan Communications. The final pattern

Mr. David Ritchie, Chief Executive Officer, RCB, speaking to the Synod.

of those arrangements has not quite settled yet and we are all too aware of some minor teething problems which we hope will be sorted out this term. However I do want to thank the staff based in the Office (Glenn, Ruth and Ashley) for all they have done to make the return as smooth as possible. Indeed one of the minor advantages of our new office and equipment is that we have been able to print our streamlined version of the Diocesan Report to the Synod in-house this year.

Also a particular word of thanks to the Rev'd Lorraine Capper for the work that she has done in rescuing, conserving and cataloging a great deal of Diocesan archive material and other resources which nearly perished in some very wet conditions in the strong room.

## Personalia

This might also be an appropriate moment to formally congratulate Ruth on her engagement and we wish her well for the future in that sphere of her life. During the year we have also welcomed some new faces into the Diocese particularly those of the Revd Colin McConaghie as rector of the Carrickmacross Group (so far as I know the only Glenavon supporter ever to have served in the Diocese of Clogher) and the Revd Paul Thompson as rector of Derryvullen North and Castlearchdale. Paul served in parishes in the Dioceses of Down and Dromore and Connor before moving to England to work as a chaplain in the prison service for 16 years. So of his face is familiar to you, you may not want to admit it.

As you will know the Diocese of Clogher is represented on the central governing bodies of the Church, most especially on the Representative Body and the Standing Committee, The Representative Body is the Trustee of the assets (property, money and 20,000 trusts) of the Church of Ireland and transacts an enormous amount of business on our behalf. As with every committee

in the Church of Ireland, three is strong dependence on the contribution made by the experienced lay people which each diocese elects. One of our representatives for the past...years has been Mr John Keating who has stepped down this year having reached his twenty-first birthday. I would like to thank John for the quiet and dedicated service which he has given to the Representative Body.

Although he too is still with us here tonight Chancellor John Stewart stepped down during the past year as the Secretary to the Glebes Committee and as Diocesan Registrar, both tasks which required much patience and attention to detail. On your behalf I would like to thank John for all that he contributed in those largely unobserved roles in diocesan life and for his help and advice particularly in Registry matters during his...years of service.

Perhaps Chancellor Stewart will take some pride in the fact that it has taken two people to replace him and I welcome the Revd John McClenhaghan formally as Registrar. I also particularly want to welcome Mr Robert Forde as Secretary to the Diocesan Glebes Committee, possibly the first layman to hold that office but with a professional background which equips him well for the task, not to mention his quietly persuasive winning ways.

I think I should also take this opportunity to more formally thank Brian Harper for agreeing to be Archdeacon in which role he effectively acts as the Bishop's executive officer and which is a position of seniority and trust which he has so far discharged with great diligence and understanding. Brothers and sisters in Christ, I finish as a began in sincere thankfulness to God our Father and The Lord Jesus Christ that he has sustained each of us in our vocations and ministry for a further year to meet again for mutual encouragement ; may he bless us as we continue with the work of His Church tonight.



# PARISH NOTES

The harvest at Clogh

## Aghadrumsee, Clogh & Drumsnatt



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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

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

#### Sunday 12th November

Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Remembrance Service  
Clogh 10.45 am Remembrance Service  
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 19th November

Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Morning Prayer  
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer  
Drumsnatt 3.00 pm Harvest Service

#### Sunday 26th November

Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Family Service  
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer  
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer

### Groups

Meetings of the various groups will take place as follows:

**Clogh Mothers' Union** – Monday 6th November at 8.00 pm.



**Bowling Club** – Each Wednesday at 8.00 pm in Clogh Hall

**Young Ladies Group** - Tuesday 14th November at 8.30 pm in Aghadrumsee Old School 'Crafty Creations'.

**Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild** – Thursday 16th November at 8.00 pm.

**Crafty Church** – Saturday 25th November, 3.00 pm – 4.30pm in Aghadrumsee Old School

### Services of Remembrance

Services of Remembrance take place in Aghadrumsee and Clogh on Sunday 12th November when we remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice serving their country.

### Baptism

The Baptism of Sophie Elizabeth, daughter of Malcolm and Lisa McVitty took place in Aghadrumsee on Sunday 1st October. We wish them and big sister Ellie God's Richest Blessings at this special time.

### Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Mr and Mrs Tommy Forster and family circle on the death of Tommy's sister Mrs Ada McFarland whose funeral took place in Aghadrumsee at the end of September.

### Aghadrumsee



The Children's Harvest at Aghadrumsee

### Clogh



The Mothers' Union at Clogh

### Drumsnatt



Celebrating harvest at Drumsnatt.

A scene from the harvest at Aghadrumsee



## Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



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### Services

#### 5th November

10.45am Colebrooke HC & Baptism

12.15pm Cooneen Holy Communion

#### 12th November

11.30am approx. Colebrooke Remembrance

#### 19th November

11.00am Colebrooke Family Service

3.00pm Mullaghfad Carol Service

#### 26th November

7.30pm Colebrooke Healing Service

Clogher Diocesan Ministry of Healing

### Mullaghfad Services

On Sunday 15th October 2016 at 3.00pm our annual Service of Remembrance was held, with members of Fivemiletown Royal British Legion attending.

Mr Abraham Storey was our visiting preacher at this service, and we are thankful to Abraham for bringing God's Word to us.

On Sunday 19th November 2017, at 3.00pm we will be holding a pre-Advent Carol Service, weather permitting. Last year the collection at this service in memory of Tommy Lendrum raised a significant sum for Cancer Research and Marie Curie.

This year the collection will be in aid of charities which help those who are affected by various forms of mental illness.

Friends and visitors will be most welcome at all our services.

### Church's Ministry of Healing

Clogher Diocesan Ministry of Healing will be holding a service of Divine Healing with The Laying on of Hands, in St Ronan's Colebrooke, at 7.30pm on Sunday 26 November 2017. During the service prayers will be said for those who wish to be prayed for, and there will be an opportunity to come

forward for the Laying on of Hands, for themselves or on another's behalf. If you would like someone included on the prayer list, please get in touch with me as above. Everyone is most welcome to this service, following which tea and refreshments will be provided.

### From The Registers

#### Holy Baptism

On Sunday 8th October 2017, **Jake**

**Raymond Morrison**, son of Susan and Clive was baptised in St Ronan's Parish Church, Colebrooke. Godparents were Cherith and Jonathan Best.

Also on Sunday 8th October 2017, **Harry Norman Armstrong**, son of Anita and Adam, was baptised in Holy Trinity Parish Church, Cooneen. Godparents were Trudie and Glenn Hawkes.

We wish God's richest blessing on these young boys as they begin their lives baptised into Christ's Church.

### SNATCH

(Sunday Night At The Church Hall) Youth Ministry

Aghavea and Colebrooke

7.00pm to 9.00pm on alternate Sunday

evenings. Check notices for details

All young people of secondary school age welcome.

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

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

### GFS

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

### Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Scouts recommence late September, and will be meeting every Tuesday from 7pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-11 years, and every Friday for Scouts, 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)

### Bowling Club

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

New members are very welcome, whether new to the sport, or an absolute beginner. If you do not have your own bowls, but would like to have a try, come along, spend some time with us, and see if you catch the bug.

### Colebrooke and Cooneen Mothers' Union

The September meeting opened with a visit from a member of our local community who used pictures and practical visual aids to tell of his visit to Peru in South America in 2016.

Timothy McClure, a young Pharmacist, travelled with a team from St John's Parish Church, Fivemiletown, to Lima, for two weeks. He shared his experiences of working with SAMS, (South American Missionary Society), doing practical maintenance work on church and school buildings as well as games and Bible teaching there. The painting of Bible Story murals on the school walls helped to teach many of the familiar stories from God's word as well as improve the appearance of the building. Resources in Spanish were also presented to the school. The team made home visits to needy families bringing food parcels and presented financial support to the 'Shalom Centre' for disabled people.

Timothy then volunteered for a further two weeks, on the mercy ship 'Amazon Hope' as it journeyed into remote areas along the Amazon River. He joined the team of medical experts, including doctors, nurses, dentists and midwives, who facilitated clinics on board the ship. They provided essential medical care, prescribed medicines and taught basic hygiene to these isolated communities and were a vital life line for them.

Timothy said it was a trip of incredible experiences and sunsets which he hopes he can do again in the future.

Members are looking forward to Visitors' night on 18th October, when Mrs Mary Good will speak on 'No ordinary People', when she will explore how each one of us is vital to what God wants to do in the world.

### Colebrooke House And Garden Open Day

Lord and Lady Brookeborough will be opening the house and gardens at Colebrooke Park to visitors on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th June 2018. Colebrooke Church will also be open for visitors and tea and refreshments will be available in the Parish Hall. The proceeds of the weekend will be given to charitable and philanthropic purposes. Full details to follow.

## Aghavea



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### Services

#### 5th November

11am- Holy Communion and Sunday School

#### 12th November

11.30am-Morning Prayer with Act of  
Remembrance

#### 19th November

11am-Family Service

#### 26th November

11am-Morning Prayer and Sunday School

#### 3rd December

11am-Holy Communion and Sunday School

#### 10th December

11am- Church Family Nativity

#### 17th December

11am- Morning Prayer

7.30pm- Carol Service with Maguiresbridge  
Silver Band

#### 24th December

11am- Morning Prayer

10pm- Christmas Eve Communion

#### 25th December

10.30am- Christmas Day Family Communion

#### 31st December

11am- Morning Prayer

11.30pm- Watchnight Service

### Sunday 19th November

Sunday 19th November 2017 at 7.30pm.

We are invited to a service in Clabby Parish  
Church where our Crosslinks Mission  
Partner Mr Trevor Watson will be taking part.

We welcome the Revd Margaret Pringle  
who will provide service cover and pastoral  
cover from the first Sunday in November  
under the guidance of the Rural Dean.

### Organisations

**G.F.S** : Wednesdays at 6.30pm Church Hall.  
Girls of three years upwards are welcome.

**Mothers Union**: Next meeting Tuesday  
14th November. New members are very  
welcome.

**Bowls**: The Bowling Club meet in the Parish  
hall each Monday at 8pm New members  
are very welcome.

**Sunday School**: All children of primary  
school age welcome

### Fund Raising Events

#### Thursday 23rd November

Table Quiz Aghavea, Church Hall at 8pm

#### Saturday 9th November

Craft Fair Aghavea Church Hall at 8pm

## Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno



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### Ballybay, Clontibret

#### Youth Club

Youth club will meet in Christ Church  
Hall on the 11th and 25th of November  
at 6pm. All national school children  
are very welcome. Older children in  
secondary School or at College are  
welcome also and can help lead some  
of the activities etc and parents are  
encouraged to stay for refreshments  
during the hour that youth club takes  
place.

### Clontibret

#### Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Our harvest thanksgiving service with Revd  
David Moses as the special preacher was  
well supported by the local community  
and we were delighted to be entertained  
by Jason and Lee Nichol on violin and  
Rebekah Weir soloist, accompanied by  
Stuart Henderson on organ. It is always a  
pleasure to see and listen to people who  
have the gift of music and especially the  
young. The congregation enjoyed singing  
the familiar traditional hymns led by Sharon  
Lancashire on the organ. The refreshments  
served afterwards afforded everyone the  
opportunity to chat.

#### Prayers

We remember all who are in care and  
especially Esther Dunne and Jim and  
Robert Graham and pray for their carers  
and all who support them. We remember  
too all who are finding life difficult either  
through ill health or the loss of a loved  
one and pray that they will know God's  
presence and recall that Jesus said  
'Remember, I am with you always to the  
end of the age.' Matthew 28:20  
We pray too for our young members of  
the congregation as they go about their  
daily activities. We give prayerful thanks  
for our Sunday School superintendent and  
teachers as they help our children develop  
their knowledge of God and Christian life,  
not forgetting the Rector and those who

assist him in managing the monthly youth  
club.

#### Marriage Congratulations

Warmest congratulations to Suzanne and  
Darren Tate on their recent marriage. We  
wish them health and happiness and God's  
Blessing for the years ahead.

#### Carol Service

Looking to the future our Annual Carol  
Service will be on Sunday, 17th December  
2017 at 3.30pm when the children from  
the National School will make a major  
contribution to our worship and celebration  
of the birth of Our Saviour. Everyone will be  
made most welcome.

#### Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is extended to the  
McGuigan family and also the Thomas  
family and the wider family circle on  
the death of Mrs Beryl McGuigan. Beryl  
McGuigan (nee Thomas) was a Church  
of England lady who married into the  
McGuigan family. The Rector officiated  
at her burial of Ashes at Annyalla Chapel  
with the members of her family and close  
friends present and also the Parish Priest of  
Annyalla, Fr Paudge McDonnell whom the  
Rector thanked for his gracious Christian  
fellowship in allowing him to perform the  
burial on the day.

## Ballybay

### Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the McGregor family and the wider family circle with the death of Mrs Susan McGregor.

We pray especially for her son David and her daughter in law Katherine, also her daughter De Vere and son-in-law Glan, her brothers Tom and Joe, and her grandchildren Fionualla, David, Daniel, Nicola, Paul, Victoria, Shane and John. Susan (Jackson) was born in Baltinglass, Co Wicklow into a great Church of Ireland farming family. She was one of six children. Susan went to school in Baltinglass and when she left school, she went to Scotland to work and it was there that she met her future husband Malcolm McGregor. Eventually she moved back to Ireland in 1964 where she came to Ballybay to set up home. She first gained employment with the late Mr Moss at Knocknamaddy who she cared for. Then she obtained employment in St Joseph's where she worked for about 24 years, mostly on night duty. Susan was a great Church person all her life and when she moved to Ballybay, she immediately attended and got involved in Christ Church. Indeed she remained a faithful parishioner of Christ Church until she passed away during the week and never missed a Sunday at Christ Church until her health started to fail. Susan was very keen to get involved in the running of the church and hence became a member of the Select Vestry, which she was a member of for many years. There she worked tirelessly raising money for the church and helping out in any way she could. She was also a very active member of the Mothers' Union and really enjoyed the fellowship with the other ladies of the parish and of the area. Susan was a member while she was able for over 30 years and the Mothers Union always thought of her and prayed for her, especially at significant times e.g. when her daughters Susan and Marion passed away and also they remembered her on her 90th Birthday. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends and by all at Christ Church.

### Harvest Thanksgiving

A special thank you to Charlie Mills who was our guest speaker at our Harvest thanksgiving service on Sunday 8th October, a huge thank you to the Ballybay country gospel singers for their truly uplifting performance, thank you to William and Julie for the readings and to all who took part in the decorating of the church and helping with the beautiful refreshments in the church hall afterwards.

### Youth Club

Youth club is back up and running again in the hall every second Saturday evening from 6pm to 7pm. All national school children are very welcome. Please note our Hallowe'en special event will take place on Saturday 28th of October so hope to see a large turnout to that.

### Fund Raiser

On Thursday 16th of November 2017 at 8pm, Christ church are holding a Seasonal Supper Suggestions, a cookery demonstration hosted by Astrid Moffett, in aid of church repair funds. Tickets €10 each. An evening not to be missed!

### Marriage

Very best wishes is extended to Irene Clarke from Rockcorry, daughter of Philip and Susan Clarke, and David Bisset from Glasgow, Scotland on their marriage in St Mary's Chapel Rockcorry on Saturday the 14th October. The Rector and Fr Jerry White officiated at the wedding. Everyone attending remarked how the service was fully ecumenical in every respect where Fr Jerry and Revd Neal jointly performed the wedding service together from start to finish. Celebrations continued in the Four Seasons Hotel in Monaghan and Fr White and the Rector sat alongside the happy couple and their parents at the top table. We wish Irene and David every happiness in the future.

## Muckno

### Harvest Thanksgiving

Many thanks to Rev Jim Hagan, local Presbyterian Minister, who was our guest speaker at our Harvest thanksgiving service on Sunday 1st October. Also a big thank you to Mrs Dorothy Hawthorne, sister of the Rector, for performing two solo pieces at the service. Dorothy was accompanied at the service by her husband Eddie and her daughter Sophia. Also thanks to Doreen Lawson-Smyth for reading the lessons and to all who decorated the church so beautifully and who helped out with the refreshments in the church afterwards. Thank you also to all who

came to the service, all those from St Mary's congregation who are sharing the church with us and to the members of 1st and 2nd Castleblayney Presbyterian Churches.

### Shoe Box Appeal

Once again we remember the less well off children in our world with the shoe box appeal. Mrs Janet Hill is again this year co-ordinating the Shoe Box Appeal for a large area of Co Monaghan, so a big thank you to Janet and members of the congregation at Muckno who are leading this very noble effort. Anyone who has a completed shoe box or fillers for shoe boxes should leave it in the church hall for 2nd November. Thank you for your continued support.

### Mothers' Union

On Wednesday 11th of October, the Ballybay Group of Parishes Mothers' Union had their visitors night in Muckno Church Hall, Castleblayney. Mr Ken Gibson from the Leprosy Mission came and spoke at the event and gave out some very colourful pictorial books about leprosy and some significant supporters over the years and people who help highlight the cause such as the Princess of Wales, Princess Diana. Everyone found it a thoroughly enjoyable evening and there were refreshments afterwards. Thank you to all members of the MU who came along and members of the local PW.

Mothers' Union next meeting for the Ballybay Group is in Clontibret Church Hall at 8pm, on Wednesday 15th November, where Lorna Soden, local ICA President, will lead a craft evening. Everyone welcome, refreshments afterwards.

### Remembering in our prayers

We pray for Mark Adair who is in Drogheda hospital at this time and for Kay Robinson in the Step Down Unit in Monaghan Hospital.



Christ Church Ballybay

## Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh



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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 9.00 am  
Morning Prayer St Finbarr's 10.30 am  
Harvest Festival Service Magheracloone  
3.00 pm

#### Wednesday 8th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30 am

#### Sunday 12th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am  
Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon

Morning Prayer Ardragh 1.15pm

#### Wednesday 15th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30 am

#### Sunday 19th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 9.00 am  
'Arise and Shine' St Finbarr's 10.30 am  
Service of The Word Magheracloone  
12noon

#### Wednesday 18th October

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30 am

#### Sunday 26th November

Confirmation Service St Finbarr's 10.30am

#### Wednesday 29th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30 am

### Bible Study

We are holding a short Bible Study in the lead up to Advent over three Thursday evenings 9th, 16th and 23rd of November. The studies will be open to anyone with an interest in learning more about the Christian faith and will be largely informal with room for discussion and questions. The first study will be at the Rectory with the following two at the home of Lorna and Carl Moy and we thank them for offering the use of their home.

### Prayer Meeting

As we seek to pray for one another and for our church particularly that we will grow in faith, numbers, unity and love. Our new monthly prayer meetings began on 2nd October as we focused on being

still in God's presence. We meet on the first Monday of each month and our next meeting is on Monday 6th November at 8.00pm in the Rectory.

### Commissioning of Alan Hill

The whole Parish was delighted to join with Alan Hill as he was commissioned as a Diocesan Reader on Sunday 24th September by the Bishop of Clogher, Rt Revd John McDowell at a service in St Finbarr's, Carrickmacross. Alan has served Group Parishes of Carrickmacross as a Parish Reader for the past five years before feeling God's call to train as a Diocesan reader.

Alan undertook the training under Canon David Skuce and was guided by Revd Neal Phair of Castleblayney parish during the vacancy in Carrickmacross.

Alan is an active member of parish life in St Finbarr's. Alongside his role as a Parish Reader he is a member of vestry, a Diocesan Synod member and helps with the sound system as well as being involved in many other events around the parish. As well as his busy life as a family man and farmer, Alan is a keen runner and at the time of going to Press, was preparing for this year's Dublin marathon at the end of October.

His wife Rachel, daughters Amy, Faith and Hannah as well as family members, friends and parishioners, joined Alan at the service.

### 'Jewels' Womens Group

'Jewels' is the new name for our women's group which meets on the last Thursday of each month. For our October meeting of Jewels' the ladies were entertained by our very own Rosaleen Coleman and friends from her creative writing group for an evening of story-telling. This month 'Jewels' meets on Thursday 30th November when we will have a card making demonstration just in time for Christmas.

### Confirmation Service



As a group of parishes we look forward to our Confirmation Service on 26th

Mr Alan Hill, Diocesan Reader with the Bishop of Clogher and Revd Colin McConaghie

November as we will celebrate with nine of our young people as they make their confirmation promises. They are a really great group of young people and we have had a wonderful time working together in our preparation classes. Please pray for Amy, Dawn, Ella, Lauren, Leah, Matthew, Sarah, Sienna and Tracey as they prepare to take this important step in their journey of faith.

### Harvest Festival Services



Thank you to all who decorated the three churches for our Harvest Festival Service as well as all who attending our three uplifting services as we give thanks to God for the gift of the Harvest.



All three services were very well attended as we heard from firstly Revd Coli in Ardragh, Revd Ian Jameson from Drogheda at St Molua's and finally Revd Ian Horner from Bailieborough speak of our need to remember what God has given us and be careful not to be greedy and selfish. Our Harvest Festival ended with our Service in St Finbarr's where our worship was enhanced by our newly formed parish choir singing three pieces followed by a delicious harvest supper in the Jackson Hall.

At each service we collected non-perishable food items which were then donated to a local women's shelter. Thank you to all who give so generously. Christmas.

### Congratulations

It was with great joy that we celebrated the arrival of a baby boy in St Molua's parish. Congratulations to Jimmy and Margaret Babington on the birth of their first grandson and of course the proud daddy Leslie as we welcome little Harry into the world.

### Condolences

As a group of parishes we express our deepest sympathies to Eleanor, Graham, Keith Howell and their families on the death of John. John was an active and much loved member of St Finbarr's and had given many years of service to the Select Vestry and many other events around the church. John will be sadly missed by us all and we assure Eleanor and the boys our prayers and support over the coming weeks and months.

## Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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### Services

#### Wednesday 8th November

10:00 a.m. Monthly H.C. Mullaghduin Parish Hall

#### Sunday 12th November, Remembrance Sunday

10.00 a.m. M.P. Mullaghduin  
11.30 a.m. M.P. Cleenish

#### Sunday 19th November

10:00 a.m. H.C. Mullaghduin  
11:30 a.m. H.C. Cleenish

#### Sunday 26th November

Cleenish Confirmation, including Church Wardens' Rosemary Ford and Cecil Brownlee.

10:00 a.m. M.P. Mullaghduin

11:30 a.m. M.P. Cleenish

#### Sunday 3rd December

10:00 a.m. H.C. Mullaghduin

11:30 a.m. 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

Sunday 12th November,

#### Remembrance Sunday

Saturday 18th November,

#### Cleenish Parish Auction

Saturday 9th December,

#### BCG Childrens' Party

Sunday 10th December,

#### Annual Carol Service, Mullaghduin

Sunday 17th December,

#### Annual Carol Service, Cleenish

Friday 9th February,

Cleenish Parish Supper Dance

### Select Vestry Meetings

Wednesday 15th November, Cleenish

Wednesday 22nd November, Mullaghduin

### Cleenish Confirmation

The above Service was held before a packed congregation in Cleenish Parish Church, on Sunday morning 24th September, at which eight candidates were confirmed. The Celebrant and Preacher was our Bishop, Rt. Rev. John McDowell, assisted by the Rector, Canon Geoffrey Bridle, and Parish Reader, Rowena Sheridan. Candidates presented to the Bishop, were Cleenish Parish; - Andrew William Elliott; Kody Alex Foster; Andrew David Hicks and Alex Robert Keys. From Mullaghduin Parish; Peter Maurice Collum; Jessica Joy Johnston; Emma Caroline Martha Scott and William Kenneth Watterson. The choir sang two Anthems, and the Service concluded with Holy Communion Two. Mrs Joan Brownlee played the organ.



## 200th Anniversary Mullaghduin Church



A Service of Thanksgiving for 200 Years of worship, was held before a large congregation in Mullaghduin Parish Church, on Sunday morning 1st October. The Preacher was our Bishop, Rt. Rev. John McDowell. The Service was conducted by the Rector, assisted by Parish Reader, Robert Waterson. At the beginning of the Service, the Bishop unveiled a plaque to mark 200 years of Worship. During the Service there were four hymns, and the Choir sang two pieces. The organist was Elizabeth Hazlett. The Church was beautifully decorated by Caroline Little for Harvest. The occasion was followed by a very tasteful Celebratory Meal in the Parish Hall at Letterbreen, after which the Bishop was invited to cut the cake. Mullaghduin has at present produced three Canons, all active in the Church of Ireland.



The Bishop, The Rector, Parish Reader Robert Waterson and Churchwardens Heather Carson and Dessi Coulter with the Mullaghduin Plaque.

Canon Desmond Kingston; Canon Hazel Hicks; and Canon Henry Blair.

A booklet entitled "Mullaghduin The Church History" is produced by David Eames BA (Hons), and can be obtained from the Rector or Churchwardens.

### List Of Incumbents

1817-1869 Andrew Staples Clarke  
 1868-1872 David Clarke  
 1873-1874 Edmund Maturin  
 1874-1915 John Thomas Henry Abbott  
 1916-1922 Edward Joseph McKew

1922-1925 Edward Lionel Keane  
 1925-1928 Thomas Percival Rose  
 1928-1931 Richard Whitehead  
 1931-1935 Austin Swanton  
 1935-1939 William Sleator  
 1939-1945 Richard A Kingston  
 1945-1948 Thomas Clements  
 1948-1951 H.L. Phair  
 1951-1957 G.T. Pedlow  
 1957-1961 J.G.R. Benson  
 1961-1978 William Fredrick Hayes  
 1978-1980 Cecil Thomas Pringle  
 1980-1984 Robert John Riddle  
 1984-1991 David Paul Hoey  
 1991-1998 Samuel B Wright  
 1999 to present Geoffrey P Bridle



### Mullaghduin Harvest

Following the 200th Anniversary Service on Sunday 1st October, Mullaghduin Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held on Monday 2nd October. The Service was led by the Rector and the Preacher was the Curate Assistant of Enniskillen Cathedral and the Clogher Cathedral Group, Revd Olivia Downey. The Choir, with Elizabeth Hazlett at the organ, sang two anthems, "Walk with Me" and "Lead Us by Thy Hand". Revd Olivia complimented the Choir on their singing, and commented on the "tasteful and skilful" decorations in the Church. Using as her text, Luke 12 v34, "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also", she delivered a memorable and thought provoking Sermon.



### Cleenish Harvest Services

Details of the above held from 13th to 15th October will be published in the next issue.

### Monthly Healing Service

The monthly Healing Service takes place on Wednesday 8th November, in Mullaghduin Parish Hall. It combines the usual 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.

### Cleenish Parish Auction

The above will be held in Cleenish Parish Hall, Bellanaleck, on Saturday 18th November at 2pm.

### Book Launch



The large attendance at the Cleenish Island book launch.

### Cleenish and Mullaghduin Mothers' Union

On Tuesday 19th September members met in Mullaghduin Parish Hall, and were privileged to learn more about "Drop Inn Ministry" from guest speaker Ronnie Dawson, who saw the need in 1994 in the village of Richhill, to change the story of young people there among whom drug and alcohol abuse was common place. So in 1994 Drop Inn began as a Youth Centre with a chip shop.

Not long after, the Chernobyl disaster happened Ronnie took a lorry filled with supplies, and drove across Europe to get the much-needed aid to the people most affected by the catastrophe. This became a yearly trip and soon Drop Inn was overwhelmed with donated supplies, some of which could not be sent due to border restrictions. With surplus supplies Ronnie's mother came up with the idea of opening a thrift shop to help pay the fuel for the trip. A shop was opened in the village of Richhill over 20 years ago, today there are around 30 shops. These shops and their hard working staff provide the funds Drop Inn requires to bring hope and healing to over 20 countries. Ronnie



thanked the Community for their support, and the staff who had accompanied him from the Enniskillen shop for their hard work as this local shop has the top sales. Those present were interested in supporting the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal serving needy children and their families worldwide with Drop Inn. Shoe boxes can be handed in to Enniskillen Drop Inn shop. Members wish to express their sympathy to Florence

Willis, and the extended family on the death of her husband Mervyn, who was called home on Thursday 28th September. Members also extend their good wishes to Violet Gault following a hip replacement, and wish her a speedy recovery.

Next meeting, Tuesday 21st November, Christmas Flower Arranging in Mullaghduin Parish Hall.

Bishop of Clogher cutting the Anniversary Cake at Mullaghduin



## Cleenish Brownies

Brownies continue in Cleenish Parish Hall, and new girls aged seven to 11 years will be made most welcome on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 until 7:45pm.

## Cleenish Mothers and Toddler Group

The Group are now meeting on Tuesday mornings between 10am and 12 noon in Cleenish Parish Hall. For further information contact Rosita Bridle, Tel 66 348259. It is an opportunity for Mothers/Carers who join with their toddlers, to form new and long lasting friendships within the local community.

## Bereavement

Mervyn Willis passed away peacefully at his home, on Thursday 28th September, after a long illness bravely borne. Born one of a family of two boys and three girls, he was the son of the late Bobby and Mable Willis; his father died when Mervyn was only 12 years old. A native of Derrylin, he was educated at the local Primary School, and Enniskillen Intermediate School. His first employment was as a tractor mechanic in TP Topping, after which he transferred to Kent Plastics, where he became head of maintenance in the factory.

In 1966 he married Florence Emo, and they were blessed with three children, Janet (Dowson), Trevor and Sharon. He began his own business in the building trade, and it was when he moved to Bellanaleck during 1969 he built the first of his three homes. Not only was he an accomplished plumbing and building contractor, but he had a vast knowledge of all aspects of the building trade, and received numerous calls from the general public to help with emergency repairs and other awkward building situations. He was never more content than to be working at small tasks on his Ferguson 35 tractor, which he reconditioned himself; the last of such tasks assisting with the foundation of the newly proposed Church Car Park. As a member of the Select Vestry, he was regularly called upon, to give advice about many aspects of Parish property maintenance.

Mervyn was a member of the Orange and Black Orders, both of which he attended regularly. He served part time as an NCO in the Ulster Defence Regiment, and later went on to join the Regimental Association. Cleenish Church and Parish Hall, were packed to capacity, with many standing outside at his Funeral Service, on Saturday afternoon 30th September. The Service was conducted by Canon Bridle assisted by Ven Cecil Pringle. Mrs Joan Brownlee played

the organ, and tea was served to all present after the large Service.

Deepest sympathy is expressed from the members of Cleenish Parish and the wider community, to his devoted wife Florence who faithfully nursed him to the end, and to his children, grandchildren, and the wider family circle.

## Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is expressed to Caroline Scott, and her daughters Emma and Caroline, from the members of Mullaghduin Parish, on the death of her late husband's father Stewart Harold Scott, Trasna Park, Enniskillen, on Wednesday 27th September. Bob Coffey, who lived and worked in the midst of Mullaghduin Parish, died peacefully at the Tilery Nursing home after a long illness on Monday 9th October. We extend our condolences to his wife, Maud, and to his wider family circle. Bob's funeral service was held in St John's Parish Church, Florencecourt, on Wednesday 11th October.

## Cleenish Centre

As we near the end of 2017 the Management of the Cleenish Centre would like to thank the many Groups who have supported us throughout the year. We have had people from different parts of Ireland, north and south, and from different denominations. We are indebted to those who have given their time to help us look after these Groups.

The Centre is now taking daily and weekend bookings. It is set in an ideal location for Groups on the lead up to Christmas. 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](mailto:enquiries@cleenishcentre.com) or telephone 02866349647. You may also view the Cleenish Centre website.

## Making it Home

There was a large attendance in Cleenish Parish Hall on Sunday evening 24th September, for the launch of the book "Making it Home" This is the story about 12 ex soldiers who returned from the war during 1918, and were set up in homes built on Cleenish Island. Guest speaker was Nic Van Der Marliere, General Representative of the Government of Flanders. The book is sponsored by Bellanaleck Local History Group, and follows on from a DVD launched two years ago. This event began with a brief address by Chairman George Stephenson, and a number of musical items and recitals were given during the evening.

The island also has a significant attachment to the Parish Church, as the site of the former Church and Graveyard, are still visible today.

To obtain copies of the Book, E mail:- [marion\\_maxwell@hotmail.com](mailto:marion_maxwell@hotmail.com)

## Congratulations

To the Proprietor and staff of The Moorings Restaurant, which emerged as the County Fermanagh Winner of Casual Restaurant of the Year. The Restaurant is sited on the banks of the River Erne off the Enniskillen Road, Bellanaleck. It is open Thursday to Sunday from midday.

## Bellanaleck Community Group

The Group held their first meeting of the new term on Wednesday 27th September. The Chairman expressed good wishes to Mervyn Willis who was seriously ill, and stated his wife Florence, daughters Janet and Sharon were very much in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

The Secretary stated he was pleased to state the nameplates leading to "Chestnut Grove" and "Tully Meadows" had recently been erected. Thanks are due to Fermanagh Omagh District Council. Thanks are again due to the local Council for the supply of hanging baskets which were located at the Church gates and outside the Parish Hall.

Catherine Reilly, B.Sc. Environmental Scientist in association with Northern Ireland Bat Group give a short presentation on the secret life of bats in Cleenish Parish Hall, Bellanaleck, on Tuesday evening, 26th September. On a clear warm evening the presentation was followed by a guided twilight tour of the Community Garden, and along part of the Loughshore Path.

A number of the 18 patrons present were given monitors which picked up signals from the bats as they flew overhead.

The Childrens' Christmas Party has been programmed for Saturday 9th December. Next monthly meeting, Wednesday 22nd November.

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## Holy Matrimony

### Cleenish Parish Church

Friday 29th September 2017  
Ryan James Nixon, and Nicola Mary Heuchan, Drumane, Bellanaleck.

## Christian Burials

### Cleenish Parish Church

Saturday 30th September 2017 - John Mervyn Willis, Toneyloman, Bellanaleck, aged 70 years.  
Mullaghduin Parish Church, Monday 2nd October 2017, Rebecca Reilly, Millcroft Nursing Home, Enniskillen, aged 89 years (Funeral Service in Enniskillen Cathedral).

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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

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

#### Sunday 12th November

10.00am Errigal Portclare MP  
11.30am Clogher MP  
10.00am Augher MP  
11.30am Newtownsaville MP  
3.00pm Clogher Remembrance Day Service

#### Sunday 19th November

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

#### Sunday 26th November

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

### Harvest Thanksgiving

A true sense of thanks and praise marked this year's Harvest Thanksgiving services in the Cathedral. The weekend began with a traditional harvest service on the Friday evening. The Cathedral congregation were joined by many friends and neighbours from other congregations and all were challenged to be gracious and give thanks to God the creator of all things by the visiting preacher the Revd Professor R.A.B Mollan. Revd Mollan, an eminent orthopaedic surgeon preached from Luke 17:11-19 'Jesus heals the ten men with leprosy.' He poignantly brought the text to life by recounting some of his experiences of working with people suffering from leprosy in Africa.

Our worship was further enhanced by the skills and talents of our organist Miss Sarah Fannin who also directed the choir who beautifully sang two pieces during the service; 'King of kings Majesty,' and 'From the breaking of the dawn.'

#### Family Harvest Service

The weekend concluded on Sunday morning with a 'Family Harvest Service.' The entire church family was represented throughout the worship of the service. The Sunday School children did especially well by reminding us of the true meaning of harvest in their drama and lifting our hearts with their singing. Revd Olie reminded everyone using Galatians 5 as her text, of the importance of what we sow in other people's lives and the seeds we allow into our own lives. Mrs Diane Whittaker as organist and Miss Janice Clingen playing piano ensured our hymns and songs were indeed soaring praise.

#### Thank You

A tremendous 'thank you' to all who made our Harvest Thanksgiving services so very special. From all those who decorated the Cathedral so sensitively and skilfully, those who led our prayers, our Sunday School teachers and helpers and those who

provided refreshments after each service – thank you!

### Gospel Concert

Friday 24th November Gospel Concert with Kenny Archer and friends in St. Macartans Cathedral Clogher at 8 p.m. Everyone welcome.

### Augher Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Augher Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held on Friday 11th October. Canon Ian Berry from Monaghan Parish conducted the service and welcomed everyone. The Choir sang The Introit "Speak, O Lord, as we come to Thee", the Anthem "A Harvest Hymn" and a Vesper Hymn. Canon Berry preached a very inspiring sermon. He thanked those who had tastefully decorated the Church, the Organist and Choir for leading the praise. The collection was taken up by William Thompson and William Armstrong. Everyone was invited for supper in the hall.

### Sunday Morning Service

Sunday Morning Service took the form of a Family Service. Mr Roy Crowe, Diocesan Lay Reader welcomed everybody especially the visitors in the Congregation. The Choir sang their Introit and Anthem and Yvonne Speers, soloist sang "Softly and Tenderly"

#### Sunday School Children

The Sunday School children played their part, "Harvest" which was recited by Ben Egerton, Ella-May McGirr, Courtney Thompson and Scarlett Egerton. A Harvest acrostic was said by James Egerton, Zara Wright, Harry McLaren, Sarah Armstrong, Annabel McLaren, Harrison Wright, and James McLaren.

All the children sang "All God's creatures got a place in the choir" while the girls sang "How marvellous, how wonderful" accompanied by Judith McLaren on the guitar. Sophie Egerton and Laura Armstrong read the Lessons from St. Luke's



Gospel. Corey Brunt and Jack Thompson led in Prayer.

Roy spoke first to the children and later preached an excellent sermon based on the Parable of the sower and the seed which had been read earlier.

During the singing of Hymn "For the beauty of the earth" Courtney Thompson and Annabel McLaren lifted the collection. Roy thanked all who had decorated the Church, the Choir, the soloist, the organist, the Sunday School children and their teachers Judith, Eva and Ann for their work in preparing for the service. The Organist at both services was Mrs Sylvia McClung. Refreshments were served in the hall after the Service.

## Errigal Portclare

We celebrated our harvest service on Friday 22nd September when Revd. Canon Geoff Bridle was our guest speaker, and on Sunday 24th September when our Curate, the Revd Olivia Downey conducted our service. At both services we had an excellent attendance. The highlight of both services was our newly formed Choir. It has been many years since Portclare had a Choir. Maureen, Yolande, Heather, Melanie, Olive, Daphne, Zoë, Gladys, Caroline, Christine, Brian, David and John deserve much praise for their dedication and hard work during the previous weeks. Praise is also due to Revd Ollie, Jane and Mandy for their help.

## Thanks

Thanks to Charlene, Edgar, Doreen and Damien who said prayers on Friday, and Bobby, Heather, Doreen and Hayley on Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday the children, Isaac, Joshua, Bobby, Ellie, James, Kate and Ruby took part in an appropriate and entertaining play. The collections were taken up by Heather, Yolande and Edgar. A cup of tea was served after both services.

## Mothers' Union

The speaker at the Clogher Cathedral Group Mothers' Union in September was Community Pharmacist, Mrs Sandra Barnett who was warmly welcomed by the Branch Leader, Mrs Iris Moffett. Sandra informed members about the services available from a local pharmacy and discussed a range of vitamins and supplements which may be necessary in the case of increased nutritional demands, stress, poor diet, toxins, lack of sunshine, disrupted sleep and as a boost to the immune system. In particular, she referred

to the benefits of taking Omega oils, vitamin D, magnesium and probiotics. A vote of thanks was proposed by Charleen Giles who handed over a token of appreciation.

## Supper

After supper, served by Jean Bell and June Beck, Mrs Moffett conducted a short business meeting, during which she outlined forthcoming events, such as the Autumn Council to be held in Dromore on 26th October and invitations to other branches.

## Visitors' Night

The next meeting will be Visitors' Night on 18th October at which we will welcome members of the Salvation Army. The November meeting, 'A night of food, friendship and fellowship with Roy Crowe' will be held in Clogher Courthouse. New members always welcome.

## Remembrance

We associate the month of November with Remembrance. This year we remembered the tragic and massive loss of lives at the battle of Passendale in 1917. This year also marks the unnecessary loss of innocent lives at the Cenotaph in Enniskillen thirty years ago.

We remember all who have paid with their lives in other conflicts in recent times not only in Northern Ireland but also throughout the world.

We need to remember and pray for our leaders throughout the world as Paul urges in 1st Timothy chapter 2 v 1 "I urge then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness". We are thankful for those who made the supreme sacrifice with their lives for our peace and freedom and trust it will never be in vain.

This leads us to remember another who didn't die a martyr's death, but paid with his life blood on a hill, on a cross outside Jerusalem. Jesus' death was for us on our behalf, in our place to bring peace between God and mankind. A peace which had been broken by sin in Eden. Paul says in Ephesians Chapter 2 v 14 "He himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility. In this one body to reconcile both them to God through the cross. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near".

Today through faith in Christ alone we can know God's peace in our lives despite the things that trouble us, within us and around us.

## Harvest Services

St Mark's Parish Church Newtownsaville Parishioners, friends and visitors joined together at the weekend in St Mark's Newtownsaville to share in the annual Harvest Festival.

The service on Friday evening was conducted by Canon Maurice Armstrong, Rural Dean, whose challenging address posed the question 'What are we thankful for?' The Lessons were read by Mr Alan Lavelle, Parish Reader. The choir, accompanied by organist, Mrs Lorna Stewart, sang the anthem 'The Reapers' Song'.

The highlight of the evening was the contribution by the Silver Tones Male Voice Choir who sang a selection of pieces 'How great thou art', 'Wonderful grace', 'Yes he can' and a medley of songs. Their conductor was Mrs Hazel Darragh and accompanist, Mrs Ruth Coulter.

Following the service, everyone enjoyed the harvest supper, organised by Mrs Beck.

The Harvest Services continued on Sunday morning when Mr Roy Crowe, Diocesan Reader, gave the address. The highlight of this service was the contribution of the children who sang 'God feeds his little children' and recited a poem on Autumn. In his children's address, Roy held their attention as he posed riddles for them to solve and produced the answers as objects from his bag. He later sang a solo 'The garden' and conducted the choir as they sang their harvest piece, during which the quartet of Wendy, Charleen, Tracy and Jasmin sang a verse.

The collection was received by the Churchwardens, Mr Alan Anderson and Mrs Charleen Giles.

Thanks were expressed to all who had helped in the preparation for the services, especially in decorating the church with vibrant autumn colour and symbols of God's providence.

## Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss

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### Services

#### 5th November

Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion and Baptism

Newbliss: 11.30am: Holy Communion

#### 12th November

Currin 10.00am: Holy Communion and Remembrance Service

Killeevan 11.30am: Holy Communion and Remembrance Service

#### 19th November

Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer and Remembrance Service

Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer and Remembrance Service

#### 26th November

Currin 10.00am: Morning Prayer

Killeevan 11.30am: Morning Prayer

#### 3rd December

Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion

Newbliss 11.30am: Holy Communion

#### 10th December

Currin 10.00am: Holy Communion and Carol Service

Killeevan 3.30pm: Carol Service and Gift Day

#### 17th December

Clones 10.00am: Carol Service

Newbliss 11.30: Carol Service

#### 24th December

Currin 10.00am: Morning Prayer

Killeevan 11.30am: Morning Prayer

#### 25th December

Newbliss 10.00am: Christmas Day Holy Communion

#### 31st December

Clones 11.00: Group Service

### Illness

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

### Bereavement

Our sympathy is extended to the Carleton family on the death of Francis after a long illness. Francis was a long term member of Clones Select Vestry and a great supporter of his Church. He will be sadly missed.

### Sponsored Walk

The sponsored walk was very successful in that it raised in total €1,664.50. The Irish Cancer Society benefited to the amount of €834.50 and The Rectory received the balance of €830.00. Congratulations to those who participated in this venture.

### Baptism

On Sunday 1st Oct Madison Ruth Carol Irwin was baptised in St. Tighernach's Parish Church Clones. We welcome her into our Parish. She is the daughter of Stephen and Joanna.

John Liam Taylor will be baptised in Clones on Sunday 5th November, He is the son of Geoffrey and Emma Taylor.

Oisín Leo Finnegan, son of Natasha O'Reilly and Brendan Finnegan was

baptised in Newbliss on Sunday the 15th of October. We welcome these children in to our community.

### Births

We welcome the birth of Ryan James Boyle, the newly born son of Issy and John Boyle. Issy is the daughter of Florence Faulkner.

### Annual Sale of Work

Dear Parishioners, we are fast approaching Christmas Time and we need to plan for our Annual Sale. As we all know our Church is undergoing restoration and funds are being stretched to the limit so we need to put our heads together to make our Sale a success.

### Currin Harvest and Dedication Service

Scotshouse Harvest Thanksgiving Service took place on Sunday 8th of October. It was also a Service of Dedication of Gifts. Dean Raymond Ferguson Officiated at the Service and the Soloist was Miss Lorraine Vance.

The Church was full to the Door. Dean Ferguson dedicated the following gifts;

- Cloth for the Holy Table, Cushions for Chairs, Stool and Kneelers in memory of Robert Agnew, donated by the Hall and Agnew Families and friends.
- The Sound System, in memory of Frederick Agnew, donated by the Agnew Family and friends.
- Seat cushions, in memory of Robert Jordan donated by the Jordan family and friends.
- Heating system, donated by William Fawcett in memory of his parents, grand-aunts and George Corbett.

The Service finished with a cup of tea and goodies supplied by the Parishioners of Scotshouse.

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### Services

#### 5th November

Holy Communion 11.30am

#### 12th November

Remembrance Sunday 11.30am

#### 19th November

Morning Prayer 11.30am

#### 26th November

Morning Prayer & gift day 11.30am

#### 3rd December

Holy Communion 11.30am

#### 10th December

Family Service 11.30am

#### 17th December

Morning Prayer 11.30am

#### 24th December

Carols and Readings 11.30am

#### 25th December

Christmas Day, Family Communion  
10.00am

#### 31st December

Morning Prayer 11.30am

#### 31st December

New Year's Eve praise service 11.15pm

### Harvest Services

This year our harvest services marked the 500th Anniversary of Luther nailing his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle church at Wittenberg, which give impetus to the Protestant Reformation. To complement the theme three pieces were sung by the choir, Lift high the name of Jesus, Love of God



Teaching the children and music

and O God you have searched me and the blessing God be with you.



Theses to the door



The church was decorated by individual members and groups within the parish, with each display representing one of the 'Five Sola's', Scripture alone, Christ alone, Grace alone, Faith alone, the Glory of God alone.



Grace alone & To the Glory of God alone

In addition were two other displays highlighting Luther's love of music and his desire that scripture would be taught to children.



On display in the hall was the Luther 1517 project exhibition used by kind permission of the Imperial Grand Black Chapter and the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland with free literature offering more information on the reformation and its relevance for today.



The rector spoke at all services, not just on giving thanks for the earthly harvest

but of the spiritual harvest still to come, as he touched on the reformation, with his primary text at the evening services from Ezekiel 37 and on the Sunday morning from Acts 2: 42 - 47.



The Hungary Youth Team

Sunday morning the parish were delighted to welcome members of the Hungary Youth Team 2017, who shared their experiences of being in Hungary as part of an outreach mission team, working with other young people over the summer.

All services were well attended throughout the weekend and the church was open over the weekend with many of those who came along, moved by the displays and the peaceful tranquillity of the occasion. Light refreshments were served throughout the weekend with all proceeds going towards missionary projects.



The rector expressed his deep appreciation to everyone who contributed to the harvest weekend, acknowledging their donations, gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables, their talents, creative, musical, culinary and technical. To God be the Glory, great things He hath done.

## Remembrance

As remembrance approaches, we are mindful of the 100th anniversary of Messines and Passchendaele in the 1st World War, of the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Midway in the 2nd World War. This year also marks the 30th anniversary of many individuals who lost their lives through acts of terrorism and of Enniskillen when many came together to pay homage to the dead of Two World Wars. Sadly, like many others through the terrorism within this land, justice and truth has been denied. We remember the courage of all who give their lives in the defence of freedom that we might live in peace, trusting that we will not dishonour their memory with tokenism in our remembering.

"For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered for ever. He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the LORD. His heart is steady; he will not be afraid, until he looks in triumph on his adversaries." Psalm 112: 6 - 8 ESVUK

## Women's Fellowship

The first meeting of Women's Fellowship welcomed members back to the new season of activities planned for the coming months. A warm welcome was extended to Gillian Stevenson who spoke on Kind fund and the work she undertakes in Kenya with children who have been abandoned or have no one to care for them. Gillian give some examples of the challenges they come across on a daily basis, of the faithfulness of God's provision in overcoming those challenges. The next meeting on Monday 13th November will welcome Gordon Quinn who will speak about his book Life, "What's it all about".

## Crosslinks

We are looking forward to welcoming our Crosslinks partners The Watsons, back to the parish on the 19th November at 11.30am, when Trevor will share with us his experiences and of God's blessings on his witness in Sweden. Please endeavour to present and to continue to remember the family and all involved with mission in your prayers.

## Gift Day

The annual parish gift day will be on Sunday 26th November 2017. The proceeds of which, will go towards a number of remedial repairs and general activities as we prepare for 175th Anniversary in 2019.

## New Year's Eve

A praise service will be held on New Year's Eve at 11.15pm with refreshments served

at 10.00pm in the parish hall. More details to follow please put date in your diary and plan to come along.

## Clubs

### Stitch and Chat

Tuesday nights at 8.00pm.

### Bible Fellowship

Wednesday nights at 8.00pm

### Colaghty Bowling Club

Thursday nights at 8.00pm.

### Junior CE

Friday Nights at 7.00pm – 8.15pm

### Youth Group

Friday nights at 8.30pm – 10.00pm

### Young@Heart

Wednesday 15th November at 10.30am

For dates and times of clubs/groups or other activities, please check weekly notices for any changes or additions.

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

## Services

### Sun 5th November

Castle Archdale, Holy Communion at 10.15am

Derryvullen North, Holy Communion at 11.30am

### Sun 12th November

Derryvullen North Family Service with Holy Baptism at 10.30am

Castle Archdale Family Service with Act of Remembrance at 11.45am

Derryvullen North Remembrance Day Service at 3.30pm preceded by the Parade

### Sun 19th November

Castle Archdale, Morning Prayer at 10.15am

Derryvullen North, Morning Prayer with Boys Brigade Enrolment at 11.30am

### Sun 26th November

Castle Archdale, Morning Prayer at 10.15am  
Derryvullen North, Morning Prayer at 11.30am

## Diary Dates

### Tues 14th November

Tuesday Club meets at 2.30pm. A time for conversation, listening to a guest speaker and a cup of tea.

### Tues 14th November

Faith & Friendship Inter-Church Bible Study meets in Mahon's Hotel, Irvinestown at 8.00pm. The passage for study will be Luke 7:18-35 which gives the account of John the Baptist being held in prison and his query to Jesus. The evening includes time to chat over a cup of coffee. Anyone from any of our local Church denominations is welcome.

### Wed 15th November

Women's Group meets at 8.30pm for "An Evening at Kenwell's Xmas Shop"

### Wed 22nd November

Mother's Union meets at 8.00pm. Mrs Irene Armstrong will give a Flower Arranging Demonstration.

## Organisations

Throughout November the other organisations continue to meet:

**Boys Brigade** (Mon and Thursdays),

**Bowling Club** (Tuesdays) and the two

**Sunday Schools** (each Sunday except Family Service days).

**Comet Youth Group** We are in the process of getting more leaders for the Comet Youth Group and once they are in place this group will also be re-starting.

## Holy Baptism

23rd Sept in Derryvullen North, Mila Grace, daughter of Samuel and Stephanie  
8th Oct in Derryvullen North, Jodi Elizabeth Mary, daughter of David and Josephine  
8th Oct in Castle Archdale, Matthew David, son of Stephen and Wendy

## Christian Burial

30th Sept in Castle Archdale: Interment of the Ashes of the late Mrs Josephine Roberts, formerly of Lisnarick who had died in California. Dr Margaret Knox (Parish Reader) assisted the Rector and gave a tribute to Mrs Roberts.

7th Oct in Castle Archdale: Funeral of the late Mrs Olive Maxwell. The Rector was assisted by Dr Margaret Knox and Miss Isobel Steward (Parish Readers).

## Harvest News

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving Services took place in Castle Archdale on Sunday 1st October. The Rector preached at the morning Junior Harvest Service of Holy Communion. The young people of the congregation performed a special harvest drama, read the Bible readings and led the prayers of the people. In the evening, our neighbour the Rev Philip Bryson (Curate Assistant, Ardess) was the guest preacher and brought an interesting and challenging message based on a passage from St

Paul's letter to the Galatians concerning the need to see the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. There were special musical items by Mr William McBride and Mr Don Swain and following the Service a lovely tea was served in the Church to the large congregation.

## Days For Girls



Days for Girls is a project to help women and girls to obtain access to sustainable feminine hygiene products and a Workshop for the Project was held in Derryvullen North Parish Hall on 23rd September 2017. Over 20 ladies from Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale Parishes attended the workshop day. Diane Graham of CMS Ireland and her Team (Elaine Eleanor and Joan) gave an overview of the Project and demonstrated how to make the kits. Everybody was delighted at the end of the day to have two completed pack. The Days for Girls Vision is that every girl and woman in the world will have ready access to quality sustainable hygiene and health education by 2022 the ladies have met following this and plan to have more kits

for donation to Diane who has links with Ibba Diocese in South Sudan and will take to those in need in 2018. The ladies are very grateful to anyone who has donated materials or money to buy specific items, used their sewing skills (see photo below), gave their time, or helped in any way to make the kits. For more information readers can find it on the following website [www.daysforgirls.org/](http://www.daysforgirls.org/)

## Harvest Thankgiving Services

At the time of writing, preparations are underway for the Harvest Thankgiving Services in Derryvullen North on Sunday 15th and Monday 16th October. The morning service will be the Junior Harvest and members of the Sunday School will be contributing a drama, readings and prayers. At both the Sunday evening and Monday evening Services, the Choir will be contributing special anthems and on the Monday evening, the guest preacher will be the Revd Chris McBruithin, Curate Assistant in Enniskillen Cathedral and following that Service there will be tea served in the Parish Hall.

## Notes From Church Groups

At the October Meeting of the Tuesday Club, the Rector gave a presentation about his previous ministry as a Prison Chaplain in England. The Women's Group enjoyed a both fun and active evening of "Line Dancing with Mary" and the Mothers' Union had a very informative meeting hearing from Mr Raymond Farrell about Mental Health issues.

## Institution Report

The new Rector, the Revd Paul Thompson, was instituted by the Bishop of Clogher on Friday 15th September with the Service being held in Derryvullen Parish Church. During the Service readings were led by Mrs Sandra Cashel, Mrs Wendy Knox and Mr Samuel Johnston. At the key areas of the Church the following young people led readings as the Rector and Bishop processed: at the open door Miss Skye Simmons, at the font Mr Archie Knox, at the prayer desk Mr Craig Humes, at the pulpit Miss Karen Thompson and at the Lord's Table Miss Hannah Irvine. The organist was Mrs Florence Barrett and the hymns were; "Praise my soul, the King of Heaven," "As the deer pants for the water," "Be still, for the presence of the Lord," "I, the Lord of sea and sky," "Be thou my vision" and "Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord." The Churchwardens also assisted - Mrs Margaret Humes, M.B.E., Mr Bertie Gray, Mr Bryan Thompson Mr Derek Anderson, along with the Rural Dean the Revd Alan Irwin. The Preacher was the Revd Canon W J R Laverty who had been the Training Incumbent to the new Rector when he had served as Curate Assistant in the Parish of St John, Orangefield, Belfast 1989 – 1992. Many Clergy and Readers attended and the other local denominations were represented by the Revd Steven Foster (Methodist) and by Canon Fr Michael McGourty (Roman Catholic). Following the Service there was a sumptuous reception in the Parish Hall.





## Derryvullen South and Garvary



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### Services

12th November  
10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South  
12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary  
19th November  
10.30 Morning Prayer Garvary  
12.00 Holy Communion Derryvullen South  
26th November  
10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South  
12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary  
3rd December  
10.30 Holy Communion Garvary  
12.00 Holy Communion Derryvullen South

### Ordination

On Sunday morning 17th September 2017 the rector's day began by listening to the morning service on BBC Radio 4. The service marked the 100th anniversary of one of the earliest women to be ordained into the Christian Ministry. Her name was Miss Constance Todd and following her ordination on 17th September 1917 she ministered to the people of East London. By a fascinating coincidence, later in the day, the rector along with nearly 40 parishioners, family and friends, travelled by bus to Tullamore, Co Offaly, to attend

the Ordination of Miss Alison Irvine in St Catherine's Parish Church, by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, the Most Reverend Pat Storey. A parishioner of Garvary, Alison is the first woman in the history of the parish to be ordained. On arrival at the parish hall adjacent to the church, after a two and a quarter hour journey, a cup of tea, sandwiches and buns were most welcome. Following the service we joined the congregation in a lovely supper and returned to Garvary. It was a very pleasant sunny afternoon and the day was very much enjoyed by everyone. We miss Alison's organisational skills and strong leadership in the choir but we extend to her our prayerful good wishes as she settles into ministry in the Church of Ireland.

### Bereavements

We extend sympathy to all who have been bereaved including Wendy Little, Derryclavin, on the death of her uncle, Mervyn Willis, Bellanaleck; Leslie Moorhead, Maguiresbridge, on the death of his sister-in-law, Audrey Moorhead, Newtownards; Anne Rowley, Killyvilly, on the death of her uncle, Robert Coffey, Letterbreen; and Derek Quinton on the death of his aunt Minnie Coulter, Mountcharles, Donegal.

### RLNI



On Monday 18th September 2017 the Mothers' Union enjoyed a lovely meal at Carrybridge during which a presentation was made to Mrs Willa Wilson, Garvary, who had recently celebrated her 60th wedding anniversary. We then drove round to see the "state of the art" building housing the lifeboats and command centre of the local RLNI. We were given a very informative talk by Peter Scott and his colleague on the operation of the station and the duties of the

dedicated voluntary staff. This impressive team sacrifice their time and the comforts of their home to be available to save lives on Lough Erne.



The presentation to Willa Wilson.

### Auction

On Saturday 14th October 2017 a very successful parish auction was held in Garvary parish hall. The auctioneer was David Wilson. The usual items for sale, timber, turf, home-made produce, bric a brack, attracted much interest along with items for the young people, face painting, chocolate fountain, tatoos and crockery smashing. Soup, pancakes and tea were also a big attraction. At the time of writing the total realised is in excess of £2,000. Our thanks to everyone who donated items, those who organised the various stalls and everyone who came to support the event along with those who gave subscriptions.

### Men's Meeting

In order to facilitate the catering arrangements for the meeting on Monday 6th November 2017 starting with a buffet meal at the rectory, it would be appreciated if those planning to attend would let the rector or Mrs Stewart know immediately.

### Remembrance Sunday

This year our usual Act of Remembrance will take place on Sunday 12th November 2017. The offering will go to the Earl Haig Fund.

The group from Garvary who travelled to Tullamore.



## Devenish & Boho



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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

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

#### Sunday 12th November

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

#### Sunday 19th November

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 26th November

10.00 am Family Service, Boho Parish Church  
11.30am Family/Sunday school Service, Devenish Parish Church,  
7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

### Burials

Monday 18th September 2017. **Edward Mervyn Saunderson**, Randalshough, Monea.

Mervyn played a very active role in the community being a former member of the Select Vestry and the UDR and had a deep involvement in farming and country sports. The Funeral Service which was conducted by Revd Sampson Ajuka and was held in Devenish Parish Church followed by the Burial in the adjoining graveyard. We offer our deepest sympathy to Mervyn's family, Hazel, Eric, Caroline and Keith, his sister Florence and the wider family circle.

Saturday 14th October 2017. **Edward John Breen**, Derryvarymore, Derrygonnelly. The funeral service conducted by the Revd Mandy Durrell was held in Derrygonnelly Methodist Church followed by the burial in Boho Parish Graveyard.

We offer our deepest sympathy to John's wife Dorothy his sons: David, Paul and

Mark, his daughter Gwen and the wider family circle.

### Remembrance Day Services

Sunday 12th November, Boho at 10.00am and Devenish at 11.30am.

### Harvest Thanksgiving Services

We wish to thank our Harvest preachers. Dean Raymond Ferguson, Rev Lorraine Capper, Canon Peter Wilson and Revd Isobel Nixon. Thanks also to our parish choirs, the organists, Mrs Kathleen Irwin and Mrs Gill Spence and all who brought flowers and vegetables and helped decorate both churches. We also would like to thank the ladies, who provided such lovely Harvest Suppers in both Boho and Devenish.

### Devenish Parish Annual Auction and Sale

Devenish Parish Annual Auction and Sale on Saturday 11th November at 2.00pm in the Reade Hall Monea. This is the main annual fund raising event in the Parish and the Select Vestry would be grateful for all gifts for the Auction and Sale. This can include agricultural products, vegetables, firewood, electrical goods, cakes, groceries, bric a brac or financial donations.

### Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union commenced on Tuesday 19th September with a Service of Holy Communion, conducted by the Rev. Sampson Ajuka, in Devenish Parish Church. Georgina, our Branch Leader, welcomed all those present and then led us in prayer. Carole and Vivienne read the first and second lessons respectively and the Psalm was read by Joan. We were very grateful to Mrs. Myrtle Abercrombie, who had very kindly agreed to play the organ. After the service, a short meeting was held in the Reade Hall, during which Georgina reported on a number of events which had taken place over the summer period. She thanked all those who had shown 'faith in action' by volunteering to help at these events.

### Table Quiz

The Select Vestry wish to thank everyone who attended and those who gave donations to the very successful table quiz in the Reade hall on Saturday 16th September. A total of £1460.00 was raised for the Reade Hall Project. Special thanks to quiz masters Kevin and Dot Barlow, to the ladies, who provided the supper and to the McClure family, who organised the event.



Above Boho Church

## Donacavey and Barr



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### Services

**Sunday, 5th November 2017 Fourth  
Sunday before Advent**

Barr: 10.00am Holy Communion  
Donacavey: 11.30am Holy Communion

**Sunday, 12th November 2017 Third  
Sunday before Advent**

Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer  
Donacavey: 11.30am Morning Prayer

**Sunday, 19th November 2017 Second  
Sunday before Advent**

Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer  
Donacavey: 11.30am Morning Prayer

**Sunday, 26th November 2017 Kingship of  
Christ**

Barr: 10.00am Service of the Word  
Donacavey: 11.30pm Service of the Word

### Police Male Voice Choir Concert

Police Male Voice Choir Concert in  
Donacavey Church on Friday, 3rd  
November. Tickets £10 including supper.

### Fashion Show

Fashion Show on Tuesday, 14th November  
at 8pm in the Silver Birch Hotel. Tickets  
£12.50 including refreshments, proceeds in  
aid of church funds. Contact Florrie Telford  
on 07955382189.

### Parish Sale and Craft Fayre

Parish Sale and Craft Fayre on Saturday,  
25th November from 10am to 2pm in  
Donacavey church hall.

## Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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Donagh 10.30 am. A Service of the Word.  
Errigal Truagh 12.00 noon Morning Prayer

### Harvest Thanksgiving Services



On Sunday 17th September, the first of the  
Harvest Thanksgiving services was held  
in St. Sillian's Parish Church, Tyholland.  
The church was beautifully and artistically  
decorated and the theme was "ARTS AND  
CRAFTS."



Thanks to the ladies who decorated the  
church and also a big thank you to the  
ladies in the three parishes who prepared  
and served a lovely harvest tea in  
Tyholland Community Centre. Our thanks  
to the special preacher Revd. Canon  
Geoffrey Bridle for sharing with us on that  
occasion and to Ethne and Donagh Choir  
for the special anthems.

### Services

**Sunday 5th November, 2017 The Fourth  
Sunday before Advent**

10.30 am Donagh Parish Church  
At this service three of our young people  
will be confirmed. Please remember Dean,  
Ryan and Timothy in your prayers.

**Sunday 12th November, 2017 The Third  
Sunday before Advent**

Donagh 10.30 Morning Prayer. Errigal  
Truagh 12.00 noon. Celebration of Holy  
Communion  
At both services there will be an Act of  
Remembrance

**Sunday 19th November, 2017 The Second  
Sunday before Advent**

Donagh 10.30 am. Morning Prayer  
Tyholland 12.00 noon. Celebration of Holy  
Communion

**Sunday 26th November, 2017 The  
Kingship of Christ**



On Sunday 1st October, a Harvest Thanksgiving service was held in Errigal Truagh Parish Church. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables. This service is always a memorable occasion for everyone but particularly the Wright family circle who for the past three years have come from far and near for their family reunion. After the service a lovely harvest tea was provided in the Blackwater Valley Learning Centre at Ballyosin by the ladies of the three parishes. Thanks to everyone for making this a real thanksgiving to God the great provider. Thanks to the organist Ethne McCord, the Donagh Junior and Senior choirs for the special music and leading the worship in song and praise.

On Sunday 8th October, Donagh Parish Church held their Harvest Thanksgiving service. This was well attended and the

church was beautifully decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables and produce of the land. At the commencement of the service and during the singing of a special harvest song by the Junior choir some of the children brought gifts to the Harvest table. Our thanks to Ethne and the Junior and Senior choirs and to our special preach the Revd. John Woods for sharing in this special occasion. After the service a harvest tea was provided in the Church Hall. Thanks to everyone who made this a special occasion.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Dean Taylor on winning the Bishop's Medal. Also well done to the Sunday School children who won second prize in the Archdeacon Ruddell's competition.

Girl's Brigade Enrolment Service

This will be held on Sunday 26th November in Donagh Parish Church. Everyone will be made welcome.

### Mothers' Union

The Donagh Branch of Mothers Union will meet on 30th November. Please note the change of date. This will be an evening of fun, fellowship and food.

### Billis School

Are holding their annual dance on Friday 20th October in the Four Season Hotel, Monaghan. Please support this if you can. Proceeds to the Billis School Christmas Shoebox Appeal (Team Hope) The shoe boxes need to be filled and ready by 10th November. Please bring your box to the Combined Family Service on 29th October. Thanks to everyone who supports this very worthy cause.

## Dromore



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### Services

N.B. Over the next few months we will be having the main service at 11am, instead of 11.30am. This is on a trial basis.

### Our Father who art in Heaven

I cannot say "Our" if I live only for myself.  
I cannot say "Father" if I do not endeavour each day to act like His child.  
I cannot say "who art in heaven" if I am laying up no treasure there.  
I cannot say "hallowed be thy name" if I'm not striving for holiness.  
I cannot say "Thy kingdom come" if I'm not doing all in my power to hasten that wonderful event.  
I cannot say "Thy will be done" if I am disobedient to His Word.  
I cannot say "On earth as it is in heaven" if I'll not serve Him here and now.

I cannot say "give us this day our daily bread" if I'm dishonest or seeking things by subterfuge.  
I cannot say "forgive us our debts" if I harbour a grudge against anyone.  
I cannot say "lead us not into temptation" if I deliberately place myself in its path.  
I cannot say "deliver us from evil" if I do not put on the whole armour of God.  
I cannot say "Thine is the Kingdom" if I do not give the King the loyalty due Him from a faithful servant.  
I cannot attribute to Him the power if I fear what men may do.  
I cannot ascribe to Him the glory if I'm seeking honour only for myself and I cannot say "forever" if the horizon of my life is bound completely by time.  
(‘The Detour, An Off-Road Safari’, by Patricia McGregor, Xulon Press, Page 182-183)

### What on Earth am I here for?



We will be continuing with this 6-week course over November, aimed at helping people discover their purpose in this world—answering the big question, 'What

on Earth am I here for?'. The course uses 6 video sessions with teaching from Pastor Rick Warren, along with workbooks. We would encourage everyone to try to come along to what could be a life-changing course for many. The remainder of the Course is as follows:

- Wed 8th Nov @ 8.15pm** – Session 4, 'You Were Created to Become Like Christ'
- Wed 22nd Nov @ 8.15pm** – Session 5, 'You Were Shaped to Serve God'
- Wed 29th Nov @ 8.15pm** – Session 6, 'You Were Made for a Mission'

### Praise & Ministry Service, 26th Nov @ 7.30pm

This all-age service (normally 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.

### Half-night of Prayer, 30th November 2017

We will be having a half-night of prayer on Thursday 30th November (8pm – 12pm) in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore. The half-night will be split up into roughly 1 hour slots (with worship, Word, teaching, testimony and prayer focused on different subjects). You can come for one or two hours or join us for the full four hours.

## 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. Come and join us!

## 'Learning Challenges and Social Farming'



We were delighted to have Simon and Jennifer Bullock at our Parish Breakfast this year to share something of their faith journey and how it has brought them to Social Farming (top right). Those who attended were amazed by all that they have accomplished at their farm at Aghalane and to hear the impact that it is making on the lives of those with learning challenges. Part of their plans for the future of their Social Farm is to construct a Fruit Maze. They plan to plant blackcurrant, redcurrant, white currant and gooseberry



bushes as part of a maze. As well as having the network of paths and fruit bushes, they have teamed up with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) who are planning to assist with creating art pieces for the Fruit Maze that will depict the Fruit of the Spirit—with love being at the centre of the maze. If you have black/red/white currant or gooseberry bushes that need to be pruned, Simon and Jennifer would be delighted to get your cuttings for their Fruit Maze. Please contact Simon or Jennifer Bullock at aghalane@gmail.com or Mob: 07771580387

## Keeping up to date

There are a number of ways that you can keep up to date with everything that is going on in the parish:

- Visit our website [www.holytrinitydromore.org](http://www.holytrinitydromore.org)
- Like our page 'Holy Trinity Dromore' on Facebook
- Follow us on Twitter @HTDromore.
- Get a recording of the service on CD every week
- <http://holytrinitydromore.sermon.net> (to download and listen to sermons)

## Drumkeeran, Muckross and Templecarne



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## Services

### Sunday 5th November

10.00 Templecarne MP  
11.30 Drumkeeran HC  
7.00 Dernasesk

### Sunday 12th November

10.00 Muckross HC Act of Remembrance  
11.30 Drumkeeran MP Act of Remembrance  
No Sunday School.

### Sunday 19th November

10.00 Templecarne HC  
11.30 Drumkeeran MP

### Sunday 26th November

10.00 Muckross MP  
11.30 Drumkeeran HC

### Sunday 3rd December

10.00 Templecarne MP  
11.30 Drumkeeran HC

### Sunday 10th December

10.00 Muckross Carol Service and Holy Communion

11.30 Drumkeeran Children's Service followed by tea/coffee.

7.00 Dernasesk Carol Service

### Sunday 17th December

10.00 Templecarne Carol Service, including Holy Communion.

11.30 Drumkeeran Carol Service  
Christmas Eve 10.00 pm. Holy Communion.  
Drumkeeran.

Christmas Day 10.00 am. Holy Communion.  
Muckross.

Special collection on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day for people in need through the Bishops' Appeal. Please prepare to give generously.

Sunday School resumes on 8th January.

## Harvest Thanksgiving

During September Harvest services were held in all three churches and in Dernasesk Church Hall. Thanks to the visiting

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Your Sunday School, Mothers Union or the whole congregation can bring hope and change lives again this Christmas.

Through Operation Christmas Child you can fill a shoebox with gifts and the box will be sent to some of the most needy and marginalised children in the world.

Boxes can be delivered directly to Drumkeeran Parish Hall by arrangement with Mrs Irene Boyd, 68631009. Latest date for delivery to the hall – 29th November, preferably earlier to give more time for the preparation of the gifts so that they can reach the children before Christmas.

**If you would like further information on this project please contact Mrs Irene Boyd at 02868631009.**



preachers. In Dernasesk Church Hall on 3rd September the preacher was the Revd Andrew Quill. Tea was served in the hall after the service. The second of the Harvest services was in Muckcross on 10th September when the preacher was the Revd John Woods and on 12th when the preacher was the Revd Alan Irwin. The soloist on the Friday evening in Muckcross was Miss Catherine Reid from Pettigo. And supper was served in the church hall after the service. The singing on the Sunday evening was led by the Garrison Parish Choir. The Harvest service in Templecarne Church was on 17th September. Tea was served in the church immediately after the service. The preacher was Mr Karl Saunders. The final Harvest in the group was on Sunday 24th September. The preacher was Dean Raymond Thompson. Tea was served in the Parish Hall after the service.

A warm 'Thank You' to all who assisted in the services in each of the three churches.

Thanks to those who assisted with the special music, particularly those from outside the group who came to help. Thanks to those who decorated the churches for the services, giving a harvest theme in each one. And thanks to those who prepared tea after the services which was greatly enjoyed in each of the parishes.

### Holy Baptism

On Sunday 1st October, Violet Jane Fleming was baptised in Templecarne

church. It was great to have such a large gathering of family and friends for the service. We pray that God will bless, watch over and keep Violet Jane in the days and years ahead. May God be with her, with her parents and godparents and with all who will have an influence on her.

### Sunday School

Sunday School has resumed after the long summer break. Thanks to all the teachers in the group who serve faithfully month by month. Thanks to the Superintendent, Mandy Aiken who makes a great effort in organising books, teachers, schemes of work for the different classes and replacement teachers when required. Parents, please ensure full attendance by the children, if possible in church as well as in Sunday School. There will be no Sunday School on Remembrance Sunday as the majority of our young people will be taking part in Parade Services in either Magheraculmoney or Pettigo.

### Concert

Templecarne Parish's annual concert was planned for 19th October. This event always draws great cross community support. We hope that it will be another successful and enjoyable evening. A big 'Thank You' to all who help, particularly to David and Hilda Johnston who each year put so much effort into the concert preparations, making it a success for the community and for the finances of the parish.

### Thanks

Thanks to all who helped with a 'Spring Clean-up of Drumkeeran Church and the grounds around the church and hall at the beginning of October.

### Shoe Box Appeal

Every year Mrs Irene Boyd and her helpers make a mammoth effort in raising money for children in need through Operation Christmas Child, the Shoe Box appeal. The purpose, that children in situations of extreme poverty in different parts of the world would receive at least one present at Christmas. Work has already begun in preparation for that pre-Christmas undertaking. We compliment Irene on her vision and all her efforts. Thanks to all who help and thank you to all who contribute gift packed boxes.

For children in poor countries, what a difference and delight to receive a Christmas gift. I think that this will be the 22nd year that Irene has organised and pushed this worthwhile cause. I hope there will be a generous response from within the parish and from other groups and organisations further afield. Anyone who could assist with the organisation and the preparation of the gifts, that would be greatly appreciated, just contact Irene, 68631009. As in previous years, Drumkeeran Parish Hall will be the main collecting and sorting depot for this area. As advertised in last months Magazine, gifts Boxes must be in the Drumkeeran Hall by 29th November at the latest, preferably earlier as the boxes must be sorted and prepared for delivery to reach the needy before Christmas. As a parish we feel honoured by this great effort which Irene and her helpers make year by year. (Ad for Shoe Box Appeal.)

### Church Attendance

Finally, I would appeal to every member of the group of parishes to be as regular in worship as is possible. It is a great witness in any community to see individuals and families on their way to church Sunday by Sunday. It is encouragement for all of us.

# Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

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## Services

### Sunday 5th November

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

### Sunday 12th November

9.45am Aughnamullen MP  
11.00am Dartrey MP  
3.00pm Dartrey Remembrance Day Service

### Sunday 19th November

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

### Sunday 26th November

9.45am Aughnamullen HC  
11.00am Dartrey HC

## Dartrey/Rockcorry

### Mother's Union

Mother's Union members had their opening service of Holy Communion in Rockcorry Parish church after which arrangements were made for the forthcoming winter session. Thanks to Emma for heating the room in the charming old sexton's house and to the ladies who provided food which was enjoyed by all who sat around the big table enjoying the crack and fellowship. New members are always welcome.

### Sympathy

We offer our heartfelt sympathy and encouragement to all who are bearing heavy burdens of bereavement, loneliness or anxiety at this time. Especially we remember the Atkinson family on the untimely passing of their son, Neville and also Stella Little on the death of her sister, Mabel, in Belfast.

## Harvest Thanksgivings



Noel Carleton with his horse and cart which he received as a Santa present 60 years ago, brought to the Rockcorry Harvest Service.

Dartrey church was beautifully decorated with all the symbols of nature. We welcomed Revd Canon Mark Lidwell as our special preacher.



Young people displaying their farm machinery and farm produce at Rockcorry Harvest Service.

We were delighted to have with us also the children from Rockcorry primary school who enhanced the lovely occasion with their singing and poems. We are grateful to the teachers for not only preparing the young folk but also coming along to the service of thanksgiving.

### Annual Sale

Our Annual sale will take place in Rockcorry School on Saturday 25th November from 10.30am-2pm. Any support will be greatly appreciated.

We prayerfully remember those in in our parishes who presently are recovering at home and in hospital, we trust that they make steady progress and soon enjoy improved health. We also remember those in nursing homes and pray that they will know the presence of God with them day by day.

### Aghabog

Our service of Thanksgiving was the final one in the group. The decorations with fruit, vegetables and flowers were indeed a testimony to God's faithfulness and goodness to mankind. However it still has to be said that there is still some concern in the farming community that not all of the silage or grain is gathered in because of the poor weather conditions. We pray that weather will improve shortly.

### Baptism

On Sunday 15th October, Dartrey parishioners welcomed baby Ella, Brogan, Wright for baptism. We pray for God's

blessing on all the family, so that Ella will grow up to know and to love Jesus.

### People

We continue to remember in our prayers all who are ill at home or in hospital, praying they may know God's presence and his healing touch.

## Aughnamullen

Please don't shoot me when I mention Christmas! Just a reminder for your diary that the Annual Crossduff Carol service will take place on Sunday 3rd December 3pm. The visiting preacher will be the Rev Colin McConaghie, Carrickmacross. Music by Ballybay Country Gospel group. Come and bring a friend. Refreshment served afterwards in the newly refurbished stables.

### Sympathy

The parishioners of Aughnamullen wish to express their heart-felt sympathy to the Atkinson family on the death of Neville. Sympathy also to Helen Mc Murray of the death of her aunt, also to Lavina Jordan on the sudden passing of her sister.

## Drum

Congratulations to the young people in the Drum Sunday school and their teachers for gaining third prize in the Archdeacon Ruddell competition. Every year the Clogher Diocesan Board of Education invites children and young people to enter this competition as well as the Bishops Medal. The competition theme for 2017 was the Ten Commandments, while the competition for 2018 is The Apostles Creed.

### Mother's Union

Thursday 23rd November 8pm in Aghabog Church hall. Speaker will be Maeve Montgomery on the subject of Alzheimer's.

### Meeting of Vestry

Please note that a meeting of Select Vestry will take place in Drum on Tuesday 14th November in Drum church.

### Farewell

These are my last notes for the group as I take my leave of you at the end of the month. Just a few words of appreciation and thanks to those of you who were really supportive to me during my time in the group. As your pastor it has my privilege to journey alongside parishioners in times of joy as well as in sorrow. I trust that in some small way I have brought hope, comfort and challenge of the Christian faith to members of the group.

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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November: The Fourth Sunday before Advent

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

#### Thursday 9th November

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 12th November: The Third Sunday before Advent - Remembrance Day

9.00am – Holy Communion  
11.30am – Remembrance Day Service  
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

#### Thursday 16th November

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 19th November: The Second Sunday before Advent

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

#### Thursday 23rd November

11.00am – Holy Communion  
1.05 p.m. Healing Service

#### Sunday 26th November: The First Sunday before Advent (The Kingship of Christ)

9.00am – Holy Communion  
11.00am – Family Service  
7.00pm – Holy Communion

#### Thursday 30th November (St Andrew Day)

11.00am – Holy Communion

### SANDS NI Carol Service



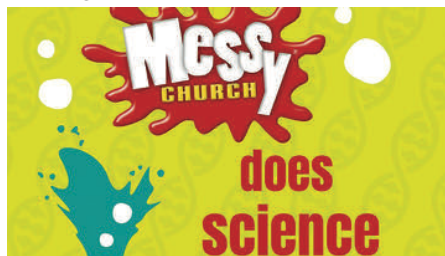
SANDS NI support people who experience the tragedy of stillbirth or the death of an infant in the first weeks of life. SANDS is organising an ecumenical Christmas Carol Service for those who have been affected by the loss of a baby, in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Friday 8th December at 8 pm. This will be a gentle, hope-filled service of carols, readings and prayers.

Those attending are asked to bring a gift-wrapped toy appropriate to the age that the child you lost would be today. These gifts will be placed under the Christmas tree and donated to local charities. Tea and light refreshments will be served after the service.

### Remembrance Day Service

Our Remembrance Day Service is at 11.30am on Sunday 12th November. The Preacher will be The Rev Alexander Bennett, Deputy Assistant Chaplain General 38 (Irish) Brigade. All are welcome.

### Messy Church



All children of primary school age are invited to Messy Science on Thursday 16th

November from 4-6 pm in the Cathedral Halls. Remember: every child needs to come with an adult, and every adult needs to come with a child!

Our invited speaker is Revd. Mark Gallagher, Curate of Bangor Abbey. Before ordained ministry, Rev. Mark was a research scientist and magician! So come along for some mad experiments, balloon animals and magic tricks – all combining fun and faith!

### Xplore

In November and December, Xplore is joining up with other youth groups in the Rural Deanery and Love for Life. We want to give our young people knowledge and skills to safely navigate the world of sex and relationships. 'Love for Life' deliver this training from a Christian viewpoint. There are two programmes for different age groups, "Game On" (12-14yrs) and "Picture This" (15-16yrs), which run at the same time on the same evenings.

**Venue:** Rossorry Parish Church Hall

**Programmes:** "Game On" and "Picture This"

**Dates:** 5th Nov, 19th Nov, 3rd Dec

**Time:** 7-9 pm

All our young people aged 12-16 are welcome to come along to these sessions. If you would like more information, please contact Revd Chris.

### Pilgrim

A daytime course has started in the Devenish room, Cathedral Hall on the second and fourth Tuesday morning of each month at 11.00am - 14th and 28th November and 12th December.

Evening course dates are November 7th and 21st, December 5th in the Devenish Room, Cathedral Hall. The Pilgrim Christmas Gathering is on December 12th.

### Confirmation

A Confirmation service will be held in the spring of 2018 for young people of school year 9 and above. Those who expect to be confirmed should regularly attend church with their families. Application forms for Confirmation are available in the Parish Office for those who wish to be confirmed. Please collect and return them as soon as possible.

### Mothers' Union

The October Branch meeting was held in the Hilliard Room. Thanks to Branch member Hazel Hunter who gave a most interesting and entertaining account of her many travels, mainly the Camino Walk, starting in France through to Spain and recalled the friendships made and the interesting people met en route. The



Autumn Diocesan Council was held on 26th October at 8.00pm in Dromore Parish. Please continue with your generous donations of knitted items for the neonatal ward, SWAH. Also knitted blankets and twiddle blankets for the Nursing homes, patterns available from the Branch secretary, Sally Masterson. The next meeting will be on Monday 13th November at 8.00pm, Noreen Little from 'Action Outreach' Diocesan unit will be the speaker.

### Shoe Box Appeal



Join in the world's largest children's project to show God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world. To make it even easier boxes are available in

the Cathedral porch. Please secure your box with an elastic band and return to the Cathedral no later than Sunday 19th November. There is also a leaflet with gift suggestions, an explanation of how to pack your shoebox, a label for boy or girl to attach and an envelope for your £5 suggested donation which must be included to cover project costs including shipping. This can also be donated online and you will be emailed a barcode to print out and include in your shoebox on top of the contents. This also enables Samaritan's Purse to tell you which country your shoebox is sent to.

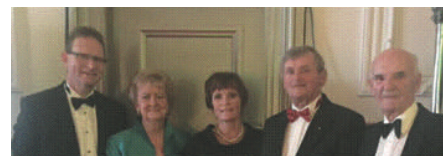
### Men's LIFE

The Cathedral Men's LIFE Group had their first meeting which took the form of a Harvest Supper in Saddlers Restaurant on Thursday 5th October. Those attending gave a warm welcome to our former curate, Revd Rob Clements who was the guest speaker. It was good to see him again and hear what he had to say. Men's LIFE will meet again on Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm in the Enniskeen Room. Dr John Graham is the speaker, his subject Life and Faith in War. You will be very welcome!

### Tuesday Club

We began a new season of Tuesday Club on 26th September at 2.00pm in the Hilliard Room, Cathedral Hall with a service of Holy Communion celebrated by the Dean. The next meeting is on 28th November when we are joined by Claire Holmes who will advise on 'healthy eating'. There will be time for a chat and afternoon tea. We look forward to welcoming our regular members and hope to see new faces.

### Ivan Kee's Award



We congratulate Ivan Kee on receiving a Lifetime Achievement award for Business Commitment. He is pictured right with his wife Avril, the Dean, the Hon Secretary, Mr Sam Morrow and Hon Treasurer, Mrs Hope Kerr of the Select Vestry.

### Prayer

May the joy of Christ shine in our eyes, the compassion of Christ reach out through our hands, the word of Christ fall from our tongues and the love of Christ flow from our hearts. Amen.

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### Note from Rector

It is early on Friday morning and I find myself in the parish office writing notes for the diocesan magazine. The clocks are yet to change, and although I can hear the morning traffic making its way to schools and offices, the light for the new day hasn't quite arrived. It's a great time for getting things done. It's too early to phone anyone, except in an emergency. It's a time for catching up with paperwork, sending emails which don't have the same time restrictions as the land line, but perhaps more-so, a time to reflect. Perhaps it is a time to pray. St Mark records that 'Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for Him, and when

they found Him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for You!" You would imagine that Simon Peter might have tread more carefully, or that He might have been more impressed or more respectful as the Lord prayed. But no, it one of many very human scenes recorded in the Gospels, where the truth is told. Is Jesus being scolded by Simon? Tone is sometimes hard to read. Whichever it is, the point is well made. Praying, and finding time for it, is not always straightforward. For us, we have found a quiet space in the busyness of the parish. Each second month a small group meets on the second Wednesday in St John's. They sit together in the chancel, space very much set aside for prayer, and bring before God the names of any who have requested to be prayed for. There is quietness, and Communion. The group includes some who pray alone every Wednesday for any who have asked for prayer, and others join us for the bi-monthly meeting. It is a valuable time. A time to be treasured and cared for. Perhaps it is time to switch off the computer, the phone and the email, and pay attention to other important things. Let us pray.

## Parish life in September and October

Parish life in September and October has been predictably full. Ministries and organisations have reopened their work. And although we have a need for more leaders in some of the organisations, a common theme has emerged during these months. God seems to have provided for our needs in many ways. I would describe it as a fullness, or perhaps akin to the cup which overflowed in Psalm 23. A number of the ministries and groups are flourishing. I hear mention of growing memberships, and attendances. People perhaps surprised that their work is doing well and bearing fruit. But isn't that part of what He promised? 'Those who sow in tears will bring in the harvest with songs of joy.' Psalm 126. There is undoubtedly much still to be done. There are needs we continue to pray for. There are leadership roles to fill. But in this season of Harvest we are reminded again of words of Jesus, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field." St Luke 10:2.

## Harvest

Again and again, I am reminded that it is His harvest, and His harvest field. I need to learn again and again, to go first to Him, and to ask for His help, in finding help, leadership, other workers. And while that is true, it is also true that at this time, we are thankful for the harvest which is in, both material

and spiritual. Perhaps it was well reflected in the fullness of the Harvest Thanksgiving this year. Services were very well attended, but also reflected well our links with other places, ministries and mission. Our guest speakers spoke well, as did the children, young people and adults who took part. Our thanks also to all who decorated and catered, and prepared.

Perhaps sometimes the unnecessary busyness stops us seeing the growth which only God can give. I end with the words from Jacob recorded for us in Genesis. 'Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it.' Genesis 28:16. Early morning then, when the Light is not quite through, is a good time to stop and appreciate what God is doing. Amen

## Fivemiletown Mothers' Union September

The meeting opened with Sheila Burke welcoming members, as well as members of the Men's Group who joined us for our meeting and our guest speaker, Dr Kris Baraniuk. Following the opening hymn, Bible reading and prayer, the meeting was handed over to Dr. Baraniuk.

Dr. Baraniuk, who is Polish, is the Barnabas Fund co-ordinator for Ireland. He outlined how the Barnabas Fund works with Christians in minority countries who suffer for their faith. He talked about his recent visit to Kenya and Uganda to refugee camps to distribute food like maize, beans and cooking oil which is mixed and made into food. Barnabas Fund operates in 71

countries and runs 400 projects. He asked the group to pray for their work, to tell others and support financially. The vote of thanks was proposed by Thelma Atwell. A retiring collection for Dr. Baraniuk's project work raised £185 + £60 gift from Mother's Union.

Following supper, the minutes of the last meeting were read.

Thanks were extended to those who had taken part in events over the summer—the Festival service and the Family Fun Day in Irvinestown.

21 members had a very enjoyable day at The Big Sing in the National Concert Hall in Dublin on 9th September. Edith Robertson, Thelma Atwell, Sheila Burke and Florence Brunt were in the Mothers' Union Choir for the event.

The next meeting on 11th October will be a craft evening with Emily Kells.

At the November meeting we plan to prepare hampers for the senior members of the Parish

Branch Leader closed the meeting with The Grace

## October

The October meeting was held in St. John's Hall. Evelyn Irwin welcomed members and led the prayers. Bible reading by Florence Brunt.

Members then took part in a craft evening led by Emily Kells. The vote of thanks was proposed by Sheila Burke. Following supper a business meeting took place.

A letter of thanks from Kris Baraniuk from the Barnabas Fund was read thanking Mother's Union for their donation of £245 to the Project Joseph Fund which feeds hungry Christians in Africa.

A letter from Home-Start Lakeland was read to recruit volunteers to provide support and friendship for families with young children who are going through difficult times.

Invitations were received from the following: Colebrooke Mother's Union on Wednesday, 18th October at 8pm. Speaker, Mrs Good, wife of the Bishop of Derry & Raphoe Clogher Mother's Union on Wednesday, 18th October in the Carmichael Hall Augher. Speaker; The Salvation Army Cavanaleck P.W. on Wednesday 22nd Nov. Speaker; Rev David Cupples, "Walking the Camino de Santiago"

Mothers' Union Autumn Council in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore at 8pm

The next meeting is Wednesday, 8th November "Community Outreach" when we will pack grocery hampers for senior citizens.

Canon Hanlon closed the meeting with prayer.



## Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully



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Revd Anita with Diane Holt

### Service

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

### Sunday School Times

**Drummully:** 9:00-10:00am in Drummully Church  
**Sallaghy:** 10:30-11:30am in Sallaghy Church Hall  
**Galloon:** 12:00-1:00pm in Galloon Sunday School Rooms

### November Worship

**Sunday 5th November:** Holy Communion: Act of Remembrance in Drummully and Sallaghy

**Sunday 12th November:** Remembrance  
Sunday Galloon 11:00

**Sunday 19th November:** Family Service x3

**Sunday 26th November:** Morning Prayer x3

### Good News Group

Our Good News Group continues to meet for Prayer, Bible Study and Fellowship, following the "E 100". Join us to talk to and about God, to listen to Him and each other over a "cup of tea".

### Confirmation

The monthly class will be held on Thursday 9th November at 7.00pm in Galloon Sunday School Hall. Our theme for this month is 'Church and Apostles Creed'.

### Bereavement

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the rectory family and Stewart in particular on the death of his sister. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

### Harvest

What a wonderful Harvest Thanksgiving we have shared in our Group of Churches, Sallaghy, Drummully and Galloon. Our three guest speakers each gave us food for thought. Colin Morris from Crosslinks encouraged us to take God's word to God's world through mission. Val Irvine from The Pantry in Lisnaskea reminded us generosity and thanksgiving go hand in hand. Diane Holt from Thrive Ireland

Val Irvine, Revd Anita  
and Lynda Lindsay





Above: The Organists, Grace May and Joyce.

Above Right: Revd Anita with Colin Morris from Crosslinks

explained that God wants His kingdom to 'come on earth as it is in heaven', that God wants thriving and flourishing communities of healthy, happy, whole people.

Our worship was crowned by the gifts of Lynda Lindsay, Diane Holt and our Group Choir. Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped to decorate our churches so beautifully, catered and came to celebrate the harvest home.

Thanks to all who have given generously not only of their time and talents but also in their offering to Crosslinks, The Pantry and Thrive Ireland. 'This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.' 2 Corinthians 9: 12.



Revd Anita with the Archdeacon Ruddell Prize Winner.

### Galloon Parish

#### Mothers' Union

In November the Mothers' Union fellowship will be shared as they take a 'table' for the Mothers' Union to support the annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday 18th November.

#### Archdeacon Ruddell Prize

A group entry from Galloon Sunday School Class 2 was placed second in the Archdeacon Ruddell Prize announced at Diocesan Synod but pride of place this year went to Beth Hutchinson whose individual entry was placed first. This year, entrants had to create a set of ten posters which showed that they knew and understood what each of the Ten Commandments means today.

### Christmas Craft Fair

This will be held on Saturday 18th Newtownbutler Church Hall from 11.00am – 4.00pm. A Soup and Bread Lunch along with Tea and Coffee will be served. Tables cost £12. Please contact: Sonia: 028 67738633 or text 07756445481

### Community Carol Service:

A Community Carol Service will be held in Galloon Parish Church on Sunday 10th December at 7.00pm. There will be a collection for the Organ Fund. Everyone will be made most welcome.

### Sallaghy Parish

#### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union meeting will be held on Thursday 9th November at 8.00pm in the Church Hall when they look forward to William Little "Telling Stories".

#### Dance

A Parish Dance will be held on Friday 10th November 2017 in the Church Hall. The music will be provided by Robert Brown 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.

#### 100th Birthday Celebration

Our congratulations go to our former parishioner Ron Hornby who has just celebrated his 100th birthday. Ron and his wife Frances are well known in Sallaghy.

### Drummully Parish

#### Bereavement

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the Carleton Family on the death of Francis. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

## Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

Garrison 10am HC

Slavin 11.30am HC

#### Sunday 12th November

Kiltyclogher 10am HC

Belleek 11.30am HC

Garrison 5pm Remembrance Service

#### Sunday 19th November

Garrison 10am MP & FS

Slavin 11.30am MP & FS

#### Sunday 26th November

Kiltyclogher 10am MP

Belleek 11.30am MP

#### Sunday 3rd December

Garrison 10am HC

Slavin 11.30am HC

### Mothers' Union

The MU meeting in September was held in the Wark Hall, Belleek when the guest speaker was the Diocesan President, Mrs Irene Boyd. Irene gave us a background of MU at Diocesan level and explained about her role and path in MU.

The November meeting is a Visitors' night on Monday 27th November in Innishmaccsaint where the special speaker is Maud Kells from Cookstown. Ms Kells was a nurse and missionary in the Republic of Congo and was the victim of a shooting there. Thankfully she survived and received an MBE. She has an amazing story to tell!

### Harvest Services

The Rector thanked all of the parishioners for all the hard work and effort they put into the decoration for the Harvest services and for the wonderful suppers provided.

### Belleek Harvest

The special preacher was Revd. Mandy Durrell from the Derrygonnelly, Church Hill and Springfield Methodist Circuit. She read the Old Testament lesson. The New Testament reading was read by Mrs. Hazel Hatton and the Gospel was read by Mrs. Maria McGuinness MPS.

The choir accompanied by Mrs. Sadie Moore sang two anthems, 'Master we will work for thee' and 'My life flows on in endless song.'

A delicious supper was served in the Wark Hall after the service.

### Garrison Harvest

The Rector attended a wedding in England during the Garrison harvest weekend and was delighted that Mrs Eileen Cutler, Diocesan Reader and Revd Philip Bryson, Curate from Magheraculmoney for conducting the services in her absence. Mrs Cutler led the Friday night Harvest Service. The readings were read by Mrs Dot Barlow and Mr Edwin Long. The choir sang

two pieces entitled "Look and Live" and "Walk with me" accompanied by Mrs Joy Graham. A lovely supper was served in the church hall after the service.



Rev Bryson conducted the Sunday Morning service of Holy Communion. Mrs June Thompson and Mr Eddie Graham read the lessons.

Thanks to both Eileen and Philip for leading the worship in the absence of the Rector and the wonder message they brought to us.

### Kiltyclogher Harvest

Rev Ngozi introduced the special Preacher, Revd Richard Beadle, recently appointed Bishop's Curate to the Manorhamilton Group. Revd Beadle organised interaction with the congregation by teaching them the piece "Rejoice in the Lord always" which was his theme for the service.

Revd Beadle and Mrs Dot Barlow read the lessons and the choir sang: "God's Choir" and "How can I keep from singing" accompanied by Mrs Joy Graham.

A delicious supper followed the service in the Community centre.

### Remembrance Service

Sunday 12th November will be the Remembrance Service this year in Garrison Church at 5pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this special service and to tea afterwards in the church hall.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thanks to everyone who supported the Macmillan Coffee morning in the Wark





Photo left: Revd Mandy Durrell, with her husband and Revd Ngozi.

Belleek. A total of £815 was raised. Well done everyone!

### Christian Burial

William Alfred Watson McKimm (Billy) was laid to rest in Garrison churchyard following a service of thanksgiving for his life in Garrison church on Tuesday 26th September conducted by the Rector, Revd Ngozi.

He was predeceased by his wife Kathleen (nee Brock). Our thoughts and prayers to all the family and extended Brock families in their bereavement.

### Holy Matrimony

The Rector conducted the marriage of Emma Hamilton, Gurteen, Garrison to Colin Mulrone, Belleek on Friday 6th October 2017. Many congratulations to the happy couple.

### Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have been in hospital or unwell in recent weeks. At the time of going to print we remember Christina Breen and Gladys Thompson and we pray for them in hospital at this time.

### Keep up to date

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



Above and below; attending the Macmillan Coffee Morning.



Launching the Book of Poems



Mrs Sadie Moore, organist at Belleek Harvest



Parishioners attending one of the harvest services

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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

Holy Communion **Sunday 12th November**

Remembrance Sunday 11.30am and  
evening prayer at 7.30pm **Sunday 18th**

#### November

Morning prayer at 11.30am **Sunday 26th**

#### November

Service of the Word lead by the young  
people and evening service at 7.30pm

### Clothes Collection

Please leave bags of clothing in the first  
shed at Rogers yard, No bric a brack, toys,  
quilts or coat hangers. Clothes will be

collected early on Tuesday 21st November.  
Thanks for your continued support.

### Bowling Club

The bowling club meets every Thursday  
night at 8.15pm and is looking for new  
members – so come along and enjoy the  
fun and the fellowship.

### Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child

It is Shoe Box time again. Shoe boxes  
should be medium in size with the lid and  
box wrapped separately. Please see Eileen  
Cutler for further details. The deadline  
for return of filled boxes is Saturday 18th  
November.

### Mothers' Union

Our September meeting was held in  
Inishmacsaint Parish Church on Monday  
25th at 8pm. Canon David Skuce  
conducted the service, assisted by one of  
our members. Mrs Eileen Cutler Diocesan  
Reader. Holy Communion was celebrated  
with a very encouraging number of  
members attending.

### Visitors's Night

We look forward to our Visitors's Night  
on Monday 27th November at 8pm in  
Inishmacsaint Parish Church when we

welcome our guest speaker Maud Kells,  
a very inspirational lady from Cookstown,  
Co Tyrone. Maud spent most of her life,  
after training has a nurse, working as a  
missionary in the Democratic Republic  
of Congo. This should be an interesting  
and uplifting evening. Members from  
surrounding Branches are especially  
welcome.

### Mothers' Union Trip 11th-14th May, Bray, Co. Wicklow

Details for the above trip have now been  
finalised. Accommodation will be in the  
4\*Glenview Hotel. A full itinerary has been  
planned for the 4 days (3 nights). A deposit  
of £100 per person is required no later than  
Friday 10th November 2017. For further  
details and booking form please contact  
Robena 02868641569.

### Parish Register

#### Burial

30th September, 2017 **William Joseph  
Alexander Gunn**, 22 Bog Road,  
Florencecourt

We would all like to express our deepest  
sympathy to the Gunn family on the death  
of Joe (Joey) and especially to his wife  
Pam, children Graham (and his wife Sarah),  
Kim, Dale, Grant and Hayley and grandson  
Samuel and also to his sister Florrie.

## Kilskeery and Trillick



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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November:

#### The Fourth Sunday before Advent

10.30am Trillick Parish Church –

Holy Communion

11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church –

Holy Communion

#### Sunday 12th November:

#### The Third Sunday before Advent

10.30am Trillick Parish Church –

Service of Remembrance

11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church –

Service of Remembrance

#### Sunday 19th November:

#### The Second Sunday before Advent

10.30am Trillick Parish Church –

Morning Prayer

11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church –

Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 26th November:

#### The First Sunday before Advent

10.30am Trillick Parish Church –

Morning Prayer

11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church –

Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 3rd December:

#### The First Sunday of Advent

11.00am Joint Advent Carol Service in

Trillick Parish Church with Girls' Brigade

Enrolment

### Church Groups/Organisations

#### Sunday School

During our morning services

#### Crèche

During our morning services

#### Girls' Brigade

Mondays 6.30 - 8.00pm (Gwen 89561763)

#### Mothers' Union

The 3rd Monday of each month (May  
89561291)

#### Craft Group

Mondays as arranged (Gwen 89561763)

#### Kilskeery Silver Band

Mondays 8.00pm

#### Kilskeery Senior Citizens' Group

Tuesdays 12.30 – 3.30pm (Emily  
66388683)

#### Choir

Tuesdays 8.30 – 9.30pm (Art 89561457)

#### Boys' Brigade

Wednesdays 7.00 - 8.30pm (Adele  
89561932)

#### Youth Club

As per Pew Sheet

#### Bowls Club

Fridays 8.00pm (Marlene 89561285)

#### Messy Kids Club

The 3rd Saturday of each month (Alison  
89561128)



### Harvest Thanksgiving Services



On Friday, October 6th, on a rainy autumn evening, we gathered at Kilskeery Parish Church for the first of our Thanksgiving Services with guest speaker, Ms Elizabeth Armstrong, members of our choirs, soloists Catherine Johnston, Adrian and Sandra Irvine and Alison Fee, organist Elizabeth Armstrong, guitarist Art Logue leading us in music and song. A fabulous supper in our hall followed.



On Sunday morning, we were joined by Marjorie and David Bennett, Faith Mission. At the time of writing, we were looking forward to our Thanksgiving Services at Trillick Parish Church where on the Sunday October 15th at 11.00am we would begin with a Family Celebration of Harvest

with guest speaker Ms Jill Funston followed at 8.00pm, with a Traditional Harvest Thanksgiving Service with guest preacher Revd. Alan Capper and finishing with yet another Harvest Supper.



We again thank all those who helped in any way with our harvests, those especially who supplied flowers, greenery, fruit and vegetables and prepared harvest supper and each and everyone for their valued and welcome support.

### Mothers' Union

Met for a celebration of Holy Communion in Trillick Parish Church on September 18th and look forward to welcoming Ms Jill Funston – Operation Christmas Child

– on October 16th; Christmas Cooking on November 20th with their Annual Dinner on December 11th.

### Kilskeery Senior Citizens' Club Annual Tea Dance

Kilskeery Senior Citizens' Club Annual Tea Dance is planned for November 7th in the Parish Hall from 2.00pm. and a warm invitation extends to all to join us! This is, in addition, a fund raising event and items suitable for prizes will be greatly received – speak to Gwen or any of the committee members – Emily, George, Marlene, John, Hazel, Doris and Gwen P.

### Remembrance Sunday

Our Services on Sunday, November 12th will be at the usual times of 10.30am (Trillick) and 11.45am (Kilskeery) with the Boys' Brigade Annual Service of Dedication and Enrolment of new members taking place at our Kilskeery Service.

### Bereavement

We extend our sincere condolences to the Faris Family, Trillick, on the death of Myrtle's sister Olive Maxwell and the Collins/McQuaide Families, Kilskeery, on the death of Wendy's uncle/John's brother-in-law, Bob Coffey. O God our Father, we pray for those whose life is saddened by the death of a relative or friend and we remember in our prayers all those in our parishes who have recently been bereaved.

### Girls' Brigade

Enrolment will take place at a joint Advent Carol Service in Trillick Parish Church on Sunday, December 3rd (First Sunday of Advent). GB are again, this year, taking part in 'Operation Christmas Child' (Shoe-Box Appeal) Covered boxes will be available for filling at both Trillick and Kilskeery Churches! Girls are hosting a Craft n' Coffee Sale on Monday 4th December from 7.00 – 9.30pm. All welcome!





## Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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### Services

**Sunday, 5th November 2017 Fourth Sunday before Advent**

**Lisbellaw:** 11.00am Holy Communion

**Coolbuck:** 3.00pm Holy Communion

**Sunday, 12th November 2017 Third Sunday before Advent**

**Lisbellaw:** 10.45am Service of Remembrance

**Lisbellaw:** 3.00pm Veterans' Service of Remembrance

**Sunday, 19th November 2017 Second Sunday before Advent**

**Lisbellaw:** 10.45am Holy Communion Form One

**Lisbellaw:** 11.00am Morning Prayer

**Coolbuck:** 3.00pm Compline

**Sunday, 26th November 2017 Kingship of Christ**

**Lisbellaw:** 11.00am Family Service

**Coolbuck:** 3.00pm Late Evening Office

Thank you to all those who worked very, very hard over the summer getting the parish centre so clean, fresh, organised and tidy.

### Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union on Tuesday, 28th November at 8pm in the Parish Centre hosting the Mothers' Union Prayer Vigil.

### Junior Choir

Junior Choir on Thursday, 30th November from 7pm to 8pm in Lisbellaw church with choir mistress Lynda Lindsay.

Choir Practice

Choir Practice on Thursday, 30th November from 8pm to 9pm in Lisbellaw church with Lynda Lindsay.

### Sympathy

The parish extends its sincere condolences to the family, friends and neighbours of

the late Irene Lister, Monaghan; Alexander (Sandy-Jock) Cooper, Dunarden Drive, Ernest Leslie Kerr formerly of Tempo Road, Enniskillen; George Walmsley formerly of Armagh and Gladys Thompson formerly of Garrison.

### Christmas Holy Communion

Christmas Holy Communion in the Parish Centre on Friday, 1st December 2017 at 2.30pm.

### Parish Register

#### Baptism

22nd October 2017 in Lisbellaw Church

Sophie Jane Acheson

daughter of Rachel and William Acheson

Fortview Park, Lisbellaw

### Lesser Spotter Journeys



Above: Joe Mahon with Ann Orr from Coolbuck

Below: Joe Mahon with Ronnie Crawford



In an August edition of Lesser Spotter Journeys, Ann Orr did a great job of conveying the welcoming, relaxed and charming nature of Coolbuck church and Ronnie Crawford educated us all with his extensive knowledge of the woollen mill. Thank you for representing us so well.

### Congratulations



Congratulations to Rene Elliott (above) who recently celebrated her 90th birthday.



Rene Elliott and Liz Kingston

Rene Elliott donated her birthday gifts (£850) to Cancer Focus UK and here she is presenting a cheque to Liz Kingston, one of their volunteers and a fellow parishioner.

### Harvest Service



James Strange was the guest speaker at our Friday night Harvest Service. He is pictured with some of the readers and Lynda Lindsay, who sang with him during the evening.

## Lisnaskea



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### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

11.30 a.m. Holy Communion

#### Wednesday 8th November

3.00 p.m. Holy Communion in Trinity Hall  
for Senior Citizens

#### Sunday 12th November

11.30 a.m. Service of Remembrance

#### Sunday 19th November

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 26th November

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

(Collection for sponsored children)

### Crafty Harvest

Our preacher on Friday evening was Revd. Lorraine Capper who reflected on the theme of God's creativity in each person and she wisely noted that everybody is



good at something. On Sunday morning Revd. Capper led the Family Service during which the children took part. Over the weekend the church was open for viewing and refreshments were served (thanks to all the tea ladies) also there was musical entertainment provided by organists, local bands as well as individual members of the congregation.

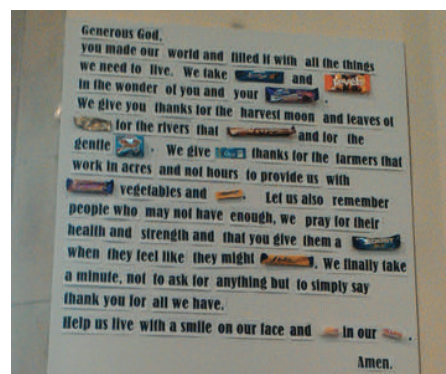
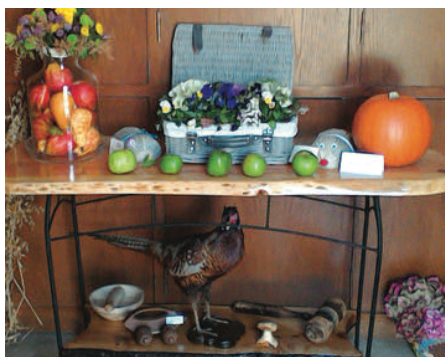


Our "Crafty Harvest" event in Lisnaskea this year proved to be a very successful and enjoyable occasion for all involved.



The church was beautifully adorned with wonderful flower, fruit and vegetable arrangements generously donated by parishioners and as an added twist many people from the parish and the local community brought along a variety of handmade crafts. These consisted of paintings, knitting, crochet, woodwork, sugar craft etc. ....

Thank you to all the ladies who gave of their time to arrange everything so expertly and of course tidied up afterwards.



### Service of Poems and Favourite Hymns

On Sunday evening we had a service of poems and favourite hymns being sung, in total 30! Our thanks and appreciation go to all who took part and in particular our organist Karen who along with the choir played a huge role in preparing for the service. The anthems, one of which was led by soloist Becky Megaw, were beautiful and voices were certainly tested with all the hymn singing on the Sunday evening. Also thanks to Children's Church and their leaders for their singing and participation. In all Revd. Capper said "It was a very positive weekend and people of all ages contributed to make it a success." We can truly thank God that the people of Lisnaskea have got talent.

### Holy Communion for Seniors

There was a good number in attendance when this resumed again in The Trinity Hall in October. Members of Mothers' Union came along and provided refreshments and slides were shown of some of the displays from our "Crafty Harvest". These services will continue on the second Wednesday of each month throughout the winter months so please pass the word around. Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal There are a number of shoeboxes available in church so please take one if you would like to be part of this very worthwhile cause. The accompanying leaflet will give you all the information you need. Please return your box either to church or Parish Office before 20th November along with a donation of £5.

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### Harvest Celebrations

Our Harvest celebrations proved to be a great blessing with guest displays from Ballinamallard Historical Society and Beatty's Fuels alongside many other creative displays by our parishioners and music from the choir. We were blessed by the messages from Walter Pringle and the Revd Betty Thompson.

### Mothers' Union

On Thursday 5th October members and friends met in the Archdale Hall. This was our visitors evening and we were very pleased to welcome the speaker, Catherine Little from The Bible Society. The meeting opened with a hymn, bible

reading and prayers then Catherine gave us a very interesting insight into the work of the Bible Society. Supper was provided by members of the committee and this was followed by a bring and buy sale, the proceeds going to help support the work of the Bible Society.

The next meeting was on Thursday 2nd November when the speaker was Andrea Forde from Pollywogs.

### GFS

We have been busy since starting in September. It was great to welcome former members and some new members to the Branch. In October we were preparing for our fund-raising sale and many thanks to those who supported it and made it a success.

Meetings will resume after the Hallowe'en break on Tuesday 7th November at 630pm. Leaders and girls will join in the Remembrance Day Parade on Sunday 12th November. Please assemble at the Flagpole on the Enniskillen Road at 1050 am in full uniform. We will be doing craft and badge-work during November and then there will be our Christmas Party on Tuesday 5th December.

### Scouting

On October 1st, the scouting groups participated in a national mud run at Parkinaur. The picture tells the full story!

On October 14th, the Cubs spent an enjoyable afternoon walking around Castle Archdale Forest Park and the Millennium Forest with stops for snacks along the way. This was in conjunction with the BBC Children in Need/Countryfile national event.

### November Diary

Our **Wednesday Morning Prayer Service** continues each Wednesday at 10:30am

and the Bible Study/Home Fellowship group reopens on October 24th, November 7th and 21st and December 5th at the home of David Beare, Ferney View. On **Remembrance Day**, Services are at 11:30am in both the Methodist and Parish Churches.

The **Date For Our Annual Service with Mencap** has yet to be finalised but is likely to be on the afternoon of December 3rd.

### Methodist/Church of Ireland Covenant



Jennifer Grey, Methodist Local Preacher ready to lead the worship.

On October 22nd, we were delighted to welcome Methodist local preacher, Jennifer Grey, to lead our worship and preach. This is part of a pilot scheme in the diocese on the sharing of ministries with the Methodist Church.



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### Sabbatical

During the summer Helen and myself had the privilege of being given a sabbatical by the diocese. The church has set out that after 10 years in ministry the diocese can offer a sabbatical to the clergy to encourage them in their ministry. When I was thinking about what this time would entail, there were four things that google drew out as the essential outcomes of a sabbatical.



Canon Henry and Helen on their sabbatical in Canada.

The elements were a time of rest, relaxation, refreshment and reenvisioning. It is very important to say that this was not a holiday even though I returned to the parish more refreshed and enlivened than I have ever been from any holiday. The sabbatical was planned for 1st May until the end of July 2017 and consisted of a retreat in Wales, church visiting in Canada, New Wine in Sligo and finishing with a few weeks at home to reflect on everything that we had learned throughout the sabbatical.

On the first week, we travelled to rural Wales for five days to the Ffaldy-Brenin Christian Retreat Centre to sit and pray and read the bible, which was actually a real challenge after the busyness of parish life where there is always something else to do. This very much set the scene for us before we travelled to Canada to ensure we kept God at the centre of each day.

During our time in Canada, we planned to meet with a number of different churches and also to attend a week conference at Southland Church (which has a weekend attendance of 4,000 adults and children!) in the town of Steinbach (population 15,800). This is a church that has seen dramatic and consistent growth over the last 15 years.

The conference was entitled Church Renewal (500 delegates from around the world but mainly from Canada, America and Mexico) and they simply told their story of how God had renewed and grown their church. We spent two weeks at the conference so we could see how the church was when not looking after all the conference visitors. Some of the key things were that people needed to be very clear about their faith and very clear about how God expected them to be different from society around them. Commitment led them to:

1. Believe that God was alive and active in their lives, and that faith was personal.
2. Regular church attendance.
3. A clear willingness to serve.
4. Daily devotional time. Where they read and studied the Bible daily to feed their own relationship with God.

This was a complete mind set shift in the church that put God before everything else in their lives. The DNA of the church, or the underlying thinking, was actually changed and it was not about programs but it was simply about God and spending time with him. In contrast to our thinking about the church (which unfortunately sometimes comes down to spending an hour with God on a Sunday morning), for them church was the outward expression of their relationship with God. They wanted to spend time together at every

Mullaghfarne Harvest Services



opportunity throughout the week and growth in their church was therefore as a direct result of not limiting God to Sunday mornings.

If I was to try and sum up what God has been saying to me about renewing the church it would be simply this. When we are about the business of Jesus, that he sets out for us in the great commission (Matthew 28:18-20), it does not matter about programs or activities, it is all about relationships. We therefore need to be creating space for people to build relationships that cannot be achieved on a Sunday morning looking at the back of the heads of those in front of you. TV and social media has helped to kill off the country way of going on your ceilli that built the relationships in the community. Now church must create the space for people to ceilli around the bible and learn together what God's heart is for them.

### Men's Night

Thirty men attended on Thursday, 26th September 2017, for our cinema experience, with popcorn and a can of pop, to watch the first two episodes of A.D. Kingdom and Empire - 'The Tomb is Open' and 'The Body is Gone'. We opened with prayer and a worship song, had a break between the episodes to enjoy scones, jam and cream (and of course the obligatory tea/coffee) and finished up with a few words from Revd Philip. Our next show is on 24th November and please feel free to come and join us (it is not necessary to have seen the first two episodes).

### In-Stitches

The ladies at In-Stitches have started the winter session in September. The hands that God has blessed are busy making items for the elderly, the homeless, the newborn and the very sick babies in the Neonatal at the Royal Victoria Hospital. The ladies have prayerfully made these items and pray that they will bring comfort to all those who have need of them.

### Friends In The Afternoon



Mrs Mae Glenn of Friends in the Afternoon is presented with flowers by the new Secretary, Mrs Laurie Lee.

There was a good turnout for the first meeting of the new term where Canon Henry and Helen talked about their time on sabbatical in Canada and showed some of the 4,000 pictures they had taken as they toured around. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon and was very taken with the diverse nature of the landscape, from the very flat lands of Manitoba to the high mountain passes of the Rockies. We thanked Mrs Mae Glenn for working as the Secretary over the last two years with a presentation of a bunch of flowers which was presented to her by the incoming secretary Mrs Louie Lee.

### Mullaghfarne Harvest

On Sunday 8th October, we gathered for the first of the parish harvest services in Mullaghfarne hall at 3.30pm. It was wonderful to have the Revd Andrew Quill along as our guest speaker and Andrew reminded us from Philipians chapter four of our continual need to be thankful for all that God has given us, and reminded us that even though we may not get everything we want completely we should be very thankful to God for what we already have. It is useful to perhaps pause and remember that there are many times when we can think of those who are worse off than us and it puts our needs and wants into perspective.

### Our Youth

Glow Youth Club (P5 - P7): Thursdays (fortnightly - 9th and 23rd Nov '17), 6.30pm - 8.30pm @ Fountain Centre  
Blaze Youth Club (Year 8-10): Fridays, 7.00pm - 8.30pm @ Fountain Centre  
Flame Youth Club (Year 11+): Fridays, 8.30pm - 10.30pm @ The Fountain Centre  
Children's Church (3-13 year olds): Sundays, 11.00am @ Ardess Parish Church (Not on 12th Nov '17)  
Connect Youth Fellowship (Year 8-14): Sundays, 7.00pm - 9.00pm @ Fountain Centre

### Events For Your Diary

#### Share Ardess Drop-In Centre

Tuesdays, 11.00am - 1.00pm @ Main Street, Kesh

#### Remembrance Service

Sunday, 12th November '17 9.30am & 11.00am

#### Friends in the Afternoon

Tuesday, 14th and 28th Nov '17 2.00pm @ Ardess Parish Centre

#### Mothers' Union

Thursday, 16th Nov '17 8.00pm @ Ardess Parish Centre

#### A.D. Kingdom and Empire Men's Night

28th Nov '17, 7.30pm @ The Fountain Centre (please come along and join us, more details on our website). For ALL our events and further information, please see our websites [www.ardess.org](http://www.ardess.org) and [www.thefountaincentre.org](http://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'.

### Weddings

We offer our congratulations to the following couples:

23 September 2017 - Ian Latimer of 54 Glassmullagh Road, Derrylin, and Donna Beacom of 3 Drumard Road, Kesh  
30 September 2017 - Nathan Nash of 73 Warren Road, Donaghadee, and Andrea Mahon of 18 Corlave Road, Kesh

### Funeral/Ashes

We extend our sympathy to all the families that are affected by bereavements at this time and in particular to the family circles of the following:

27th September 2017 - Olive Irene Clarke (80) of Drumgivery, Ederney  
8th October 2017 - Joan Bell (82) Burial of Ashes.

## Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk

### Vacant

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

### Services

#### Sunday 5th November

10.30am Maguiresbridge MP

12.00 noon Derrybrusk MP

#### Sunday 12th November

10.30am Maguiresbridge HC/Remembrance Day Service

12.00 noon Derrybrusk HC/Remembrance Day Service

#### Sunday 19th November

10.30am Maguiresbridge MP

12.00 noon Derrybrusk MP

#### Sunday 26th November

10.30am Maguiresbridge MP

12.00 noon Derrybrusk MP

### 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.

### Harvest Walk

Thank you to all who took part in the Joint Parish Harvest Family Walk on 29th September around Belle Isle Estate.

We were blessed with perfect weather for the evening and a great number of walkers. Thank you also to all those who sent donations.

The figure raised is £1,500 which will go towards the Rectory Repair Fund.

### Maguiresbridge Mothers' Union

Our November meeting was postponed due to members being invited to Derrybrusk Mothers' Union Visitors' night on Thursday 2nd November. The November speaker will come in January 2018 instead.

Members attended Aghavea, Colebrooke/Cooneen Visitors' Nights.

## Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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**Revd David Moses**

#### 26th November Christ the King

St Patrick's 10.30am All Age Worship

Ballinode 12:15pm Holy Communion

### Revd David Moses

In his address to the Diocesan Synod this year, Bishop John included aspects of the call to ordained ministry such as "encouragement to consider the path to ordination is very often best coming from lay people who see someone in their parish who they feel has the makings of a pastor of God's people." This encouragement of others played a major part in my move into ordained ministry.

I had the privilege of being brought up in a home where my parents were committed Christians with a deep personal faith. At the age of 9 I came to faith myself, but my Christian life only began to develop when I went to agricultural college for three years at 16. After college I worked on the family farm, and as there was no youth group in my local church I attended an interdenominational youth fellowship run by the Faith Mission.

Through my experience in the youth fellowship I began to realise that God was calling me to become a Lay Reader in the church. I approached my rector who then made contact with my Diocesan Warden of Readers. His response was that to become a Lay Reader involved the completion of "a very tough course" of study. However, after a process of interviews I was admitted to the training group.

Through the Lay Readers' training group I made new friends and in my time as a Lay Reader I met many friendly and supportive Church of Ireland people. I would mention in particular those who kept the wheels of

parish life turning in the vacant parishes, where I conducted services.

Over time I developed a sense of calling to full time ministry – I was aware of it as I was perhaps challenged through personal Bible study, or someone would suggest that I should go on to training for the ordained ministry, or often while conducting a service I would have an overwhelming sense that I should be in a parish doing this every week. This sense of call was maintained, and circumstances permitted me to begin training about six years ago. With God's help I am now into the final year of training and I enjoy working among the people of Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore under the guidance and leadership of their rector, Canon Ian Berry.

### Ladies' Group

The Ladies' Group met on Tuesday 19th September and visited the Rossmore Mausoleum at Rossmore Park with a very informative talk by local historian Noel Carney. This was followed by a meeting in the Hall and refreshments.

Their November meeting is on the 21st November and will feature a "Body Shop" demonstration by Ms Shirley Kerr.

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union met on Tuesday 3rd October in the Hall when the Branch Leader Mrs Dorothy Adams gave a demonstration of "Glass Painting" and the members present were encouraged to create their own works of art on glass. The evening concluded with business meeting and supper.

They will meet again on the 8th November in the Hall to "Knit Squares."

## St Patrick's Spire



We are in the process of doing some cleaning and repair work to the church spire (above) in St Patrick's. Work is

progressing well, though a very good head for heights is needed for this.

### Illness

Your prayers would be appreciated for those who are ill, the housebound and those in residential care and their families..

### Harvest Services

The Harvest Services for the Group concluded with Ballinode on the 1st October and there was a good attendance at all the services of Parishioners,, friends and the wider Community, coming together to reflect and give thanks to God for his unfailing provisions , for our spiritual and physical needs..

The speakers were as follows ;

Kilmore - Mr Walter Pringle

Monaghan -The Rector

Ballinode - Captain David Hamilton

We express grateful thanks to them for these challenging messages..

We are, as ever, indebted to the organists, choirs, praise group, soloists and Sunday school children for their lead in worship.

We thank all those who decorated our Churches so tastefully, or donated material and those who provided refreshments after the services. We express grateful thanks to all those who responded generously to our special Harvest Appeals.

## Diocesan Synod

The Diocesan Synod was held in Enniskillen on Thursday 26th September with representatives from our Group in attendance. Please read full Synod report elsewhere in this issue.

### Diocesan Triennial Elections

These took place during September and the following from our Group were elected to serve for the next three years.

- Diocesan Council Canon I Berry and C Treacy
- Diocesan Representatives to General Synod Canon I Berry and S Genoe
- Diocesan Electoral College Canon I Berry and C Treacy

### Monaghan Collegiate Sale

This will be held on Friday 8th December in St.Patrick's Hall, Monaghan from 10am to 3pm. There will be the usual stalls with tea and coffee available. Please come along and bring your friends.

### Youth Organisations and Mother and Toddler Group

They continue to meet each week and are very well attended.

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## SERVICES for November

### Sunday 5th November

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

11.00 am. Holy Communion.

7.00 pm. Evening Prayer

### Sunday 12th November

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

11.00 a.m. Remembrance Service and Youth Parade

"Remembrance Sunday"

### Sunday 19th November

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism.

### Sunday 26th November

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer

### A note from the Rector

We are now entering a reflective time of year – in mid-autumn with the falling leaves we are caused to look back to former times and think of those who are no longer with us. All Saints Day (1st November) is an occasion when we give thanks to God for the saints of the church and to seek grace to follow the example of their 'godly living'.

## Remembrance

At Remembrance-tide we focus upon those of former generations who have died in troubled times or in the defence of the freedoms we enjoy. This is a significant year of anniversaries– the 30th since the Enniskillen Bomb blast which took the lives of 11 from this community and injured so many more. It is also 100 years since the terrible Battle of Passchendaele which took place on the Western Front, from July to November 1917 when over 300,000 Allied troops were either killed or injured. We shall be holding our customary Remembrance Ceremony at the war memorials in church on Sunday 12th November at 11am to remember with thanksgiving former parishioners who gave their lives in WW1, WW2 and other conflicts.

### Looking back over the month

Looking back over the month of October we had several significant events in parish life – the MU Come Aboard evening in the SW College was a great opportunity for women of the parish to meet in an informal setting with live music and delicious food to see

the range of parish activities for women and families. They also heard several women speakers from Co Fermanagh tell of how they took God-given opportunities in life to move forward with their careers. The Parish Auction, under the hammer of David Stuart was a great success raising over £3700 for the Parish Building Fund. Back to Church Sunday was a helpful marker point for families returning to the regular pattern of Sunday Worship in church.

## Many Thanks

Many thanks to all who made our Harvest Thanksgiving Services such joyful, and uplifting occasions for worship. We thank especially all who donated gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables and those whose hands so artistically arranged them. Sincere thanks to our choir, band and organist Catherine Irwin for presenting such beautiful and heart-warming music and leading us in our harvest singing. Finally thank you to the ladies for providing us with such a delicious supper following the Sunday evening service.

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Canon IW Ellis  
Rector

## ROSSORRY PARISH CHURCH 175th Anniversary (1841— 2016) FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### Friday 3rd November 2017

“Hooley in the Hall “

At 7pm

### The Hooley is on !

The Hooley will be held on Friday evening, the 3rd November at 7pm. It will be a Barn Dance with Supper (B B Q).

A dance caller and a band are booked and it will be mighty craic !

This will be the final event to mark the “ End of our 175 Celebrations” and is open to all parishioners and friends to thank them for their massive support and help during our celebration year of 175 years at Rossorry. As this is a family event to thank you, the parishioners - bring the kids and your granny – it will be suitable for all ages. There is no charge for this event – it is the Parish’s way of saying ‘thanks.’

### Parish Draw

To help support the Parish Building Fund which is fundraising to re-furbish the Parish Hall and provide enhanced meeting and hospitality facilities at the Stables, the Parish is currently running a Draw. Tickets are available from members of the Select Vestry with wonderful prizes – a Charolais Bull Calf,

A Fat Lamb, a Side of Venison, 10 Apple Trees.

### Parish Auction



The Parish Auction was held on Saturday 7th October, last. With almost 400 lots and a very big crowd, there was quite a buzz about the Parish Hall! The big sellers were timber, silage and tools. A very healthy £3,800 was raised. Many thanks to Lorraine for all her hard work , to the helpers on the day and the evening before – but particularly to David Stuart for his advice and auctioneering skills.

### Prayer Group

The Prayer Group started up on Wednesday 27th September with a service of Holy Communion.

It will continue now throughout the year with meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

Feel free to come and join us- everybody is welcome. It is an informal group (nobody has to perform !! ) which meets to pray for the parishioners, young and old, for the world, as well as other good intentions that arise. We finish with the fellowship of a cuppa and a chat.

### Rossorry Mothers’ Union

The programme for Rossorry Mothers’ Union ,this year, opened on Wednesday, 4th October 2017 with “Come Aboard,” a Ladies Evening in South West College, Enniskillen.

This was an opportunity for ladies to see the work of Rossorry parish organisations, clubs and classes on show. (See photo below)

It was a very successful evening of information, fellowship and good food. Rossorry Mothers’ Union’s next meeting is on Thursday, 16th November with a visit to Enniskillen Castle beginning at 7.30pm

### Wednesday Club News

The meetings of the Club are every Wednesday at 10.30 am, from September

onwards. Everyone is welcome - there is always room for new members.

### This month’s Programme:-

**8th November** - Jessica and Kevin’s holiday to Vietnam.

**15th November** - Homemade Soda Farls – a cookery demonstration.

**22nd November** - Variety of Board Games.

**29th November** - Christmas Crafts – small wine bottles with beads.

If you want to know more give Ethel Oldcroft a ring at 66 326339

### Arts & Crafts Classes

Classes are open again . – acrylic painting and basket weaving.

All are welcome – no level of skill is required – novices welcome!!

These classes are very popular – but there is always room for someone else - so be sure to speak to Yvonne Elliott on 02866 342514 for information .

### Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meets on a Monday evening and occasionally on a Thursday in the Parish Hall at 8pm.

Always looking for new members for the club – come along, have a look, try it out! For information:- contact William Stevenson on 07719662473.

### Parish Register

#### Christian Burial

**CRANSTON ,Thomas John (Tom)**, died 13th September 2017,(peacefully), late of Windmill Road, Enniskillen. A Funeral service took place in Rossorry Parish Church on Saturday 16th September 2017 at 12.30pm followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.

**SCOTT, Stewart Harold** died 27th September 2017,(peacefully), late of Trasna Park, Enniskillen. A Funeral service took place in Rossorry Parish Church on Saturday 30th August 2017 at 12pm followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.

**VANCE, Edwin Alexander** died 28th September 2017,(suddenly), late of Devenish Crescent, Enniskillen. A Funeral service took place in Rossorry Parish Church on Monday, 2nd October 2017 at 12.30pm followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.

**CARRUTHERS, Natasha Hazel** died 23rd August 2017,(suddenly, as the result of a





road traffic accident), late of Letterbreen, co. Fermanagh. A Funeral service took place in Rossorry Parish Church on Wednesday 11th October 2017 at 1.30 pm followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.

The congregation of Rossorry offers their deepest sympathy and prayers to the families and friends of the departed.

#### Holy Baptism

**SLOAN - Ruby Lauren and Rosa Molly**, twin infant daughters of Robert and Emma Sloan were baptised at Rossorry Parish Church on Sunday 17th September 2017

Right: Ruby Lauren and Rosa Molloy - twin infant daughters of Robert and Emma Sloan

We welcome Alex to the family of God and pray he will learn to follow Christ as he grows in faith.

#### Contact Us

Our Website is :- [rossorryparish.com](http://rossorryparish.com)

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](mailto:rossorryoffice@btinternet.com) or indeed by Telephone at 02866 329889.



## TEMPO AND CLABBY



Rector:  
**The Revd Canon Maurice Armstrong**

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#### Tempo Harvest

Thank you to those who decorated the Church for our services. The preacher on Friday evening was Mr. David Charleton spoke who on "I am the bread of life" reminding everyone to trust in and feed by faith on Christ and God's word. On Sunday morning at the Family Service, Paul Cameron, from Scripture Union reminded everyone about being 'thankful' for so many things including Christ for his death for us and how we should serve God out of thankfulness. The Sunday School took an active role in the service with readings and based their prayers including the Pumpkin Prayer around the same theme. Our thanks to the Sunday School and their teachers for their very active role on the Sunday morning Our thanks to our organist Carole and the choir for leading the worship and their harvest anthem "Let all things living".

#### Clabby Harvest

Again thank you to Tanya Armstrong for the wonderful harvest decorations based on a musical theme from Psalm 150. Also to the choir and organist Ryan Crawford on Friday evening with their Anthem "For the fruits of his Creation" and our guest singers The Silvertones Male Voice Choir. The Preacher on Friday evening was Revd. Eddie Coulter who spoke on the "Bread of Life". The preacher on the Sunday morning was Revd. William Orr who spoke on tables in the Bible and our place at God's table in Heaven. Thank you to Mrs. Ann Bloomfield for leading the worship and the music group. The Sunday School again took an active role in the prayers, readings, the Pumpkin Prayer and poems 'Old Mother Hubbard' which had a Bible theme and 'I like to eat my five a day'. Thank you to all the teachers and children for their part they played in the service.

#### Leaders Dedication Service

On the Sunday evening we held our Annual leaders dedication service for everyone in both parishes who lead in the Children's, young people's organisations, our organists, choirs, select vestries and all other organisations to dedicate together their work for God and to God for the incoming year.

#### November Diary

- Tuesday 14th** Mothers' Union 8 p.m. Clabby Church Hall, Mickey Fire Safety.
- Saturday 11th** Coffee Morning in aid of Scripture Union 10-12 noon in Clabby Church hall.
- Sunday 19th** Come and meet Mr. Trevor Watson our link Missionary at 7-30 p.m. Clabby Parish Church.

**Sunday 26th** Diocesan Ministry of Healing Service at 7-30 p.m. Colebrooke Parish Church.

#### Funerals

- 7/10/17 **Leslie James Duncan**, Drumderg, Tempo
  - 8/10/17 **Martha Jane Granlesse**, Cavandale, Enniskillen.
  - 10/10/17 **Ivor Alexander Armstrong**, Glenmackin Drive, Hollywood.
- Our prayers and sympathy to all the bereaved families.

#### Vintage Tractor Run

Thank you to Harold Wilson and his team of helpers and marshals for another successful tractor run. This year they were joined by some modern day tractors. Thank you to the drivers who turned up with their tractors and to those who gave donations raising £710 towards the Restoration Fund.

#### Peace

November always marks our remembrance of those who died in wars, conflicts and the troubles in the past century. Those who died did so for the cause of peace and freedom. When we think of peace we mean the opposite of trouble, disturbance, upset and war. When someone is bothering us we say "give my head peace" Where there is a strong wind or hurricane the weather is disturbed, when it passes by we experience peace around. In terms of the Bible peace is on a different level. Sin brought conflict or lack of peace inside mankind and between God and people. Christ came to bring peace between God and us. "His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, this making peace and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through

the cross by which he put to death their hostility (Ephesians chapter 2v16)  
 Paul in Galatians lists peace as one of the fruit of the spirit. Jesus speaking to his troubled disciples before his death said he would leave his peace with them. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid" (John 14v27)  
 Isaiah (26:3) says "You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you".  
 There are many things which can trouble us, around us and within us. God's word says that if we trust in him, in Christ then we will know his peace within us, even though there are many storms of life around us. Jesus says to us "Peace be with you". When we commit our lives to Jesus all the things that trouble us we will then have a peace (God's peace) that passes all understanding (description).

## CLOGHER DIOCESE MINISTRY OF HEALING SERVICE

With prayers and laying on of hands

**Aghalurcher (Colebrooke) Parish Church**

Sunday 26th November  
 at 7-30 P.M.

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**PRAYER REQUEST CONTACT**  
 Rev. J. Mcclenaghan 89531822

### Trory and Killadeas



Rector:  
**The Revd Canon Mark Watson**

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Dear Parishioners,

#### Harvest Festival:

Many thanks to those who decorated both church buildings and prepared music and sang during the Harvest services. I would also thank those who supported the Trory Soup and Sandwich lunch on the 15th October after Harvest Festival. The total of £252 was raised at the time of writing the notes. Thanks to the cooks and those who helped tidy up.

#### Remembrance Sunday:

Services are 8.00am Lough Shore Remembrance Killadeas  
 10.00am Service of the Word and act of Remembrance Killadeas

11.30am Service of the Word and act of Remembrance Trory

#### Jump in!

Please have all jumpers going to Belarus for Christmas in Church by Remembrance Sunday 12/11/17. Jumpers should be for primary school children, easy to launder and not a "Christmas jumper"  
 Thanks to everyone for their support.

#### Grouped Service and Soup and Cheese Lunch

On Sunday 26th November (Christ the King) at 11.30am in Killadeas we will join together for morning prayer followed by a soup and cheese lunch in aid of The Priory restoration. Sign up sheets @£5.00 per head will be in both churches from the Harvest festivals.

#### Sponsored Run:

Alison has completed her 10mile run and Lewis and Samuel will be doing their legs of the run on the first weekend of November.

#### Advent and Christmas activities: (So far!)

Fridays in Advent 8th, 15th, 22nd December at 10.00am Daily office and Bible Study in the Rectory.

#### Wreath making for the Christmas Coffee morning

13-15th December at 8.00pm each evening in the school house wreath making for the Christmas Coffee morning sale.

#### Trory Wreath Sale and Coffee morning

16th December 10.00am -12.30pm Trory Wreath Sale and Coffee morning in the Ballycassidy Parochial Hall.

#### Group Sunday Schools trip

16th December (Time to be advised) Group Sunday Schools trip to Enniskillen Cinema. Teachers will forward details and attendance forms through the children.

#### Nine lessons and Carols

Sunday 17th December: Nine lessons and Carols at 10.00am in Killadeas and 11.30am in Trory.

#### Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve 24th December: Holy Communion in Killadeas at 10.00am and 11.30pm  
 Holy Communion in Trory at 11.30am

#### Christmas Day

Christmas Day 25th December  
 Holy Communion in Trory at 10.00am



Charity No. NIC102108

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HOSTING NEXT SUMMER?

**Chernobyl Children's Appeal (CCA) is a fully registered charity made up of people from many religions and backgrounds. Every year CCA takes Belarussian and Ukrainian children to Northern Ireland for a respite break.**

Both the Omagh and Fermanagh Branch of the Chernobyl Children's Appeal was founded in the mid 90's but only became amalgamated in 2012. From its formation the branch has grown from strength to strength in its efforts to help build the health of affected children. While the branch works tirelessly to raise the funds needed to meet the costs of bringing the children over, we rely on the goodwill of those in our communities to support us on our annual venture.

Despite the fact that the Chernobyl disaster occurred in 1986, its subsequent problems have not disappeared. The worst nuclear accident in the history of mankind is increasingly forgotten and is often considered as something belonging to the past, but for 600,000 Belarussian children in the most contaminated areas, Chernobyl is an every day reality.

Much time has passed since the day of the accident and it may seem that the Chernobyl problem has lost its magnitude, but it is not so for the people of the region. The health problems for the children of the contaminated regions continue to increase. Every day their parents must put contaminated food in front of their children, which is damaging their immune systems, but most families do not have a choice.



### **2017 children presented with a print of Fermanagh scenery at the Lakeland Forum**

Hosting a child in your home for three weeks is really only another place at the table. You will have the satisfaction of knowing that you are positively improving the health of the children.

There may be little we can do about the future safety of nuclear facilities but having these children for a respite break and enabling them to breathe fresh air and eat clean uncontaminated food we are giving them a vision of a brighter future.

The core of CCA is the 'host family'. Without the compassion and willingness of these families the Charity could not be a success. The host families come together to form groups. Each group has one aim in mind – to organize and take part in fundraising activities to finance the cost of the respite break and to send aid to stricken areas.

All potential host families are vetted prior to the children being placed. This is done by completing an online vetting form allowing the appropriate authorities check all families. This is normal procedure to safeguard the welfare of the visiting children.

An interpreter resides with each group during the respite break and various fun events and activities are organized for the children, which everyone enjoys. This respite break helps to recover the children's immune system. It is our hope that you can take this message to heart and help the children who live, drink, eat, breathe and sleep radioactive contamination. Radiation does not discriminate between rich and poor and even the better off families could not afford to send the children on a respite holiday.

Eveline Smith, Omagh & Fermanagh Group Leader comments "I've been group leader for seven years which has been challenging and very rewarding. Being part of a support group you get to meet a lot of new people and long standing friendships are formed. We work tirelessly fundraising twelve months of the year to bring each new batch of children home but all the hard work is worth the effort when you see the productivity at the end of the smiles on the children's faces as they are coming through the airport to Northern Ireland for the first time. I love hosting the children so, so much and would highly recommend any new family to give it a try out, you'll not be disappointed".

Remember the phrase "No one stands as tall as when they stoop to help a child"

We are holding an information evening in Mahon's Hotel, Irvinestown on Monday 6th November 2017 at 8pm for new host families. The children should be visiting next year from approximately 16th July to 6th August 2018. If you are interested in hosting children and for more information please contact Eveline Smith on 028 82898911 or email [chatrsthome@btinternet.com](mailto:chatrsthome@btinternet.com).

### **Some of the activities the children took part in**



# DIOCESAN NEWS



## Diocesan Magazine Committee Report to Synod

Another year has passed in the life of Clogher Diocesan Magazine and during this past year we have published information concerning various events which have taken place in the diocese, parishes and further afield.

We continue to receive positive feedback regarding the design and content of

the magazine and we appreciate the material submitted by parishes for inclusion in each issue. The committee would again encourage parishes to promote the magazine amongst parishioners and the wider community in order to sustain and hopefully increase the readership and sales of the publication, especially as we continue to operate at a slight financial loss.

Over the past year our editor, Mr Glenn Moore, returned to edit the magazine following his period of illness, during which the magazine was ably edited by Ms Ruth McKane, and we once again express our appreciation for the excellent work undertaken by Ruth during Glenn's absence.

As part of a reallocation of duties in the diocesan administration, Glenn has relinquished the role of magazine editor. We express thanks to him for his editorship of the magazine since 2013 and oversight of significant changes to the design and content of the magazine, including the Anglican Communion, Church of Ireland, Youth, Children, Community, Mothers' Union, Select Vestries, Music, Liturgy, Worship, Diocesan, Mission, Charity and Diocesan Diary, which complement the contributions from the Bishop and parishes.

The committee were delighted in early 2017, to welcome Mr Brian Donaldson as editor of the Diocesan Magazine. Brian brings a wealth of experience to the role having come from a career in journalism with the Impartial Reporter spanning a period of over forty years. We thank Brian for the contribution he is making and continues to make to the magazine.

Mrs Mabel Black relinquished the role of honorary treasurer in June 2017, and we express great appreciation and thanks to Mabel for all the work she has put in to the finances of the magazine over a number of years. Thankfully Mabel continues to serve as a member of the committee. We also record appreciation to the diocesan accountant, Mrs Ashley Brown, for her assistance with the magazine accounts and her customary willingness to be of help coupled with an avid attention to detail.

Our sincere thanks are recorded to all the members of the packing team who ensure that all the magazines are sorted and delivered on time each month. New volunteers to join the packing team would be most welcome.

Once again, we thank all those who support and purchase Clogher Diocesan Magazine.

## New Diocesan Reader commissioned in Clogher Diocese



The Commissioning of Mr. Alan Hill as Diocesan Reader by the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd John McDowell, took place at a service in St. Fin Barr's Parish Church, Carrickmacross, on Sunday, 24th September 2017.

Alan has served the Group Parishes of Carrickmacross as a Parish Reader for the past five years.

He undertook the training as a Diocesan Reader under Canon David Skuce and was guided by Revd Neal Phair of Castleblayney Parish during the vacancy in Carrickmacross.

Alan is an active member of parish life in St Fin Barr's. He is a member of the Select Vestry, a Diocesan Synod member and helps with the sound system as well as being involved in many other events around the parish. As well as his busy life as a family man and farmer, Alan is a keen runner and is preparing to take part in this year's Dublin Marathon at the end of October. Alan was joined at the service by his wife Rachel, daughters Amy, Faith and Hannah as well as family members, friends and parishioners.

## Diocesan Ministry of Healing Report to Synod

The ministry of Healing held two services of healing with laying on of hands in November 2016 in Cleenish Parish Church. The service was conducted by the Rector, Rev. Canon G. Bridle who also preached. He was assisted by Rev. Canon M. Armstrong and Mr. J. Irvine.

The second service was held in May 2017 in Rockcorry Parish Church. It was conducted by Rev. Canon M. Armstrong. The Preacher was the Very Rev. R. Thompson. The Rev M. Pringle assisted at the service.

After both services refreshments were provided by the ladies of the Parishes. The

committee thank those who helped at the services, for the clergy for making their Churches available for the services.

Once again the Ministry of Healing and the Board of Social Theology and Action held a joint evening in Clabby Parish Church on the theme of "Autism". This meeting was well attended with Mark Sproule, a speaker on behalf of Autism and Mrs. Ethel Johnston speaking from personal family experience of the illness.

The lunchtime monthly healing services continue in the Cathedral. Thank you to those who conduct them and to Mrs. Beth Rennick who prepares and sends out a rota on a regular basis.

The committee wish to thank those parishes who support this ministry by

their contributions each year. They would

appeal for other parishes to contribute, however small the amount, as there has been a decline in the number of Parishes making an annual contribution. Please send your contributions to our treasurer Miss Helen Humphries 72 Main Street Craghen, Ballinamallard, BT94 2GA Cheques payable to "Clogher Diocese".

The next meeting of the Ministry of Healing Service will be held in Aghalurcher Parish Church on Sunday 26th November 2017 at 7.30pm.

## Important meeting for parishes on young people and social media

The Church of Ireland Board of Education will be delivering a training event for those who work with children and young people in your parishes on Wednesday, 15th November from 7.30-9.30pm in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen.

The session will provide a presentation that can be used by leaders to deliver to their children and young people to promote good practice when using technology.

There will be a trainer from the Safeguarding Board for NI outlining their new material 'Virtual Reality' for working with children and young people.

The Church's own Child Protection Officer, Margaret Yarr, will be sharing the details of the Church of Ireland Safeguarding Trust Guide to Social Media and other e-communication.

There is no charge but places are limited. To book contact Claire Geoghegan on 028 9082 8860 or email: [claire.geoghegan@rcbdub.org](mailto:claire.geoghegan@rcbdub.org)

## Election Results - Diocesan Synod 2017

General Synod	
Revd Canon Dr I Ellis	Miss Frances Boyd
Revd Canon HW Blair	Mrs Una Bourke
Revd Canon ITH Berry	Miss Joyce Clingan
Very Revd KRJ Hall	Mr Roy Crowe
Revd JM McClenaghan	Mrs Eileen Cutler
Revd N Phair	Mr Gordon Deazley
Revd Canon MA Armstrong	Mr Gregory Deazley
Revd A Kerr	Mr Brian Donaldson
Revd N Njoku	Mr Robert Forde
Revd ATE Quill	Mr Samuel Genoe
Revd Canon D Skuce	Mrs Sue Hogg
Revd Canon GP Bridle	Mrs Alison Jackson
Revd PJ Bryson	Mr Jack Johnston
Revd C MacBruithin	Mr Jonathan Keys
	Miss Irene Knox
	Mrs Jennifer Leathem
	Mrs Claire Magee
	Mrs Ethne McCord
	Dr Lynsey McMurray
	Mr Glenn Moore
	Mr Gerry O'Callaghan
	Mr Walter Pringle
	Mr Henry Robinson
	Mr David Scott
	Mr Neville Scott
	Mr Robert Thompson
	Dr John Graham
	Mr Matthew Anderson
Supplementals	
Ven BJ Harper	Mr Colin Brownsmith
Revd WA Capper	Mrs Lorna Thompson
Revd C McConaghie	Mr Robert Watterson
Revd J Woods	Vacant
Revd P Thompson	Vacant
Revd A Irwin	Vacant
Diocesan Court	
Revd JM McClenaghan	Mrs Hope Kerr
Diocesan Court	
Ven C Pringle	Mr Hazlett Moore
Revd Canon ITH Berry	Mr Owen Wilson
Committee on Disputed Elections	
Revd Canon ITH Berry	Mr John Irvine MBE
Ven C Pringle	Mr Sam Morrow OBE
Revd Canon GP Bridle	Mr Walter Pringle

Lay Member of the Representative Church Body	
Mr Henry Robinson	
Diocesan Council	
Revd Canon HW Blair	Mr Glenn Moore
Revd Canon ITH Berry	Mr Walter Pringle
Revd J McClenaghan	Mr Chris Treacy
Revd CG Eames	Mr John Keating
Revd Canon MA Armstrong	Mr Robert Forde
Very Revd KRJ Hall	Mr Hazlett Moore
Revd A Kerr	Mr Henry Robinson
Revd Canon D Skuce	Mrs Una Bourke
Revd Canon TK Hanlon	Mr Sam Morrow OBE
Revd N Njoku	Mrs Ethne McCord
Revd ATE Quill	Mrs Mae Glenn
Revd OMG Downey	Mr Andrew Humphreys
Honorary Secretaries	
Revd Canon Dr I Ellis	Mrs Rosemary Barton MLA
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Revd Canon Dr I Ellis	Mr Glenn Moore
Revd Canon ITH Berry	Mr Walter Pringle
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Revd N Phair	Mr Jack Johnston
Revd Canon MA Armstrong	Mrs Mae Glenn
Revd ATE Quill	Mrs Diane Wright-Kendrick
Revd Canon GP Bridle	Mr Samuel Genoe
Ven C Pringle	Miss Irene Knox
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Revd Canon HW Blair	Mr Glenn Moore
Revd Canon ITH Berry	
Very Revd KRJ Hall	
Revd ATE Quill	
Supplementals	
Revd Canon Dr I Ellis	Mrs Rosemary Barton MLA
Ven BJ Harper	Mrs Eileen Cutler
Revd Canon MA Armstrong	Mr Henry Robinson
Revd N Phair	Mr John Irvine MBE

## Onus on family members to keep clergy informed of patients admitted to hospital



The protocol for patients wishing to have their clergy visit them in hospital has changed. Not all patients appear on lists of all who have been admitted to hospital and clergy now depend on family members to keep them informed.

The situation was highlighted at the Clogher Diocesan Synod when the Dean of Clogher, the Very Revd Kenneth Hall (left), made an impassioned plea to parishioners to inform their clergy when a family member is admitted to hospital. This also extends to those moved to other hospitals or transferred to other wards.

Speaking at the Synod, Dean Hall said: "I am an employee of the South West Acute Hospital as Hospital Chaplain. The chaplain's role is to offer pastoral care to those who require pastoral care, to staff and patients on request.

"The hospital chaplains are members of staff and part of the hospital caring team. They are appointed from the main Christian churches and offer spiritual and pastoral care to all, irrespective of denomination, faith or belief group. Chaplains visit those patients whose names appear on their visiting lists and if requested to do so refer them to their local clergy, who in turn offer spiritual care.

"However the visiting lists for many reasons may not contain all the names of those who are in hospital, and this is where many problems arise. This may be due to the manner in which a question is asked (if asked) on admittance. Being asked if you would like a 'spiritual adviser' confuses patients and they may answer 'no' to this question. Some who are admitted may think their clergy are too busy to annoy them, or that their stay in hospital may be very short so they also say 'no' to this question. If this is what the patient answers their name will not appear on the Chaplain's list.

"When asked 'Would you like your clergy informed?' some may well not wish their clergy to know that they are in hospital so the answer to the question is then 'no'. They still have a right to ask for the chaplain without their clergy knowing but they will have to state this request. However even if their answer is 'yes they would like to see a member of the clergy', there is no guarantee that their name will appear on a visiting list. The best outcome for all is that if someone is in hospital, or going in, and they want their clergy to know is to inform them themselves (if able) or get a member of their family to do so for them. "Clergy are very often in the hospital visiting other parishioners and they may not know that another parishioner is there – they could even be on the same ward!

"All of the above is relevant for any hospital. The chaplains will endeavour to assist as best as possible but the process is getting increasingly more difficult due to new regulations and cutbacks," he concluded.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Clogher Diocesan Board For Social Theology In Action Report To Synod

The Board continues to work in conjunction with the Ministry of Healing committee.

As we have done so we have continued to try and look at areas that are relevant to the areas in which we live and this year we decided to look at the area of autism.

As with previous projects this is something that touches a large number of our families and is also something that we often overlook or try to ignore.

We had a very well attended information evening earlier this year in Clabby and we had two main speakers who shared their personal experiences in regard to autism.

Our first speaker was Ethel Johnston who spoke about her families experience with her son Isaac who has autism. While she highlighted the challenges that his condition brought the one thing that stood out was her love for her son and the fact that she would not change him for anything.. I was also struck by the story of his singing a hymn at full volume in Dunnes Stores – a witness that no one else would bring.

Our second speaker was Mark Sproule who has two children Timothy and Courtney who are on the spectrum with high functioning autism. Mark and his wife Arlene are involved in training various professionals in dealing with autism and also provide martial arts training for young people with this condition.

Both speakers were well received and I know that there are those within our diocese who want to engage with Mark to further the work that we have started.

We hope to continue this work in the area of autism and other learning difficulties in the future which will be expanded on at synod.



Rotary Club of Enniskillen

## CHARITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

(in aid of Action Mental Health)



Wednesday 6 December 2017 at 7.30pm

Featuring : Sligo Gospel, St Macartin's and St Michael's Choirs

First half held in : **St Macartin's Cathedral**  
Interval : **Victorian Mulled Punch and Mince Pies**  
Second half : **St Michael's Church**

**ADMISSION : £10**

# YOUTH PAGE



## Are we connecting?

It's surprising to learn that our most popular participatory sport is not soccer, Gaelic football or rugby but fishing! I suppose it's not so surprising when you think about how many large crowds you see standing and cheering on the banks of a river as their idols sit patiently waiting for a cork to bob!

On reflection this truth has a very important message for us in the church. Christ made it clear that His Kingdom was very much about engagement. He has not called us to cheer but to engage; not to watch but to do; not to idolise but to worship. We all know the difference between dreaming about something and life in reality. What we are going to do "some day" and what needs to be done today! And parish life can be like that. Are we dreaming, or living life to the full? Are we so busy with the structure that we forget the purpose? It was very encouraging to hear Bishop John in his Presidential Synod address underlining the importance of connecting with our young people.

He went on to encourage parishes to connect with their young people.

"I am inviting every parish in the coming year to do something which they haven't done before specifically for young people in their parish. It could be a one off event or it could be a discipleship programme or an Evangelists' outreach. It could be a school of prayer or 1001 other things."

The Revd Andrew Quill, Dromore has drawn our attention to a quotation from the martyred Archbishop of San Salvador, Oscar Romero, which has also been recently highlighted by Bishop John himself.

"We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realising that.

This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.

It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way. It's an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

As regards our young people so often the statistical evidence supports a notion that we have lost the battle for their hearts and minds even before we begin; that the world has long since left its impression on them before we think to pray or speak about God's truths with them.

In the face of this discouragement it is remarkable to hear at a recent presentation to our clergy and youth leaders by Judith Cairns from the "Love For Life organisation", that over 80% of our teens identify their family as the most significant influence on their social values and relationships in particular. If our parishes are not extended families then what are they? Our young people live in an increasingly aggressive social environment (continued overleaf).



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Children's Ministry Conferences

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:**  
**WHO LET THE DAD'S OUT?**



**WHO LET THE DADS OUT?**

**Further information**  
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Recent university studies in Liverpool and London indicate that 25% of teenage girls and 10% of boys suffer from depression due to poor self-image. In the face of that we have a gospel to share about unconditional love, care and acceptance. A gospel our Bishop is encouraging us to share with them.

And I believe that "share" is the significant word or "connect" to use the more topical equivalent. We have a wonderful truth to pass on and we need to make sure that our creeds, liturgy and biblical teachings remain relevant and not simply a form that denies a substance. We know our family, its generations and relationships when we spend time together to care, talk and interact. Have we lost this truth in our parishes? Are we so busy doing church that we are missing the joys of what it is to be a church together, serving together, worshipping together? As Bishop John has asked, "Do we say we love Jesus but not his body here on earth? Are we fooling ourselves?" All of the evidence shows that it is much, much better to attract people when they are young to the disciplines of prayer and discipleship."

Church and parish life are not spectator pastimes! So let's get on with connecting with our young people in the incoming year. Christ calls us to be fishers of men. The Lord's grace will do the rest!

If you would like any help or advice on possible ways to connect with your parish young people please contact Jonny dyo@clogher.anglican.org; Tel. 07850881712.

Although it may not have been obvious to those clergy and Evangelists who addressed the questions I asked of them, we were in fact dealing with two very clear priorities for the future, evangelism and mission. By evangelism I mean how a parish proclaims and embodies the Gospel in what it says and what it does. That can mean many things. In a deeply divided society such as ours in Northern

Ireland and to a degree in the Republic of Ireland also it is both proclaiming and embodying the Gospel to set community relations at the heart of our parish presence. If there is one matter which the most varied NT writers agree on it is that if we say we love God who we cannot see but do not love our neighbours who we can see, then we are fooling ourselves. Christian belief is both a gift and a vocation. And it is a very demanding vocation. That is why, as I said earlier the Church needs to take the time and trouble to ensure that those who are its official representatives (largely but not exclusively clergy and Evangelists) are properly trained and equipped for service. That is also the reason why there is a greater requirement for oversight of clergy - because what they do and say is taken as the voice of the Church and of the Gospel. We need to serve with accountability and that accountability will, I think be a greater demand as the years progress.

Earlier I mentioned the Ordinal which contains the liturgies (often deriving from very ancient sources) which set out the shape of the clerical vocation. The Ordinal makes clear that each and all of the demands of ministry are both pastoral and a proclamation of the Gospel. Visiting the sick, preparing the dying for death, teaching people how to pray, preaching the Word, celebrating the sacraments of the New Covenant - all of these are the work of a shepherd feeding his or her flock and of a herald pointing towards the values of the Kingdom of God. I found on my visitation that the vast majority of clergy and Evangelists found that attending to these tasks made for a fulfilling life.

And as an aside that is something which we need to emphasise much more to our young people. This year we were fortunate to have two ordinands from Clogher made deacon (one, the Revd Lindsey Farrell, to serve here in Clogher

and another the Revd Alison Irvine to serve in the Diocese of Meath and Kildare) and we are grateful to God that he still calls people from our parishes to ordained ministry. But we need more of our own people to do so otherwise the Church of Ireland will start to become the Church of a few very populous areas of the island and cease to reflect the character of what has traditionally been the backbone of the Church of Ireland - the rural parish.

And needless to say certain age groups are very poorly represented. It is going to be very difficult to win back people in their thirties and forties who have moved into settled patterns of life and see no need for God. All of the evidence shows that it is much much better to attract people when they are young to the disciplines of prayer and discipleship. As I said in a recent Ad Clerum - we cannot do everything but we can do something. So I am inviting every parish in the coming year to do something which they haven't done before specifically for young people in their parish. It could be a one off event or it could be a discipleship programme or an Evangelists' outreach. It could be a school of prayer or 1001 other things. I would only ask a few things to be borne in mind:

That you may wish to look at the Clogher Diocesan Youth Councils Mission statement which highlights the Anglican Communion's Five Marks of Mission. Indeed you may even think it worthwhile to speak to the CDYC's new chair, the Rev. Philip Bryson or to Jonny Phenix to help you think about what you might do.

## CLOGHER DIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT TO SYNOD

The past year has seen a further growth and development of the council's work and contribution to the spiritual, social and physical well being of our young people throughout the diocese. The following is an outline of this work.

### Starfish Rural Deanery Events

This was the third year of these five deanery based youth events. The year's theme was "Xplore" looking at the fruit of the Spirit.

- "Love" Monaghan & Clones in Galloon parish
- "Joy & Peace" Clogher in Aghavea parish
- "Kindness & Goodness" Kilskeery in Magheracross parish



- “Patience and Faithfulness” Kesh in Derryullan North
- “Gentleness & Self-Control” Enniskillen in Enniskillen.

These events have proved very profitable especially for the young people within the respective rural deaneries and secondly to those who were able to travel to join them. By nature they have included the three key elements of introductory activities, worship and or speaker and supper.

### Streams Young Adults

Following a successful start to the year in Ardess parish, Kesh through a “Frontline” course this work amongst 18-30yrs moved to the Newtownbutler group of parishes. A number of young adults were encouraged in their faith and discipleship by the provision of equipment and have begun exploring issues of faith together along with social activities in the Galloon church halls.

Work continued with Fivemiletown and Colaghty parishes again encouraging young adults to meet and grow together in faith and social activities. Streams fed into the work of our regional development officer Andrew Frame and the Foundation programme as a result.

### Youth Leaders & Young Adults Retreat

Youth leaders and young adults attended this annual retreat. Again we partnered with CIYD and for the second time with the Derry & Raphoe diocese. This retreat continues to be highly valued and it is hoped to offer this much needed opportunity again next year.

### Foundations

Hosted by the Kesh young adults group the CIYD Foundations discipleship initiative has proved a valuable resource for this age group. The inclusion of young adults from other parishes has been encouraging and following past success it is hoped that this work will continue to grow amongst this age group.

### Anois

This CIYD sponsored youth weekend during the Halloween weekend proved a tremendous success again on many levels for our young people and leaders alike. This year we saw some 75 young

people and 18 leaders attending this very popular weekend.

The venue at Wilson’s Hospital, Mullingar again made the event much more accessible for us as a diocese. As with all our events the sponsorship of the council made the cost very acceptable to all.

### Youth Ministry

Former Wells groups have seen many changes since their founding some six years ago. The leadership teams of some have completely changed, some have expanded and some have receded. The quality and commitment ability of each of these group leaders is without doubt the vital element in their survival and ability to flourish.

### Youth Leader Training And Development

In partnership with the YouthLink organisation a training evening for all workers was held covering areas such as Handling Challenging behaviours, Interactive Prayer, Resource Materials and Youth Ministry in a Rural Context. This event was strongly supported and will be repeated this autumn. The council again extended an invitation this year to all leaders to attend a dinner in June at Corick House as a way of expressing thanks to all those who give so freely of their time and talents to the work of parish and diocesan youth work.

### Mission Bursaries

The council awarded a number of young people £200 each towards the costs of their summer missions abroad which included diocesan representatives to travel with the bishop on the archbishops commemorative trip to the Somme. A number of other young people traveled to Peru and Africa on mission outreaches.

### “Timothy”

With the ending of the diocesan “Starfish” initiative this year the youth council has launched a new “Timothy” initiative. Timothy is intended to grow and develop our young people as mature disciples of Christ. Base on 2 Tim 2:15 “ Be diligent to show yourself approved by God” this work will draw older teens into the work of their youth ministries as young leaders and work on maturing those who are younger.

### Practical Youth Ministry Skills

With “Timothy” in mind the diocesan youth officer is working in parishes to promote this accredited OCN course potential young leaders. At present three parishes are already engaged with the course and it is hoped to include as many as possible. This along with other OCN courses in Conflict Management and Community Relations will also form part of the work of “Timothy”

### Together Building a United Community

The diocese benefited from being involved in this OFM/DFM funded initiative in community relations. 17 of our young people followed a CRED OCN course, which culminated in a full weekend in Newcastle and day in Dublin looking at the past conflict and its impact on both communities. Due to the success of this course and the quality of our young people’s input we have been invited along with our Catholic Clogher young people to pilot a new OCN course called “Remembering the Past - Shaping The Future”. Our young people and leaders will experience the programme and give feedback on its content and delivery before it is then rolled out as a fully accredited course.

### “Remembering The Past - Shaping The Future”

Early this year 10 of our young people and leaders were invited along with their Catholic contemporaries to take part in a weekend residential programme. The purpose was to examine the two narratives of our communities and to try to understand different interpretations of the same events. To learn to accept difference in perspective and see how we can reconcile differences. To see could we as Christians accept these and work together to build a future together. This was a challenging programme, which our young people stood up to well. At the end all said how much it had benefited them to spend time with each other and how they had come to understand and appreciate different perspectives and to respect each others traditions. Youthlink as the organising agency will now take the feedback provided and seek to take the course to a wider audience thanks to the input from our young people.

# NEWS FOR VESTRIES

## Report Of The Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee To Synod



Canon Ian Berry speaking on the Glebes Report.

During the year, our long serving Secretary of the Diocesan Glebes Committee, the Revd Chancellor J W Stewart decided to relinquish his position of Diocesan Glebes Secretary. The Diocesan Glebes Committee and Clogher Diocese owe Chancellor Stewart a high debt of gratitude for the work he has carried out since 1994 and for the quiet, friendly and competent manner in which he served the Committee. The Committee passed on it's thanks to him for all his work and wished him well for the future. Following the resignation of the Venerable Helene T Steed as Archdeacon, the Committee welcomed her successor, the

Venerable Brian J Harper. The Committee wished Archdeacon Steed well as she moved to another Diocese and thanked her for her contribution to the work of Glebes, formerly as Rural Dean of Clones and latterly as Archdeacon. The vacancy of Rural Dean of Clones has now been filled by the appointment of the Revd W A Capper and he has been welcomed to the Committee. The Venerable C T Pringle, Archdeacon Emeritus, was thanked for carrying out the duties of Rural Dean of Clones during the vacancy period. The annual inspections of churches and glebes led by the Rural Deans continue with full "commission of repair" inspections by the Diocesan Architect of two rural deaneries per year in addition to Vacancy Inspection of Glebes. These routine inspections form the core of the work of the Glebes Committee. Inspection of property by the Diocesan Architect provides an essential service to the parishes of the Diocese as defects to church property are often identified at an early stage when remedial works needed to deal with the problem is likely to cost much less. The new online system of recording inspections is now fully operational and its use should provide parishes with more detailed and prompt reports of the condition of their property. The Committee continues to monitor the amount for which parishes insure their

churches and glebes, details of sub-letting of lands attached to some glebes, records of church plate, parochial documents and furnishing. Other matters which continue to come before the Glebes Committee are alterations to church buildings, proposals to make alterations to rectories which require appropriate plans to be submitted for consideration by the Diocesan Architect and Committee, permission to cut trees, the re-letting of former rectories which require legal agreements to be drawn up by RCB solicitors and scrutiny of changes to graveyard rules and fees. The website for RCB has recently been improved with information dealing with Parish Resources. The section dealing with property is on-going. There is a very useful section on "Sources of Grants" for church property administered by RCB and other organisations outside the Church of Ireland. The Diocesan Glebes Committee express thanks to the Rural Deans and other members of the Glebes Committee together with parish Glebewardens, Churchwardens and Select Vestries for their work and co-operation. A special thanks goes to the Diocesan Architect, Mr Stephen Leighton for his work in inspections and his attendance at the quarterly meetings of the Glebes Committee.

### Information evening on reclaiming tax on church contributions

An Information Evening titled, "How to boost your income by Reclaiming Tax on Annual Giving will take place in St Patrick's Church Hall, Monaghan on Wednesday, 8th November 2017 At 8pm.

The speakers will be Mr Chris Treacy and Mr Lorcan McGrane.

Expressions of interest in attending to Mrs Ethne McCord at [david.ethne@btinternet.com](mailto:david.ethne@btinternet.com)

# MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE NEWS

## Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission Report To Synod

For a number of years the Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission had organised a Missionary Praise Evening in September, where those who received funding from the Board were encouraged to give a report on their mission trip. Since recent services were not well attended, this year, instead of reporting at the service, those who received funding wrote about their mission trip experiences and these reports were published in the Clogher Diocesan Magazine.

This year we had the pleasure of awarding funding to Elliott Hanlon from St. John's Church of Ireland in Fivemiletown. Elliott will travel to Uganda for two weeks in July as part of an overseas mission team through the Church of Ireland and Methodist Chaplaincy at Queens University Belfast. The team will partner with Abaana and Waakisa, two local mission societies. As well as supporting with practical manual tasks, the team will be running children's clubs and working with street children.

The Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission are hosting "The Bible Comes to Life" - Exhibition in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall from Thursday, 8th March to Sunday 11th March 2018. This unique exhibition returns again after 25 years to Enniskillen! It was a highly

popular and a very well attended exhibition held in September 1993.

The exhibition introduces an understanding of Biblical Jewish life, culture and religion and helps in understanding the roots of Christianity. A significant collection of historic artefacts is used as part of this educational work. By working closely with local churches, schools, children's workers and youth leaders the team can bring a taste of the Biblical Middle East within the framework of local teaching programmes or curriculum. The emphasis can either be on exploring Judaism—referencing Biblical Festivals, worship ritual, and the Bible narrative of the Jewish people—or on talking about early Christianity and its links to Judaism. On the basis that an audio-visual experience helps people to remember teaching more effectively than just talking about a subject, the exhibition provides effective illustration, especially through a spectacular 3m x 2m model of the Jewish Temple in the time of Jesus; LED lighting helps to explain the various sections and a smoking altar adds to the effect.

The Temple Model is a 2m x 1m scale model of the Desert Tabernacle with illustrative coverings, ritual furniture and animals. They also have "Jewish life" artefacts such as Sabbath candlesticks and bread, Jewish

prayer shawls, phylacteries, a Passover plate, mezuzah (door post blessings), Illustrating Jewish Life and a unique Middle Eastern clothing collection with some garments dating back 150 years. Some of the clothing is used in giving character or costume themed Bible talks (eg The Shepherd, The Tribal Leader, The Middle Eastern Bride). Where practical, children are encouraged to try on the costumes. All the artefacts have a fact sheet of explanatory notes. By using a multisensory approach they aim to give our exhibition visitors an insight into the Biblical world. All talks and materials can be adapted to suit either school curriculum requirements or the church's educational needs. The exhibition is staffed by The Church's Ministry Among Jewish People—CMJ, an Anglican Church mission society that has been active since 1809. The team is led by Paul and Janey Hames who have lived in Jerusalem for five years and have considerable experience in working with churches, and prayer groups, as well as students and young people. Please mark this date in your diary and plan to attend. Can you also widely advertise this in your own parish?

## Church of Ireland Bishops' Appeal Supports Rohingya Refugees and Others in Crisis Situations

The Church of Ireland Bishops' Appeal has released emergency funds to Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) to support its work with over 500,000 Rohingya refugees fleeing violence in Myanmar and seeking refuge in Bangladesh. Currently one third of Bangladesh is under floodwater and the country is struggling to deal with multiple crises.

The number of people attending MSF's two existing clinics in the Cox's Bazar district has doubled to 550 patients every day and its mobile clinics have seen additional patients in their thousands. MSF has brought in additional doctors, nurses and midwives and is recruiting more medical staff. It has established four new health posts, a new in-patient department, and a surveillance network within refugee camps using outreach workers to identify any disease outbreaks.

Church of Ireland support has contributed to the drilling of 15 wells for hand pumps and the provision of 250 emergency latrines in makeshift settlements. Four emergency fields have been provided for sanitation, with hand-washing stations, to prevent contamination of water sources and the spread of disease. MSF has also started pumping clean water to tap-stands in the settlements with a capacity of 200,000 litres a day.

Bishops' Appeal has also released funds to assist in other crises through the following agencies:

- South Sudan: Emergency responses such as food, water, shelter and medical supplies for displaced people in the

country and support for South Sudanese refugees in five refugee camps in Uganda (CMS Ireland);

- Yemen: Medical supplies in response to the cholera outbreak (Tearfund Ireland);
- Sierra Leone: Youth vocational training in communities affected by recent mudslides and high levels of unemployment (Christian Aid);
- Caribbean region: Disaster relief following hurricanes (Christian Aid);
- Ethiopia: Self-help groups to build resilience and reserves, as response to drought and famine (Tearfund Ireland).

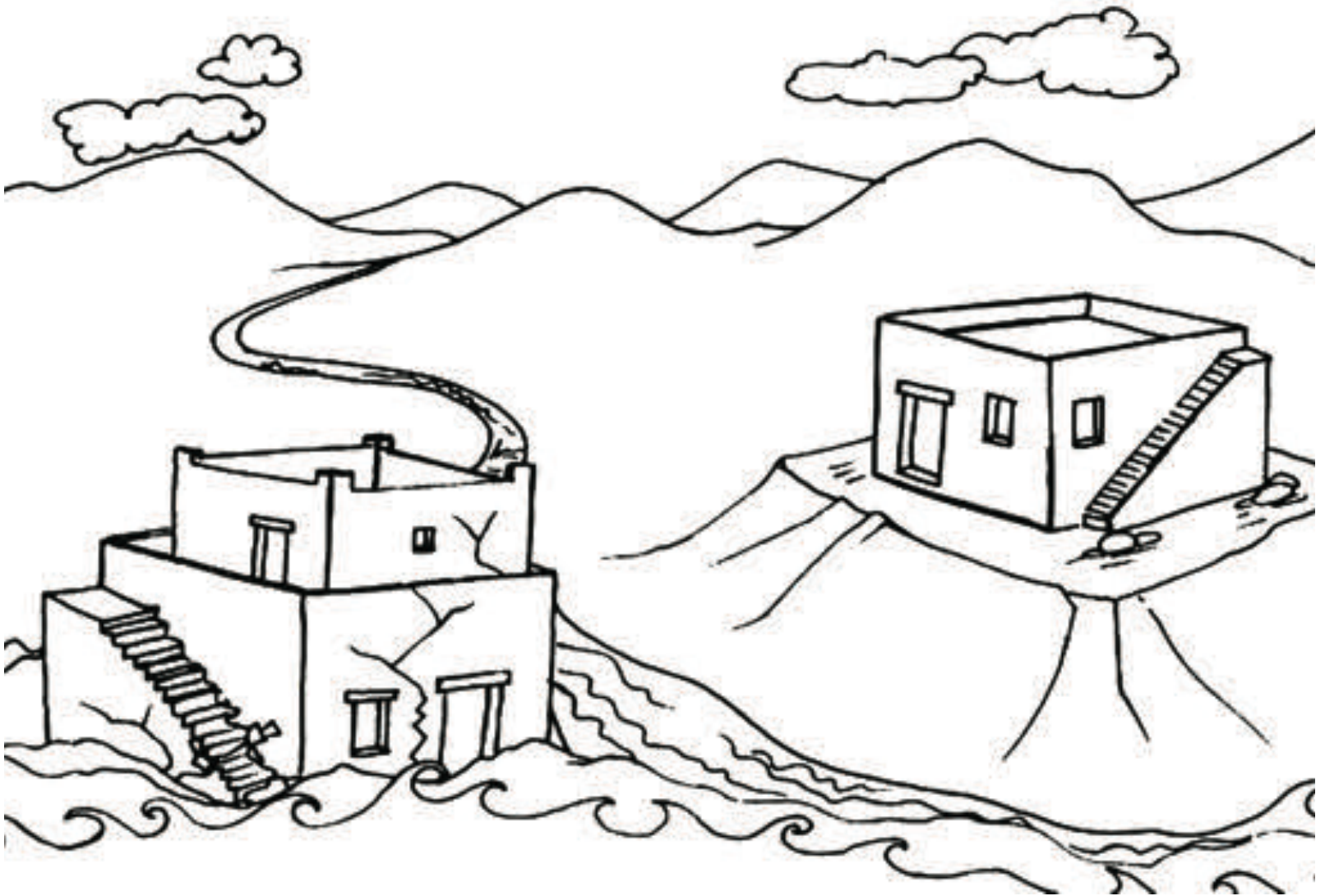
Bishops' Appeal is grateful for all support received. Further funds to support the response in Bangladesh can be sent directly via Christian Aid or Médecins Sans Frontières. The East Africa Appeal, which supports emergency responses in Ethiopia, Kenya and Somalia, remains open for donations at [www.bishopsappeal.ireland.anglican.org/give](http://www.bishopsappeal.ireland.anglican.org/give)

Caption: Rohingya refugees fleeing violence in Myanmar. Photo credit: Médecins Sans Frontières.



# CHILDREN'S SECTION

Colour



## THE WISE AND FOOLISH BUILDERS

# Read

## READ – The Wise and Foolish Builders (You can read this in Matthew chapter 7 verses 24-27)

There have been lots of stories about storms in the news recently. We are warned to take extra care when there is a storm as they can be dangerous and cause lots of damage. Jesus told a story about two men who built houses and then a storm came...

There were two men who decided to build houses for themselves. One of the men was wise but the other one wasn't – he was foolish. After searching for some time, the wise builder found a clear spot on the solid, rocky ground. It probably took a long time to build the house on the stone but when he was finished, the man was happy. He knew his new home was strong and would keep him safe from the most powerful winds and heaviest rains.

The foolish man found a nice spot for his house, too – on a sandy beach. Building on the soft sand was very easy and took very little time. He finished long before the wise builder. He was happy that he had such a nice view of the sea from his house.

One day, a big storm came. The rains fell, the winds blew, and the water rose and flooded the land. The two houses were battered. The wise builder's house on the rock did not fall because it had a solid foundation on the rock. But the house of the foolish builder cracked, crumbled and fell down.

Jesus said that if we hear his teachings and obey them, we are like the wise builder who built his house on the rock. If we hear his teachings and don't obey them, we are like the foolish builder who built his house on the sand. Jesus is our rock – if we listen to his teachings and try our best to follow them, he will keep us safe.

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## Find these words from the story in the WORDSEARCH

**BUILDER**  
**WISE**  
**FOOLISH**  
**SAND**  
**ROCK**  
**RAIN**

**FOUNDATION**  
**SAFE**  
**LISTEN**  
**OBEY**  
**JESUS**

(They can go up, down, forwards, backwards or diagonally)

Which builder would you want to be? If you learn in Sunday school or church that God wants us to love other people but then we say something nasty to someone in school...or you know you should obey your parents – but you don't – are you like the wise builder or the foolish builder?

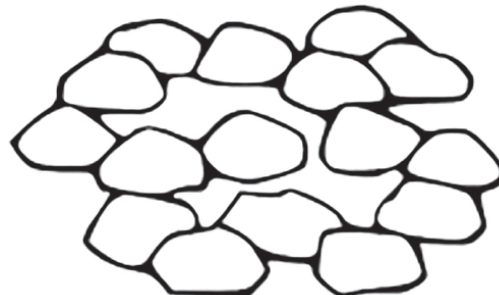
It isn't always easy to do what God wants. Sometimes it seems easier to do things your own way. But in the end, it's always better to obey God. He always wants what is best for you.

## COLOUR the wise owl



An owl is thought to be very wise.  
Will you be wise and build your life on Jesus?

## PAINT a stone



Maybe you have collected some stones when you've been on a trip. Why not paint a picture on them to remind you that Jesus is like a solid rock to build your life on?

You could paint a house, or an owl, or the name Jesus – or maybe an idea of your own.

## Board Of Religious Education Report to Synod



Joyce Clingen speaking on the report at the Clogher Synod



## Support

The work of CDBRE is only possible through financial and prayer support of many parishes and individuals in the diocese. For this we are truly grateful. We would encourage everyone to pray for the children and their Sunday school teachers and leaders in their own parishes, throughout the diocese and beyond.

## Children's Ministry Network

The Children's Ministry Network (CMN) was set up in June 2011 to support the work of clergy and voluntary leaders who help our children learn about and come to know God. CMN is comprised of a representative from each of the twelve dioceses plus a member of the House of Bishops, the Board of Education Secretaries, the Church of Ireland Youth Department Ministry Co-ordinator and up to three co-opted members including a representative from the Sunday School Society.

Miss Frances Boyd is the Clogher representative in this group. Frances is also the secretary of CDBRE so the two organisations work closely together to provide help and support for all those involved in Children's Ministry. A recent resource for parishes entitled "Make yourself at Home" has been published by CMN, aiming to help parishes engage in conversations about how to better make children and families feel "at home" in our churches. This is currently being trialled and we look forward to learning how useful and effective it will be.

## Resources

CDBRE has produced monthly resources for the children's section of the diocesan magazine over the last four years. The theme for the 2016-17 year was "The Armour of God" and included Bible stories, colouring pages, puzzles, crafts etc for children to enjoy and complete. CDBRE also highlights and distributes the CMN newsletters which give leaders ideas on seasonal topics.

## Commissioning Services for Sunday School Teachers/ Children's Ministry Leaders

Commissioning services for Sunday School Teachers/Children's Ministry Leaders were held in St Patrick's Cathedral, Monaghan on Sunday 4th September 2016 and in St Macartin's Cathedral in Enniskillen on Sunday 11th September 2016. Canon Ian Berry and the Rev Olivia Downey very kindly assisted with this and worked hard in planning the services, selecting the music and the readings. Bishop John McDowell

preached at both services and Sunday School teachers from across the diocese did the readings and prayers. Tea and coffee was made available after the service in Monaghan and offerings at both services were given to the work of CDBRE.

## Competitions

The Revd. Isobel Nixon marked all eight entries for the 2016 competitions on the theme 'Our Parish Church'. The prize winners in both the Bishop's Medal and Archdeacon Ruddell competitions were announced at Diocesan Synod in September.

The Bishop's Medal and a prize of £40 was awarded to Shanelle Crozier from Kilskeery Parish. In second place, Lorna McHugh from Magheracross Parish was awarded £30 and in third place, Sam McLaren from St Mark's in Augher was awarded £20.

In the Archdeacon Ruddell Competition the first prize of £40 was awarded to a group entry from St Mark's Parish Church in Augher. There was a tie for second place, £30 each being awarded to Eva Johnston from Lisbellaw Parish and to a group from St Salvator's in Glaslough.

The 2017 competitions on the topic, 'The Ten Commandments', were launched at diocesan synod 2016. Entries have been received and prizewinners will be announced at diocesan synod 2017.

## Training

CDBRE both organises training for those working with children and also promotes training events elsewhere. Advertisements are placed in the diocesan magazine and emails sent to those leaders who have kindly given us their contact details.

Training events for 2016 included:

- CDBRE training event for all leaders. An evening session ran in both Monaghan and Maguiresbridge on consecutive evenings in February 2016. This was facilitated by Jill Hamilton, Children's Ministry Development Officer in Connor Diocese.
- Core Skills Children's Ministry Course was offered on three Saturdays in May/ June 2016 in St Columba's Parish in Omagh by the Board of Education in conjunction with the Church of Ireland Theological Institute.
- Training for Sunday School Teachers from all denominations in the Methodist Church McArthur Hall on Friday 9th September 2016, organised by The Real Life Bookshop, Enniskillen.
- The Building Blocks Conference was held on Saturday 12th November 2016 in Dublin. The keynote speaker was Mina Munns from Flame Creative Ministries.

# WORSHIP, LITURGY, MUSIC

## Music Bursary Committee Report at Synod

The Ministry of Music is an important part of the worshipping life of the Church of Ireland. Through music we are able to express our devotion to God and our solidarity with our fellow believers in a way which ordinary words cannot achieve. Music is also a part of our witness to the world. Music is an aspect of the discipleship of those who lead worship in this way and is a very significant part of the organised "Hallelujah" of the People of God. In short, music is a vocation — a calling from God — to use the gift which He has given in its highest sense.

Naturally we wish to offer the best that we can to God in music as in every other aspect of worship. In order to support this desire Clogher Diocesan Council offer Musical Bursaries from the Diocese to those who already make or will commit to making a contribution to music in church and are receiving, or are willing to receive, tuition in their instrument or voice. It is envisaged that the bursary awards will be used to subsidise music tuition in the particular instrument or voice.

The Bursary Scheme embraces all forms of musicianship. The pipe organ has a long association with church music and presents musical challenges of a very high order. The Clogher Music Bursary Committee is keen that the diocese should do all that it can to maintain a provision of church organists. However, the Bursary is also for musicians of all sorts and will also be open to instrumentalists, singers and choir leaders. Where necessary the Bursary Committee will be available to help candidates identify suitable teachers and teaching programmes. The Bursary Scheme is intended for those who have or will make a commitment to playing regularly for church services.

Requests for bursary should be made using the appropriate application form, which is available from the Diocesan Office, and should be returned to the Diocesan Secretary. The Music Bursary Committee, who reserve the right whether or not to award a bursary, will assess applications. Since the inception of the fund in 2012, the Bursary Committee has awarded 149 bursaries totalling £12,105 and €1,826.

## CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

### Church of Ireland Social Media and Digital Communications Guidelines

The Church of Ireland has produced a set of guidelines for using social media and digital communications which seek to foster healthy and active online engagement while helping to manage risks and prevent misuse. All involved in the life of the Church are encouraged to use them. Social media offers a wide opportunity for groups and individuals to engage creatively and positively with others. It is a key contemporary way in which we can share stories about parish and diocesan life, the Church and the Christian faith as a whole. At the same time, the nature of social media means

that it is important to think about how to use it well.

In particular, the newly published guidelines advise exercising courtesy and responsibility at all times. The guidelines invite users to remember that they are the face of the Church and to ask the following questions of themselves when posting a comment or image on social media:

- Would this breach a confidence?
- Would I want this on the front page of a newspaper?
- Would I want my family and friends to read this?
- If it concerns a disagreement, have I tried to resolve it privately first?
- Would I (in the case of clergy and lay readers/leaders in Church) say this from the pulpit or in general to

members of my congregation either individually or collectively?

- Is what I'm writing reflective of a Christ-like compassion, even if challenge is present?

The guidelines also provide useful pointers to wider good practice and to safeguarding issues and the Safeguarding Trust policies.

The social media and digital communications guidelines have been developed by the Church of Ireland Press Office and the Central Communications Board and were approved by the Standing Committee of the General Synod at its September 2017 meeting. They are available at: [www.ireland.anglican.org/policy](http://www.ireland.anglican.org/policy).

## Statement on education element of Republic of Ireland budget

The General Synod Board of Education (RI) of the Church of Ireland welcomes the announcement in today's Budget that the pupil-teacher ratio at primary level will reduce to 26:1.

The reduction in the ratio together with the announced increase in resources to fund additional release days for teaching principals will be of particular benefit to smaller schools. The decision to increase the number of special needs assistants will be welcomed by both schools and parents.

While the Board is disappointed that the Capitation Grant for Primary Schools has not been restored to its pre-2012 level, the Board acknowledges that the allocation of 16.6% of total expenditure (€10 billion) signals an ongoing investment of resources into educational provision within available resources.

## Young people and the Internet – special events

A series of events providing information for young people and the internet take place this month.

Organised by the Church of Ireland Board of Education, each of the six sessions around Northern Ireland will provide a presentation that can be used by leaders to deliver to their children and young people to promote good practice when using technology.

There will be a trainer from the Safeguarding Board for NI outlining their new material 'Virtual Reality' for working with children and young people.

Child Protection Officer, Margaret Yarr, will be sharing the details of the Church of Ireland Safeguarding Trust Guide to Social Media and other e-communication. 7.30pm - 9.30pm. There is no charge but places are limited.

Beginning on 8th November at the Derry Diocesan Office, Londonderry, there is one in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on 15th November.

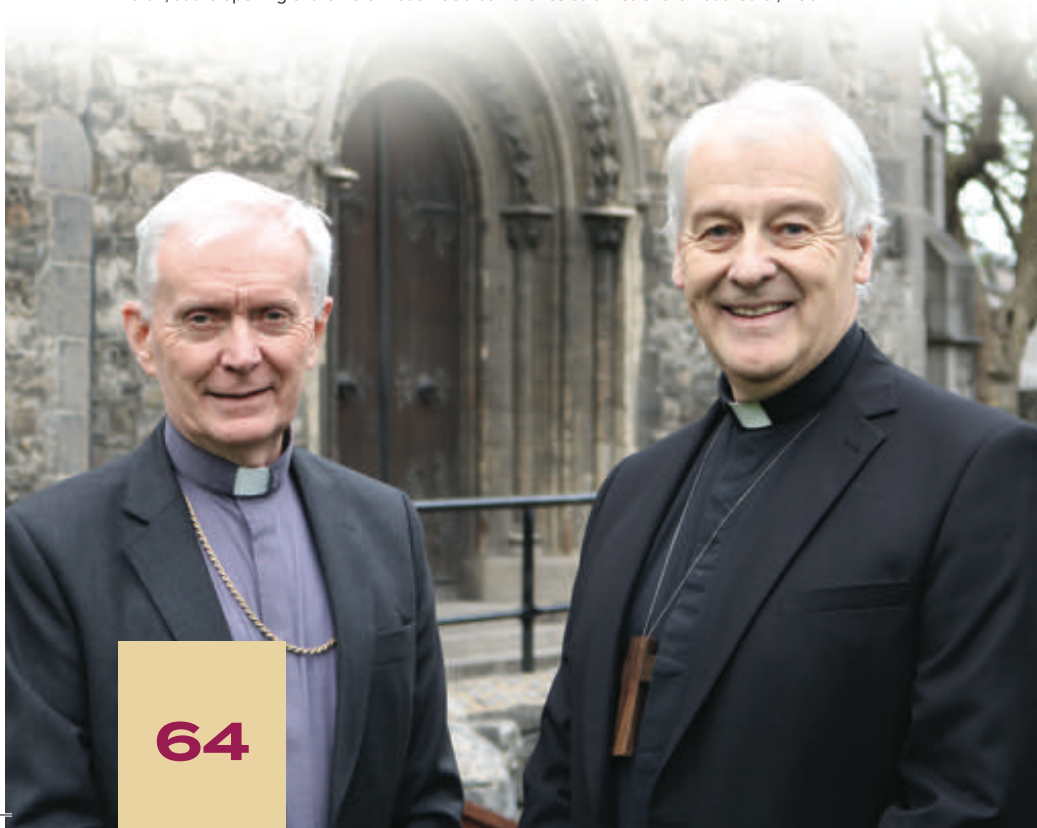
Places at these events can be booked by contacting Mrs Claire Geoghegan at 028 9082 8860 or email: Claire.Geoghegan@rcbdub.org

## Special evensong to mark Reformation 500

The Roman Catholic Primate of All Ireland, Archbishop Eamon Martin, delivered a homily in Armagh's Anglican Cathedral at a special choral evensong to mark the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

In the presence of the Anglican Primate, Archbishop Richard Clarke, Archbishop Eamon spoke about three ways of reconciling the Reformation by emphasising "the importance of friendship and trust", "a shared encounter with Christ in the sacred scriptures and in prayer," and by "strengthening our shared Christian witness on the island of Ireland."

Below: Archbishop Michael Jackson, Church of Ireland Archbishop of Dublin, (right) and Bishop John Fleming, Bishop of Killala and President of the Catholic Historical Society of Ireland(left) representing Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, at the opening of the Reformation 500 conference at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.



## ANGLICAN COMMUNION NEWS

### Next Lambeth Conference in 2020

The group tasked with designing the next Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops has been meeting to continue their preparations.

The Lambeth Conference is one of the Anglican Communion's four instruments of unity, and brings together bishops from across the world, usually once every 10 years. This week, the Lambeth 2020 Design Group have been at the Anglican Communion Office in London to further explore the details of the next Lambeth Conference, which will take place in Canterbury, England in 2020.

The group's members report a general feeling of excitement and importance around the theme "God's Church for God's World", and expressed a hope that it could powerfully impact the Communion in its entirety.



# MOTHERS' UNION

## Eighty Trauma Teddies delivered to South West Acute Hospital



Noreen Little, Action and Outreach coordinator, delivered 80 trauma teddies to the Accident & Emergency Unit at SWAH recently. A big Thank You to all those who knit these teddies. They are greatly appreciated by all involved so please keep knitting. If you don't knit why not consider supplying wool to those who do.



Noreen Little

Irene Boyd

Valerie McMorris

### Service of Holy Communion in Christchurch Cathedral Dublin

Three members from Clogher Diocese joined friends from our link Diocese Tuam, Killalla and Achonry for a service of Holy Communion in Christchurch Cathedral Dublin on Thursday 5th October.

Saturday 18th November - Training Day for Branch Leaders, Secretaries and Treasurers in The Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, 10.00 am - 2.30 pm. Please put this important meeting in your diary. As the Trustee Board have received a grant from the Mums in May Fund, morning refreshments and soup and sandwiches at lunch time will be provided free to all who attend (and a few other goodies as well!)

As Diocesan President attending my first training day event, I look forward to meeting as many MU representatives as possible and ask that you bring along the successes you have enjoyed so that we can share and celebrate with you. We plan to address your questions and concerns as well. We finish the year of 'Faith in Action' enthused by all that has been achieved. Are you ready to 'walk forward' in your branch Mothers' Union activities, under the 2018 theme 'In Mary Sumner's Footsteps'? Please attend the training day where ideas can be shared and also avail of the All Ireland MU website for resources and ideas to help plan for next year.

**Irene Boyd**

### Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

As part of Activism against gender-based violence Mothers' Union are holding a Prayer Vigil in Lisbellaw Parish Church on Tuesday 28th November 2017 at 8.00 pm to call for an end to all forms of violence against women and girls. The speaker will be the PSNI Domestic Abuse & Vulnerable Adult Team. This event is open to all women young and old in the area. Donations for Women's Aid will be gratefully received on the night. Items such as toiletries (new and unused) night wear, face cloth, towels, underwear, slippers and clothes for all ages - ask your daughters and friends to rummage in their wardrobes, (good quality please).

Please support this worthy event as violence against women and children is happening right now and in this area.

**Valerie McMorris**

Jennifer Leathem and Lettie Coulter launch the MU AFIA (Away From It All) project at the Clogher Diocesan Synod. AFIA is an MU holiday scheme to help people who are experiencing stress in their family life.

## St. Tighernach's Parish Church Clones

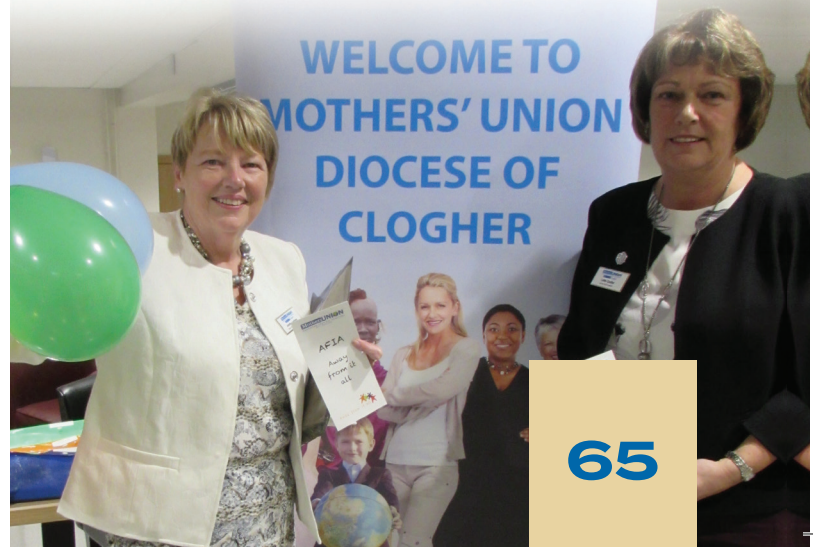
### ANNUAL SALE OF WORK In aid of church funds

Saturday 9th December 2017  
Opening at 10.00am  
In The Creighton Hotel Ballroom

Christmas Cakes, Puddings,  
Wreaths and other Christmas fare

Bring your friends for tea or coffee

**Everybody Welcome**



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## November 2017

Sunday 5th November – **The Fourth Sunday before Advent (green)**

Sunday 5th November - Sunday 3rd December 2017 – **'Open Up' Youth Programmes: 'Game on' for 12-14 years and 'Picture This' for 15-16 years. Phase 2** in St. John's Church Hall, Fivemiletown and Rossorry Church Hall on 5th November, 19th November and 3rd December at 7pm-9pm.

Tuesday 7th November – **Clogher Diocesan Council meeting** at 2.00pm in the Hilliard Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen.

Tuesday 7th November – **Clogher Diocesan Board of Education meeting** at 10.00am in the Board Room, Clogher Diocesan Office, Enniskillen.

Tuesday 7th November – **Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee meeting** at 11.00am in the Board Room, Clogher Diocesan Office.

Tuesday 7th November – **Kilskeery Senior Citizens' Club Annual Tea Dance** in the Parish Hall from 2pm.

Wednesday 8th November – **Information Evening on Reclaiming Tax on Annual Giving** in St. Patrick's Church Hall, Monaghan at 8pm for Secretaries and Treasurers in Co. Monaghan Parishes. Titled, 'How to boost your income by Reclaiming Tax on Annual Giving,' Speakers: Mr Chris Treacy and Mr Lorcan McGrane. Expressions of interest in attending to Mrs Ethne McCord at david.ethne@btinternet.com

Thursday 9th November – **Men's LIFE meeting** at 7.30pm in the Enniskillen Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall when the speaker is Dr. John Graham on the subject 'Faith in War.'

Friday 10th November – **Parish Dance in Galloon Church Hall, music provided by Robert Brown and dancing between 10pm-1am.** Cost £5 including supper. Proceeds in aid of church funds.

Friday 10th November – **Parish Dance** in Sallaghy Church Hall. Music by Robert Brown with dancing from 10pm-1am. Cost £5 including supper with proceeds to church funds.

Saturday 11th November – **Devenish Parish Auction and Sale** at 2pm in the Reade Hall, Monea. Range of agricultural products, vegetables, firewood, electrical goods.

Saturday 11th November – **Coffee Morning in aid of Scripture Union** from 10am to 12 midday in Clabby Church Hall.

Sunday 12th November – **The Third Sunday before Advent (green)**

Tuesday 14th November – **'Fashion meets Music'** in the Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh at 7.30pm by Tom Morrow Fashions and music by Derek Mehaffey, Organised by Donacavey and Barr Group of Parishes.

Wednesday 15th November – **Safeguarding - Young People and the Internet: Safeguarding Trust training evening** from 7.30 – 9.30pm in St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen for those who work with children and young people in parishes. Each session will provide a presentation that can be used by leaders to deliver to their children and young people to promote good practice when using technology. Delivered by Margaret Yarr, Child Protection Officer, Church of Ireland Board of Education (NI).

Thursday 16th November – **Clogher Clerical Association meeting** in St James' Church, Rockcorry has been postponed until Wednesday, 6th December in St. Patrick's Church, Monaghan. See diary for 6th December.

Thursday 16th November – **Seasonal Supper Suggestions: a cookery demonstration** in Christ Church Parish, Ballybay at 8pm by Astrid Moffett. Proceeds in aid of church repair funds.

Saturday 18th November – **Parish Auction** in Cleenish Parish Hall, Bellanaleck at 2pm.

Saturday 18th November – **Christmas Craft Fair** in Newtownbutler Church Hall organised by Galloon Parish between 11am - 4pm. Soup and bread lunch, tea and coffee.

Sunday 19th November – **The Second Sunday before Advent (green)**

Sunday 19th November – **Service of Healing in Clogher Cathedral** at 7pm. Preacher: Revd Dr. Pat Mollan from Churches Ministry of Healing.

Thursday 23rd November – **Table Quiz** in Aghavea Church Hall at 8pm.

Friday 24th November – **Gospel Concert with Kenny Archer and Friends** in Clogher Cathedral at 8pm.

Saturday 25th November – **Parish Sale and Craft Fayre** from 10am - 2pm in Donacavey Church Hall.

Saturday 25th November – **Annual Sale** from 10.30pm - 2pm in Rockcorry School.

Sunday 26th November – **The Kingship of Christ (white)**

Sunday 26th November – **Group Service and Soup and Cheese Lunch** at 11.30am in the Priory Church, Killadeas. Proceeds in aid of the Priory Restoration Fund.

Sunday 26th November – **Clogher Diocesan Ministry of Healing Service** of Divine Healing with the Laying of Hands in St. Ronan's Church, Colebrooke at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Sunday 26th November – **Girl's Brigade Enrolment Service** in Donagh Parish Church.

Monday 27th November – **Annual Tree of Light Service** at 3pm in Breandrum Cemetery, Enniskillen. Organised by the Forget Me Not Support Group for people bereaved through suicide. The service remembers loved ones lost to suicide. Everyone welcome.

Wednesday 29th November – **Deadline for Shoe Box Appeal** items Boxes should be left in Drumkeeran Hall by this date at the latest. For more details contact Irene Boyd on 028 68631009.

Thursday 30th November – **Saint Andrew (red)**

Thursday 30th November – **Half Night of Prayer** from 8pm-12 midnight in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore which is split into roughly one-hour slots.

## December 2017

Sunday 3rd December – **The First Sunday of Advent (violet)**

Sunday 3rd December – **Girls' Brigade Enrolment and Joint Advent Carol Service** in Trillick Parish Church on Sunday, 3 December. GB are also involved in Operation Christmas Child.

Sunday 3rd December – **Annual Carol Service** in Crossduff Church at 3pm with preacher, Revd Colin McConaghie. Music by Ballybay Community Gospel Group.

Wednesday 6th December – **Clogher Clerical Association Christmas Lunch** in St Patrick's Parish Church, Monaghan with Holy Communion, tea/coffee and AGM at 10.30am. Afterwards lunch in the Westenra Hotel, Monaghan.

Friday 8th December – **Sands NI Ecumenical Carol Service** in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 8pm for those affected by the loss of a baby.

Friday 8th December – **Monaghan Collegiate Sale** in St Patrick's Hall, Monaghan from 10a to 3pm with the usual stands with tea and coffee available.

Saturday 9th December – **Craft Fair** in Aghavea Church Hall at 8pm.

Saturday 9th December – **Sale of Work** hosted by Clones Parish in the Creighton Hotel, Clones from 10.00am - 12.30pm. On sale will be handmade wreaths, cakes and many other items.

Sunday 10th December – **The Second Sunday of Advent (violet)**

Sunday 10th December – **Community Carol Service** in Galloon Parish Church at 7pm.

Sunday 10th December – **Carol Service and Gift Day** at 3.30pm in Killeevan Parish Church, Clones with Maguiresbridge Silver Band, Lynda Lindsay and Stuart Gibson. Led by Mr Walter Pringle.

Sunday 17th December – **The Third Sunday of Advent (violet)**

Sunday 17th December – **Nine Lessons and Carols** at 10am in Killadeas and 11.30am in Trory Parish Church.

Monday 18th - Tuesday 19th December 2017 – **A Winter's Tale in Glaslough Parish Church** followed by mulled wine and tea and coffee in Castle Leslie. Funds raised go

to the Sunday Project which is very much needed for the children.

Sunday 24th December – **The Fourth Sunday of Advent: Christmas Eve (violet-day, white-night)**

Monday 25th December – **Christmas Day (white or gold)**

Tuesday 26th December – **Saint Stephen (red or white)**

Wednesday 27th December – **Saint John the Evangelist (white)**

Thursday 28th December – **The Holy Innocents (white)**

Sunday 31st December – **The First Sunday of Christmas (white or gold)**

### January 2018

Monday 1st January – **The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus (white)**

### February 2018

Friday 2nd - Monday 12th February 2018 – **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** led by the Bishop of Clogher, Rt. Revd John McDowell. Visits to Tel Aviv, Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea and Jerusalem. For further details contact Canon David Skuce on 028 68641235 or email inishmacsaint@clogher.anglican.org

### March 2018

Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th March 2018 – **The Bible Comes to Life exhibition** hosted by Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission in St Macartin's Cathedral Hal. This unique exhibition returns again after 25 years to Enniskillen.

Friday 9th March – **Country and Gospel Evening** in Clontibret Parish Hall. Music by Kenny Archer. Tickets £10.

### June 2018

Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th June 2018 – **Colebrooke Home and Garden Open Days:** Colebrooke Church will open for visitors with tea and refreshments provided in the Parish Hall. Proceeds towards charitable and philanthropic purposes.

### July 2018

Sunday 8th - Friday 13th July 2018 – NewWine Sligo Summer Conference: a week of worship, teaching and ministry for individuals groups and families.

### October 2018

Tuesday 23rd - Thursday 25th October 2018 – Clergy Conference in Dunfanaghy.

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**Killeevan Parish Church**  
Sunday 10th December  
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