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## New subscription rate for 2019

The Magazine Committee which oversees the production of the Clogher Diocesan Magazine has reluctantly had to increase the subscription rate of the monthly magazine.

The magazine has kept its cover price static for many years but this has not been sufficient to meet increasing costs.

From February 2019, the price of the magazine will be £1.50 (1.65 Euro) for each edition or £15 (16.50 Euro) for the 10 issues in the calendar year.

The magazine has expanded its coverage of parish and diocesan events and the Committee will continue to ensure readers get good value for money.

# A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



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## Diocesan Synod 2018

*Brothers and sisters in Christ,*

Believe it or not I am standing before you for the eighth time to give a Presidential Address at the Diocesan Synod of this diocese.

Any one who has the privilege and the duty of having to preach regularly will probably tell you that there is the odd moment of panic when one is faced with a blank page and a deadline. He or she will also tell you about the almost miraculous fact that as soon as one begins reading the passages of Scripture set for the week ahead that (no matter how familiar the passage might be) something new breaks out from it. Perhaps a phrase which was completely missed before. Or even just a word which begins to shine with new light. Failing that you can always go to Sermons4Sunday on the internet! I'm certain that is a rare occurrence.

One such phrase sprang out at me as I was preparing a little reflection for the Inter Church gathering at Camagh Bay on Pentecost Sunday earlier in the summer. The passage talked about the

disciples of Jesus being "all together in one place". So far as we can tell, all of those who had committed themselves to Jesus and His Fathers Kingdom were in that one place together. Of course that cannot be the case anywhere any more. There are simply too many of us, disciples of Jesus. Perhaps the nearest we come to that in the life of our little rural diocese is in our Diocesan Synod when representatives from every parish and ministry come together and we are joined by disciples from other traditions who are followers of Jesus and bearers of his Kingdom. And whenever disciples come together, whether it is for a service of worship or any other gathering, at least part of the purpose is for mutual encouragement. So that is my first wish this evening that we will encourage one another.

However, as I have said often in the past that should not prevent us from being realistic. We should acknowledge our limitations as a diocese- limited resources, limited understanding perhaps even limited faith. Yet we should avoid putting too many of our problems into the "too difficult" box. With God nothing is unthinkable so we have nothing to be timid about, but we do have to decide what it is we are aiming to achieve.

You often hear about people ( usually men ) suffering a mid life crisis when they usually do something which is out of character and usually also more appropriate for a much younger person to do. You know the sort of thing-buying motor bikes or wearing tight trousers. I don't think I've ever had a full blown mid life crisis but I do remember when I turned sixty a few years ago that it was borne in

on me very forcibly that, even given the enormous advances of modern medicine, I had far more of my life behind me than I had in front of me. Because my initial academic training was in history I had an inclination to look backwards even when I was looking for inspiration for the present. But for the Church in particular it is absolutely central to recognise that it is much more important to have a future than to have had a past.

As you may know next year will be the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Disestablishment of the Church of Ireland. By 1869 we had been the Established Church for over 300 years and therefore part of the administrative apparatus of the State. For instance church wardens were responsible for the state of the roads within the parish boundary and they collected a tax called a "cess" to pay for it. Clergy were paid by the state in much the same way as civil servants are today and we owned large tracts of land as well as exacting tithe from the whole population. However at no time in our history since the Reformation did we exceed 12% of the population of Ireland and we cheerfully persecuted the spiritual forbears of all our guests seated at that table. Judging by their rude good health we didn't make much of a job of it.

To mark what I'm told is called the "Sesquicentenary" of Disestablishment the Church is producing a book of essays about the fifty years which have passed since the centenary of Commemorations and has commissioned twenty people to write a chapter each on some aspect of church life during the past 50 years. Some of the contributors who have been asked



to write a chapter are professional historians. Others like me are what are sometimes called “dilettantes” which is a fancy French loan word meaning “immensely successful chancers”.

Anyway, during the little bit of research I have managed to undertake so far for the chapter I am writing I have discovered that in 1947 the Diocese of Clogher had fifty-seven parochial units served by sixty-three clergy. In 1965 this had reduced to forty six clergy and forty six units. Today if we were at full strength in terms of clergy numbers ( as far as I can tell we have never been at full clergy strength at any time since the early 1960s) we would have thirty four stipendiary clergy of one sort or another.

We now live in very different circumstances and need to recognise that the ministry we provide will need to be much more adaptable than the sort of ministry we have offered in the past. But perhaps what we need overall is a fostering of vocation to ministry which is now taking on new and varied forms and is not simply training for an incumbency. For instance just this year the Church has introduced a new expression of what you might call a traditional form of ministry- Ordained Local Ministry

or OLM for short. The programme of formation and academic training for OLM will be delivered largely through distance learning ( but with the assistance of local tutors) of a course accredited by Queen’s University, Belfast and run in collaboration with the Methodist Ministerial Training College at Edgehill. The duration of training will depend on past qualifications but will usually be three years before ordination as a priest/presbyter. Apart from being of great practical and spiritual value for the Church of Ireland it also helps to deepen our Covenant relationship with the Methodist church in Ireland.

Although the selection for OLM is carried out by each Diocese (with involvement by representatives of another Diocese) the deployment of OLMs will be local and OLMs will always minister under the supervision of either a rector or another senior clergy person. This form of ministry was introduced into the Church of England some years ago. Learning from that experience the Church of Ireland has adapted it somewhat. We have two ordinands who are about to embark on training for OLM which is a considerable academic and personal challenge and I’m sure all of us wish Abraham Storey and Colin Brownsmith

well in their studies which will be a very rigorous test indeed of their vocation.

Last year I asked parishes to think about doing something “new” for young people in the year ahead. This year I would like to ask you to think about encouraging people and particularly young adults to think about ordained ministry.

For decades right up to the 1970s although the Church of Ireland population in Northern Ireland was much greater than in the South we produced three ordinands for every five produced in the South. The balance has shifted somewhat since then, particularly during the years of the Celtic Tiger when vocations from the South tailed off, but now the vast majority of Northern clergy come from the east of the Province. I cannot emphasise enough just how important it is for the Church of Ireland in rural dioceses like Clogher to inspire young men and women to search their hearts and their circumstances to see whether God is calling them into the ministry of His Church; into a life of service to the Gospel and to the world, which of course brings its unique challenges at a time when much of what we proclaim, and especially the centrality of Jesus Christ and His Cross as both revealing

the holy love of God and interpreting the world for us, is so contrary to many instincts promoted by the age we live in. Archdeacon Harper as Diocesan Director of Ordinands will gladly answer any queries you may have.

In past Synods I have said a fair bit about what the Church expects of clergy and those who work full time in ministry. However I need also to underline the fact that clergy who are diligent in the exercise of their ministry are under unprecedented pressures. Sometimes that pressure comes simply by virtue of having to witness to a way of life to which the world can be indifferent or hostile. Sometimes it can be the weight of regulation which descends upon the smallest as well as the largest parish and which can easily crush the spirit of clergy as well as of volunteers. Sometimes it is because there is a feeling of a lack of support and understanding in the parish. We are a small diocese with mostly small parishes which need to work together as families of believers. I am not so naive as to think that all parishioners are amiable or that all clergy the embodiment of a ministering angel of a perfected saint.

It is very rare indeed for any one person to have all the skills and gifts of leadership needed in today's society. Clergy are not always leaders in that sense. And they are not necessarily called to be. They are called to be shepherds and to exercise leadership in that sense. Leadership that is not driven by either ego or simply by results but is characterised by faithfulness, compassion, integrity and love for the people of God. I know you will support your clergy as they seek to lead by these very exacting standards and that you will pray for them; that you will encourage them as they witness very publicly through what they say and do to the greatness of the God and the Gospel they serve.

Now to return to the point I raised earlier about our purpose as a Christian community. I first heard the following story about a letter written by the Duke of Wellington at a clergy conference and I hope you will agree that there are some lessons in it for us today. It was written in 1812 during the Peninsular



Campaign against Napoleon. He was writing to what we would call the MOD.

"Gentlemen," he wrote, "While marching from Portugal to a position which commands the approach to Madrid and the French forces, my officers have been diligently complying with your requests which have been sent by His Majesty's ship from London to Lisbon and thence by dispatch rider to our headquarters.

"We have counted our saddles, bridles, tents and poles, and all manner of sundry items for which His Majesty's government holds me accountable. I have dispatched reports on the character, wit and temperament of every officer. Each item and every farthing has been accounted for, with two regrettable exceptions for which I beg your indulgence.

"Unfortunately, the sum of one shilling and ninepence remains unaccounted for in one infantry battalion's petty cash, and there has been a hideous confusion as to the number of jars of raspberry jam issued to one cavalry regiment during a sandstorm in Western Spain. This reprehensible carelessness may be related to the pressure of circumstance, since we are at war with France, a fact which may come as a bit of a surprise to you gentlemen in Whitehall.

"This brings me to my present purpose, which is to request elucidation of my instructions from His Majesty's government, so that I may better understand why I am dragging an army over these barren plains. I construe

that perforce it must be one of two alternative duties, as given below. I shall pursue either one with the best of my ability but I cannot do both:

- 1) To train an army of uniformed British clerks in Spain for the benefit of the accountants and copy-boys in London, or, perchance
- 2) To see to it that the forces of Napoleon are driven out of Spain.

Your Most Obedient Servant,  
Wellington"

So, as I said at the outset of this Address the question I would ask each of us to consider in the coming year is "What are we here for"? In my 2012 Presidential Address I tried to give some sort of indication as to what the answer might be and I think much of that still hold good. Here is a slightly wider version in what are known as the Church's five marks of mission and against which clergy and parishes can measure their activities and effectiveness.

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

To teach, baptise and nurture new believers

To respond to human need by loving service

To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

To preach, to teach, to serve, to transform, to sustain this beautiful land.

They could have been designed to fit the challenges which we face in our country and our diocese. Last year the Clogher Diocesan Youth Council took up the challenges posed by the Five Marks of Mission and tried to interpret them in terms of our own context. At last year's Diocesan Synod I also asked that each parish might consider doing "something new" especially for young people in your area and simply for the sake of information and encouragement to let me know what that new thing was. Many of you have done so and I am very grateful for

all that has been achieved and will continue to be achieved as we move forward.

Although I feel I have a duty to encourage parishes to do new things I need also to remind myself of the vast number of old things and well worn things that are carried out so well in our parishes. To some extent this is reflected in the content of the Diocesan Magazine and it is good to see that it can now be accessed online. But of course I have the privilege of getting to see what goes on first hand as I travel through the diocese day by day and Sunday by Sunday.

I want particularly this year to thank and commend all of those in the parishes of this diocese who are involved in the unglamorous and usually unseen work of administration. Such thanks are due every year but especially so this year because of the extraordinary amount of new regulations particularly with GDPR and Charities Registration and Reporting which you have had to handle. I know it may not seem so at the time but this is a real service to God and His Church which demands skill, patience and perseverance. We are deeply grateful for the work that you put in and for your willing attendance at the training events which have been organised concerning GDPR and Charities matters throughout the past year.

The staff in the Diocesan Office are as aware as we all are that “administration” has become a great burden and occasionally even a disincentive to volunteers. They have tried to reduce and simplify administrative tasks as far as possible (for instance this year we had a much simplified Easter Vestry Return). I don't think I am breaching any rules of confidentiality to say that the Diocesan Secretary has also let it be known at every opportunity in central church meetings that we perhaps need to be a bit more proactive and forthright in making rule makers aware of the consequences for ordinary volunteers of their sometimes rather remote decisions.

And just at this point a particular word of thanks to Ashley for the way she has helped so many of us to make

some headway in the area of Charities Registration and filing of our first set of accounts. I hope that by now most parishes have completed that filing but if not I know that the people who staff the helpline at the Commission will be as helpful as possible.

Some of you will also have had contact this year with Henry Robinson who the Diocesan Council have asked to help the parishes and the Diocese to put together an inventory of our properties including the form in which ownership is held. As you can imagine this is detailed and painstaking work to which Henry brings many years of experience and I know you will give him any assistance he requires as his project is for all our benefits. And a further encouragement if it is needed that we would recommend

that parishes consider vesting any properties that aren't already so vested in the Representative Church Body. It could be that there are occasions when local trustees or some other form of ownership are appropriate but always remembering that now such trustees will probably be required to register separately with either the Charities Commission in NI or the Charities Regulatory Authority in the Republic of Ireland with all the accounting obligations which that brings.

### Accounts

One final piece of business before I say just a word or two about wider issues. As you can see we have an important Motion on the order of business concerning a change to how we conduct elections. These proposals, which are the result of the work small



subcommittee of the Diocesan Council, will be explained in greater detail by one of the Honorary Secretaries, Mrs Barton when she proposes the Motion. As with all regulations they can look a bit obscure but I hope you will accept my reassurance that they are intended to simplify the rules and also to encourage participation.

But the work that I see as I travel around the Diocese is not only in the administrative sphere; it is also in the area of worship and community service. And service (or ministry to use the NT word) is crucial to our witness. Every square inch of Ireland, north and south is covered by a parish. We are literally “present” everywhere and we are present for the long haul. We have a future as well as a past. Without going too deeply into the theology of it, “presence” is fundamental to who we are. At Christmas time we are powerfully reminded that God came and dwelt amongst us (literally “pitched his tent”). He became “present” in a new way in the world he had created. And even as he appeared to leave, to pack up his tent, he said “I will be with you always”. He continues to be present and active in the world in many ways but principally through his Church. Through you and me. Our presence is to make a difference for God.

I now want to mention the big word of the moment...Brexit. What I don't want to do is to give you yet another opinion on the subject itself. There are plenty



of opinions around about whether it is a good thing or a bad thing and on whether it should be implemented this way or that way. I have tried to keep myself informed as much as I can about the technicalities of what is going on but, the complexities of the subject and the confusion in political life are so great that precise predictions are futile. I know all about Canada++ and about the European Economic Area. I have read far too many books and articles about the European Court of Auditors and the terms on which The World Trade Organisation allows countries to trade with one another. But after reading all that I still don't know what price a drop calf will be in Clogher or Clones Mart this time next year never

mind at the end of the transition period in December 2020.

However one thing is certain. One way or another Brexit will be a very significant development which will take many years to work through. It has particular importance for people who live in Fermanagh, Tyrone and Monaghan not simply because these are Border counties but because they are counties of small farmers and small businesses who have only very limited resources to respond to a period of economic adjustment. It is important that communities help one another through what might be a bit of a bumpy ride and that our very particular needs as a region living right on the edge of the United Kingdom, Ireland and the European Union are borne in mind.

As with all unprecedented and complex processes there has (in my own opinion) been a strange mix of both exaggeration and complacency in the claims and discussions around the whole subject. But one undoubted danger is that the relationship between the two governments under whose care the different parts of this diocese sit, and for whom we pray week by week, will become much more strained. The peace which we enjoy in NI today is to some degree dependent on the improvement which took place in UK-Irish relations at government level dating back over forty years. The fact that both countries also belonged to the same trading block no doubt





helped to align our interests and the United Kingdom and Ireland were usually strong allies when arguing their case in Europe. They had the same set of interests in trade and had many other things in common. To adapt an old proverb, familiarity with one another bred "consent".

It is impossible to say at this stage exactly how divergent or similar that trade policy will be in the future. But however close or far apart it ends up, the well being, material and otherwise, of the people of this diocese will remain tied up together across different jurisdictions. Remember it is more important that we have a future than that we had a past and that as a Diocese which has a permanent presence on both sides of the Border we should do our best, by the words we use and the gestures we make, to bring a distinctive Christian contribution to the whole matter. A contribution that recognises that the spiritual life needs some sort of a material basis on which to live and that our overwhelming vocation is to reflect the character of God as revealed to us in Jesus Christ in all that we say and do.

Finally some words of welcome and gratitude. We have two members of the clergy attending their first Clogher Diocesan Synod- the Rev'd Roy Taylor now serving in the Clones Group of parishes and the Rev'd Johnny McLoughlin rector of Aghavea. You are very welcome. But also to welcome in a new capacity the Rev'd Lorraine Capper serving in the Donagh Group and the Rev'd Charles Eames in the Drumkeeran Group. And not so much a word of welcome as one of encouragement to the Rev'd Olie Downey who has moved from being a curate to that of incumbent, a step of greatly increased responsibility. As always we owe a debt of gratitude to the staff of the Diocesan Office. As you may know Ruth has been off on quite an extended period of sick leave and our prayers are with her as she gets back on her feet again. However we have been lucky that Sarah Mac Bruithin has been available, willing and able to stand in three afternoons a week to provide some cover.



As always the first port of call and the last line of defence in many instances remains Glenn Moore our Diocesan Secretary who, although in theory working part time, has been the source of much wisdom and assistance to so many people not least to me and I am very grateful.

There are also some of our clergy and staff who are unavoidably absent this evening and our prayers are with Canon Maurice Armstrong and the Rev'd John McClenaghan for a full recovery to health and strength.

The Diocese of Clogher has passed through very unsettled times over very many centuries and more recently during turbulent and violent times, the legacy of which remains unresolved. Although the violence for the most

part long behind us I'm afraid it looks as though the periods of political and social turbulence are not. As people who are first and foremost disciples of Jesus Christ we might do worse than to ask ourselves as the coming year unfolds "In what way is what I am saying or doing a witness to the love and holiness of God" for in the long run it will be on that and that alone that we will be judged as individuals as a Church and as a community.

So, praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has given us new birth into a living hope, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Once again thank you for your patience.

*+John*



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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November

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

#### Sunday 11th November

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

#### Sunday 18th November

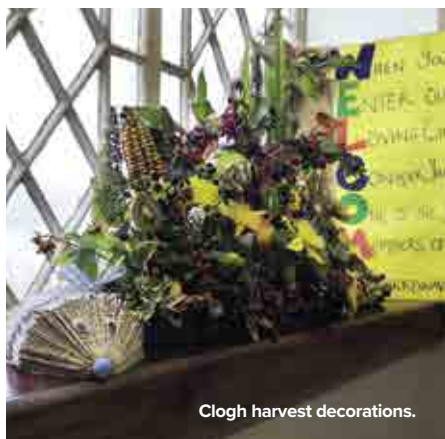
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Drumsnatt 9.30am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 25th November

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

### Harvest Services

One message that came through from our marvellous harvest services at Aghadrumsee and Clogh was one of giving thanks and so we give thanks to God for the wonderful skills of the many people who made our harvests such a success and at time of writing look forward to the harvest service at Drumsnatt.



Clogh harvest decorations.

### Clogh Harvest

Clogh started us off this year and has a lot to be thankful for; Revd Nick Jones, Rector of Drug Group of Parishes was our preacher on the Friday evening when Aghadrumsee schoolchildren also came and sang to us. Our own wonderful Sunday School children led our All Ages Harvest Service on Sunday Morning with words and song before we all went across to the hall for a Harvest Dinner organised by Clogh Mothers' Union and catering by Caroline Niblock who provided us with a full three-course dinner. Then rounding off the day were some thoughts for our preacher Dean Raymond Ferguson at our evening service.

### Aghadrumsee Harvest

The focus in Aghadrumsee this year was on the work of the South American Missionary Society with inspiring talks from Bishop Ken Clarke on the Sunday and Revd Alison Calvin on the Monday evening. Music was provided by the Sunday School and the Choir. Following Sunday's service, a soup lunch was served in the hall, with proceeds going to SAMS. Sincere thanks to all who assisted with this. Finally we must express our gratitude to all those who decorated the churches so wonderfully (see photos) not only the ladies who came to set up but also but also the Sunday School, Crafty Church and Knit and Natter.



Clogh Sunday School at harvest

### Catering

Due to a lack of resources, Clogh Mother's Union have reluctantly decided that they are unable to cater for future funeral teas. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those members who have selflessly gave of their time.

### Remembrance Sunday

Services of Remembrance take place in Aghadrumsee and Clogh on Sunday 11th November when we remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice serving their country.

### Flower Demonstration

Drumsnatt Parish Flower Demonstration takes place on Thursday 15th November in Clogh Hall. As most of you will be aware Drumsnatt have a small number of parishioners and we would therefore urge you to support them at this event.

### Mothers' Union

Clogh Mothers' Union are invited to Sallaghy Branch on Thursday 8th November at 8.00 pm when the speaker will be Anne Keys on 'Keep Well'.

### Bowling

Clogh Bowling Club continues each Wednesday at 8.00 pm in Clogh Hall.



Monday Harvest Aghadrumsee.



Helpers at Aghadrumsee soup lunch.

## Dancing

At their October meeting the Young Ladies Group donned their dancing shoes and enjoyed an evening of entertainment learning to Scottish Dance. The next meeting 'Crafty Fingers' is on Tuesday 13th November at 8.30 pm.

## Crafty Church

Another afternoon of fun is expected at Crafty Church on Saturday 27th October, 3.00 pm – 4.30pm in Aghadrumsee Old School.

## Baptism

The Baptism of Jake Malcolm Nigel, son of Malcolm and Lisa McVitty, took place in Aghadrumsee on at the end of September. We wish them and sisters Ellie and Sophie God's richest blessings at this special time.

## Sympathy

Following the recent sudden death of Bertie Johnston, Mullycavan, we extend our sincere sympathy to the Johnston and Forster Families.



Sunday harvest at Aghadrumsee

## Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



Rector: **The Revd John McClenaghan**

Archdeacon Brian Harper is in charge. Revd Margaret Pringle is conducting services and Mr. Roy Crowe, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant involved in pastoral work.

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## Services

### Sunday 4th November

10.45am Colebrooke, Holy Communion

3.00pm Cooneen, Holy Communion

### Sunday 11th November

11.30am approx Colebrooke, Remembrance Service

11.00am Cooneen, Family Service

### Sunday 18th November

11.00am Colebrooke, Family Service

### Sunday 25th November

10.45am Colebrooke, Morning Prayer

12.15pm Cooneen, Holy Baptism

## Harvest Concert 2018

Dromore and District Male Voice Choir brought a wonderful evening of gospel music to begin Colebrooke Parish Church harvest weekend. Revd Margaret Pringle welcomed everyone to the concert and asked each person to greet those around them. So began a wonderful evening of worship and fellowship with the choir singing many well-known hymns and songs. The soloist Clover Watt's meaningful rendering of

many favourite songs added to an enjoyable concert.

After the concert everyone was invited to partake of refreshments in the Parish Hall. The proceeds from the concert amounted to over £2000 which will be divided equally between Marie Curie and Colebrooke Parish Church.

At the beginning of the concert a tribute was read in memory of Isobel Little, who had sadly passed away in June 2018.

"Tonight is a special night for Colebrooke Parish Church as it's the Harvest weekend.

It is also designated 'Music Day' and how fitting that the choir is here tonight to help us celebrate this day. We also want to remember a person who would have enjoyed this event. Isobel Little, who passed away three months ago, loved music, loved male voice choirs and especially from Dromore where she had grown up.

It is very special for the Parish that so many of Isobel's family are here tonight. Isobel, who we all miss, has left a legacy and the word FAITHFUL summarises her life - faithful to her family, to her friends, to Mothers' Union and to her faith and church. The Lord whom she served knew her faithfulness.

We in Colebrooke Parish say a sincere thank you for her leadership roles in youth organizations, as organist in the church for many years, training the church choir for special services as well as weekly worship, as a flower arranger who used her skills to

enhance the worship in this church and as a Mothers' Union member for nearly 40 years. "Tonight the proceeds from the concert is being divided equally between Marie Curie and Colebrooke Parish Church, two causes close to Isobel's heart. Thank you to everyone here for supporting these causes by coming tonight. May it be a fitting tribute to Isobel, whom we hold dear in our heart."

## 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



Scenes from the special Harvest Festival featuring soloist Clover Watt (above) and Dromore and District Male Voice Choir (below).



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 three years and upwards; new members will be made very welcome taking part in games, cookery, craft, bible study and especially having lots of fun.

### Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Scouts meet 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

Members and friends welcomed Val Irvine to the meeting in September. She related her life story and how after following Jesus Christ as Saviour, she was led by God to open the Christian Bookshop and Picture Framing Business in Lisnaskea. Through God's guidance, Val opened the 'Food Bank'



five years ago and the facility has grown beyond imagination. Sadly, the economic climate and difficult family circumstances has led families to avail of this resource, which is closely monitored and controlled by government agencies and charities. The MU members gladly contributed supplies to the 'Pantry Food Bank' and Val thanked everyone for their generosity. The Visitors' Night was held on Wednesday 3rd October, when Mrs Davina Coulter, from Oak Healthy Living Centre, Lisnaskea, was the speaker. Using a Powerpoint Presentation, Davina outlined her role in the centre and encouraged people to avail of the services and courses on offer. She also highlighted the importance of managing our wellbeing through the five steps outlined on a leaflet.

- CONNECT – connect with people eg. Join Mothers' Union and enjoy friendship and fellowship
- BE ACTIVE – exercise is important for physical and mental wellbeing – enjoy what you can do
- TAKE NOTICE – look around and observe the beautiful world God has made
- KEEP LEARNING – discover or learn new skills, try something different
- GIVE – help others, any small act of kindness, a smile, helps you and others



as well eg. In MU our giving helps people around the world as well as locally. The large attendance from neighbouring women's groups emphasized the need for continual reminders about looking after our own wellbeing. The friendship and fellowship continued over a tasty supper provided by the MU members. Everyone also had an opportunity to visit the MU Enterprise Table with Heather Harper. Free slippers from the Oak Healthy Living Centre were distributed to all present. The next meeting is on Wednesday 21st November at 8 pm, where members are encouraged to invite the men from their family and from the parish to hear George Barkley speak on 'Reflections From The farm'. The meeting is open to everyone. The next meeting is Visitors' Night on Wednesday 3rd October at 8 pm. Mrs Davina Coulter from 'Oak Living Centre' is the guest and she will speak on "Mood Matters." Everyone is welcome. Members are also reminded of a special service in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, on Saturday 6th October at 3.00 pm. Transport is being organised from the Diocese. Admission is by ticket only so contact the Diocesan Secretary, Liane, for details.

## Aghavea



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### Funeral

20th September, Margaret Edith Rita McFaul, County Nursing Home, Enniskillen

### Sympathy

As a parish, we wish to extend our prayers and sympathies to all those who have been bereaved during the last few months, and also to those who celebrate anniversaries of loved ones at this time of year.

### November Services

- 4th November** - Holy Communion
  - 11th November** - Remembrance Sunday - see details below
  - 18th November** - Family Service
  - 25th November** - Morning Prayer
- Our morning worship services are at 11am, and always followed by refreshments in the church.

### Harvest Weekend

What a fantastic weekend of services we had in church around Harvest! The

children of the GFS and the Sunday excelled themselves on the standard of the veggie animals that they created, and you'll see many of them in the pictures this month, or on our website (<http://aghavea.blogspot.com>).

We were going to award prizes - but they were all so good, everyone got chocolates! Some adults bought into the idea too, with a superb cockerel created for the event! The church looked and smelled like a farmers' market with all the different fruits and vegetables, in the best possible way, of course.

The choir sang excellently, the children of the Sunday School stole the Sunday morning Family Service, and the congregations joined in enthusiastically with each of the services. Brilliant effort by everyone! Bring on Christmas!



### Remembrance Sunday

As the 11th November falls this year, we will be remembering the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War. It is appropriate that it should fall on a Sunday this year - and we will be commemorating the anniversary with special services throughout the village of Brookeborough. There will be a united remembrance at the War Memorial in the village, and to accommodate this, we will be delaying our morning service to 11.30am. There will be a service in the evening at the Brooke Memorial Hall at 7.30pm.

### GFS and Bible Fellowship

Our Girls' Friendly Society continue on a Wednesday evening, at 6.30pm, and would welcome all young ladies from 3 years old

up, and always have a lot of fun as they work together in their different activities each week. We will also have the Bible Fellowship continues fortnightly in the Committee room in the Parish Hall, and this provides an informal opportunity to study the Scriptures, ask questions and share our thoughts. All are very welcome.

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union will host their AGM on 13th November. All welcome to join us.

### Bowls

Our Bowls Club continues to enjoy the new season, off to a winning start in the league (no, the rector wasn't on the team!). It's never too late to come along and join in with the fun, or even to join in by supporting the club week by week. By this stage, the Annual Fun Pairs Tournament will just have finished, and we hope that all concerned had a great week of bowling fun and competition. We will congratulate the winners in next month's magazine.

### Football

Our Football club continues to meet each Thursday evening from 9pm - 10pm at the pitches in Maguiresbridge. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in, or spectate - as you wish! Ask the rector for



further details, or turn up on a Thursday evening and join in.

### Upcoming Events

It's hard to believe that we're coming to the end of the year, but there's still plenty to do between now and Christmas! We have several events coming in November and December, with a Christmas Fair on 28th November. We will be hosting a Craft Fair on 8th December (tables available at £20, call the rector for details or contact a church warden). Breaking news! We will host a Country Concert on Thursday 13th December - more details in next month's magazine news. Keep the date free, it'll be well worth the visit.

## CHRISTMAS CABARET WITH THE STARS

IN AID OF  
AGHAVEA CHURCH BUILDING REPAIRS.

### ARTISTS INCLUDE:

INTERNATIONAL COUNTRY STAR/SHOWBAND LEGEND  
BRIAN COLL

SHOWBAND QUEEN & EUROVISION STAR  
MURIEL DAY  
(DAVE GLOVER SHOWBAND)

COUNTRY & SHOWBAND STAR  
JOHN GLENN  
(THE MAINLINERS SHOWBAND)

ALSO LOCAL ARTISTS:  
MALCOLM MCDOWELL  
THOMAS MILLIGAN &  
FLORENCE GIVEN.

BACKING BAND  
ROBBIE PEARSON & JONATHAN MILLIGAN  
(COUNTRY FEATURES)

HOSTED BY SKY TV HOST/COUNTRY SINGER  
MALCOLM MCDOWELL

AGHAVEA  
PARISH HALL  
13TH DECEMBER 2018  
DOORS OPEN 7:30PM  
SHOW STARTS AT 8PM  
SHARP.



TICKETS: £12.50

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## Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno



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### Clontibret

The authors of those beautiful harvest hymns which we sang at our harvest thanksgiving 'Come Ye Thankful People Come', 'All Things Bright and Beautiful', 'We Plough The Fields and Scatter' and 'O Lord My God' left us a priceless heritage. As we sang those hymns, led by Sharon Lancashire on the organ, it captured everything we could possibly say to express our thanks to a loving God. Our thanksgiving was further enhanced by contributions from the U3A choir and from the reading of the lessons and the sermon by Revd David Hagan who based it on the parable of the householder who hired labourers at different times of the day to work in his vineyard and at the end of the day paid them all the same. The various decorations in the church also reflected the pleasure which parishioners take in this special event. We were pleased that Robert Graham was able to be with us and join in the celebrations. Following the service we all enjoyed a feast of sandwiches and sweet cakes as we chatted. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way.

### Big Sing

We are looking forward to the 'Big Sing' in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday, 18th November at 7.00pm when we will have the opportunity to again sing our favourite hymns and trust that everyone will come along. The offer of a free bus from Monaghan means that there is no excuse for not coming along and enjoying the fun.

### Carol Service

Our Carol Service is at 3.30pm on Sunday, 9th December and we look forward to that special event and all visitors will be very welcome.

### Ballybay Congratulations

Congratulations to Graham Crawford (pictured) for being awarded the prestigious Armagh Royal School Shield for best overall contribution to school life. Graham was awarded the School Shield at the annual Royal School Prizegiving in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on 27th of September. Graham was one of the top rugby players on the Senior Rugby team and indeed managed to take part in a whole array of other areas of school life in the Royal School.



He also did very well academically in his A Levels and is now studying Business Management at Queen Margaret University in Edinburgh. Extremely well done Graham! Congratulations also goes to Rebecca Crawford who did very well in her A Levels as well at the Royal School in Armagh. Rebecca is now studying Primary School Teaching in Stirling University in Scotland. Extremely well done to you both!

### Wedding Celebrations

Congratulations to Lee Moffett and his beautiful bride, Pamela Steenson, who were married in Braddox Presbyterian Church on Saturday 13th of October. The Rector took part in the service and gave the talk during the service. The church was packed to capacity for the event and it was a very joyful occasion. Celebrations continued at the Hillgrove Hotel, Monaghan, where everyone was treated to excellent food and wonderful witty speeches and everyone danced the night away to excellent entertainment. We wish them both God's richest blessing in their married life together.



Lee Moffett and his bride, Pamela Steenson following their marriage.

### Deepest Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to Yvonne Forde on the death of her husband Brian Forde who passed away on Sunday 7th October at Cavan General Hospital. We also extend our sympathy to his children and to the whole family circle at this time. The Funeral Mass took place in St Patrick's Church, Ballybay on Wednesday 10th October, followed by burial in adjoining cemetery. May you all know the Peace of God at this time. Deepest sympathy is extended to Astrid Moffett and Arlene Brennan on the death of their uncle Robert Bredin who died in New Jersey USA. Robert had been living in New Jersey for the past 60 years. His remains were flown back to Ireland from America and a funeral service took place in Ballyhaise Church of Ireland, County Cavan. We also extend our deepest sympathy to the wider family circle and at this time. May God be a source of comfort, support and strength to you all at this time.

### Ballybay Harvest

Christ Church Harvest Service was packed to capacity on Sunday 14th October. A big thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make the Harvest so special. To the decorators, bakers, cleaners and everyone who supplied flowers, fruit and vegetables. A big thank you also to Ballybay Central School pupils who sang the Harvest Samba so beautifully with lots of enthusiasm. A special thanks to the teachers who gave up their time to come and a huge thanks to Mrs Patton who prepared the children to perfection. Thank you to Walter Pringle who was our guest speaker and Wendy Sloan who played the organ. A great time of fellowship was enjoyed by all after the service in the Church Hall where a great feast of refreshments was served.

### Prayers

We continue to remember in our prayers Linda and John Dixon.

### Muckno

#### Harvest Service

A great crowd attended the Harvest Thanksgiving Service at St Maeldoid's Church on Sunday 7th October. The Church was very beautifully decorated for the occasion and a big thank you goes to all those who made the church look so wonderful. The guest preacher was the Rev Colin Anderson, local Presbyterian Minister and Ms Jacqueling Prentice from Killylea, Co Armagh sang some lovely pieces of music. We thank Charlotte Adair for the playing the organ and those who sang in the choir in the balcony. The refreshments served afterwards was enjoyed by everyone.

## Carrickmacross Union, Magheraclone and Ardragh



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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 9.00am  
Morning Prayer St Finbarr's 10.30am  
Morning Prayer Magheraclone 12noon

#### Wednesday 7th November

Midweek Holy Communion St Finbarr's  
10.30am

#### Thursday 8th November

Service of Prayer for Healing and

Remembrance 8.00pm St Finbarr's

#### Sunday 11th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 12noon  
Holy Communion Magheraclone 12noon  
Morning Prayer Ardragh 1.15pm  
The services will include an Act Of  
Remembrance.

#### Wednesday 14th November

Midweek Holy Communion St Finbarr's  
10.30am

#### Sunday 18th November

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

#### Wednesday 21st November

Midweek Holy Communion St Finbarr's  
10.30am

#### Sunday 25th November

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am  
Holy Communion Magheraclone 12noon  
Holy Communion Ardragh 1.15pm

#### Wednesday 28th November

Midweek Holy Communion St Finbarr's  
10.30am

### Service of Prayer for Healing and Remembrance

We are holding a special service in St  
Finbarr's on Thursday 8th November at  
8pm to pray for healing and also a time of  
remembrance of loved ones. The service  
will be reflective offering a sacred space

to pray for ourselves and others who are  
struggling in anyway as well as those who  
wish to remember loved ones who have  
died. There will also be the opportunity for  
prayer ministry.

### Bible Study

We are looking forward to our latest Bible  
Study Series that will take place on three  
Monday evenings 12th, 19th and 26th  
November at 8pm. Again we thank Lorna  
and Carl Moy for the use of their home for  
our studies.

### Youth Group

We had another fun filled night at Youth  
Group in October as the young people  
enjoyed a number of games before our  
worship time which looked at the theme  
of "who is Jesus" following on from our  
previous months theme of "who am I."  
We meet again on Wednesday 14th  
November in the Parish Room at 8.00pm  
Youth Group is a mixture of fun games and  
challenges with a short time of worship. All  
young people aged 11 to 18 are welcome to  
attend.

### Jewels Women's Group and Men's Group

The new term for our Women's Group  
'Jewels' and our Men's Group got off to

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**  
ST FINBARR'S CHURCH OF IRELAND, CARRICKMACROSS

**REDISCOVER THE WONDERFUL GIFT OF CHRISTMAS  
THROUGH CHRISTMAS TREES**

**FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER – SUNDAY 2ND DECEMBER**

**OFFICIAL SWITCH ON  
FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER  
FROM 6.00PM ALONGSIDE THE SWITCH ON  
OF THE CARRICKMACROSS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

**SATURDAY 10.30AM – 6.00PM**

**SUNDAY FROM 1.00PM  
FINISHING WITH A COMMUNITY  
CAROLS OF PRAISE SERVICE AT 7.00PM**

**ALL WELCOME**

**SANTA'S GROTTTO  
CAKE SALE**

**REFRESHMENTS  
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

**ENTRY VIA DONATION  
PROCEEDS IN AID OF PARISH FUNDS**

**IN CONJUNCTION WITH CARRICKMACROSS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

great starts as both enjoyed a meal out. The men had a Beer and Curry Night in the Sun Garden in Carrickmacross with 10 men coming together to enjoy a really fun evening. There was plenty of chat and laughter as 'Jewels' eat out at the Riverbank with well over 20 ladies in attendance. Our two groups come together this month for a joint outing to watch the Farney Players production of "Say Cheese" in Carrickmacross on Friday 2nd November. It promises to be a really good night out with the local production featuring our very own Philip Keegan.

## St Finbarr's Christmas Tree Festival

Plans are well under way for St Finbarr's Christmas Tree Festival. The Festival launches on Friday 30th November alongside the switch on of the Carrickmacross lights. Following the official switch on of the town lights Santa will make his way to the church as we open the Festival. He will then go to his specially made Grotto to greet all the boys and girls. On Saturday we open from 10am – 6pm and throughout the day there will be refreshments, a cake stall, raffle and the chance to buy a copy of our parish cookery book. Santa will also be in his Grotto throughout the day. On Sunday we open from 1pm with all the activities continuing right through the day until our closing "Carol's of Praise" Service at 7pm to which everyone from the community



Attending the Baptism of Zoey Megan McEntee.

is warmly invited.

There is no admission charge but visitors are invited to give a donation. This promises to be a truly unique event in the life of Carrickmacross. Please plan to come along and support this community celebration and experience something special.

## Malawi Misson 2019 Trip Habitat for Humanity

Our next fundraising event for our Malawi mission will be a concert in St Finbarr's on Thursday 6th December at 8pm. Along with some very talented local choirs we are delighted to announce that acclaimed Irish baritone Benjamin Russell is flying in from Germany to perform for us on the evening. Ben is the cousin of one of our Malawi team Victoria and we are very grateful for his very generous offer to come and perform for our



The wedding of Sarah Henry and Colin Wallace.

fundraiser.

Tickets are available from any member of the Malawi Team.

## Marriage Congratulations

Congratulations to Sarah Henry and Colin Wallace following their wedding in St Patrick's, Ardragh on the 29th September. We wish Sarah and Colin God's richest blessing as they begin married life together.

## Baptism

On Saturday 13th October we celebrated the Baptism of Zoey Megan McEntee in St Molua's, Magheraclone. It was wonderful to celebrate with Zoey, her parents Lindsey and Kevin, brother Matthew and all the family as we welcomed Zoey into our church family.

## Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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## Services

### Sunday 11th November, Remembrance Sunday

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

### Wednesday 14th November

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

### Sunday 18th November

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

### Sunday 25th November

10:00 a.m. M.P. Mullaghduin  
11:30 a.m. M.P. Cleenish

### Sunday 2nd December

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

Please see local services sheet in church porch for up to date changes, which may occur from time to time.

## Dates for your Diary

■ **Sunday 11th November**, Remembrance Sunday

■ **Saturday 8th December**, Bellanaleck Community Group, Childrens' Party

■ **Sunday 9th December**, Carol Service, Mullaghduin

■ **Sunday 16th December**, Carol Service, Cleenish

■ **Tuesday 25th December**, Christmas Day Monday 31st December, New Years Eve

## Monthly Healing Service

The next monthly Healing Service takes place on Wednesday 14th November in Mullaghduin 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.

## Mullaghduin Harvest Services

Thanksgiving for Harvest was celebrated at Mullaghduin Church on Friday 5th and Sunday 7th October. On Friday evening the preacher was Revd Paul Thompson, from Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale, who paid his first visit to Mullaghduin. The Service was led by the Rector, and the Choir sang the Anthems; "How Great Thou Art" and "This is my Father's World". On Sunday morning the members of the Crèche took part in the Service, and the Choir sang the Anthems "Sowing and Reaping" and "Praise to God, Immortal Praise". The Rector led the Service, assisted by Robert Watterson, our Parish Reader.



Roger Thompson from CMS.Ireland, who was the Preacher, brought greetings from Bishop Gaddiel Lenini, and Ronnie and Maggie Briggs in Kajiado Diocese, Kenya, to the parishioners of Cleenish and Mullaghduin. He spoke about the work of CMS.Ireland, giving some examples of how funds raised in Ireland are put to good use. On Sunday evening the Choir sang the Anthems, "Praise to God, Immortal Praise" and "Sowing and Reaping". Revd. Geoff led the Service, and Rowena and Rosita delivered a very effective dramatised Bible reading on Harvest. Rowena gave a most interesting and relevant talk on being ready for the final Harvest. We thank Mrs Caroline Little, who decorated the Church so tastefully with arrangements of flowers, fruit and vegetables; and Mrs Elizabeth Hazlett and the Choir for leading the singing.

### Bread and Cheese Lunch

Following the Service on Sunday morning, a Bread and Cheese Lunch was served in the Parish Hall to raise funds for CMS.Ireland. We extend thanks to Eveline and her team for preparing and serving an excellent meal and also to those who supported by their attendance.

### Cleenish Harvest Services

Details in next month's edition

### Select Vestry Meetings

Wednesday 21st November. Cleenish  
Wednesday 28th November. Mullaghduin

### Mullaghduin – A Parish History

A booklet entitled "Mullaghduin – A Parish History 1817 - 2017" written by David Eames B.A., (Hons) was launched in Mullaghduin Parish Hall, on Thursday 20th September. The evening began with an introduction by Robert Gibson, which was followed by traditional singing by Carrie Benn, accompanied by Wyne Golden on the guitar. The Rector, Canon Geoff then give a brief history of Mullaghduin Parish, followed by a talk from the author, David Eames. The evening concluded with the ladies providing supper, and further singing by Carrie Benn. Should anyone require a copy of the booklet cost £10, contact George Carson Tel 66341546 or email george.carson@btinternet.com P.S. Should any person be able to turn up an old photograph of Gardrum Hall, please contact George Carson.

### Cleenish & Mullaghduin Mothers' Union

On Tuesday 18th September, Mothers' Union members enjoyed a members evening in Cleenish Parish Hall. Following the usual



Author of the history of Mullaghduin, David Eames

meeting of prayer and praise members spent time sharing their activities, and celebrations over the summer break. A passage thanking God for the Season of Autumn was read by the Branch Leader Lettie Coulter, from "Dear Lord," a new collection of prayers and poems from Mothers' Union members across the world. Those present enjoyed some time experimenting with a selection of scarves, and how best to wear them securely in place and as an accessory. This created some light-hearted fun, and maybe useful as we approach the colder weather. Members were also encouraged to continue to support the Samaritans Purse Shoe Box annual appeal. Completed boxes can be given to Lettie or Elizabeth any time or left in Mullaghduin/Cleenish Hall for collection by Sunday 11th November at the latest. The Branch are supporting the Salvation Army again this year with non-perishable for the food bank. A box was placed in the porch area of both Churches following the Harvest Services, and were collected by Sunday 28th October. Your support was much appreciated by the Salvation Army last year. The next meeting is in Mullaghduin Parish Hall on Tuesday 20th November, entitled "Christmas Treats" with local talent.

### Cleenish Parent and Toddler Group

Parent and Toddler Group continues each Tuesday 10am -11.30am in Cleenish Parish Hall, new members welcome. There is an opportunity were mothers meet each other for the first time and could develop into a long-lasting friendship. If additional information is required contact Rosita Bridle, Tel 66348259.

### Cleenish Brownies

Brownies have at present 16 girls involved in Badge Work and Games. The Pack will be attending St John's, Florencecourt on Remembrance Sunday. As is the custom in previous years one member of the Pack

will lay a wreath in Cleenish Church. There is still an opportunity for new girls aged 7 to 11 years to become a member and will be made most welcome from 6:30pm to 7:45pm, in Cleenish Parish Hall.

### Mullaghduin Auction

The Auction which was held in Mullaghduin Parish Hall on Saturday 15th September realised almost £2500. Our sincere thanks are extended to everyone who helped in any way to make the occasion such a success, and especially to William Stinson for his willing services as Auctioneer.

### Afternoon Tea Party

The Afternoon Tea Party which took place in Gransha Hall on behalf of Linda Collum on Saturday 6th October, raised the magnificent total of just over £3000. Linda's sister Margaret Burleigh offers sincere thanks to all who contributed, to those who assisted with the Tea, and all who helped in any way to make the occasion such a success.

### Presentation of B.E.M.

George Thornton a member of Cleenish Parish, was presented with the British Empire Medal by Lord Brookeborough, Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Co Fermanagh, at a Presentation Ceremony in Hillsborough Castle, on Thursday 27th September.



George and Beatrice Thornton at Hillsborough where George received his B.E.M.

### Cleenish Centre

As we look forward to Christmas, the Centre is free to take daily and weekend bookings. It is a Christian Retreat, therefore very suitable for Church or Sunday School Groups. If there are any Groups or Volunteers who would wish to assist with the general running of the Centre, maybe help with catering or outside maintenance, please make contact as below. Sympathy is extended to Ethel Kingston from the Management of the Centre about the death on Wednesday 10th October, of her sister-in-law Letitia Elizabeth Moffitt, nee Whittendale, Furnaceland, Swanlinbar, To hire the Centre, or if you feel that you are called to serve in any way, please make

contact by e.mail: enquiries@cleenishcentre.com or telephone 02866349647. You may also view the Cleenish Centre website.

## Bellanaleck Community Group

The Community Group held their first monthly meeting after the holiday period on Wednesday 26th September in Cleenish Parish Hall. The Secretary reported that Killadeas Day Centre had given up their allotment in the

Community Garden, and it has already been reallocated. The Department of Infrastructure have stated they are monitoring road traffic, as speeds and volumes including a high percentage of HGV's through the Village are for ever increasing. It is anticipated the Childrens' Play Area at the bottom of Waterhen Lane will be power washed before the end of October. A magnificent total of 49,791 pedestrians walked the Loughshore Path during the

three months July to September. The increase was mainly due to the pleasant weather. The busiest month was July, and Thursday was the busiest day of week. It was agreed the Annual Childrens' Party will take place again this year, on the afternoon of Saturday 8th December. The next meeting takes place on Wednesday 28th November. Enquires to Group Secretary Owen Wilson, email:- owenwilson@btinternet.com

## Clogher Cathedral Group



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## Baptism

14th October 2018, Miss Eliza Charlotte Boyd, daughter of Charlotte and Creighton Boyd, St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher.

## Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Michael and Gail, the new Mr and Mrs Domer. We wish them God's richest blessings following their wedding in St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher.

## Christian Burial

Deirdre Patricia Mabel Jones, 13th September 2018, St. Mark's Augher.  
Margaret Jane Lavelle, 11th October 2018, St. Mark's Newtownsaville.  
William Roland Robinson, 12th October 2018, St. Mark's Augher Graveyard, Burial of Ashes.

## 99 Years Young

On Tuesday 9th October Mrs Violet Clarke was joined by friends and family at St. Macartan's Nursing Home as she celebrated her 99th birthday. We wish Violet God's richest blessings and are already looking forward to next year!



**Matthew and Gillian Anderson**

## Youth Co-ordinator

Clogher Cathedral Group of Parishes are very pleased to welcome their first Youth Co-ordinator, Mrs Gillian Anderson. Gillian comes to our group of parishes with extensive experience in youth work and we are greatly looking forward to the start-up of our Youth Fellowship programme. Youth Fellowship will commence on Sunday 18th November and will run from 7pm – 8.30pm in the Carmichael Church Hall in Augher, Youth Fellowship is open for 11 – 18 year olds.

Please speak to the Rector for further details.

We are also very pleased to welcome Gillian's husband Matthew who will also be assisting with the youth programme, Matthew is a very accomplished organist.



**Mrs Violet Clarke with friends.**

## Clogher Cathedral Group of Parishes Mothers' Union

The monthly meeting in October was Visitors' Night, when the speakers, Sam and Ethel Johnston, talked about faith and coping with autism. Unfortunately, due to the storm and the resulting power cut, our September meeting had to be cancelled but hope to have the scheduled speaker, Mrs Irene Boyd, from the Samaritan's Purse to talk to us about the shoe box appeal in the New Year.

On Saturday, 6th October, 12 of our members set off from Clogher for a visit to Dublin, organised by the Diocesan President, Mrs Boyd, who welcomed all on board and asked the All-Ireland MU Chaplain, the Very Rev Raymond Ferguson, to lead in prayer.

After a coffee stop at Apple Green and a light lunch in Jury's Hotel, we crossed over to Christ Church Cathedral, the magnificent setting for the All-Ireland Mothers' Union Triennial Thanksgiving Service. Christ Church Cathedral, officially known as the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, was founded in 1038 by the Norse King, Sitric Silkenbeard, the first Viking Christian King of Dublin. We were seated in the nave by the tomb of Strongbow, the Anglo-Norman Richard de Clare, who died in 1176. The Service was conducted by the Archbishop of Dublin, the Most Revd Michael Jackson and the address was given by the Primate, the Most Rev Richard Clarke. The lessons were read by the All-Ireland MU President, Mrs Phyllis Grothier and the MU Chaplain, Dean Ferguson. In his address, Archbishop Clarke dealt with recent social changes and the role of the Mothers' Union in influencing moral issues. The highlight of the Service was the dedication of the stained glass crafted tree which symbolises the work of the MU, being rooted in faith and reaching out with its branches to the wider community. After the Service of Holy Communion, members had an opportunity to view the MU window and to have a cup of tea before departing. On our homeward journey we stopped at Dooley's Restaurant for an evening meal,

arriving back in Clogher at 9.30, after a most enjoyable and interesting day. Our next meeting on 21st November will be held in the Court House and we look forward to an evening of 'food, friendship and fellowship with the Valley Voices Choir.

### Knit, Stitch & Natter!

The first meeting of the Cathedral Group of Parishes 'Knit, Stitch & Natter' got underway in the Rectory on Thursday 11th October and a good time was had by all. The group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month from 10.30am – 12noon. All welcome.

### Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Harvest Thanksgiving Services took place across the four parishes in the group. Friday night services had a traditional format with guest preachers while Sunday

morning services were Family Thanksgiving Services with our young people taking part in the service.

A huge thank you to all who worked so hard to make our services so special,

especially our young people and Sunday School teachers and helpers, our organists and choirs and not least all those who decorated each church so beautifully. Well done!



Members of Clogher Mothers Union with the newly dedicated stained glass crafted tree.

## Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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### Services

**Nov 4th:** Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion (Cassandra Hand Centre)  
Newbliss 11.30am: Holy Communion

**Nov 11th:** Killeevan 10.50am: Joint Remembrance Service

**Nov 18th:** Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer (Cassandra Hand Centre)  
Newbliss 11.30: Morning Prayer

**Nov 25th:** Currin 10.00am: Morning Prayer  
Killeevan 11.30am: Morning Prayer

**Dec 2nd:** Clones 10.00am: Holy

Communion (Cassandra Hand Centre)  
Newbliss 11.30am: Holy Communion

**Dec 9th:** Currin 10.00am: Holy Communion  
Killeevan 3.30pm: Gift Sunday & Carol Service

**Dec 16th:** Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer (Cassandra Hand Centre)  
Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

**Dec 23rd:** Currin 11.00am: Joint Group Carol Service

**Dec 24th:** Clones 8.00pm: Joint Christmas Holy Communion (Cassandra Hand Centre)

**Dec 25th:** Newbliss 11.00am: Joint Christmas Day Family Service.

**Dec 30th:** Killeevan 11.00am: Joint Group Holy Communion

### Illness

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

### Deaths

We sympathise with the McMeekin family on the sudden death of Ernest (Ernie). Our thoughts are with his wife Gwen and four daughters, Dawn, Amanda, Sharon and Emma at this sad time.

### Killeevan

Killeevan Harvest Service was held on

Friday 28th Sept and the guest speaker was Dean Raymond Ferguson. The soloist at this Service was Gregory Sheridan and he was accompanied on the organ by one of his daughters, Catherine. At the Joint Group Service on the following Sunday morning we welcomed Isabella, the infant daughter of Ivan and Glenda Hall at her baptism. On Sunday the 14th October, we also welcomed Amy Lynn, the daughter of Jason and Jenny Genoe into the Christian fold at her baptism service.

### Births

Congratulations to Alice (nee Rusk) and Ian Wells on the birth of their son Arlan in Scotland, another grandchild for Cyril and Christine.

### Clones

The time of year has arrived, please remember the 'Christmas Fair' church sale will take place in the Creighton Hotel Ballroom on Saturday December 8th from 10.00am until 12.30pm. Please start your planning NOW.

### Currin

Many thanks to all who supported the flower event and supper on 12th October - superbly organised by Maude, Audrey, the Jordan family, and a host of others. Over €2000 Euros were raised, which was much appreciated.

Many thanks also to Revd. Harry Trimble, who was the guest preacher at the Harvest Service on 14th October. The service was well attended, the church looked absolutely beautiful, and the tea afterwards was delicious!

Quiz sheet winners; 1, M.Howe; 2, S.Hicks; 3, M.McChesney.



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### Services

#### NOVEMBER

4th - Holy Communion, 11.30am  
11th - Remembrance Service, 11.30am  
18th - Morning Prayer, 11.30am  
25th - Morning Prayer, 11.30am

#### DECEMBER

2nd - Holy Communion, 11.30am  
9th - Family service – in Hall, 11.30am  
16th - Morning Prayer, 11.30am  
23rd - Morning Prayer, 11.30am  
23rd - Carol Service, 7.00pm  
25th - Christmas Day, 10.00am  
30th - Morning Prayer, 11.30am  
31st - New Year's Eve –in Hall, 9.30pm

### Christian Baptism

16th September 2018  
Charlie Adrian Abraham, son of Darryl and Gail

### Church Maintenance

Many thanks to those who came along and washed and painted the outside walls of the rectory, and washed outside walls of the church, and surrounding walls and painting of church windows. It has really enhanced the fabric of the building now as remedial repair work is nearing completion and should be finished hopefully by early November. Many thanks for your cooperation during this period.

### Farm, Fellowship and Faith

It was encouraging to see upwards of 70 in attendance at the Farm, Fellowship and Faith evening when Timothy Keys and Gareth Ellis shared their experiences of working on farms in New Zealand. Both were working in different locations, one on the South Island and the other on the North Island. Farming the hills of home proved a useful skill to have, together with knowledge of different farm machinery. Both showed an array of photographs which added to their presentation and



Photos from Farm, Faith and Fellowship evening.

answered the questions that came from the floor. Timothy shared a few thoughts on a verse that was particularly important for him in going and during his time there, from 1 Chronicles 28: 20. The rector aptly shared an additional few thoughts before supper was served at the conclusion. We thank all who were involved and those who sponsored and served the refreshments on the night.

### Women's Fellowship

We were blessed with a wonderful evening of fellowship, worship and praise as we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of Colaghty Women's Fellowship. Though the evening began with a tinge of sadness as Canon Bertie Johnston and his wife Audrey were not able to attend, as previously had been hoped would, due to illness. Mrs Audrey Johnston was to be the speaker as she was instrumental in organising the first meeting in the rectory in Lack back in 1968. The service had a few surprises, with a musical instrumental by Anne and Rachel, a specially written poem by Muriel marking the formation of the Women's Fellowship,

and the hymn 'Blessed Assurance' sung by the present committee. The rector shared the remarks forwarded by Mrs Johnston to all present recalling those early days, the many firsts and the support and fellowship shared with one another. The rector then shared some thoughts on his own experiences from Philippians 3: 13 – 14, before a plaque was presented to the Women's Fellowship to mark this milestone, the gift of the parish. Mrs Olive Jones, one of the founder members, cut the cake before everyone shared in a wonderful supper. We thank all who were involved with the preparations, and assisted in the service, provided and served the supper.

### Archdeacon Ruddell Prize

Congratulations go to the Sunday School class led by Anne Keys on gaining second place in the Archdeacon Ruddell Prize competitions on the topic 'The Apostles Creed'. Certificates were presented to each child at the Family Harvest Service.

### Harvest Services

On Friday evening, we had the pleasure in



Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Women's Fellowship.

welcoming Canon Geoff Bridle, Cleenish and Mullaghduin, as guest speaker to the first of our services. As in previous years the church was beautifully decorated, acknowledging the abundance of God's blessings of the harvest he has given to us all. The rector spoke at the family service in the Sunday morning with the children taking part in the service with readings, prayers and song. Tom was introduced to the parish family, although he was a little limp and not looking like he could achieve much on his own, it soon became known he was the focus of this year's fund raising for the CE mission giving. The two charities are Mission Aviation Fellowship and Spud Bear ministries, with the challenge to give Tom a fuller more profitable figure. On Sunday evening, we welcomed Rev Colin Welsh from Castledawson parish as our speaker. A harvest supper was served after both evening services, served by the Women's Fellowship and Young@Hearts. Our best thanks to all who contributed to the provision of vegetables, flowers and with the decorating of the church and those who provided and serve the tea.

## Remembrance

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the signing of the Armistice ending the hostilities of the Great War 1914 – 1918. We will mark the occasion with the ringing of the bell at 11.00am in the lead up to Annual Remembrance service at 11.30am. Psalm 34: 14, states, "Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it." To strive for peace, but not peace at any price, whereby truth and justice are sacrifice, but built on Him who is the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ. Whilst many are incorporating into commemorations, 'The Battle's O'er', let us not forget a greater battle still exists between good and evil. "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." Eph. 6: 12

As previously mentioned, please make every effort to attend the North Fermanagh event over Remembrance weekend, 9th – 11th Nov. in Ardess Parish Centre and church. Details as follows;

- Friday 10.00am – 2.30pm schools will be in attendance throughout the morning
- Friday 7.00pm - Official opening address by LT. Commander Peter Archdale, Royal



The prizewinning young people of the Archdeacon Ruddell prize.

Navy (Retired)

- Friday 7.30pm talk by well-known journalist Maurice Neill on WW1 soldier Willie McBride
- Ardess Accordion Band will be in attendance, finishing at 9.00pm
- Saturday Exhibition opens at 10.00am
- Saturday 3.00pm keynote speaker Major Alan McFarland, Royal Tank Regiment (Retired) president of the Somme heritage centre on the Irish Divisions
- Pipers will be in attendance finishing at 5.30pm
- Sunday Exhibition opens 3.00pm
- Sunday 7.00pm Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving to include Ballinamallard Silver Band and The Silver Tones

## Parish Gift Day

The Parish Gift Day will be held on Sunday 25th November 2018 at 11.30am, which affords us another opportunity to give an additional gift to the church for the various activities and projects that are undertaken throughout the year. Please use the gift day envelope included in your weekly offering envelopes provided. On behalf of the Select Vestry, may I offer sincere thanks for your continued generosity in your support of the missional outreach and parochial care of the parish?

## Annual Giving

Please note that annual accounts close on 31st December 2018 in accordance with NI Charities regulations. All donations received by this date will be included in the accounts.

## Dates for the diary

- **25th November 2018** Annual Gift Day 11.30am
- **16th June 2019** 175th Anniversary service 3.30pm
- **7th – 13th October 2019** Parish Mission Please check weekly announcements for any changes or updates



Harvest service.

# Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale



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## Services

### Sunday 11th November

10.30am Derryvullen North (Family Service)  
11.45 Castle Archdale (Family Service with Act of Remembrance)  
3.30 Irvinestown Remembrance Day Service (Derryvullen North) with parade at 3.00pm

### Sunday 18th November

10.15am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer)  
11.30am Derryvullen North (BB Enrolment Service)

### Sunday 25th November

10.15am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer)  
11.30am Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism)

### Sunday 2nd December

10.15am Castle Archdale (Holy Communion, form 2)  
11.30am Derryvullen North (Holy Communion, form 2)

## Bowling Club

The Club is now getting back into action again after the summer break and looks



Bertie Gray and Winnie Breen at the Bowling Club

forward to welcome back all the members but also invite others who might not have bowled before to come along and have a try. The Club meets each Tuesday evening at 8.00pm in Derryvullen North Parish Hall. Pictured are Mr Bertie Gray and Mrs Winnie Breen, taking part in one of the initial practise sessions of the season.

### Women's' Group

The members met on 19th September for the first meeting of the 2018-19 season and the Rector gave an illustrated talk about his 18 years of ministry within the English Prison Service. He spoke of how the Christian ministry was in essence the same, whether in a parish or a prison setting ie the message of the Gospel is shared, services are held, Bible studies are organised, pastoral care is offered and the occasional offices of baptism, confirmation, marriage and burial are held. The setting or context is of course completely different, calling therefore for different ways of thinking and action. Security, risk and safety are of great importance so that there could be a safe place in which to share the Gospel and offer support in the Name of Christ. He explained that chaplaincy ministry was to the whole prison community – prisoners, staff and visitors. He also explained that chaplaincy was not only Christian that that about 13 different Faith Traditions were part of each chaplaincy team, with each offering the rites and services of their own Tradition to their adherents while the whole team would cooperate in the general or generic pastoral care and delivery of the daily statutory duties.

The evening ended with a very enjoyable supper and the AGM of the Group. Mrs Lorna Graham, Co-Leader with Mrs Yvonne Campbell, said that she was stepping down from that role and Yvonne expressed the thanks of the members to her for all that she had done during her time in office. The Treasurer, Mrs Joy Loane, presented the accounts and then the Rector took the Chair for the elections. Mrs Linda Boyle was re-elected Secretary, Mrs Joy Loane was re-elected Treasurer and Mrs Yvonne Campbell was re-elected Co-Leader. Mrs Wendy Clarke was elected to the position of Co-



The Women's Group leaders.



Ken Crawford who addressed the Mothers' Union.

Leader in succession to Mrs Lorna Graham. The office holders of both the 2017-18 and 2018-19 seasons are pictured (left to right: Yvonne Campbell, Wendy Clarke, Lorna Graham, Joy Loane, Linda Boyle).

### Mothers' Union

The members met on Wednesday 26th September for the first meeting of the autumn season and Dr Margaret Knox conducted the opening devotions. There followed a very interesting presentation by Mr Kenny Crawford of Glenwood Garden Centre, Enniskillen Road, Irvinestown. He displayed a deep and wide ranging knowledge of his subject and gave a lot of good advice and useful gardening tips. In the photograph Kenny is pictured at the Garden Centre, which is located on the Enniskillen Road. The evening ended with supper and some branch business.

### Marie Curie Nursing Support

A special dinner was organised by the Fermanagh Friends of Marie Curie to mark the 70th Anniversary of the Marie Curie Nursing Support Service. This was held in Mahon's Hotel, Irvinestown on Friday 12th October. This was organised by the Committee: Chairperson Marion Faris (parishioner of Derryvullen North) and Committee Members Clare Millar, Jean Woods and Nuala Smyth. As people gathered for the meal, Moya Sweeney played the harp, Grace was said by the Rector, the Revd Paul Thompson, and later in the evening following the meal there were talks given by Sheena Havlin (Area Fundraising Manager for the West) and by Ruth Keys (Marie Curie Nurse). The evening was rounded off with music by Derek Moore. It was a wonderful evening of celebration that raised a total of £3030 for the work of Marie Curie Nursing Support.

### Castle Archdale Harvest Services

On Saturday 6th October parishioners gathered for the decorating of St Patrick's Church. This was as always a time of chat and friendship and not only one of decorating. The first Harvest Service was the Junior Harvest on the morning of Sunday 7th October. This took the form of Holy Communion with the children providing the readings, intercessions and two special Harvest Presentations. It was great to see the young people having the confidence and ability to lead in these ways – they are a credit to their families and the Sunday School. The evening Harvest Service was attended by a good number of parishioners and friends. We enjoyed special musical items provided by Mr William McBride and Mr Don Swain and the guest preacher was the Revd Chancellor David Skuce. Following the service a lovely Harvest Supper was served in the church to the congregation – our thanks to all who organised this. (The report on the Derryvullen North Harvest will appear in the next edition of the Magazine)

### BB quiz

The members of the Junior Section attended the Quiz Kids Competition and won the West Ulster Battalion section. The Team had a great evening and won by a clear seven points. They now progress to the Northern Ireland Finals which will take place at a venue in Ahoghill in November. Congratulations to the Team and to the BB Leaders for all the support they give. Team Members were Dale Irwin, Harry Henderson, Justin Smith and Charlie Cobain and were accompanied by BB Leader.

### Joint Youth Fellowship

Following discussions between the Rector and the Revd Steven Foster of the Methodist Church we are developing a shared youth ministry between the Methodist Circuit and our Church of Ireland parishes. This working in partnership with the Methodist Church will allow the young people of both our Churches to be supported and nurtured in faith. The group will work under the auspices of the CE (Christian Endeavour) and will work out of the Irvinestown Methodist Hall as well as the Church of Ireland premises. The Group meets on alternate Saturday evenings 8.00 – 10.00pm and is open to all young people of secondary school age. There was a very successful "Games and Pizza Evening" on Saturday 13th October and the next meeting of the Group will be 27th October.

### Banner Mission

Parishioners are reminded of the Annual Banner Mission being held from 4th – 11th



The harvest decorators at Castle Archdale.



The Castle Archdale harvest display.

November in Enniskillen District Orange Hall at 8.00pm each evening. Speakers are 4th November, Rev Alan Irwin; 5th November, Revd Raymond Robinson; 6th November, Revd Darrin Thompson; 7th November, mid-week Gospel Concert; 8th November, Pastor Roy Graham; 9th November, Revd

Tom Greer; 10th November, Prayer Breakfast in Killyhevlin (9.30am); 11th November, Revd Alistair Donaldson.

### Gospel Concert

On Friday 16th November at 7.30pm there will be a Gospel Concert given by the Strule

River String Band in Derryvullen Parish Church.

The Band will be joined by other groups and individuals and altogether this will be an evening to enjoy a range of Gospel Music and to also enjoy fellowship with one another. All children under 18 years of age will be free. The price per adult admission will be £10 with monies raised going to support the parish funds.

Tickets are available from members of the Select Vestry.

### From the Registers

#### Holy Baptism

30th September 2018 Sophie Harpur (Derryvullen North).

14th October 2018 Reefer Campbell (Castle Archdale).

#### Holy Matrimony

29th September 2018, Richard Law and Rachel Gibson (Derryvullen North).

#### Christian Burial

29th September 2018, Vivienne Taylor (Castle Archdale).

## Derryvullen South and Garvary



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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November, The Fourth Sunday before Advent

10.30 am Garvary, A Celebration of Holy Communion  
12.00 noon Derryvullen South, A Celebration of Holy Communion

#### Sunday 11th November, The Third Sunday before Advent; Remembrance Sunday

10.30 am Derryvullen South, Parish Morning Prayer with Act of Remembrance  
12.00 Garvary, Morning Prayer with Act of Remembrance



Confirmation Sunday at Derryvullen South and Garvary Parishes.

#### Sunday 18th November, The Second Sunday before Advent

10.30 am Garvary, Morning Prayer  
12.00 noon Derryvullen Parish, A Celebration of Holy Communion

#### Sunday 25th November, The Kingship of Christ

10.30 am Derryvullen South, Parish Family Service  
12.00 noon Garvary Parish, Church Family Service

### Confirmation

On Sunday the 16th September 10 young people from the parishes of Derryvullen South and Garvary were confirmed by Bishop McDowell. The church was packed to capacity with family and friends and

parishioners from both parishes. It was a very uplifting service and enjoyed by all. We wish the newly confirmed every blessing on their journey of faith.

### Harvest Thanksgiving, Derryvullen South Parish.

The first of the Harvest Thanksgiving services at Derryvullen Parish took place on Sunday 7th October at 12.00 noon. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, thanks to those who gave of their time and talents to decorate the church and to everyone who supplied flowers, fruit and vegetables. Thanks also to the farmers who came on their tractors and to the young people for their gifts of non-perishable food which were given to a food



bank. The Theme for the service was "The Farm Manager." Five of the young people who were confirmed on 16th September led the prayers. Mrs. Rosemary Watts, organist, together with the Derrylvullen Church choir sang harvest anthems and led the praise and worship in song. The ladies and some gentlemen entered into the spirit of the occasion and wore suitably decorated hats. On Sunday evening the harvest thanksgiving service was a lovely occasion and after the service everyone enjoyed hospitality and fellowship provided by the ladies of the parish.

### Harvest Thanksgiving Garvary Parish

Friday 12th October, at 7.30 the first of the Harvest Thanksgiving Services in Garvary Parish Church took place. Archdeacon Brian Harper was the special preacher and Mr. John Irvine led the Intercessions. Thanks

to Diane Simpson and the choir for leading the worship in music and praise. Harvest Thanksgiving celebrations continued on Sunday morning 14th October in Garvary Parish Church. It was a family service and the focus was on farming and the theme was "The Farm Manager". Thanks to the farmers who came on their tractors and to the young people from the Sunday School for their gifts of food which went to a food bank. The prayers were led by five of the young people who were recently confirmed. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables and we thank all who gave of their time and talents to decorate the church. The ladies adorned the pews in their beautifully decorated harvest hats. On Sunday evening the preacher for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service was Revd. Raymond Ferguson. We thank him for sharing with us his inspiration thoughts on the harvest. Again the choir led the worship with special harvest anthems and hymns. Mr. John Irvine led the Intercessions and the evening concluded with a lovely harvest supper prepared and served by the ladies.

### Mothers' Union Branch Meeting

19th November in Garvary Parish Church Hall at 8.00 pm.

### Derrylvullen South Parish Auction

This takes place on 10th November at 12.00 noon. This is an occasion not to be missed. Firewood in abundance to be auctioned also homemade Cakes, pastry and scones. This

is always a great occasion so make sure you put it on your "TO DO LIST". Proceeds to Parish funds.

### Ballyclare Male Choir

Ballyclare Male Choir are holding a concert in Garvary Parish Church on Friday 23rd November at 7.30. The tickets are available from the Parish Secretary or members of Select Vestry. The cost is £10. Proceeds will go to Parish funds.

### Baptism

Lucy McCauley was baptised on 23rd September and we wish Lucy, her parents, her sister and brother God's Richest blessings

### Bereavement

We offer our sincere sympathy and prayerful support to Barbara Mason from Garvary Parish Church on the death of her mother. We offer our sincere sympathy and prayerful support to Joan Nixon from Derrylvullen South Parish Church on the death of her husband Samuel John (Sam) and to the wider family circle. Sam died on Saturday 13th October and his funeral took place on Monday 15th October, in Derrylvullen South Parish Church.

### Prayers

Please remember in your daily prayers those who are ill, family and friends. We remember those who have been in hospital and are now recovering at home. We wish them a speedy recovery.



Tractor Sunday at Derrylvullen South and Garvary Parishes.





## Devenish & Boho



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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November

10.00am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 11th November

10.00am Remembrance Service, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Remembrance Service, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

#### Sunday 18th November

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 25th November

10.00 am Family Service, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Family Service, Devenish Parish Church,

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

### Holy Baptism

Sunday 14th October in Devenish Parish Church, Oliver Henry McHugh, son of Chris and Wendy McHugh. We wish God's blessing on Oliver Henry, his parents Chris and Wendy and his godparents.

### Remembrance Day Services

Sunday 11th November, Boho at 10.00am and Devenish at 11.30am.

### Harvest Thanksgiving Services

We wish to thank our Harvest preachers. Canon Derek Kerr, Mr Abraham Storey, Revd John Hay and Mrs Ellen Stevenson. 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.

### Service of Dedication of Memorial Tablet in Boho Parish Church.

The Service on Sunday 14th October 2018 was conducted by The Bishop of Clogher the Right Revd John McDowell assisted by Revd Sampson Ajuka. The readings were read by Enid Redmond and Trevor Irwin and the organist was Kathleen Irwin. The memorial tablet was in memory of those who died in the First World War, who belonged to Boho Parish. Private John W Irwin, Private Robert J Reilly, Private George W Stronge, Private William J Wallace.

Also acknowledged were Sergeant Thomas Reid and Sergeant George C Reid.

The memorial tablet was unveiled by two family members, Margaret Reilly and Ida Byers.

Enid Redmond petitioned the Bishop to dedicate the memorial tablet. The Bishop dedicated the Memorial Tablet. Austin



Harvest decorations at Boho.

Stronge said the Exhortation. Andrew Gordon played the Last Post and the Reveille. Ivan Masterson said the Kohima Epitaph. After the service the ladies of the parish provided tea for the large congregation.

### Auction and sale

Devenish Parish Annual Auction and Sale on Saturday 10th November at 2.00pm in the Reade Hall Monea. This is the main annual fundraising 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, 18th September with a Service of Holy Communion in Devenish Parish Church, followed by a cup of tea and branch meeting in the Reade Hall.

On Wednesday 21st November at 8 pm we will be attending Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher MU's Visitors' Night in Garrison Church Hall to hear Maud Cunningham speak on mountain rescue.



The Memorial Tablet dedicated.



At the dedication of the Memorial Tablet were (from left); Austin Stronge, Margaret Reilly, Ida Byers, Bishop John McDowell, Revd Sampson Ajuka and Ivan Masterson.

## Donacavey and Barr



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### Services

#### Sunday, 4th November 2018 Fourth Sunday before Advent

Barr: 10:00am Holy Communion  
Donacavey: 11:30am Holy Communion

#### Sunday, 11th November 2018 Third Sunday before Advent

Barr: 10:00am Morning Prayer  
Donacavey: 11:30am Morning Prayer  
3:00pm Royal British Legion Service of Remembrance

#### Sunday, 18th November 2018 Second Sunday before Advent

Barr: 10:00am Morning Prayer  
Donacavey 11:30am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday, 25th November 2018 The Kingship of Christ

Barr: 10:00am Service of the word  
Donacavey: 11:30am Service of the Word

### Donacavey Harvest

Donacavey held three services to celebrate a wonderful year and a bounteous harvest.



The Craft Fayre will have many varied items.

All of the services were well attended and there was a lovely atmosphere of praise to God. As always the church was very tastefully decorated. Our thanks to those who supplied flowers and others materials. The harvest supper was a real treat. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way. (See photos)

### Craft Fayre

Our annual Craft Fayre will take place on Saturday 24th November. We have a wide variety of craft stalls, bric-a-brac, cake and many others. Come along for a pre-Christmas bargain.



### Service of Thanksgiving

Service of Thanksgiving: To remember the ending of the Great War we are having a special service on Sunday 11th November at 3:00pm in Donacavey. This year marks the centenary of the ending of the war. Come along as we give thanks to God for those who gave so much and for the freedom enjoyed today. The Royal British Legion will be present and will perform an Act of Remembrance.



Enjoying the harvest supper.



Harvest Service decorations.



## Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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### We Will Remember Them

This year it is with thankfulness that we remember the end of World War 1. One hundred years ago the guns fell silent. The impacts of this war were phenomenal. The First World War changed many people's understanding of conflict. The war introduced new weapons, which forever changed how wars were fought, which unfortunately led to terrifying numbers of dead and severe injuries for hundreds of thousands of people. The First World War is infamous for the number of lives it cost, however it also generated some extraordinary developments in medicine, warfare, technology and in the global political, social and cultural landscapes. Code breaking during World War 1 led to the development of modern intelligence agencies. It also laid the foundations of British Remembrance and saw the emergence of the poppy as a universally-recognised symbol of Remembrance and hope.

Arts and culture were impacted as we still today can be thankful for the poetic works of war-time poets, such as Wilfred Owen and Siegfred Sassoon. World War popularised dozens of English words and phrases still widely used today. "chow" (for food), "to scrounge" (to search and pilfer), and "fed up" (to be disgusted with it all) all date from the Great War (as well as the British phrase "Great War.")

Social life also changed: women had to run businesses while the men were at war and labour laws started to be enforced due to mass production and mechanisation. People all wanted better living standards.

Post-traumatic stress disorder wasn't formally recognised until 1980, but doctors during and after WWI began to diagnose the



Descendants of the Wright and Woods families attending Errigal Truagh Harvest Thanksgiving along with Revd Lorraine Capper and Father John Flanagan.

psychological impacts of war in a new way, which resembles our modern understanding. During WWI, some medics thought the physical impact of explosions caused the "war neurosis" so many soldiers were experiencing (also known as shell shock). We now better understand - thanks largely to the efforts of doctors and scientists during WWI - that the emotional stresses of war are to blame for the symptoms shown by thousands of soldiers coming home from the battlefield. Fighting in the trenches led to many soldiers needing reconstructive facial surgery using skin grafts. So-called "broken faces". The rapid advances in warfare during the First World War contributed to millions of deaths and left many hundreds of thousands of people severely injured. Some survivors of the war were left with permanent, life-changing disabilities. The nature of trench warfare meant that the heads and faces of most of those fighting were especially exposed to enemy fire - with shrapnel, in particular, causing horrific injuries. During the war, both civilian and military hospitals acted as theatres of experimental medical intervention, developing pioneering



Monsignor Joseph McGuinness with Revd Lorraine at Tyholland Harvest Service.

techniques that still influence many surgical techniques used today.

The First World War was the first time aircraft were used in conflict. Initially, they were used for reconnaissance; but as pilots and engineers learned from experience, new types of aircraft were developed for specific purposes - including fighters, bombers and ground-attack planes.

The war also saw the use of the first tank, which was designed in 1915 and initially saw combat at the Battle of the Somme. Poison gas had also been developed and was used by both sides in the conflict, with devastating effects.

We remember all those who gave their lives in conflicts past.

*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:*

*Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.*

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
We will remember them."*

### Services in November

#### Sunday, 4th November 2018 - The Fourth Sunday Before Advent

10.30 am: Donagh Parish Church: A Celebration of Holy Communion

12.00 noon: Tyholland Parish Church: A Celebration of Holy Communion

#### Sunday, 11th November 2018 - The Third Sunday Before Advent

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer with an Act of Remembrance.

12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh: A Celebration of Holy Communion with an Act of Remembrance.

#### Sunday, 18th November 2018 - The Second Sunday Before Advent

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Tyholland Parish Church: Morning Prayer

#### Sunday, 25th November 2018 - The Sunday Before Advent (The Kingship of Christ)

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning



Prayer (Family Service)  
12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh Parish Church:  
Morning Prayer

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union had their Opening Service of Holy Communion in Donagh Parish Church. Revd. Lorraine preached on the theme for the year: Listen, Observe, Act in step with God. Alexander Kendrick led us in our worship playing the church organ. Revd. For the November meeting Revd Lorraine invites members to the Rectory for a pudding night. She is planning to bake home-made puddings. Why not plan to attend and sample some!

### Harvest Thanksgiving

Sunday 30th September started our services of thanksgiving for harvest in St. Sillian's, Tyholland. We were delighted to have a full church and to welcome back some past parishioners and members from the community. The church was beautifully adorned with flowers and crops from the land. There were also lovely displays showing homemade apple juice as well as local honey and mushrooms. Donagh Community choir sang two anthems: "We Come To Say Thank You"; and "Come With Thanksgiving" as well as ending the service

with "Go Now In Peace". Readings were led by Mrs. Doris Wilson and Monsignor Joseph McGuinness. Revd. Lorraine preached on having an attitude of gratitude and learning to say two simple words: thank-you. A lovely harvest supper was provided after the service in Tyholland Community Hall. We are thankful to Tom and Margaret who offered a helping hand in setting-up for the supper.

### Errigal Truagh

On Sunday 7th October we were joined in Errigal Truagh with many past parishioners who make the annual pilgrimage to meet up at harvest-tide, some travelling long distances to meet up with family and friends, those who travelled from Scotland and virtually every county in Ireland. We were delighted to have Father John Flanagan, the local Parish Priest join with us. Again the church was beautifully decorated reminding us of times past. Donagh Community Choir led us in the singing of the Psalm together with "We Praise the Lord"; and "Come with Thanksgiving" and ended the service with a sung blessing. Readings were given by Pastor Foster Wright and Lucy Stewart. Revd. Lorraine preached on: "Memories of Harvest". Scrumptious refreshments were gratefully received at the end of the service in Blackwater Valley Learning Centre,

Ballyoisin. Thanks to all you provided the supper and to the members of the centre for their help.

At this service a special presentation was made to Mrs. Ethne McCord for serving the parish for over 50 years with her musical talent. Revd. Lorraine in paying tribute to Ethne said: "Ethne views music as her ministry and she served not only in Errigal Truagh but also has played a significant part in both Donagh and Tyholland. She is to be commended for her commitment and for passing on her skills to the younger generation. She pioneered the Donagh Community Choir as well as establishing our Christmas "Winter's Tale". The impact of her ministry goes well beyond our community. She is enthusiastic and her love of music and her standard of excellence has inspired us all to give of our best in worship. She brings out the best in people. She is pleasant and works extremely hard. Congratulations Ethne and we wish you God's blessing as you continue to lead us in our worship". Messrs. Robert and William Singleton, members of Errigal Truagh, made a presentation to Ethne. (See page 68 for full report).

### Tractor Sunday

On Sunday 14th October we celebrated harvest in Donagh Parish Church. This was our "Tractor Sunday" and many travelled to church via their tractor. Billis National School had constructed tractors out of recycled materials. Revd. Lorraine working alongside Mrs Ruth Williamson had set the children this project. Their amazing tractors were on display at the font. Pupils from Billis School led us in our prayers. We were delighted to have the Principal of Billis School, Mrs Ruth Williamson, in attendance. Readings were given by Mrs. Marina Waller and Mrs. Eileen Fielding. Mr. Kenneth Atkinson, violinist, played a duet with Colin Sheridan on his tin-whistle. Donagh Community Choir sang Helen Killick's arrangement of the Psalm 24: "The Earth Belongs To God"; as well as two anthems: "We Praise the Lord Almighty"; and





Rev. Lorraine with Father John Flanagan.

“Sing to the Lord of the Harvest;” ending the service with “Go Now In Peace”. The Junior Choir sang: “Someone’s Brought A Loaf of Bread”; “Seeds of Friendship”; and “Push Little Seed”. A lovely harvest supper was provided and served by the ladies and gentlemen in the parochial hall.

### Thank you

Thanks to everyone who offered their time, gifts and talents to make these harvest services very enjoyable and special. We very much appreciate the support given by the local communities. We also acknowledge the huge amount of effort given by Donagh Community Choir in attending choir practices and all three harvest services. We are also grateful that God has blessed us with a very talented Junior Choir. We

are indebted to Mrs. Ethne McCord whose musical directorship of both choirs shows her dedication and commitment.

### Choir Practice in St. Salvador’s

Choir Practice is on Monday evenings. Junior Choir meets at 7pm and Senior Choir at 8pm. The choir has been extremely busy over the past months preparing music for harvest and other special services. We are now preparing music for our annual “Winter’s Tale”.

### Girls’ Brigade

Rev. Lorraine is preparing the senior girls for their Scripture Badge. Girls are studying the first book of Corinthians. We are looking forward to the Enrolment Service to be held on Sunday 4th November at 3pm in St. Salvador’s Church, Glaslough.

### Glaslough - Tidy Towns

The community of Glaslough were delighted when they received the overall title for the Tidiest Town in Ireland. With 733 entries it was a great achievement for all involved in keeping Glaslough a beautiful place to both visit and live. Rev. Lorraine attended the celebrations with the committee members and members from the community upon reaching their well-deserved title.

### Congratulations

We celebrate with all in St. Salvador’s Sunday School who received third prize in the Archdeacon Ruddell Prize. The teachers and Sunday School had worked very hard on their project on the Apostle’s Creed and they were rewarded for their efforts. Rev. Lorraine together with the Sunday School



Mrs Ethne McCord receiving a presentation to mark over 50 years service to music from churchwardens, Robert and William Singleton.

teachers presented the certificate at the Family Service.

### Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayers are with all who have been recently bereaved. We offer our sympathy to the Atkinson, Breakey and Coulter families and to all who remember the anniversary of a lost loved one.

Rev. Lorraine would like to thank all those who sent cards, text messages or telephoned to express sympathy to her. Rev. Lorraine said; “Thank you all for your support during this difficult time. Your prayers, thoughts and kind words of condolence are a great comfort to me as I grieve the passing of two of my aunts.”

## Dromore



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### Services

**Sunday 4th November**  
9.00am HC 2, “The New Covenant”  
(Hebrews 9:11-15)

11.00am MP 2, “The Holy Spirit – Promised Indwelling” (Joel 2:28-32; John 7:37-39)

#### Sunday 11th November

11.00am S o W, “The Holy Spirit – Anointing for Ministry” (Luke 4:14-21; 31-44)

#### Sunday 18th November

11.00am HC 2, “The Holy Spirit – Word + Spirit = Power” (Acts 2:1-21; 41-47)

#### Sunday 25th November

11.00am S o W, “The Holy Spirit – The Laying on of Hands” (Acts 8:9-25)

7.30pm Praise & Ministry Service

#### Sunday 2nd December

9.00am HC 2, “Watch, Pray, Stand” (Luke 21:25-36)

11.00am MP 2, “When our Lord Jesus comes” (1 Thessalonians 3:9-13)

7.30pm Advent Carol Service

S o W – Service of the Word  
HC 2 – Holy Communion, Form 2  
MP 2 – Morning Prayer, Form 2



Prayer triplets

### Prayer Triplets

Brian Mills, prayer and revival secretary of the Evangelical Alliance of Britain, was

given the task of formulating a prayer strategy for Mission England (1982-85). As he prayed over several months, he started to think in threes – “If only Christians could get together in groups of three to pray for their non-Christian neighbours and friends,” he reasoned, “they would then be able to answer their own prayers as God lead them to share their faith naturally.”

Within a matter of six weeks we were beginning to hear of people becoming Christians. Some groups were seeing five or six of the prayed-for people converted in as many weeks. By the beginning of 1984 we began to ask those attending preparation meetings how many were in prayer triplets, and how many of the groups had seen at least one person converted. From all the feedback we had, we estimated that something like 30,000 prayer triplet groups existed, and that 12 per cent of them had seen at least one person converted. Most of us had also met many individuals who had seen all nine of the people their group was praying for brought to Christ. Factoring this in, we conservatively estimated that 4,000 new Christians were in the kingdom of God and within our churches, as a result of prayer – many weeks before Billy Graham arrived. This was exciting and new. A few churches even doubled in size through the answers to prayers offered in their triplet groups.

When the evangelistic phase of the mission took place, the response to the preaching of Billy Graham was twice the expectation, and the percentage response was double what he had experienced elsewhere in his long and distinguished ministry. Most observers considered that the reason for this fruit was due to the success of Prayer Triplets.

### Why Triplets?

There are a number of very practical reasons.

- Jesus promises “...if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven.” *Matthew 18:19*

- Jesus also promises that “...where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.” *Matthew 18:20*

Having said all that – if you’d rather find one other person and make a PRAYER PAIR or three others to form a PRAYER QUARTET, then go right ahead!

**What’s involved?** Prayer triplets meet together at least monthly, and preferably fortnightly or weekly, to talk together and pray together for the world and for each other.

**WHERE?** You can meet anywhere you like, but it needs to be in an environment where



Worship at the Parish Breakfast before Laura’s talk.

you will be comfortable praying out loud.

**WHEN?** You might want to meet for breakfast or over coffee. It doesn’t need to be for too long, but equally it needs to be quality time that is unhurried. Somewhere between 30 minutes to an hour is about right but there is no hard and fast rule.

**WHAT?** If you’re meeting for 30 minutes, then try to spend at least 10 minutes of that praying for each other, for the three people each who you are wanting to see either come to faith or grow in faith and pray for other things that the Lord lays on your hearts.

When you get started in your Prayer Triplet, we’d love for one person in the group to be a contact person, so that we can send prayer resources that will help you make the most of your time together.

### Parish Breakfast (Supported by Mothers’ Union)

Our Parish Breakfast, supported by Mothers’ Union was on Saturday 6th October, with our guest speaker Laura Mills, Chairperson of ‘Care for Cancer’. The charity celebrated their 30th Anniversary this year. Laura

shared a bit about her personal journey with cancer and how she got involved with Care for Cancer. She told us that they were a local charity dedicated to the support of cancer patients, their families, their carers and those bereaved by cancer. Their services included:

- Drop in Centre
- Transport for Hospital Visits



Laura Mills speaking at the Parish Breakfast.



- Therapies
- Information Library
- Recliner Chairs
- Courses
- Counselling
- Befriending, etc.

Laura encouraged us all to call into their premises off Campsie Road, Omagh, to see first-hand the services that are available so that we could be in a better place to let others know of the support that they provide.

(For more information go to their website: <http://careforcancer.co.uk/> or visit 1 Campsie Place, Omagh.)

### Alpha Course

Our Alpha Course continues on Wednesdays from 8.15pm – 10pm (except on the 3rd Wednesday) in Holy Trinity Church Hall. This is for anyone who either wants to explore or deepen their understanding of the Christian faith. The remaining sessions are as follows:



#### ■ 7th November

Week 7 - How can I Resist Evil?

#### ■ 14th November

Week 8 - What about the Church?

#### ■ 28th November

Week 9 - Why and how should I tell Others?

#### ■ 5th December

Week 10 - Does God heal today?

#### Day away (date and venue TBC)

Who is the Holy Spirit? What does the Holy Spirit do? & How can I be filled with the Spirit?

### Harvest Gala Ball

Harvest Gala Ball, Friday 9th Nov 2018

Holy Trinity Church Dromore are hosting a Harvest Gala Ball in the Valley Hotel, Fivemiletown on Friday 9th November 2018 @ 7.30pm in aid of Fields of Life.

A Charity Auction of donated items will be held during the event. Music by 'ATMOSPHERE'. Dress Code: Smart Dress. Admission (by ticket only) £37.50. For more information or to purchase a ticket, please contact Gordon Deazley (Team Leader) on 028 8289 8005 or email [gdeazley@btinternet.com](mailto:gdeazley@btinternet.com).

### 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://hollytrinitydromore.sermon.net> (to download and listen to sermons)

## Drumkeeran, Muckcross and Templecarne



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We have come through the harvest season and I have to say that all the services were a wonderful blessing so thank you for all who took part in these services in any way. It was truly wonderful to see people from the three churches make the effort to join with each other for this celebration. It was particularly joyous to baptise Alfie Vance as part of the family harvest in Tubrid on 30 September. Thanks to the Silver Tones and the Presbyterian choir who joined us at Muckcross as well as Abraham Storey who preached at the Sunday evening service. Thanks also to Joy Coalter who preached on Sunday evening at Tubrid and to the Men's Choir at Tubrid who sang at both the

Pettigo Harvest on 23 September and at Tubrid on 30 September.

We were delighted to have the Bishop join us on 21 October to confirm 12 of our young people and we will have some photos of that in next month's magazine. We pray that those who have been confirmed will continue to be part of the church family. I would like to place on record my thanks to those ladies who already teach Sunday school and who were willing to assist me in preparing the candidates for confirmation.

A number of practical matters require our attention and I hope to complete our obligations as regards GDPR in the near future. As part of this process I will be circulating a questionnaire which will allow parishioners to give their opinions as to how they would like to become more involved in the life of the church. This will also seek opinion as regards the various ideas that I have to get us together apart from on Sunday mornings which for me is a priority. Please take the time to complete these forms and in so doing to play your part in how we go forward as a church family. I would like to put on record my sincere thanks to Violet McCutcheon and Ethel Aiken for ensuring that we comply with our obligations under the Charities Legislation for their respective parishes by having the necessary completed.

I would also like to thank all those who work in any way in the three parishes to allow us to continue to bear witness to Christ's love

in these places.

We will also be thinking about the season of remembrance when we remember the sacrifices of the past in war in November. This is being particularly marked across the North Fermanagh area in the exhibition at Ardess on Remembrance weekend when we will remember all those who served and who lost their lives in service of their country in both wars and indeed at other times in our history.

### Diary

- **Sunday 4 November 2018** Morning Prayer 10.00 Templecarne, Holy Communion 11.30 Tubrid
- **Sunday 11 November 2018** Remembrance Sunday Holy Communion 10.00 Muckcross, Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid
- **Sunday 18 November 2018** Holy Communion 10.00 Templecarne, Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid
- **Sunday 25 November 2018** Morning Prayer 10.00 – Muckcross, Holy Communion 11.30 – Tubrid

### Annual Variety Concert

The 34th Annual Variety Concert will be held in the Youth Hall, Tullyhommon (kindly granted) on Thursday 8 November at 8pm. Compere for the evening will be Ian Coalter and the Guest Artist will be Curtis Magee with various other artists performing.

## Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

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### Dartrey and Rockcorry Sosad

Sammy and Margaret Wilkin would like to thank everyone who supported their afternoon tea day in aid of Sosad. The generosity of everyone who brought goodies and sent donations was unreal and thank you to the huge crowd of people that attended on the day. Thanks to all the women who helped serve teas and to the men who parked cars and helped out in anyway. Sosad received a cheque of €5300. This amount of money will help this voluntary organization in so many ways and are so grateful of your generosity.

### Dartrey Harvest Thanksgiving

Harvest Thanksgivings afford us an opportunity to give thanks to God for all his blessings. This year in Dartrey Church on 23rd September, we added the names of the late Bertie and Josephine Moore to our list of blessings. A special feature of the service was the dedication of brass sanctuary hand rails in their memory. We were delighted to welcome their family and extended family. Many of those present at the service will have their own personal and special memories of them which they will always treasure and keep close to their hearts. They served their church faithfully and with deep devotion over many decades - a love which was deep-rooted and manifested itself in so many ways. The lovely brass sanctuary rails, while a great asset to the church, will be a lasting memorial to Bertie and Josephine Moore.

### Rockcorry Harvest Thanksgiving

Rockcorry Harvest Thanksgiving gave us an opportunity to officially hand over a cheque for €1620 to the MSA Trust, the proceeds of the charity barbecue held in Rockcorry School in August. MSA is one of those terrible neurological auto-immune diseases that causes so much distress to the sufferers and their families. We hope and pray that the

amount raised will benefit in some small way, the work of the Trust.

Harvest Thanksgivings just don't happen. They involve a lot of work behind the scenes and we owe a debt of gratitude to all who help to bring them to fruition every year.

Our thanks to the decorators, to the visiting preachers, Canon Billy Johnston and Mr. Charles Crawford, to Mr. Walter Pringle who conducted both services, to organists Mrs Agnes Phair and Miss Audrey Doogan and soloists Mrs Dorothy Hawthorne and Mr. Walter Brown. Their contributions were a welcome addition to the services.

### Date to remember

Our Annual Winter Sale will take place on Saturday 24th November from 11am until 2pm.

### Apprentice Boys of Derry Browning Club Monaghan Branch

The Annual Remembrance Sunday Parade Service is on Sunday 11th November 2018 at 3pm in St. John's the Evangelist Church, Dartrey. Assembly at Church gates at 2.45pm. The collection is in aid of the Poppy Appeal.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Daniel Hawthorne who won the FBD Young Farmer of the Year 2018. Daniel is son of Eddie and Dorothy Hawthorne and grandson of Agnes Phair.

### Illness

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

### Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to all who have been recently bereaved.

### Aughnamullen

Our harvest thanksgiving service was held on 9th September and had a good attendance on a lovely autumn day. Our thanks to Walter Pringle for conducting the service, along with Kenneth Rutledge the guest Preacher for his address, to the soloist Arlene Scott for her delightful pieces, also to our organist Ethel Ritchie. The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion and we are grateful to those who supplied fruit, flowers and vegetables for the occasion and decorated the church. Afterwards refreshments were provided in the schoolhouse and thanks to those who organised it.

On Sunday 16th September we had our fund raising event which was a tractor, vintage car and Honda 50 run from the church to the premises of Ballybay Mart where all the entrants were judged by Seamus Coyle and Rory McAtavey and prizes were awarded to the best entrant in each category. It was an enjoyable event for those taking part and those who came and supported it and we are very grateful for your support. A special

word of thanks to those who organised refreshments before the event started at the schoolhouse, also to Gerry McElroy for providing hot food to the competitors at the end at Ballybay mart and to the judges.

### Illness

We continue to remember those who have been in hospital and those in residential care.

### Forthcoming events

- Sunday 25th November at 8pm Gospel Concert in Christ Church Aughnamullen.
- Sunday 9th December at 3pm Annual Carol Service.
- Wednesday 12th December at 8pm – Flower arranging demonstration by Elizabeth Allister in Christ Church Aughnamullen. All are welcome.
- Crossduff Annual Carol service Sunday 2nd December at 3pm with Ballybay Country Gospel Group. Guest speaker Rev Colin Anderson Presbyterian Minister of Castleblayney / Corvalley Group. Refreshments will be served after the service in the old Stables. All are most welcome.

### Aghabog

Our soup morning and cake sale held on Saturday 29th September was very well supported. Our grateful thanks to those who made the soup, baked for the cake stall and served the teas, also to those who came and supported this event. Our special thanks to those who set up the hall and tidied up afterwards.

Our harvest service was held on Sunday 14th October was well attended. Our thanks to Walter Pringle for conducting the service and to our guest speaker Mrs Eileen Cutler, Diocesan reader, to Arlene Scott for singing two beautiful pieces, to the choir and organist for their contribution, also to those who brought flowers, fruit and vegetables and decorated the church so tastefully.

### Illness

We wish Andrew Ritchie best wishes for a speedy recovery after a short spell in hospital.

### Drum

#### 190th anniversary

A service of praise to mark 190th anniversary of Drum Parish Church will be held on 4th November at 3.30pm. The special preacher is Archdeacon Brian Harper. The guest choir is Kilmore Cathedral Choir. All are welcome to join to mark this special occasion.

#### Mothers' Union

November meeting will be held on 22nd November in Rockcorry Sexton's house when Lorna Soden will demonstrate some of her crafts.

#### Congratulations

Congratulations to Lottie and Leslie Lancashire on celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 9th October. Wishing them good health and God's blessing to enjoy many more years to come.



# Enniskillen Cathedral



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## Services

### Thursday 1st November

11.00am – Holy Communion

### Sunday 4th November: The Fourth Sunday before Advent

9.00am – Holy Communion

11.00am – Holy Communion

3.00pm – Choral Evensong

### Thursday 8th November

11.00am – Holy Communion

### Sunday 11th November: The Third Sunday before Advent - Remembrance Day

9.00am – Holy Communion

11.30am – Morning Prayer (Remembrance Day Service)

6.00pm – The Battle's Over (Service in St Michael's)

### Thursday 15th November

11.00am – Holy Communion

### Sunday 18th November: The Second Sunday before Advent

9.00am – Holy Communion

11.00am – Holy Communion

7.00pm – The Big Sing

### Thursday 22nd November

11.00am – Holy Communion

1.05 p.m. Healing Service

### Sunday 25th November: The Kingship of Christ

9.00am – Holy Communion

11.00am – Morning Prayer

7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Thursday 29th November

11.00am – Holy Communion

## New Window

*"Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone" Ephesians 2:20*

Installed by Ivan Kee BEM and his wife Avril, September 2018



The new stained glass window installed by Ivan and Avril Kee.



The inscription below the window.



Pictured above with the Dean are Avril and Ivan Kee and the Curate, Revd Chris MacBruithin and Churchwardens, Sandra Richmond and Richard Cochrane. Also in the photograph are Ivan and Avril's daughter, Shirley, husband Phil and grandchildren, Isla and Felix.



The plaque dedicated in memory of Stewart Scott.

## Bell Ringing Plaque

A plaque was dedicated in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen for Stewart Scott by the Dean, the Very Revd Kenneth Hall. Stewart was a member of the bell-ringing team in the cathedral for 66 years and served as captain for many of those years. He was a very faithful, dedicated and supportive member of the Cathedral – the front runner of the bell ringers. Stewart was one of the ringers to ring the bells for Her Majesty the Queen before and after her Jubilee Service in this Cathedral. His presence not only in the bell tower but his presence every Sunday in the pew is indeed sadly missed. When Stewart left school he went to work for The Impartial Reporter. He had to serve seven years Apprenticeship, and worked there for 49 years reaching the post of Print Supervisor.

## Harvest Services

The Cathedral was beautifully decorated for our Harvest Services. Thank you, to all those who helped in any way, with our harvest celebrations.



At the dedication of the bell ringing plaque pictured with the Dean is Stewart Scott's widow, Joyce, her daughter Barbara and husband Michael, her son Geoff and his daughter Clara. Also in the picture are the Curate, Revd Chris MacBruthin and Churchwardens, Sandra Richmond and Richard Cochrane.

## Live Broadcast on Remembrance Day

We are pleased that RTE One (television) have asked to record our Remembrance Day Service live from St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on the anniversary of the centenary of the end of World War 1. However this does pose some problems as all who are attending need to be seated at 11.25am at the latest with the service commencing exactly at 11.30am. It does mean the main procession from the cenotaph will have to move off at an earlier time and a faster pace to get to the Cathedral on time. It would be advisable for all parishioners to enter via the Northwest door and be seated in the gallery before 11.15pm. The guests from the British, Irish, American and Polish Government will arrive at 11.15am followed by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for County Fermanagh at 11.25am.

## Remembrance Sunday

The choir anthem for the Service of Remembrance in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen this year will be based on a text with both local and poignant origins. As we observe the 100th anniversary of the armistice - the end of the First World War - on 11th November, the Cathedral Choir will sing a setting of words penned almost 100 years ago by the Revd Canon Charles Albert Robinson, then Rector of Magheraculmoney and Canon serving in the Diocese of Clogher, who wrote to his parishioners in December 1918 expressing his steadfast faith and the sentiments of one who lived through the horror and destruction of war, and experienced first hand the pain of enduring personal loss. Canon Robinson's beloved only son, Lieutenant Charles Arthur Robinson, served in the 4th Battalion of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and Machine Gun Corps, and having nobly done his duty, fell in action in the Great War at the close of a well fought day on Easter Monday, 9th April 1917, aged 20. The memorial to his memory in Ardess Parish Church reminds us of the words of St John chapter 15 verse 13

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." The anthem "Thankfulness should be in every heart" will be sung by the Cathedral Choir at the Service of Remembrance that will be broadcast live on television by RTE 1 at 11.30am on Sunday 11th November 2018.

## 400th Anniversary Service

There will be a Service of Choral Evensong on Sunday 4th November at 3pm in the St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen to mark the 400th Anniversary of the opening of the Free School of Fermanagh in Castle Balfour, Lisnaskea. The school moved 30 years later to a site near the Cathedral and became Enniskillen Royal School and, after another 100 years, moved to Portora Hill. The Portora Board helped found Enniskillen Royal School for Girls which later became the Collegiate. The Service will celebrate the Royal tradition of education in Fermanagh and the potential for Enniskillen Royal Grammar School to carry forward this Royal strand, enriched by the traditions of both Portora and the Collegiate. The Right Revd David Chillingworth, Former Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church and who is a former pupil of Portora Royal School will be preaching. He was also a choir boy in St Macartin's Cathedral.

## The Battle's Over

A day to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War Sunday 11th November. 6.00am - Short service for the entire community at Enniskillen Castle hosted by the Inniskillings Museum. This is a national event, with similar services taking place throughout the world as news of the Armistice reached towns and villages. Enniskillen has the distinction of being the first town to proclaim the armistice when a radio operator picked the faint morse code message shortly after 6.00am and launched skyrockets followed by the ringing of the Cathedral bells. During this service The Viscount Brookeborough will present the clergy of

the four main churches in the town with a lit lantern to symbolise the light returning to a community after four long years of war, and the hope that Peace brought to all. This commemoration is inspired by a comment made on 3rd August 1914 by Britain's Foreign Minister Sir Edward Grey when he said 'lamps are going out all over Europe; we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime'.

- 10.50am - Short religious service at the Cenotaph
- 11.00am - Act of Remembrance at the Cenotaph
- 11.30 am - The clergy will be asked to bring the lantern to their own morning service which will be a time of reflection, remembrance and rejoicing that the Great War had ended exactly 100 years ago.
- 6.00pm - Service in St Michael's Roman Catholic Church

An invitation is also extended to all four congregations, to join together for a special evening service, which will be held at St. Michael's Church. As a symbol of unity within our Church community we are encouraging each member of the clergy to meet at their respective Churches and walk with members of their congregation and the lit lantern to St. Michael's Church for 6.00pm. As the service commences the clergy will enter St. Michael's with their lit lanterns and light will fill the Church. As the congregation leave St. Michael's 100 musicians from the County Fermanagh Massed Pipes and Drums will play a selection of hymns. Everyone will then join Viscount Brookeborough who will carry a light across the street and light a beacon on the grounds of St. Macartin's Cathedral, with the sounds of bells and skyrockets similar to 100 years ago. The Cathedral Clock will be lit for the first time and remain lit at night for evermore to reflect light, hope, peace and reconciliation! Following the event refreshments will be served in the Cathedral Hall. All are welcome to attend this memorable occasion!

## Messy Church

Last month, Messy Church started back for another year of fun and games, singing, messy crafts and activities, and food. In October, we said thank you to God for all the harvest gifts. The next Messy Church is on Thursday 15th November, 4-6 pm in the Cathedral Hall. Messy Church is lots of fun – it's also lots of work! If you would like to help with crafts and activities, please contact Rev. Chris or another member of the team. For primary aged children and pre-schoolers. Children must be supervised

by a parent or guardian – adults must be accompanying a child.

## Confirmation

If you are a young person in Year 9 or over, and would like to be confirmed in 2019, forms are available from the Cathedral Office.

The first Confirmation class takes place on Monday 26th November, 6.30-7.30 pm in the Upper Room. This introductory night is a good chance to meet the Dean, Laura and Revd. Chris, as well as the other candidates. Confirmation is much more than a formality. It involves making promises to God to follow Christ as an adult member of the Church. This is why we devote several months to preparation. It is really important to attend all classes, as well as Xplore nights and regular Church services.

There will be two more classes this year, on 3rd and 10th December. We start back in the New Year on Monday 7th January. We are excited to meet you!

## Xplore

A monthly meeting of young people in Years 9 – 12.

Last month, Xplore met not once but twice! First, we had a 'Big Saturday Night In'. We watched and sang along to The Greatest Showman while Laura and Alana pampered us at their nail bar and ice cream factory. Revd. Chris was persuaded to wear a face mask – that's why he looks so much younger this month!

Later in October, we had a walk in the dark around the Cathedral and the graveyard. Even after some scary stories, once we talked a bit about the things we fear, we realized that with God beside us, we never really need to be afraid.

Next Xplore: Movie Night Monday 19th November, 7-9 pm in the Upper Room (Cathedral Hall) – bring your friends!

## Pilgrim

Pilgrim is our Adult Formation course. It's a relaxed group that meets for coffee and leads into chat and discussion.



Pictured with the Dean of Clogher and the Bishop of Clogher is the Rt Rev Michael Burrows, Bishop of Cashel and Ossory who was the preacher at St Macartin's Harvest Service. Also in the picture is the Rev Chris MacBruithin, Scott Elliott and Churchwardens Karen Clyde and Sandra Richmond.

This autumn we are following a course called 'Surprised by Hope'. Bishop Tom Wright has developed these materials to help Christians think about what heaven looks like, what happens when we die, and what it means when we say 'He will come again to judge the living and the dead.' Even if you don't normally go to Pilgrim, we think you'll enjoy thinking about these big questions! If you know someone who might benefit from the course, invite them along. It's a good way to encourage people to get back into church. It's open to people of all Christian traditions and none.

Dates for this month are: Tuesday 6th and Tuesday 20th November, 7.30 – 9 pm in the Devenish Room, Cathedral Hall.

## Mothers' Union

The Dean opened the October meeting in the Hilliard Room on 8th October with a reading and prayer. A Bring and Buy sale followed in aid of the Mums in May. There was a great variety of merchandise on display and a brisk sale was quickly concluded. Stephanie Hamilton, branch leader, introduced Ms Clare McDermott from Fermanagh and Tyrone District Council, our guest speaker on "Recycling and Waste Management". The Council encourage all residents to separate their waste at source using the coloured bins provided. Members were given labels detailing the exact waste for each bin and a calendar showing days and dates for collection. There is also a service to collect large and bulky items up to three times per household per year and a service to help disabled people who are unable to leave their bins at the roadside. An interesting and informative evening was enjoyed by all. The meeting concluded with the Mothers' Union prayer. The next meeting is on Monday 12th November with Revd Charles Eames, Diocesan Chaplain for Mothers' Union.

## Tuesday Club

The Dean opened the first meeting of the new season with scripture readings and prayers. The speaker, Alan Crooks from the

Policing and Community Safety Partnership was introduced. Alan gave members an account of why and when the PCSP was formed. With the aid of slides a most informative insight into its aim was explained. Alan gave each member a bag, telling us that the contents were aimed at keeping us safe, and explained how to deal with various situations. Tea was served bringing the meeting to a close. The next meeting took place on 30th October at 2.00pm in the Hilliard Room when Carol Dunwoody from Enniskillen Foot Clinic is the speaker.

## Shoe Box Appeal

Put some of your Christmas into a shoe box – and send it to a child in need! When you start planning your Christmas this year, why not plan to share some of the joy and fun? For hundreds of thousands of desperately needy children, there will be no Christmas coming at all in 2018 – unless you send it to them in a shoe box. Our Mothers' Union support this project each year, so let us all as a parish support them in this very worthy cause. Operation Christmas Child is a project run by Samaritan's Purse International, a Christian relief and development charity. Last year 1.1 million needy children in Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union and Africa received shoe boxes from children, families and individuals in the UK. The shoe boxes are given unconditionally, regardless of nationality, political background or religious beliefs.

So – how do you send Christmas to a child in a shoe box? It's easy! Simply take an empty shoe box, wrap it in gift paper (lid and box separately) and fill it with toys, educational supplies, hats and scarves and other items that will bring joy to a child's life. You also need to include £3.00 'Shipping' donation per shoebox, to cover UK transportation, overseas shipping, distribution and promotion, with any surplus going to the work of Samaritan's Purse. If you would like to contribute, there are fliers full of ideas of what to buy – plus a label to stick on the front of your box available in the church porch or contact any member of the Mothers' Union or the Churchwardens for more information. Please bring your wrapped and filled shoe box to church on or before Sunday 18th November. Since 1990, more than 157 million children in over 160 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child..

## 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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### Mothers' Union

The September meeting on 12th September attended by 25 members was held in St. John's Hall.

Branch leader, Elvina Funston welcomed members back after the summer break, and carried out a risk assessment. The meeting was then handed over to three of their members, Margaret Bothwell, Florence Brunt and Barbara Kingston. Following the opening hymn, the three members, using Powerpoint, did a superb presentation of The Mary Sumner Story. They spoke of her childhood life, being educated at home with her siblings and her marriage. It was following the birth of her first child that she realised how difficult it was for mothers to bring up a young family. In 1876, with this in mind, she called a meeting in her own home of all mothers and thus Mother's Union was founded. Mary could not have envisioned that from those early beginnings, Mother's Union now has four million members in 83 countries. Their talk was interspersed with relevant hymns and a Bible reading by Jennifer Bennett. The vote of thanks was proposed by Sheila Burke who presented the three members with a token of appreciation for such an excellent presentation.

Following supper, a business meeting took place. Sympathy was extended to those who had been bereaved since our last meeting and members stood as a mark of respect to one of our Indoor Members, Sadie Bleakley who passed away on 16th May 2018. Sadie was a faithful member of Mother's Union for 44 years. Congratulations were extended to Edith and Ronnie Robertson on their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

Following a recent meeting, Data Protection was discussed and members agreed to the holding of their personal information. The meeting closed with the Grace.

### Meeting on 10 October 2018

The October meeting attended by 25 members was held in St. John's Hall. Following risk assessment, Florence Brunt welcomed members and our speakers, Valerie McMorris and Heather Harper from M.U. Trustee Body. After the opening hymn, Bible reading by Beatrice Funston and prayers led by Florence the meeting was handed over to Valerie McMorris who is The Faith and Policy Co-ordinator for the Diocese. She spoke about the Prayer Chain and how it operates across the Diocese and the value of prayer in members lives. The vote of thanks was proposed by Elvina Funston.

During supper, members were able to purchase items from the M.U. Enterprise stall run by Heather Harper. The annual Cake Sale is was being held on Saturday 27th October in the former Shoe Shop, Main Street. Proceeds are going to Worldwide Relief Fund and Branch Funds. For Community Outreach in November members have decided to support the senior members in our Parish by providing grocery hampers.

A Committee meeting, to plan next year's programme has been arranged for 8th November at 8pm. Branch Leader, Elvina Funston closed the meeting with prayer.

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### Service Times

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

### Sunday School Times

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

### Monthly Cycle of Services

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

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

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

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

### Remembrance Sunday

The annual Remembrance Service will be held in Galloon on Sunday 11th November



**Revd Carlton Turner with Revd Anita and Charles Crawford.**

at 11.00am. This will be a Group Service. The local Methodist and Presbyterian congregations will be joining us as will all the uniformed youth organizations along with the parishioners of Sallaghy and Drummully. Acts of Remembrance will take place in Sallaghy and Drummully on Sunday 4th November.

## Good News Group Bible Study and Prayer

This group will generally meet on the first Wednesday of the month in Sallaghy Parish Church Hall. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th November at 7.00pm.

## Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday 17th November 11-4:30pm Church Hall Newtownbutler: Tea and Coffee, sandwiches and traybakes: Tables £15. Please contact Sonia 02867738633 or text 07756445481.

## Advent Sunday, 2nd December - Dedication of the Lewis Organ

Group Service with the Dedication of Lewis Organ at 3pm by the Right Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher. We are delighted to have Canon Martin White, former organist and Master of Choristers in Armagh Cathedral with us for the dedication of our magnificent Lewis Organ, such an important milestone in the life of our Church. Whilst in Armagh, Canon Martin recorded many organ performances for BBC Radio 3 and RTE, and gave recitals abroad, notably in Germany and Belgium.

## Harvest Services

The Harvest Services commenced in Sallaghy on Sunday 30th September when the speaker was Rev Dr Carlton Turner from United Society Partners in the Gospel



Jeff Gawn with Revd Anita.

Below: Young musicians taking part in the Galloon harvest.



(USPG) and the prayers were led by Mr Charles Crawford. The service was followed by a Harvest lunch in the Church Hall. The following week we celebrated Harvest in Drummully when we heard Jeff Gawn explain the work of Scripture Union and a Harvest Supper was served in Church Hall. Our Harvest Services concluded in Galloon Church on Sunday 14th October when the service took the form of a Children's Harvest Service led by Revd Anita. The young musicians led most of the praise and they were Emma Darling, Hannah Frazer, Holly Hutchinson, Emma Rickey, Cameron Smith and Michael Smith. Thanks to our group choir who sung two pieces over the course of the Harvest Services in the three churches. The pieces were "My heart is filled with thankfulness" and "Let all creation dance". 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 offerings. '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.

## Galloon Parish

### CDBRE Competitions

Galloon Parish Sunday School was very successful in the Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education competitions for 2018 with winning entries in both the Archdeacon Ruddell and Bishop's Medal sections. The theme of the competitions was The Apostles' Creed.

The winners from Galloon Parish were:

Archdeacon Ruddell Prize Winners:

1st Place: Galloon Parish Church, Newtownbutler: Class 2: (Group Entry). The children in the class were: Ciara Hutchinson, Beth Hutchinson, Emma Rickey, Chennai Donnegan, Tommie Heaslip, Kayla Bell, Chelsey Bell, Abbie McAllister, Courtney Patterson, Hannah Darling and Barry Hutchinson. The class's Sunday School teachers are Mrs Cherry Heaslip and Mrs Christina Bell.

In the Bishop's Medal - 1st Place: Lucie Darling; 2nd Place: Isaac Hutchinson and 3rd Place: Adam McAllister. Congratulations to all the children and their teachers on this great achievement.



CDBRE competition winners.

## Galloon and Drummully Mothers' Union

We look forward to our November meeting on Thursday 8th November at 8pm when we will be joining Sallaghy for their Visitors Night with Guest Speaker, Mrs Anne Keyes. On Thursday 13th December we will host our Group Mothers' Union Christmas Party and we look forward to having our friends from Sallaghy join us for fun and fellowship.

## Sallaghy Parish

### 90th Birthday Celebrations

The Bowling Club helped Desmond (Dessie) Kettle, Derryadd celebrate his 90th birthday at their first meeting of the new season when they held a special supper along with a suitably decorated cake.

### Mothers' Union

On Thursday 8th November, the Mothers' Union will be hosting their Annual Visitors' Evening in the Church Hall at 8.00pm when the speaker will be Mrs Anne Keyes.

### Parish Dance

The next Parish Dance will be held on Friday 9th November with music provided by The Cascades 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.

### Burial

Williams Bryan, Drumhose, Lisnaskea aged 92 on 14th September 2018. Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection Life of the Life."



Desmond Kettle, celebrates his 90th birthday.

## Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November

Garrison 10am HC  
Slavin 11.30am HC

#### Sunday 11th November

Belleek 10am HC (note time change)  
Garrison Remembrance Service 5pm

#### Sunday 18th November

Garrison 10am MP & FS  
Slavin 11.30am MP & FS

#### Sunday 25th November

Kiltyclogher 10am HC  
Belleek 11.30am MP

#### Sunday 2nd December

Garrison 10am HC  
Slavin 11.30am HC

#### Sunday 9th December

Kiltyclogher 10am HC  
Belleek 11.30am HC

### Mothers' Union

The September MU meeting was held in the Wark Hall, Belleek when the speaker was Jan Corrie, a volunteer with the charity, 'Flying for Life'.

She gave a very interesting talk, which she illustrated with photos and videos. We were amazed by the work done by MAF all over the world; in countries where people would have to walk up to eight hours to get to a hospital. Patients can also be air lifted for medical help and many lives are saved. Food is brought into remote areas where there is no infrastructure. 'Flying for Life' can work in partnership with other charities helping to save lives and relieve suffering. Our Members supported the charity by purchasing literature.

'Flying for Life' do not advertise for donations; they work with volunteers like Jan and she is happy to speak to other groups in the Diocese.

Members enjoyed a lovely supper and



A group of Belleek parishioners who helped with the Harvest Supper, back from left: Robert Johnston, George Love, Ruth Johnston, Betty Johnston, Kevin Carty, Zara Love, Donna and James Pye. Front (from left); May and Rachel Love.

fellowship after the meeting.

The next MU meeting is on Wednesday 21st November at 8pm in Garrison Church Hall with special speaker, Mrs Maud Cunningham. This is a Visitors' night and everyone is welcome from our neighbouring branches and churches to attend

### Harvest Services

**Belleek Harvest Thanksgiving** was held on Friday 21st September. The special preacher was Colin Brown-Smith. The organist was Mrs. Sadie Moore and the choir sang three anthems, 'Strength for the Valleys,' 'Pass me not O Gentle Saviour' and 'Redeemed' with a solo part by Robbie Johnston. The lesson was read by Belleek Pharmacist, Marie McGuinness. A delicious harvest supper was served by the ladies in the Wark Hall.

**Garrison Harvest Thanksgiving** was held on Friday 5th October. The service was led by the Rector with guest preacher Mr Abraham Storey. Sr Kathleen McGarrigle read the lesson.

The choir sang "Jesus send more labourers"



From Left: Dot Barlow (MU Branch Leader), Sue Deacon and her mum, Betty with the hand knit teddies.

and "Strength for the Valleys" accompanied by the organist, Joy Graham. Revd Ngozi thanked those who provided the beautiful church decorations and a lovely harvest supper was served afterwards in the church hall.

### Holy Matrimony

Mark Albert Ovens and Mairead Ellen Wright were married in Slavin Parish Church on Saturday 29th September by the Rector, Revd Ngozi.

We wish them God's richest blessing as they make their home in Slavin.

### Holy Baptism

On Sunday 16th September, Emily Lily Irwin was baptised and welcomed into Kiltyclogher Church by Revd Ngozi. Emily is the baby daughter of Robert and Marcella Irwin, Scribbagh, Garrison and baby sister to Leah.



Mark and Mairead Ovens following their wedding at Slavin Parish Church on Saturday 29th September



Attending the baptism of Emily Lily Irwin, are her sister Leah and parents, Robert and Marcella.

### Thanks

On Sunday 23rd September a presentation was made to Billy Nelson who has held the position of treasurer in Belleek Parish Church for several years. In a tribute, Rachel Love (Churchwarden) referred to the excellent job Billy had done. She wished him well in the future.

The friends of the late Wilma Watson held a Coffee morning in the Wark Hall Belleek on Friday 28th September. £1210 was raised for Macmillan Cancer. Thanks to everyone who helped and donated to this worthy cause.

### Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have been in hospital or unwell in recent weeks. We remember Hollie Gregg, William Robinson, Albert Irwin, Eileen Kirkpatrick, Mary Gregg and Oscar Thompson.

### Christian Burial

Mrs Marion Gregg, Drumcrow West, passed

away peacefully at her home in the early hours of Sunday morning 30th September 2018.

Her funeral service took place in Garrison Parish Church on Wednesday 3rd October conducted by the Rector, Revd Ngozi followed by cremation in Cavan. Revd Ngozi commented on the strong character that Marion was and the immense support she gave her family. The opening music which Marion chose epitomised her character "I am a rock" by Simon and Garfunkel. Marion also chose "How great thou art" to be sung at the end of the service as one of her favourite hymns. Marion was a great supporter of all events in the church and particularly the Sunday School, sponsoring the Sunday School prizes on several occasions. Sincere sympathy to her son, Raymond, daughter-in-law, Joanna and grandson, Hunter; her daughter Lorraine, son-in-law, Freddie, grandson, Robin and daughter Michelle, son-in-law, Nigel, grandsons, Cameron, Blake and Finlay; her sister Valerie, brother-in-law Keith, also her life long-friend Dawn and the wider family circle.

### Confirmation Service

A service of confirmation for the group of parishes was held in Kiltyclogher church on Sunday 21st October at 3.30pm. Please remember our young people in our prayers as they are newly confirmed:- Abi Brock, Carly Graham, Aoife and Oisin Gregg, Ethan Johnston, Emma Kettles, Skye and Levi Love.

Further details in next month's magazine.

### Remembrance Service

The annual service and Act of Remembrance will be held in Garrison Parish Church on Sunday 11th November at 5pm. Visitors welcome, supper to follow in the church hall.

**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



Rev. Ngozi and Archdeacon Brian Harper taking part in the Garrison 10K and 5K in aid of Air Ambulance Northern Ireland in memory of Michael Flanagan and Neil Graham.



Mrs Sadie Moore, Belleek organist.

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.



Rev. Ngozi along with a number of business owners in Belleek who were delighted to be invited to meet Prince Andrew on his visit to Belleek Pottery on Thursday 20th September.



From Left: Doreen Earls, Lena Carty, Florence Earls, May Somerville, Bernie Duffy and Phemia Gregg.

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As we come to the end of October, many of us will have gathered together to give thanks to Almighty God for all that has been safely gathered in. As we progressed through the year, the weather continued to be cold and wet. Spring and early summer seemed as if it was never going to improve. Suddenly out of the blue, the weather improved and this year the harvest has been safely gathered in. A lot of work had been achieved, which has had to be postponed.

In September many fields have been re-seeded and fields drained.

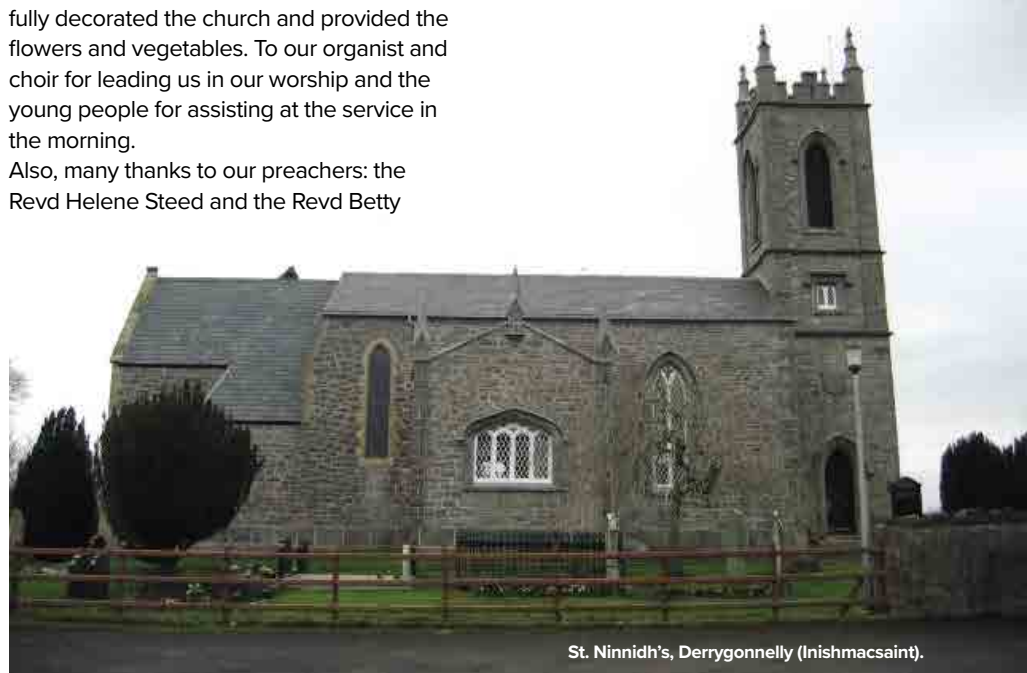
### Harvest Services

I would like to thank all those who were involved in getting our church ready for Harvest Thanksgiving. To those who tastefully decorated the church and provided the flowers and vegetables. To our organist and choir for leading us in our worship and the young people for assisting at the service in the morning.

Also, many thanks to our preachers: the Revd Helene Steed and the Revd Betty

Thompson.

In a world where we have so much and a lot for granted— it is always good to be able to say 'Thank-You' and to thank God for the many blessings which have been bestowed upon us.



St. Ninnidh's, Derrygonnelly (Inishmacsaint).

## Kilskeery and Trillick

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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November

10.30 am Trillick  
11.45 am Kilskeery

#### Sunday 11th November

10.30am Trillick Remembrance Day Services  
11.45 am Kilskeery

#### Sunday 18th November

10.30 am Trillick  
11.45 am Kilskeery

#### Sunday 25th November

10.30 am Trillick  
11.45 am Kilskeery

### Mothers' Union

The first meeting after the summer break was held on Monday 17 September. The guest speaker, Miss Jill Funston, gave an

interesting and informative talk on 'The Shoe Box Appeal' which many of our MU members support each year.

The November meeting will take place on Monday 19th in Kilskeery Hall at 8.00pm.

This will be our Visitors' Night with the traditional Bring and Buy Sale. The special guest will be Morag Armstrong who will talk about crafts.

### Halloween Tea Party

Senior Citizens are having a Halloween tea party in Kilskeery Hall on 6 November from 2pm - 4.30pm, with music by Malcolm. Neighbouring senior citizens clubs are all welcome.

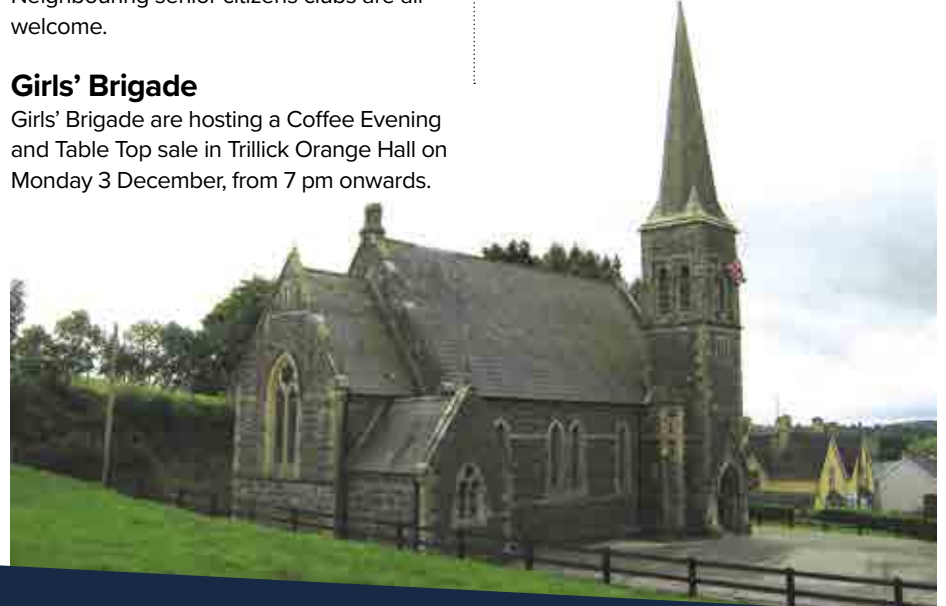
### Girls' Brigade

Girls' Brigade are hosting a Coffee Evening and Table Top sale in Trillick Orange Hall on Monday 3 December, from 7 pm onwards.

Admission £3 including refreshments. Girls' Brigade, Boys' Brigade and Kilskeery Bowling Club continue to meet each week.

### Kilskeery Parish Concert

Kilskeery Parish Concert will be held on Friday 23 November, commencing at 8 pm in Kilskeery Hall. The concert will feature the Silver Tones, Kilskeery Silver Band, Queen Elizabeth 11 Primary School and other local talent. Please plan to come along - tickets are £7.50 each (free admission for primary school children) and are available from members of the select vestry.





## Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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### Services

#### Sunday, 4th November 2018 Fourth Sunday before Advent

Lisbellaw: 11am Holy Communion

#### Sunday, 11th November 2018 Third Sunday before Advent

Lisbellaw: 10.45am Service of Remembrance

3.00pm Veterans' Service of Remembrance

#### Sunday, 18th November 2018 Second Sunday before Advent

Lisbellaw: 9.45am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday, 25th November 2018 The Kingship of Christ

Lisbellaw: 11.00am Family Service for the Kingship of Christ

7.00pm Service for the Commemoration of the end of WW1 with Bishop John McDowell

#### A Service for the Commemoration of the end of the First World War

will be held on Sunday, 25th November 2018 at 7pm with Bishop John McDowell.

In this service of remembrance and thanksgiving, we will give voice to the silenced generation, to their suffering, their untold stories, their bravery and their heroism.



Fun at the barn dance.



Heather and Eric Humphries who decorated the hall for the barn dance.



Revd John Woods, Revd Stephanie Woods and Miss Isobel Stewart at the Harvest Service.

**Coolbuck: due to repairs there will be no services until further notice.**

### Sympathy

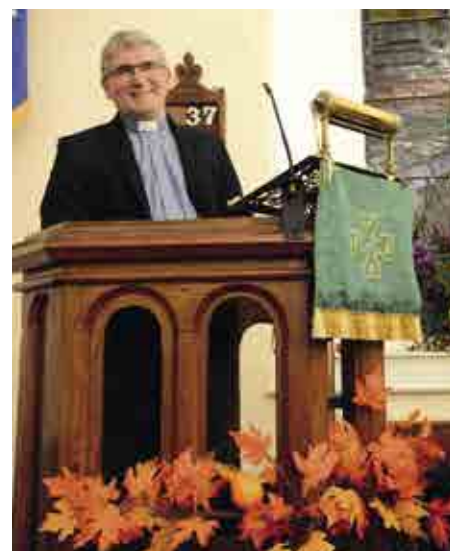
The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Vivienne Taylor, formerly of Troty and the late Sam Nixon, formerly of Tamlaght.

### Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union on Tuesday, 27th November 2018 at 8pm with Pollywogs.

### Flame!

Flame! Ladies' Fellowship Group on Wednesday, 14th November and 28th November at 8pm in 'Kinder Lodge', Farnamullan. Contact leader Frances Boyd (07845156463).



Revd John Woods who preached at Lisbellaw Harvest Thanksgiving Service.



The 2019 confirmation candidates who participated in the Harvest Thanksgiving Services.



Lisbellaw Harvest Choir

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### Services

#### Sunday 4th November

11.30 a.m. Holy Communion

#### Sunday 11th November

11.30 a.m. Service of Remembrance

#### Wednesday 14th November

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

#### Sunday 18th November

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 25th November

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
(Collection for sponsored children)

### Burial

1st October 2018

Violet Kathleen Armstrong, Drumbroughas,  
Lisnaskea.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the  
Armstrong family at this sad time.



### Harvest

Harvest Thanksgiving has come and gone again for another year with good attendance at both our services. On the Friday evening the guest speaker was Revd Colin Milligan from the neighbouring Methodist church.

At the family service on Sunday morning the began by bringing in a very colourful train which they had made and filled with produce. They also sang and did readings and prayers. Well done to all involved. We were delighted to have "Youthful Chorus" along with their father on keyboard to sing three beautiful hymns and our choir too played a large role on both occasions leading the traditional hymns as well as their pieces, "Follow Jesus", "God will take care of you", "We believe in God the Father" and "An Ephesian Prayer".

As always the church was beautifully

decorated and we thank everyone who sent in the wonderful flowers, fruit, vegetables etc. and the ladies who gave of their time to arrange everything so tastefully. None of this would happen without the dedication of our Children's Church leaders, our choir members, Karen our organist and the generosity of parishioners so to all these people we say a huge thank you for a lovely weekend of praise.

### Shoe Box Appeal

It's that time of year again when we think of the Samaritan's Purse appeal.

We have some shoe boxes in church which you are welcome to use if you wish to be part of this very worthwhile cause. Please return to church or the Parish Office before 18th November remembering to enclose £5 to cover distribution costs.



Scenes from this year's Harvest Thanksgiving Services.

# Magheracross



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The Harvest celebrations are now over and we enjoyed good attendances at each of our services. Our guest preacher on Friday night and Sunday morning was Gareth Morgan, a theological student from the Diocese of Liverpool. The Sunday School children participated in the address and everyone enjoyed the sharing of lollipops! The church was beautifully decorated by a variety of creative folk.

## Remembrance

Our annual Remembrance Service will take place at 11:30am on 11th November. The Royal British Legion and GB will parade to the Methodist church and lay their wreaths there whilst the Scouts and GFS will come to the Parish Church. The combined parade details will be arranged by the Royal British Legion.

## Mothers' Union

A large number of ladies met in The Archdale Hall on Thursday 4th October for Magheracross Mothers' Union's Visitors Night.

The theme for the meeting was 'Sewn Together' and the speaker was Stephanie McClean who was accompanied by her mother Lorna. Both ladies are very gifted in crafting and they displayed many of their



creations including Patchwork Quilting, Cross Stitching, Crocheting, Rag Dolls and many other talents.

Supper was then served. A Bring and Buy table held a host of donated gifts and home-baking, the proceeds from this are going to support the Mothers' Union's 'Mums in May' project.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 1st November when one of our own members, Morag Armstrong, will demonstrate the art of Book Folding.



Scenes from the harvest services.



Lloyd Jennings helps guest preacher, Gareth Morgan with words found in HARVEST.



# Flower Festival



**24th - 28th May 2019**

**St. Mary's Ardess, Magheraculmoney Parish**  
21 Ardess Road, Kesh, Co. Fermanagh BT93 1GL

## **OPENING TIMES:**

**Friday 11.00am - 9.00pm**  
**Opening Service 7.00pm**

**Saturday 10.00am - 9.00pm**

**Sunday 2.00pm - 9.00pm**

**Monday 12.00noon - 7.00pm**  
**Closing Service 7.00pm**

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## **TEA/COFFEE, SCONES & TRAYBAKES**

Available at Ardess Parish Centre

**MEAT SALAD TEAS AVAILABLE** (to be booked in advance)

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL FOR GROUPS & COACH PARTIES**

## **KILTIERNEY TOURS**

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**ALL PROCEEDS IN AID OF ARDESS PARISH CHURCH BUILDING FUND**

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As I sit to write the introduction to this month's notes, we have just finished an amazing weekend of harvest celebrations with over 600 people coming through the church doors to our four services. Thank you to everyone involved in the church decorations, the worship, the choir, the organists and the leaders of Children's Church for the wonderful service on Sunday morning. You will see some photographs of the church showing off some of the decorations.

As I looked around the church this weekend, it made me think of two very different things that are coming up. The first was the Flower Festival planned for the weekend of the 24th to 28th May 2019. Seeing the church decorated for harvest very much gave a glimpse of what it might begin to look like at the Flower Festival. As these plans develop, can we encourage you to spread the word and encourage groups to come along for a day out in sunny Fermanagh. The second thing that came to mind was the Mission happening from the 23rd November to 2nd December. A mission is a time when as a church family we give a real focus to reaching out and encouraging our friends and family members who do not come to church to join us and be reminded of God's plans and purposes in life. The advantage of a mission over any other time of the year



Harvest decorations.

is that we are inviting people to hear the gospel and we don't have to do the telling. I am reminded again of the words of Jesus in Matthew 28:18-19. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The words of Jesus were not only directed to those hearing His words but to those reading His words. So often we like to think that we have nothing to do but simply accept that Jesus died on the cross and rose again for us, acknowledging Jesus as our Lord and Saviour. And what about the work of telling others, we leave that to the minister to do. This was not what Jesus very clearly had in mind in these verses, the minister is there to look after the flock, those who already believe to teach them and encourage them and equip them to go out into the world. At a time of mission we have a series of services that present the gospel very clearly to help you reach out to those who do not come to church, who do not see the need, or the point of it all.

Can I encourage you to begin to pray if you have not already started for those people you know who are struggling with life and invite them along to hear Archbishop Ben Kwashi of Jos, Northern Nigeria. Archbishop Ben's church was totally burned during Muslim riots in 1987 and he shares the gospel and stories from his own life which will be both

encouraging and challenging. You are all most welcome to come and join us. The details are below.

**Shalom**  
**Canon Henry**

### Harvest Services

On Sunday 7th October, we gathered for the first of the parish harvest services in Mullaghfarne hall at 3.30pm. Mr Deane Houston was our guest speaker about the parable of the sower and challenged us to think about the type of soil our heart represents.

The parable of the sower is a very significant parable around harvest and on Friday 12th October, at our harvest celebrations at Ardess Parish Church, our special speaker was Revd Charles Eames also spoke on the importance of this parable and how we respond to God's seed (His word) in our lives.

The celebrations continued at our Sunday services and the children participated in the 11.00am. The children's play showed the parallel of how wheat and grape may be small and feel that they are insignificant but God does not feel this way about us. He loves us so much that He gave His only son that we may have everlasting life. Wheat and grapes are crushed but God gives them a new life. The wheat is made into bread and grapes into wine that are used at the communion table to remind us of His sacrifice for each of us and the new life He has for each of us.

We also enjoyed a Harvest Praise Service at 7.00pm and our special speaker, Archdeacon David Huss from Donegal Town, spoke on Psalm 126 as he en-



Harvest decorations.

couraged us to think of all that God has done for us and what God will do through us.

## WW1 Centenary Remembrance Weekend 9th to 11th November 2018

This WW1 (1914 - 1918) Remembrance Weekend at Ardess Parish Centre is not to be missed as it will include an array of memorabilia (including medal displays, information on casualties, WW1 nurses etc).

### ■ Friday, 9th November

10.00am - 3.00pm - The exhibition is open to all primary schools and will be facilitated by Ms Catherine Scott of Fermanagh County Museum.

6.00pm - Exhibition open to the public.

7.30pm - Official Opening Address by retired Lieutenant Commander Peter Archdale of the Royal Navy. Presentation on the soldier Willie McBride featured in the ballad 'The Green Fields of France' and his connections with Irvinestown by award winning journalist Maurice Neill together with music by Ardess Accordion Band.

### ■ Saturday, 10th November

10.00am - 5.00pm: Exhibition open to the public.

3.00pm: Talk on Irish divisions' involvement in the war by Major Alan McFarland (Ex-Royal Tank Regiment) together with music by pipers.

### ■ Sunday, 11th November

3.00pm to 7.00pm: Exhibition open to the public.

7.00pm: Centenary Service of

Remembrance at Ardess Parish Church. Rev'd Canon Henry Blair, Rev'd Philip Bryson, Rev'd Steven Foster, Rev'd Alan Irwin, Father Frank McManus, North Fermanagh Community, Silver Tones and the Ballinamallard Silver Band will come together for this very significant service giving thanks to Almighty God for the end of the Great War 100 years ago. It is estimated around 30,000 from Ireland, men and women from all denominations, made the supreme sacrifice and we will particularly remember and name those 152 men from North Fermanagh and the Pettigo area of Donegal who have been identified (to date) whose bodies now lie in cemeteries across Europe, Asia and Africa. Please come along to join us remember them - 'The living owe it to those who no longer can speak to tell their story for them' (Czeslaw Milosz 1911-2004, Polish Poet). Light refreshments and a last chance to see the spectacular exhibit will be provided after the service.

## Mission Ardess 27 Nov to 2 December

We welcome everyone to come along and join us to hear Archbishop Ben Kwashi of Jos, Northern Nigeria, speak on the gospel and his own life.

■ 27th (Tues), 28th (Wed), 29th (Thurs) November - 8.00pm at Ardess Parish Church

■ 30th (Fri) November 8.00pm at The Fountain Centre, Kesh - Youth Rally  
2nd Dec (Sun) Sunday 9.30am, 11am and 7pm Ardess Parish Church

## Flower Festival

Please keep free the weekend of 24 to 27 May 2019 for a flower festival in Ardess Parish Church. The theme of the weekend will be "The great I Am" This will be a wonderful celebration of the God that says "I AM".

## Regular Events

**Church Services @ Ardess Parish Centre**  
Sunday Services: 9.30am Morning Prayer & 11.00am Family Worship

**Regular Prayer @ Ardess Parish Centre**  
Revival Prayer: Mon 8.00pm - 9.00pm  
Wednesday Prayer: Wed 9.30am - 11.00am

Healing Ministry: Fri 7.30pm - 8.30pm  
24 Hour Prayer: Fri 12.00noon - Sat 12.00noon (23rd/24th Nov)  
Hour of Power: fortnightly 8.00pm Tuesday

### Our Youth @ The Fountain Centre

Blaze Youth Club (Year 8 - 10) Fridays 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Flame Youth Club (Year 11+) Fridays 8.30pm - 10.00pm

Connect Youth Fellowship (Year 8- 14) Sundays 7.00pm - 9.00pm

**Our Youth @ Ardess Parish Centre/Church Children's Church** 3-13 years old) Sundays 11.00am

**Life Groups** (various locations/times) Fortnightly (to accommodate Hour of Power) - contact Canon Henry to join one.

## Mothers' Union

15 November (Thursday) 8.00pm @ Ardess Parish Centre  
Travel Experiences - Eric & Sheila McGirr

## Friends in the Afternoon

Tuesdays (every fortnight) 2.00pm @ Ardess Parish Centre  
6th Nov - Mustard Seed by Sandra Ross  
20th Nov - Christmas Craft Glass Painting with Kate Osborne

## Wedding

29th Sept '18 - We congratulate Richard Law of Ballinamallard and Rachael Gib-son of Irvinestown on their marriage.

## Burial Of Ashes

22nd Sept '18 - Muriel Elizabeth Knox (Aged 91) of Edinburgh.  
24th Sept 18 - Edward John Noble (Aged 90) of Leeds.

## Funeral Service

26th Sept '18 - Sandra Elizabeth Armstrong (Guy), aged 60 of Trevenna Lodge, Killadeas.

## Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



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### Dear Parishioners, Parish Adult education

One of the parts of my week that I most enjoy is our adult Bible Study group before the Sunday service in Maguiresbridge. Please consider attending at 9.45am.

I would also invite parishioners to a weekly Friday morning service in the Rectory at 10.00am in the run up to Christmas. Starting with Holy Communion on the the Feast of St. Andrew, Friday the 30th November. On the following three Fridays of Advent we will have a reading of the Daily office, Bible Study and coffee.

### Harvest Festivals

The harvest festivals were wonderful events in October with excellent sermons from the Revd. Mark Durrell and the Revd. William Anderson. Each service was well attended with both churches filled with wonderful decoration and delightful music from the choirs. Thanks to all who helped in any way.

### Bishops' Appeal special collection

The special Sunday collection for the Indo-



A portrait of Bro. Herbert Kernaghan was unveiled in Ballindarragh Orange Hall. Pictured is his son and senior members of the Grand Orange Lodge of County Fermanagh.

nesian earthquake and Tsunami sufferers amounted to a total of £850 for the group with £484.95 from Christ Church morning service and £365.05 from Derrybrusk Harvest. Thank you for your generosity.

### Sponsored walk

On Friday 2nd November at 7.30pm the grouped sponsored walk in aid of parish funds will take place from Belle Isle Orange Hall to Belle Isle Castle and return to the Orange Hall for tea. You will need a torch and appropriate foot wear. Registration for the walk is £10 payable on the evening.

### Remembrance Sunday

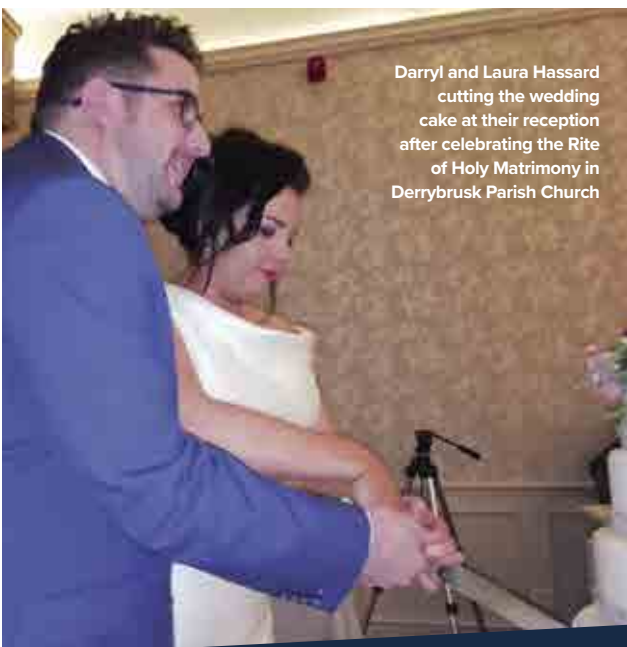
On Sunday 11th of November an Act of Remembrance will be conducted in both parish churches during a service of the word. Rehearsals for the acts of remembrance will be announced in the respective churches.



Florrie Farrell celebrating her 90th birthday.

### Happy 90th Birthday Florrie

Pictured at her surprise birthday party in Carrybridge Hotel and looking a million dollars is Florrie Farrell.



Darryl and Laura Hassard cutting the wedding cake at their reception after celebrating the Rite of Holy Matrimony in Derrybrusk Parish Church



Members of the Nelson family circle pictured in the throne room, Hillsborough Castle at Elma's presentation of her British Empire medal by the Earl of Brookeborough. A further Maguiresbridge link was that the aide de camp to the Lord Lieutenants on the day was the rector's son, Peter.

## Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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### Services

#### 11th November Third Sunday before Advent

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

#### 18th November Second Sunday before Advent

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

#### 25th November Sunday before Advent

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

#### 2nd December First Sunday of Advent

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

### Christian Burial

Mr Dawson Breakey passed away peacefully at Mullinahinch Nursing Home on 23rd September 2018.

The esteem with which the deceased and his family are held in the Community was much in evidence at this funeral service in St. Patrick's Church conducted by the Rector assisted by Archdeacon Brian Harper and afterwards at Coolshanagh Graveyard. We express prayerful sympathy to his wife Pearl, sons Trevor and Alan, daughter Helen and their families in their sad loss.

### Condolences

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have been recently bereaved especially Ms. Iris Hackett and family on the death of her brother and Mrs. Myrtle Mills and Mrs George McElwaine and their families on the death of their brother-in-law.

### Mothers' Union

The members met in the Church on Tuesday 2nd October at which Ms. Freda Fleming showed slides and gave a talk on her recent trip to India. The evening concluded with refreshments and business meeting. They will meet again on Tuesday 6th November for a demonstration of

"Patchwork" by Ms. Frances Ebbs.

### Ladies' Group

The members and friends met on Tuesday 18th September in the Hall for a talk and demonstration on "Recycling – How best to do this" by Ms. Aoife Britton, Liaison Officer, Voice Recycling Ambassador Programme.

The evening concluded with a discussion and refreshments.

They will meet on Tuesday 20th November in the Hall for a talk by Ms Anne Carroll from Cascade Training Consultancy and her topic will be "Making a Will won't Kill You".

### Illness

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

### Harvest Services

The Harvest services for our Group were held as follows;

- Kilmore on Sunday 16th September with guest speaker, Mr David Armstrong
  - Monaghan on Sunday 30th September with guest speaker, Mr James Armstrong
- Ballinode on Sunday 14th October with guest speaker, Revd David Luckman
- We express grateful thanks to our visiting speakers, for their challenging sermons. We are as always indebted to our organists, choirs, praise group soloists and Sunday school children for their lead in worship. Our grateful thanks are also due to all those who supplied material and decorated the churches, and those who provided

refreshments after the services. Harvest is a time when we can reflect on another year of Gods goodness in providing for our spiritual and daily needs. It also provides us with an opportunity to show our appreciation for these provisions – by responding generously to the Harvest Appeal.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to James and Anita on the birth of their son Jack McBride.

### Diocesan Synod

The Diocesan Synod was held in Enniskillen on Thursday 27th September with a good representation present from our group of parishes.

### Vortex Youth Group

There was a good attendance of their first meeting in the Hall on Saturday 15th September when all enjoyed a night of games followed by a "Bake Off". They will meet on Saturday 20th October for a bowling night and Saturday 17th November for a "Chip Shop Crawl".

### Mother and Toddler Group

The Mother and Toddler group "PlayAway" meet each Thursday 10:30am to 12noon in the Hall, with large numbers attending each week.

### Monaghan Collegiate School Sale

Preliminary notice – Friday 7th December in St. Patrick's Hall, Monaghan. Please keep the date free.



Tydavnet



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### A note from the Rector

#### *Autumn And Remembrance*

We have made the transition from summer to autumn and with the shortening of days begin our journey towards winter. The cycle of life turns again and the familiar passage from the book Ecclesiastes rings true that there is 'a season and a time for every matter under heaven'.

In the Greek language there were two words for time – chronos and kairos. Chronos indicates movement of time, whereas kairos has the sense of fitness, the right time or season. The right time relates to individuals, to communities and to nations. Ecclesiastes notes times which are simple and self-evident: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to keep silence and a time to speak.

Autumn has been described as 'the crown of the year', and it is concerned with maturity, and inevitable decay, with the fulfilment of life and its end. This season is naturally a season of reflection upon our times past and present. We pass through All Saints' Day when we focus on the lives of faithful saints of the church who have inspired its life and witness.

Then at the Remembrance period we focus on the sacrifice of men and women who gave their lives for the cause of peace and freedom in times of war and conflict. We in this area have also special cause to remember those who died in the Enniskillen Remembrance Sunday bomb in 1987. It is indeed the 'right time' and 'fitting' that we should remember them and their bereaved families. In our moments of silence in churches and at war memorials, let us again honour courage and sacrifice, and reflect with gratitude on lives given that we might have a future in which to see the cycle of the seasons turn.

**Your friend and Rector,  
Revd Canon Dr IW Ellis**



STABLE/PARISH HALL DEVELOPMENT



The Parish development plans.

### Parish Facilities Development Plans

A Sub-Committee of The Select Vestry has been working on proposals to upgrade and extend the Parish Hall, provide new fellowship and Sunday School facilities (incorporating the Stables building) and extending the off road car parking facilities, for well over a year now.

They carried out a number of visits to other Churches, researched the needs and consulted with an Architect on what was possible.

On 31st May ,last, an open meeting was held at the Parish Hall to unveil the proposals to parishioners and to explain the thinking behind the proposals. The Rector chaired the meeting and the presentation was made by Mr Nigel Irvine and Mr Neville Gamble. The Parish Treasurer, Mr George Elliott outlined the business case for the project. There was lively debate and suggestions from the parishioners on the proposals which were warmly received and supported.



Conor Dolan speaking about photography at the Mothers' Union.

The Select Vestry then asked its sub group to meet and reflect on the comments and suggestions made and encouraged leaders of the various groups using the hall to pass on any further suggestions as soon as possible. The Select Vestry then asked Mr Robert Brown (Architect) to work on more detailed drawings over the summer months. The plans were approved in early September, so, the next stage will be to submit an application to the Planning Service for approval to build. With assistance from the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council, the Parish commissioned a Comprehensive Feasibility Study with a firm called Venturei. The report has now been prepared and will reflect the views of the 140 replies to our survey to tweak and improve the plans prior to applying for planning permission.

### Prayer Group

The Prayer group meets at the Parish office and continues 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 September meeting of the Mothers' Union took place on Thursday, 20th September when the guest speaker was Conor Dolan, who spoke about photography.

He introduced members to equipment he uses in his photography such as a Go-Pro,

Tripod, light box, DSLR camera, point and press Camera and many different lenses. He used a PowerPoint presentation to explain his various types of photography such as the fundamentals, aerial shots and wildlife as well as composition and giving top tips. He told them that the golden hour for photographs is sunset/sunrise and the blue hour is after sunset. He also explained the various types of lens available.

Conor was thanked by Branch Leader, Heather Ellis for his informative talk. The Mothers' Union is planning to attend the Christmas Flower Arranging demonstration in the Ardhowen Theatre on 22nd November.

Mothers' Union met again on 18th October and enjoyed a 'Movie Night' in the Parish Hall.

If you are interested in joining the group – please contact Mrs Heather Ellis on 02866 320239 or any of the members. You will be made most welcome. Meetings or outings are normally held on the third Thursday of every month.

### Wednesday Club News

The Club celebrated it's 19th Birthday on Wed. 3rd October in the Hall with a presentation about the work of 'Tesco in the Community' and a birthday cake celebration.

These have been 19 very successful years which have brought fellowship and fun to the older members of our parish. Congratulations to all who put the work into making this group the success that it is. The meetings of the Club are every Wednesday at 10.30 am, from September until June. Everyone is welcome - there is always room for new members.

A programme has been prepared of events / speakers up to Christmas. See below :

■ **7th November** - 'Wild Forest Candles'



The Wednesday Club celebrates its 19th birthday.

with Amanda Dobbin.

■ **14th November** - Welcome to the new Chinese Group ( just launched in Enniskillen)

■ **21st November** - Trip to Dobbies Garden Centre.

■ **28th November** - Christmas Wreaths.

■ **5th December** - Communion Service with Canon Ellis.

■ **12th December** - Christmas Lunch.

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

### Scouts and Guides

Scouts and Guides are up and running again for the new term. Keep in touch with the leaders on Facebook for details of events etc.

New members are most welcome and if you would like information contact one of the Leaders (details below).

If you want to know more about our Scout or Guide Troops call in to a meeting  
Beavers -Tues 6.30pm.

Cubs – Wed 6.45pm.

Scouts – Wed 7.30pm or ring Garry Clarke on 02866 323653

Rainbows- Mon 6.15pm.

Brownies – Mon 6.15pm

Guides – Wed 8.00pm or ring Avril Armstrong on 02866 329589

### Mother and Baby Exercise Class

A very successful Mother and baby exercise class has been running now for over a year at Rossorry Parish Hall on a Tuesday morning at 10.am. This is very sociable class where mums bring baby along while getting fit while also meeting other mums. Please pm Jackie Cassidy (Facebook)to put your name down or if you want any further details.

### Arts & Crafts Classes

Painting class meets Fridays at 2pm in the Parish Hall.

Weaving classes meet on Wednesdays at 10am in the Hall.



Bangle making at the Wednesday Club.



Attending the baptism of Laura Helen Rose Kennedy.

The 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.

The season opened with the first end bowled on Monday 10th September –if you are interested in getting involved, the Club is always looking for new members .

For information: - contact William Stevenson on 07719662473.

### Services for November

**Sunday 4th November**

9.00am Holy Communion.

11.00am Holy Communion.

7.00pm Evening Prayer

**Sunday 11th November**

9.00am Holy Communion.

11.00am Service Of Remembrance.

**Sunday 18th November**

9.00am Holy Communion.

11.00am Family Harvest Service.

**Sunday 25th November**

9.00am Holy Communion.

11.00am Morning Prayer.

### Parish Register

#### Baptism

KENNEDY, Laura Helen Rose, infant daughter of Geoffrey and Elaine Kennedy, who was baptised in Rossorry Parish Church by Canon Ellis on Sunday 30th September 2018.

May she grow in the faith in which he has been baptised.

### Contact Us...

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Facebook: Rossorry Parish Church

We update regularly events in the church as well as weddings and christenings.

E-mail at rossorryoffice@btinternet.com

Telephone at 02866 329889.

## Tempo and Clabby



Rector:  
**The Revd Canon  
Maurice Armstrong**

Archdeacon Brian Harper is in charge.

Pastoral cover by:  
**Mr Roy Crowe,  
Diocesan Pastoral Assistant**

### Tempo Harvest

Thank you to those who decorated the Church for our services. On Friday evening we welcomed Revd. J McLoughlin who conducted and spoke at our Harvest service. On Sunday morning at the Family Service, Mr Roy Crowe told us a very funny story

about a Mother and Baby corncrake living in the corner of a field in Tempo but reminded us about promises and the importance of keeping them. Roy also sang a lovely harvest piece "Praise God for Harvest Time". The Sunday School took an active role in the service with readings and prayers based along the theme of 'Gratitude'. Our thanks to the Sunday School and their teachers for their very active role on the Sunday morning. Thank you also to the organists Betty Warrington and Carole for leading the worship and to the choir for singing their harvest anthem "My Soul, Bless the Lord".

### Clabby Harvest

Our thanks are due to Tanya Armstrong for the wonderful harvest decorations and the beautiful water feature in the church. Thanks also to the choir and the organist Ryan Crawford on Friday evening for leading our worship and singing their harvest Anthem "Praise and thanksgiving". The service was conducted by Revd. Margaret Pringle. On Sunday morning Mr Keith Brown conducted the service and we say thank you to Mrs Ann Bloomfield for leading the worship and the

music group. The children took an active role in the prayers and readings. On the Sunday evening Mr Roy Crowe led the final Harvest service and sang the lovely solo "This is my Father's World". Again thanks to the choir and Ryan for leading the worship.

### Vintage Tractor Run

Thank you to Harold Wilson and his team of helpers and marshals for another successful tractor run. Thank you also to the drivers who turned up with their tractors and to those who gave donations raising £760 towards the Rectory Building Fund.

### November Diary

■ Sunday 11th - Remembrance Day Services in both our churches

### Banner Mission

County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge are holding their Banner Mission from Sunday 4th Nov to Sunday 11th Nov 2018 at 8pm. Tempo District will host this meeting on Monday 5th November.

## Trory and Killadeas

### Vacant

During the vacancy the Ven Brian Harper is in charge with Mrs Sue Hogg, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant, assisting with pastoral care.

### Trory Services

Sunday Services will continue as normal 11.30am. with Sunday School commencing at 10.15am. New teachers will be very welcome.

#### Mothers' Union

The next meeting is on Monday 12th November at 8.00pm. The venue will be Killadeas parish hall and the guest speaker will be Mrs McCrea, with the topic being "Healthy Diets."

#### Tuesday Club

The Club will meet at Killadeas parish hall on Tuesday 13th November at 2.30pm. with Edna Topping.

#### Bowling Club

The Doubles Tournament was held over the first week in October and was a great success. Our thanks to all who supported us and hopefully everyone enjoyed themselves as much as we enjoyed having them. Our congratulations to Team Stubbs who were worthy winners.

#### Coffee Morning

We were blessed with a most beautiful autumn day for our get together. The Rectory and grounds were looking good. To

all who gave of their time to support us and contribute generously, we thank you most sincerely. To the team who worked hard to make it a success, thank you. We look forward with faith in our hearts to the day when we can have a grand opening.

#### Remembrance Sunday - Armistice Sunday

Sunday 11th November 2018 is a very special day as it is 100 years since the end of the First World War and the horror that it brought to everyone. So many lives lost, so many lives changed for ever by physical and mental scarring and the grief to so many homes.

One can only imagine the feeling of families sitting round the table at Christmas Day that year, thankful the war was over, but how many empty chairs that would never be filled again.

It would be reasonable to assume that almost all of those young men who went to war would have been believers in God and going to church on Sunday would have been as normal and natural to them as going to work on a Monday. How times have changed in our society.

Wherever you decide to spend Sunday 11th November 2018 let us remember the young men from our parish that made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedom we enjoy today.

Dominic Archdale, Alured Allen, Irvine Brown, Samuel Brown, Thomas Grey, James Lee, Mark Lee, James McConnell, William Manley, John Nicholl, Samuel Toland, William Welsh, Ronald A West

Please do not forget the other young man who gave His life, so that we sinners could

have Eternal Life.

### Killadeas

#### Sunday services

10am Morning Prayer

10am Holy Communion on First Sunday in the month with coffee served in the church hall after service on the third Sunday in the month. Sunday School departs to Parish Hall during the Service.

#### Harvest Services

We celebrated our Harvest on Friday 28th and Sunday 30th September.

The Church as always was beautifully decorated with seasonal flowers, fruit and vegetables and the Choir sang wonderful harvest anthems at both Services. The service on Friday night was followed by a Harvest Supper in the Parish Hall. Many thanks to the Choir members for the fantastic spread.

Our Harvest Appeal was for urgent repairs which had to be carried out during restoration programme.

### Dates for Diary

- Sunday 11 November 2018 at 10am - Annual Act of Remembrance
- Sunday 25 November 2018 at 3pm - Rededication of The Priory Church. The church will be re-dedicated by The Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd. John McDowell after its extensive renovations.
- Weekend of 9 December -The outreach group are holding a Festival of Christmas Wreaths - further details will be circulated in the forthcoming weeks.

## How a young man left the family farm to gallantly serve in France

Exchanging a rural shop in Ireland for the trenches and battlefields of France and Belgium must have been a shocking change for a young man who grew up in North Fermanagh.

David Andrew Johnston was born into a family of six children, the second youngest of William and Jane Johnston who were married in Colaghty Parish Church near Lack in 1882.

David, born on 3rd October 1893, in Tiermacspird, Lack, on the family farm and after his early education locally took up employment in 1911 as a shop assistant in Noble's shop, in Elphin, Co. Roscommon.

It was from that aspiring career in the shop business that David decided to do his bit for the war effort. He joined the 12th Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers at Finner Camp. He was later transferred to the 9th Battalion. It is known that Private David Johnston certainly spent some time with his Battalion at Finner Camp, as well as in Co. Down and in the south of England before sailing to France because he regularly sent letters home to his mother.

There appeared to a close bond between David and his mother. In one of his letters from England, postmarked

Southampton on 24th March 1915, he wrote the following: "A card to let you know I am quite well and enjoying the journey so far. Lovely weather over here, hope it is the same over in Ireland. We started on Tuesday morning but I don't know when we will land. Do not be fritting about me for I will be alright and content only I was a bit lonely coming away. Will write soon."

In another letter, David signed off his letter, "Remaining still your loving son, D.A.J. At around the same time, another young man serving his apprenticeship in the shop trade, William McBride, from a Presbyterian family in Co. Armagh, also joined the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

Local military historian, David Keys, believes both David Johnston and William McBride had become friends as they began their military service as war raged throughout Europe.

There are few details of the circumstances but it is known that Privates David Johnston and William McBride were killed together instantly in an explosion on 22nd April 1916. They are buried side by side in Authuille Military Cemetery, near the town of Albert at the Somme. The peace and tranquillity of this area now is in stark contrast to chaotic noise and bloodshed that took place over 100 years ago.

This is the Private William McBride named in the famous song, "The Green Fields of France" by songwriter, Eric Bogle.

These young men who went off with their Regiments to the battlefields of Europe were unaware of the depth of anguish felt by their family members they had left behind. Conversely their parents and other family members would also have been unaware of the scale of the horror and carnage of the trench warfare that would have been witnessed by their loved ones. David Johnston was one of 152 young men from the North Fermanagh and



Private David Johnston.

Pettigo area who were killed during the First World War.

Now for the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, a major exhibition takes place in Ardess Parish Centre from Friday, 9th November to Sunday evening, 11th November where all those who fought, died and were wounded will be remembered.





## WW1 Centenary Remembrance Weekend in North Fermanagh

The WW1 Remembrance Weekend at Ardess Parish Centre will bring together an array of memorabilia including medal displays, information on casualties, WW1 nurses and more.

*The full programme is as follows:*

### Friday, 9th November

- **10.00am - 3.00pm** - The exhibition is open to all primary schools and will be facilitated by Ms Catherine Scott of Fermanagh County Museum.
- **6.00pm** - Exhibition open to the public.
- **7.30pm** - Official Opening Address by retired Lieutenant Commander Peter Archdale of the Royal Navy. Presentation on the soldier Willie McBride featured in the ballad 'The Green Fields of France' and his connections with Irvinestown by award-winning journalist, Maurice Neill together with music by Ardess Accordion Band.

### Saturday, 10th November

- **10.00am - 5.00pm**: Exhibition open to the public.
- **3.00pm**: Talk on Irish divisions' involvement in the war by Major Alan McFarland (Ex-Royal Tank Regiment) together with music by pipers.

### Sunday, 11th November

- **3.00pm to 7.00pm**: Exhibition open to the public.
- **7.00pm**: Centenary Service of Remembrance at Ardess Parish Church featuring Canon Henry Blair, Revd Philip Bryson, Revd Steven Foster, Revd Alan Irwin, Father Frank McManus, North Fermanagh Community, Silver Tones and the Ballinamallard Silver Band who will come together for this service giving thanks to Almighty God for the end of the Great War 100 years ago. It is estimated around 30,000 from Ireland, men and women from all denominations, made the supreme sacrifice and those attending the service hear the names of the 152 men from North Fermanagh and the Pettigo area of Donegal who have been identified (to date) and whose bodies lie in cemeteries across Europe, Asia and Africa.

# 100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE



## Battle's Over – 100 Years of Remembrance, Enniskillen

There is an extensive programme of events for the 100 years of remembrance in Enniskillen from Monday, 5th November until Remembrance Sunday, 11th November.

*The full programme is as follows:*

- **Monday, 5th November** – “The First World War and Armistice by Seamas MacAnnaidh.
- **Tuesday, 6th November** – “Kite Aerial Photography during the First World War by Ciaran May.
- **Wednesday, 7th November** – Battlefield music during the First World War by Alvin Mullan.
- **Thursday, 8th November** – Irish Ambulance Trains in the First World War by Charles Friel.
- **Friday, 9th November** – Remembrance now and then; Presbyterian Church Memorial Window by Gordon Brand and Richard Watson.

All above talks in the Riverview Room, Enniskillen Presbyterian Church at 7.30pm.

- **Monday, 29th October – Saturday, 10th November** - “The Inniskillings in the First World War” exhibition in Enniskillen Library.
- **Saturday, 10th November** in Inniskillings Museum
- 11am** – Steam Traction Engine display.
- 11am – 12 Noon:** BBC Radio Ulster Live Broadcast.
- 11.30am:** “Inniskillings at War in their own words” by Year 13 students and talks by volunteers.
- 12Noon – 4pm:** “Celebrating Armistice First” live broadcast by Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club
- **Saturday, 10th November** in St. Macartin’s Cathedral Hall
- 2pm – 5pm:** Women’s Institute Tea Party to celebrate Battle’s Over.
- Afternoon:** Steam Traction Engine display.
- **Sunday, 11th November**
- 6am** – Enniskillen Castle. Ceremony to mark

the day 100 years ago when the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War.

- 10.50am** – War Memorial, Belmore Street, Enniskillen, Act of Remembrance followed by service at 11.30am in St. Macartin’s Cathedral broadcast live by RTE Television.
- 6pm** – St. Michael’s Church, Enniskillen, Service of Thanksgiving to commemorate the end of hostilities.
- 6.40pm** – Piper’s Tribute; 100 pipe band musicians from the Fermanagh Massed Pipes and Drums assemble in Church Street to play hymns.
- 6.55pm** – The Last Post sounded on the original bugle that sounded the charge of the 36th (Ulster Division) at Battle of the Somme.
- 7pm** – Beacons of Light, St. Macartin’s Cathedral.
- 7.05pm** – Ringing out for Peace, bells of St. Macartin’s Cathedral.

## BATTLE'S OVER – 100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

One hundred years after the end of what was named “The Great War,” those who gave their lives and others who had their lives destroyed will be remembered in a special programme of events in Enniskillen during the week leading up to Remembrance Sunday.

The full programme is highlighted below, organised by Inniskillings Museum and Headhunter’s Railway Museum.

The highlight will be on Remembrance Sunday, 11th November with an event at 6am at Enniskillen Castle to mark the 100th anniversary when the guns fell silent.

This will be followed by the Act of Remembrance at the Cenotaph and the Remembrance Service in St. Macartin’s Cathedral.

In the evening at 6pm, a Service of Thanksgiving will be held in St. Michael’s Church with other events following at St Macartin’s Cathedral including Beacons of Light and Ringing of bells for peace.

As the sun sets on 11th November, Enniskillen Castle will be illuminated red by Fermanagh and Omagh District Council.

The First World War resulted in the deaths of around 10 million military personnel, with more than twice that number wounded, a further eight million missing or taken prisoner and almost nine million civilian casualties.

A total of around 40,000 Irishmen died and

**BATTLE'S**  
**OVER**  
  
A NATION'S TRIBUTE  
11TH NOVEMBER 2018  
100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE



the War Memorial in Enniskillen bears the names of 581 men and one woman who died.

Enniskillen, the most westerly location in the United Kingdom to hear the sound of pipers playing “Battle’s O’er” was also the first town in the UK to learn that the war was over because a wireless operator in Enniskillen’s military barracks intercepted a radio signal from France, where the Armistice was signed.

The news that the Armistice had been signed was marked by the firing of guns accompanied by the hooting of factory sirens and the peal of Cathedral bells.

A special service of thanksgiving for victory was held in the parish church, Enniskillen on Sunday afternoon, when the large building was filled in all parts with a congregation numbering between eight and nine hundred. A most impressive incident of the service was when the large congregation stood to its feet in complete silence for a full moment in memory of the brave men who have sacrificed their lives

in the war.

In the Presbyterian Church, Enniskillen at both morning and evening services there were special addresses and the congregations were large, and the singing “hearty and congregational.”

The news was also greeted across the county.



# YOUTH PAGES

*A Resource to encourage young people towards a biblical understanding of generosity, giving and money*

It is very encouraging to see how many parishes in the last year have been taking up Bishop John's challenge to "Do Something" with and for their young people. With funding applications still coming in to the Youth Council for more short and longer-term initiatives the positive trend is set well into 2019.

If your parish is planning to "Do Something" soon please make sure not to miss the February 2019 closing date for SEE applications. Single events can be awarded up to £250, medium term £500 and longer-term initiatives up to £750. The Youth Council's SEE (Support – Engage – Encourage) initiative is proving to be a welcome source of funding and support to parishes as they get involved with and for their youth. Taking a themed resource as a foundation for "Doing Something" can be a very good way of meeting this challenge and of all those available the new "Live to Give" resource from the Church Youth Department could well match your parish needs and interest.

The "Live to Give" resource is based on generosity, giving and money, and what the Bible has to say about these issues. The resource has been written by CIYD National Youth Officer Simon Henry, Nicola Brown from the Church of Ireland's Generous Giving Programme, and Jonny Farrell from "Stand by Me", a charity working with children in the developing world.

The resource seeks to help young people to think seriously about how they give their time, talents and money, to carefully and prayerfully consider how their decisions may affect others, and to learn more of God's generosity. Its four sessions cover:

- 1. Where the heart is;** Exploring what brings us joy and happiness, the importance of gratitude, and the challenge of putting God first;
- 2. A God of plenty;** The nature of our generous God who gave everything for us, and what it means to be stewards of what we have been given;
- 3. More than enough;** To look at the ways in which God has equipped



young people to make a practical impact for His Kingdom in the world around them;

- 4. Money talks;** Covering what we have to give, what happens when we give, and practical tools, advice and biblical principles for handling money.

Some groups may find it more appropriate to take the content of the sessions over a six or eight week period depending on the time and speed at which they wish to work.

**The objectives of the course are to enable your young people to;**

- Think seriously about their giving of time, talents and money and to inspire them to live generously.
- Consider carefully and prayerfully the effect that their decisions have on others and how giving can transform their lives both at home and across the world.
- To learn more about God's generous character and exploring biblical principles of generosity.

This resource will help your young people and you to learn about giving and have fun together. The ready to run sessions are very accessible with a lot of interactive activities, Bible study, prayer challenges and games. By using this resource, groups will be impacted in their biblical understanding of generosity, giving and money and what a generous God we serve. Think about "Doing Something"! Think about living and giving!

*'Live to Give' is a free leaders resource*

Your copy is available in the diocesan office in the Cathedral Halls, Enniskillen or; by contacting Jonny Phenix the Diocesan Youth Officer for further details.

**dyo@clogher.anglican.org**  
**Tel 07850881712**

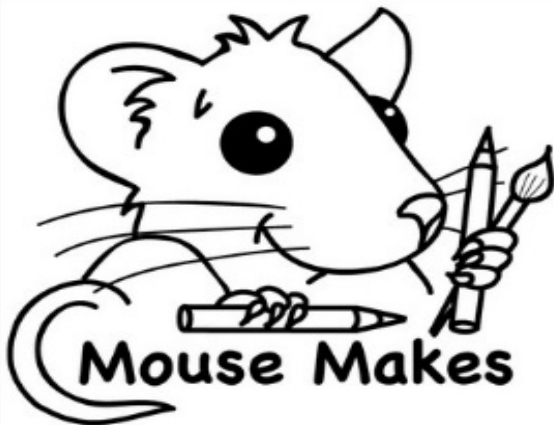


A warm invitation is extended to all  
to come along and join in the



on  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.00pm  
in  
*St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen*

# CHILDREN'S SECTION



**Remember**  
all the  
commandments  
of the Lord  
and obey them

*Colossians 3:25*



**Remember** the words Jesus said:  
*"It is more blessed to give  
than to receive."*

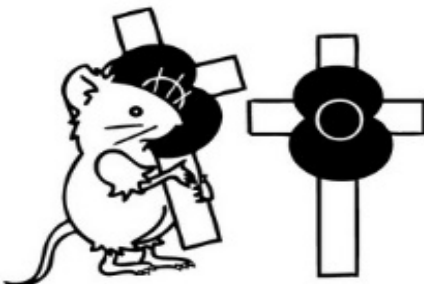
*Colossians 3:25*

Jesus took bread,  
gave thanks,  
broke it and said,  
*"This is my body  
which I am giving  
for you, do this to  
remember me."*

*Luke 22:19*



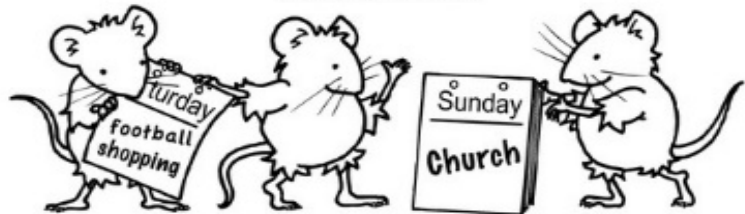
Jesus said:  
*"No one can have  
greater love than  
to give his life for  
his friends."*



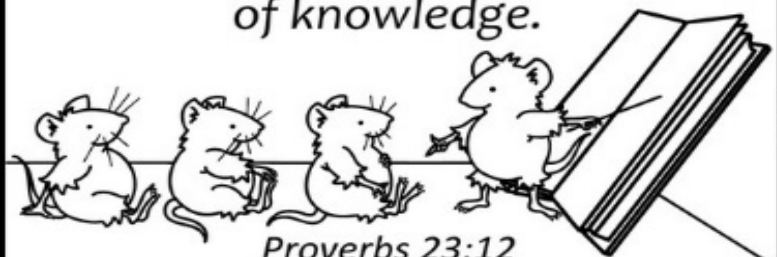
*John 15:13*

**Remember** to keep  
the Sabbath day Holy


*Exodus 20:8*



**Remember** what you are taught,  
and listen carefully to words  
of knowledge.



*Proverbs 23:12*

 Cut out, colour and keep  
these cards to help  
you to remember  
God's words to us.

**REMEMBER** what Jesus has done for us...-

Instructions: Cross out all words that may be considered a sin or something that would be wrong in God's eyes. (NOTE: Do not cross out the words "sins" and "unrighteous")



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FOR	ARGUING	SINS	SLANDER	COVETING	IDOLATRY	SLANDER
MURDER	ONCE	KILLING	BLASPHEMY	ADULTRY	FOR	SELFISHNESS
STEALING	SLANDER	RAGE	STINGY	ALL,	GREED	THE
RIGHTEOUS	ENVY	ARROGANCE	FOR	PRIDE	GLUTTONY	QUARRELSOME
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TO	GAMBLING	BRING	RACISM	WICKEDNESS	YOU	WORRY
UNKINDNESS	PRIDE	TO	IDOLATRY	GOD	ANGER	DISOBEDIENCE

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What do the remaining words say? Write them in order on the lines below.

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1 Peter 3:18a



**REMEMBER** that God loves us.....

Read the Bible verses to unscramble the words and learn more about God's love.

1. John 3 verse 16  
 For God so loved the \_\_\_\_\_ that he gave his one  
DOWLR  
 and only Son, that whoever \_\_\_\_\_ in him  
SEVBIELE  
 shall not \_\_\_\_\_ but have \_\_\_\_\_ life.  
SPREIH NLEATRE

2. Psalm 13 verse 5  
 But I trust in your \_\_\_\_\_ love; my heart  
NIAIFUGNL  
 \_\_\_\_\_ in your salvation.  
CJEOSRE

3. 2 Peter 3 verse 9b  
 [God] is \_\_\_\_\_ with you, not wanting  
EPITTAN  
 anyone to \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ to  
SPIREH NOERVEY  
 come to \_\_\_\_\_.  
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# MOTHERS' UNION



## Mothers' Union members from Diocese attend thanksgiving service in Dublin



The stained glass crafted tree on a stone plinth.

As a fitting conclusion to the celebration of 13 Decades of Love and Service for Mothers' Union in Ireland, a Service of Thanksgiving was held in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin on Saturday 6 October at 3 pm. Thanks are due to the Very Revd Dermot Dunne for the invitation to hold the service in the cathedral, to Archbishop Jackson for leading the service and Archbishop Clarke for the address.

Members of Mothers' Union from around Ireland formed the choir who led the uplifting and worshipful singing of, 'Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!' 'Let all the world in every corner sing'; 'O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder'; 'Great God, your love has called us here'; 'The Lord is here – he finds us as we seek'; 'Lord for the years your love has kept and guided' - ably accompanied by Jack Oades, Organ Scholar in Christ Church Cathedral.

The Most Revd Richard Clarke gave an encouraging yet challenging message to all gathered to continue the walk they had begun as followers of Christ and to look at Mary Sumner, founder of Mothers' Union, as the example of a life lived for her Saviour

Jesus Christ and follow in her footsteps. (The address is now available on the MU All Ireland website).

The Most Revd Michael Jackson dedicated a piece of stained glass which was placed in the Laurence O'Toole/Mothers' Union Chapel in the Cathedral. The stained glass crafted tree on a stone plinth, reminds everyone that Mothers' Union is rooted in faith and reaching out in service through its Branches and members.

There followed a celebration of Holy Communion led by the clergy and assisted by MU members.

Twenty - six members of MU travelled from the Clogher Diocese, accompanied by three from the Armagh Diocese, to attend the moving service and all enjoyed a tasty meal in Dooleys on the return journey.





## Mothers' Union members enjoy weekend away

Over 60 excited MU members converged on Cavan Crystal Hotel on Friday 12 October to check in for the overnight stay and conference 'Stepping Out In Faith.' Other members from the local area joined the gathering for a wonderful Gala Dinner – where many sparkling shoes were worn – and where Archdeacon Andrew Forster and his wife Heather introduced themselves. After a few lively games people relaxed and chatted. On Saturday, following a hearty breakfast, more members joined for the day's programme. Heather challenged and encouraged everyone as she brought us through the journey Hannah took in I Samuel chapter 1 and how her faith brought her closer to God in obedience and worship. Like many women today, Hannah faced jealousy and disappointment but her deep dependence and trust that God would answer her prayer led her to walk a path of faith, where she gave her son Samuel to God for Him to use as He desired and Hannah's life was much blessed as a result and she experienced peace and joy. Members were reminded that when difficulties arise, as they will,

our first call should be to prayer or as Joyce Meyer says – 'Do we go to the phone when we should go to the Throne!' Revd Andrew challenged each member to consider if the Lord Jesus was 'Lord of their Journey' with a study of the disciples on the walk to Emmaus in Luke 24. As they walked they poured out their hearts concerns to Jesus, He explained scripture to them and then they recognized Jesus. When MU members face the many challenges in their own lives and in the lives of hurting people around the world, the knowledge 'that Jesus is in our suffering, counts our tears and walks that journey of pain with us', is the sure hope and rock which can support the walk of faith – In Mary Sumner's Footsteps. Revd Andrew and Heather concluded the conference by congratulating MU members on the many projects and services which they are providing in their communities and to encourage the work to continue. This followed a short listening exercise which highlighted the need for each person to listen carefully to each other, observe the

need and then act to address the need – MULO – MU Listens, Observes and Acts. Members also enjoyed some line dancing – which certainly worked off the hearty breakfast and a talk on 'Feet Health' issues brought a fresh perspective on caring for our feet! All Ireland President Phyllis Grothier brought greetings and thanks to Barbara, Mary and Iris for organizing the event.

### Prayer Vigil

This takes place on Wednesday 28th November in Derryvullen North Parish Church, Irvinestown. 8pm and also on Monday 3rd December in St Patrick's Church, Monaghan at 8pm.





The World President Mrs Thembeke Pama visited Ireland at the beginning of the Summer and some of our leaders went to a meal in Cavan Crystal Hotel to meet Thembeke, she is a great ambassador for the Girls Friendly Society and very approachable and friendly.



Local leaders with World President, Mrs Thembeke Pama and All-Ireland President, Mrs Alison Jackson, following her Commissioning Service in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh.

## GFS leaders given ideas on Noah theme

We are back into the Autumn months and once again all our branches have re-opened. This year our theme is "Wherever you see a rainbow, remember God is love." Magheracross Branch kindly hosted our training evening for leaders on 18th September. This was a successful evening where the leaders discussed GDPR, new membership forms and attendance rolls and the incoming year's activities – Bible study, handcraft and cookery.

We were delighted to have Mrs Alison Jackson, All-Ireland President in attendance and she went through the story of Noah, which is the set Bible Syllabus for GFS throughout Ireland this year, giving us different ideas on crafts and songs.

### Dates for your GFS Diary:

- Central Council - 17th November, Wesley House, Dublin
- Council Meeting - 20th November, in the Hilliard Room, Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 8pm



The All-Ireland GFS President, Mrs Alison Jackson and leaders who attended the Diocesan Training Night in Magheracross Parish Hall, Ballinamallard on Tuesday, 18th September.



Fivemiletown Leaders acting out part of the story of Noah.



Fintona Branch Leaders discussing how we prepare for the rain and how Noah prepared for the rain.



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## Delivering the Promise

# DIOCESAN NEWS

## Christmas Tree Festival brings community together to celebrate gift of Jesus

This year, the spirit and goodwill of Christmas is coming early to Carrickmacross. It comes in the form of a Christmas Tree Festival to be held in St Finbarr's Church from 30th November to 2nd December.

This will be the first time such an ambitious event has been held in the area and it will involve the whole community. The Festival, which the organisers are comparing to a flower festival seeks to tell the story of Christmas and the story of the local community through the medium of Christmas trees, both real, artificial and completely handmade. Visitors can journey through the Christmas story as well as the story of the local community as told through the medium of Christmas trees.

Each tree will be uniquely made or decorated to tell its part in the Christmas story. One of the most exciting aspects is the way it involves the whole community in finding a new way to tell its story.

Not only will the three churches in the group of parishes provide trees, local schools, businesses and community organisations will also be taking part, to create something eye catching.

As one of the organisers said: "Imagine a bookshop that creates a tree made of books or a garage producing a tree made of tyres."

"The aim of the Christmas Tree Festival is to create a community celebration, at the



same time as raising funds for the Church. Santa's Grotto and a Nativity scene add to an air of celebration," a spokesperson said.

The Festival launches on Friday 30th November alongside the switch-on of the Carrickmacross lights. Following the official switch-on of the town lights, Santa will make his way to the church as the Festival is opened. Santa will then go to

his specially made Grotto to greet all the boys and girls.

On Saturday the Festival opens from 10am – 6pm and throughout the day there will be refreshments, a cake stall, raffle and the chance to buy a copy of the parish cookery book. Santa will also be in his Grotto throughout the day.

On Sunday the Festival opens from 1pm with all the activities continuing right through the day until the closing 'Carol's of Praise' Service at 7pm to which everyone from the community is warmly invited.

Revd Colin McConaghie says the Festival is already creating a real buzz in the town. "We are delighted to be working with the Chamber of Commerce to deliver a truly community-based Festival. The response from local schools, organisations and businesses has been very positive and we are looking forward to what the trees they will create. We at St Finbarr's have a mission of being community focused and this Christmas Tree Festival will bring church and community together as well as bringing to life the wonderful gift of Jesus to our world."

"There is no admission charge but visitors are invited to give a donation. This promises to be a truly unique event in the life of Carrickmacross. Please plan to come along and support this community celebration and experience something special," he added.

## Big Sing to feature choirs, musical groups and soloists



The Diocesan Big Sing which takes place on Sunday evening, 18th November at 7pm in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen, will bring together a number of choirs, music groups and soloists from parishes across the diocese. The event will feature a number of popular hymns chosen by readers of the Clogher Diocesan Magazine who responded to the appeal for requests.

Well known hymns such as "Be Thou My Vision," "Blessed Assurance," "And Can it Be," "Great is Thy Faithfulness," "How Great Thou Art," "Stand up Stand up for Jesus" and "In Christ Alone."

Soloists taking part will include Linda Lyndsay, Roy Crowe, Michelle Elliott as well as

instrumentalists, Warren Kerr and Gavin Rogers.

A number of clergy and parishioners from parishes across the Diocese will also be taking part. Among the well-known faces from parishes introducing their favourite hymn will include Bishop John McDowell, Elizabeth Armstrong, Dean Kenny Hall, Irene Boyd, Arlene Foster, Stuart Brooker, Revd Neal Phair, Rosemary Barton, Walter Pringle and others.

Some parishes have already booked a coach to bring parishioners along to the occasion. Keep the evening free for what is expected to be an uplifting evening of music and praise.



# Galloon Parish wins Archdeacon Ruddell prize

The winners of the Archdeacon Ruddell prize announced at this year's Clogher Diocesan Synod was Class 2 from Galloon Parish Church, Newtownbutler. The theme of this year's competition was The Apostle's Creed. Representatives from the Parish (pictured right) received their prize from the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd John McDowell during the Synod in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen. In second place was a group entry from Colaghty Parish Church and in third was St. Salvator's Parish, Donagh, Glaslough. The Bishop's Medal was won by Lucie Darling, from Galloon Parish Sunday School.



## *Busy year of activities for Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education*

Mr. John Irvine presented the report of the Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education which has just finished its fifth year of producing monthly resources for the children's section of the diocesan magazine.

CDBRE partnered with the Diocesan Board of Mission in bringing the Bible Comes to Life Exhibition to the diocese in March 2018. CDBRE planned a "Moving On" event – a morning of 'Celebration and Encouragement' for children in their final year of Primary School but had to be cancelled because of poor response.

The BCP Kids' Guide has proved to be a popular resource over the years and the number sold means that all costs have been met (and surpassed). There are some books still available at the reduced cost of £1 per copy from Val Irvine's Oasis Bookshop in Lisnaskea, the Real Life Bookshop in Enniskillen or directly from CDBRE.

Training Events for Sunday School Teachers/Children's Ministry Leaders saw Julie Currie, Children's Ministry Development Officer in Down and Dromore Diocese, present training in both Enniskillen and Monaghan on two consecutive evenings attended by almost 60 leaders.

Bishop's Medal and Archdeacon Ruddell Prize competitions - Fifty-six children and young people aged 4-13 years, from six parishes, took part in the Bishop's Medal and Archdeacon Ruddell Prize competitions 2016-'17.

The Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education recorded their gratitude to the Venerable Cecil Pringle, who retired during the year. The Archdeacon has had a very long association with CDBRE. In fact, his name appeared in the Junior Medal Examination Results of 1953 when, as a pupil of Killeevan National School, he was awarded excellent marks for Old Testament, New Testament and for church history! The Minute Book shows that by 1980 the Revd Pringle had joined CDBRE and that by 1995 was its Chairman.

"His contribution over some 38 years has been enormous and hugely appreciated," said Mr. Irvine.

Miss Frances Boyd is the CMN Clogher representative. 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.

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# Report of the Clogher Diocesan Council to the Synod

The Report of the Clogher Diocesan Council to Synod was proposed by Mr. Walter Pringle, who explained how the Diocesan Council deals with a wide range of Diocesan affairs and correspondence in addition to receiving, regular reports from each of the Diocesan committees. As a result a number of themes emerge that require detailed attention.

He referred to the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) which became enforceable in May of this year. There was a good attendance of 127 parish representatives at a seminar in the Cathedral Hall delivered by the Representative Church Body. Parishes have also faced up to charity regulation and over 85 parishes' representatives attended a charities information evening last October when the head of finance with the RCB outlined the requirements for accounts and annual reporting for charities in Northern Ireland.

In Northern Ireland, all parishes registered with the Charity commission in 2016 and had to have their relevant documentation to the commission by the deadline of 31st October 2018.

In the Republic of Ireland, the only parishes registered with charities regulatory Authority at present are those with Charity numbers. All parishes will be registered in a process managed by the Diocese when requested to do so by "The Regulators". The Diocesan Registration with CCNI is anticipated and in the republic the Diocese has already registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority with Diocesan Council as trustees.

On finance, Mr. Pringle reported a positive year for the Diocese. Referring to the Music Bursary Scheme, he said since 2012 the



scheme has awarded 191 bursaries across the Diocese which enhances worship in our parishes. In relation to this, last autumn a meeting was held in Aghavea on the subject of copyright for parishes, when using hymns or songs and music.

He reported that the conduit between what happens throughout the parishes of our Diocese and Diocesan buildings is the Diocesan magazine which is circulated around the Diocese and farther afield. He praised all those involved in its production.

Mr. Pringle also reported that a substantial collection of magazines dating back to 1935 have been given to the Diocese by Mr David Robinson of Derryvullen North parish. These magazines, he said, will be beneficial in putting together a collection of historic magazines.

"There is being launched a new online version of the magazine which will hopefully complement the existing Diocesan website which during the past year received over 6,000 visits," he remarked

**A Foretaste of Christmas**

**A musical evening with Dean Raymond Ferguson and his family in St. James Parish Church, Aghnacloy**

**on Saturday 1st December 2018 at 7.30pm**

**Tickets cost £10 each which includes a festive supper**

**Prebooking and tickets available from:**  
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**Thelma: 028 8555 7342 or Harry: 07843688386**

**All proceeds going to church repair fund**

## Healing Services continue

The Diocesan Ministry of Healing Services have taken place over the past year with a further service taking place on Sunday 4th November in Castle Archdale Parish Church, reported Miss Helen Humphries, Treasurer of the Diocesan Ministry of Healing. The monthly healing services have now moved from the Cathedral to the Iona Room in the Cathedral Hall. It has been encouraging to find an increase in the numbers attending. We would again thank those Parishes who support the work of the Churches Ministry of Healing at central level by their Annual contributions. We would appeal to other Parishes in the diocese please to support this important ministry by your contribution however small.

# Report of Clogher Diocesan Youth Council

The Chairman of Clogher Diocesan Youth Council, Revd Philip Bryson, presented their report to the Synod noting the air of expectation to the growth and developments as a result of the new "Do Something" diocesan parish initiative which is continuing.

The council again offered grant aid to young people on mission or planning to attend a summer youth ministry camp with their leaders over the summer months. A number of young people attended summer camps in Sligo, Castlewellan as well as Uganda, Kenya and Hungary.

Following on from the recent Practical Youth Ministry Skills OCN course in the Magheracross and Lisnaskea parishes a further course was completed in July in Dromore parish.

In light of the new Vision and Mission Statement the first steps on this journey began in partnership with the Love For Life organisation. This initiative brought the "Open Up" authentic relationships training to Clergy, Parents, Youth Leaders and our young people throughout the autumn season. This event was specifically intended for clergy and youth leaders and



was hosted by Bishop John McDowell with Judith Cairns from Love For Life speaking.

## YOUTH FORUM

Two diocesan young people attended the first CIYD Youth Forum: Harry Dane from Garvary and Emma Elliott from Magheraveely.

## THE BIBLE COMES TO LIFE

From the 8th - 11th March 2018 the council partnered with the CDBRE, CDBM and the Church's Ministry Among Jewish People to hold an exhibition in the Cathedral Halls Enniskillen. It was very encouraging to see

so many young people taking the opportunity to attend the exhibition during the day with their schools and some still came along to attend the Friday evening youth night and the Sunday afternoon.

## "DO SOMETHING!"

As a result of the Bishop of Clogher's presidential address during the Diocesan Synod, in which he called for every parish to engage with their young people, the Youth Council, DYO and Rural Deanery Representatives have been seeking to engage with parishes in the new "Do Something" initiative as a means of assisting clergy to responding to his call. The final application deadline for funding is 1st February 2019 although the Council is also happy to consider applications on an interim basis.

## WELLS GROUPS

Former Wells initiative groups have seen many changes since their founding some seven years ago. "We look forward to seeing the coming year reveal many more new parish youth ministry developments and programmes which we can help fund, enable and support.

## Dungannon Presbyterian Church

### Christmas Tree Festival "The Promise"

God's promises in the life of Christ  
told through Christmas trees

Friday 30th November 10am-9pm

Saturday 1st December 10am-9pm

Sunday 2nd December 2pm-5pm

Closing Praise Service Sunday - 5pm

Refreshments in adjoining hall  
throughout the weekend

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*For no matter how many promises God has made  
they are "Yes" in Christ - 2 Corinthians 1v20*



December, 1918.

MY DEAR PARISHIONERS:

The message of this season "Peace on Earth" comes to us with a new force this year, and perhaps never in the life of anyone of us has its blessedness been so realised. After more than four years of the greatest war in human history, God has given us a complete and wonderful victory and the establishment of a lasting peace is in sight. During that period many a heartfelt prayer ascended to Almighty God. Let us not now forget to thank Him for the miracle of His mercy and His love. The world has experienced an immense relief, a joy too solemn and too deep for words. Thankfulness should be in every heart. And there is no selfishness in our thankfulness. God's gift of peace is not to one nation only, but to all the world.

But this victory has only come to us out of much tribulation and sorrow and suffering, and in many a heart there will be a long void. May the memory of all the sacrifices made in this war deepen in us our faith in the unseen, and our loving trust in God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have learnt that God asserts Himself and vindicates the cause of justice and truth. "Doubtless, there is a God that judgeth the earth." "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give the praise."

But we must remember in acknowledging that our deliverance is due to God, that God's instruments were our soldiers and sailors, the men and women of our Empire, many of whom laid down their lives with absolute self-devotion for the just defence of their country and for a righteous cause. May we, too, prove worthy of our calling and resolve very solemnly to fight against all wickedness and evil in the spirit of their example, and as far as in us lies, to make the blessed peace the beginning of a new life in ourselves and in all over whom our influence extends, looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith.

Your very sincere friend,

CHARLES A. ROBINSON.

## Poignant anthem to be sung for first time on Remembrance Sunday

The choir anthem for the Service of Remembrance in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen this year will be based on a text with both local and poignant origins.

As we observe the 100th anniversary of the armistice - the end of the First World War - on 11th November, the Cathedral Choir will sing a setting of words penned almost 100 years ago by the Revd Canon Charles Albert Robinson, then Rector of Magheraculmonee and Canon serving in the Diocese of Clogher. He wrote to his parishioners in December 1918 expressing his steadfast faith and the sentiments of one who lived through the horror and destruction of war and experienced first hand the pain of enduring personal loss.

Canon Robinson's beloved only son, Lieutenant Charles Arthur Robinson, served in the 4th Battalion of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and Machine Gun Corps, and having nobly done his duty, fell in action in the Great War at the close of a well fought day on Easter Monday, 9th April 1917, aged 20. The memorial to his memory in Ardess Parish Church reminds us of the words of St John chapter 15 verse 13; "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

The text of the anthem, "Thankfulness should be in every heart" has been versified by John Owens, a longstanding member of the Cathedral Choir, and set to Music by Glenn Moore, Cathedral Organist, and will be sung by the Cathedral Choir at the Service of Remembrance which will be broadcast live on television by RTE 1 at 11.30am on Sunday 11th November 2018.

## Ethne started off on the right note to give 50 years of musical service

One of the longest serving musicians in Clogher Diocese has been recognised by her parish. Ethne McCord received a presentation from the Churchwardens at Errigal Truagh Church, Robert and William Singleton, to mark 50 years of service to music. In fact Ethne began playing the organ at Errigal Truagh, now part of the Donagh Group, in 1966 following on from her brother, Gordon and her sister, Hilda.

She took organ lessons with Miss Mabel Givans who was then organist in Aughnacloy Presbyterian Church. She also took piano lessons with Miss Betty Montgomery, an organist and music teacher in Monaghan Collegiate School.

Ethne left home to live in Belfast but continued to return to Co Monaghan most weekends to play the organ in Errigal Truagh. But she explained: "I had a gap year in 1983-1984 when my husband David worked in both Canada and Australia. It was during that year, whether playing the piano or singing in an Eastern European settlement in Canada on Remembrance Day or on a Pacific island that I realised that music is a common language throughout the world and can bring joy to so many people. On our return we settled in Aughnacloy and I returned to playing the organ on a regular basis."

In 2010 Revd. Margaret Pringle asked Ethne to start a choir in Glaslough.

"I remember at our first practice saying something like 'I don't know where this will go, it may last a month, a year perhaps but we'll just see where we are led.' It is testament to the power of the Holy Spirit that the choir is still going strong and able to contribute to the worship within our group of churches and wider community. We have several members who are either presently battling or have been through serious illness and they find singing



Mrs Ethne McCord receiving a presentation for over 50 years service to music from churchwardens, Messrs Robert & William Singleton.

benefits both their physical and mental wellbeing. We are a family and we care about each other and isn't that all part of God's work?" she said.

She said she has been fortunate to have had clergy who have given her great encouragement and support over the years.

"I believe that when the music and liturgy fits together worship can become more meaningful for a lot of people," she said.

Ethne is a keen supporter of Bishop McDowell's Music Bursary Initiative. Ethne is a founder member of P.S.A.L.M which aims to encourage music in Co Monaghan schools and young people to bring their music into church.

"I particularly enjoy the Winter's Tale which not only reminds people of the real meaning of Christmas and raises much needed funds but brings our whole community together in the spirit of peace and goodwill."

## Hospice provides care in the community in addition to specialist centres

An appeal for parishes in Clogher Diocese to hold a "Hospice Sunday" was made at the Diocesan Synod by Revd Matthew Hagan, from Armagh Diocese.

However in addition to a number of Hospice facilities in Newry, Belfast and the Londonderry area referred to by Revd Hagan as places where funds can be directed, the Hospice charity's Local Community Services is an alternative outlet for funds.

The Hospice's Local Community Services cares for people with life-limiting illnesses in communities across Northern Ireland by providing advice about symptoms, as well as supporting patients and families during what can be an emotional and stressful time.

The services and programmes of care enables 90% of Hospice care to be provided in the community to patients in the comfort of their own home surrounded by those closest to them.



Revd Matthew Hagan, who made an appeal for parishes to organise a "Hospice Sunday."

A spokesperson stated: "Working in the local community, Hospice nurses care for people with serious illnesses in their own homes. They work closely with all health-care professionals to ensure that every patient receives the highest standard of care in the comfort of their own home. In addition, they are also there to support carers and families at what can be an emotional and stressful time.

"Although our services are all free to the patient they are not free to provide and we

rely very heavily on your support to run our services in the community."

For example a day of specialist community services costs £260, a morning or afternoon costs £130 or an hour costs £35.

A specialist nurse team covers the Fermanagh and Tyrone area.

Northern Ireland Hospice offers specialist respite, symptom management and end of life palliative care to over 3,500 infants, children and adults each year across Northern Ireland.

The hospice care services both in the community and in their buildings provide high quality, person-centred, holistic palliative care.

Their team of specially trained healthcare professionals are made up of nurses, doctors, social workers, chaplains, occupational therapists, creative therapists and physiotherapists, all of whom, work together to support our patients' physical, mental and spiritual well-being

## 2019 calendar highlights work of Bishops' Appeal

Bishops' Appeal has produced a 2019 Calendar that commemorates disestablishment and has a reflection each month from the House of Bishops. These are limited edition and would be useful resources for:

1. Parishes who raise funds for Bishops' Appeal during Harvest and Advent.
2. Cathedrals and churches that will be holding a service or an event to commemorate disestablishment.
3. Christmas gifts. When you purchase a calendar the funds go to support similar projects around the world. Small postcards stating 'A donation has been made on your behalf' will be made available to those who are gifting their calendar.

A Calendar costs €10/£10 and can be purchased at the Diocesan Office and at Diocesan Synod. Similarly, you can purchase the calendar online: <https://store.ireland.anglican.org/donations/the-bishops-appeal> and collect it from the Diocesan Office.

At the June meeting the allocations were as follows:

- €6,000 to a literacy project in Bangladesh through Feed the Minds
- £10,555 to a safe schools/violence against children educational programme in Uganda through Fields of Life
- £12,000 to a coffee farmers co-op project in Kenya through Christian Aid.
- €15,000 to refugee learning centres in Lebanon through Tearfund Ireland
- €10,000 to provide seeds for landless tribes in Uganda through Self Help Africa and
- £14,000 to emergency response to displaced people in South Sudan through CMS Ireland.

Other funds were also allocated to support those in the grips of continuing famine in Ethiopia and to the crisis in Yemen, as well as to self-help groups in Malawi.

# NEWS FOR VESTRIES

## Work of Glebes Committee presented to Synod

The considerable amount of work carried out by the Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee was referred to at the Diocesan Synod.

Revd Alan Irwin, proposing the report of the Clogher Diocesan Glebes Committee, outlined that the annual inspections of churches and glebes led by the Rural Deans continue with full inspection by the Diocesan Architect of two rural deaneries per year in addition to Vacancy Inspections of Glebes. The detailed inspections by the Diocesan Architect allows defects to be identified and classified as Urgent/Immediate Attention Necessary; Improvement/Maintenance Work to be carried out in one to two years and matters which need to be planned for and carried out within five years. Rural Deans can check for compliance with recommendations and also note other routine matters causing or likely to cause problems.

The adoption of the online recording system ensures better reporting back to Select

Vestries of defects found and exactly what remedial action is necessary.

The Committee continues to monitor insurance data for Churches and Glebes and collect details of sub-lettings of Glebe lands for the Representative Church Body (RCB). Failure to complete details of sub-lettings, which must be reported to RCB, could result in non-payment of EU Basic Payment Scheme to tenant farmers.

During the past year a number of rectories have had major improvement works carried out following vacancy inspections and plans for improvements to others are pending.

Work is on-going to a number of churches and others are presently planning to carry out major works. The Glebes Committee would commend Select Vestries to the RCB website where valuable information on the procedure and possible grant aid funding sources are given.

Other matters, which routinely come before the Glebes Committee, include amended Graveyard Rules/Fees; applications by

parishes to cut trees; the re-letting of former rectories, which require legal leases to be drawn up and sale of property vested in RCB, etc.

During the past year, the Committee considered the specification that rectories should comply with before a new incumbent is appointed.

### PROPERTY ASSETS PROJECT

Work is on-going with visits to parishes in the diocese by Mr Henry Robinson to establish the extent of church owned property. All the parishes in the diocese located in Northern Ireland have been completed. Overall 56 parishes in the Diocese have been visited to date.

Parishes in NI were reminded of the need to have their Annual Charity Monitoring Return submitted by 31st October. The value of Fixed Assets should include property (excluding churches and graveyards) equipment and vehicles. If parishes need assistance with this aspect of the report Mr Robinson is available to assist.



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## Coffee Morning

Craft Fair & Coffee morning/Afternoon Tea  
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## Funding for places of worship

At a recent seminar by the National Churches Trust and the All Churches Trust which took place in Gracehill, Co Antrim, they stressed the importance of proper and timely maintenance for the upkeep of church buildings. They emphasised that in most communities the church is the oldest and most iconic structure in the area and it is our duty to preserve it for future generations. Where the building is too high to get a proper inspection of hidden valleys and other areas they recommended the use of drone surveys which are now more readily available.

They appreciated the increasing burden that church repairs were placing on decreasing congregations but advised that some funding was available from their Trust Funds.

It was surprising to learn that that they received few applications for funding from NI/Rol.

(a) THE NATIONAL CHURCHES TRUST (UK only)

The Community Grants Programme offers grants between £5,000 and £25,000 towards the cost of projects introducing facilities (kitchens and accessible toilets) to enable increased community use of places of worship. [www.nationalchurchestrust.org](http://www.nationalchurchestrust.org)

They also have a Partnership Grants Programme for Northern Ireland offering grants of between £2,500 and £10,000 towards the cost of urgent and essential repair projects costing between £10,000 and £100,000 (inc VAT and Fees)

### Are you eligible?

- Is yours a Christian place of worship in Northern Ireland, and open for regular public worship?
- Was your place of worship built as a place of worship originally, and are the works proposed due to take place within or attached to the place of worship?
- Is the project in the planning stage, i.e. not yet started, but

# Church leaders support Scamwise campaign



Church leaders attending the launch of the Scamwise campaign

Having met with the PSNI earlier this year to hear about the impact of scams on people across the whole community, the leaders of the main Churches here have endorsed the ScamwiseNI Partnership's campaign and key message: 'If you can spot a scam, you can stop a scam'. Scams target people of all ages, backgrounds and income levels and the PSNI's Economic Crime Unit (ECU) has seen the devastating effects that this type of crime can have on people and their families. The Scamwise Partnership advises that one of the best ways to fight scammers is to take steps to prevent being caught out in the first place using a simple four-step scam

test: you're being scammed if something Seems too good to be true; you're Contacted out of the blue; you're Asked for personal details and Money is requested. On behalf of the Church leaders, the Revd Brian Anderson, President of the Irish Council of Churches, said: 'We are encouraging clergy and church members alike to be alert to the problem of scamming and to spread the Scamwise message to friends and family members, especially those who might seem most vulnerable in society. Scamwise leaflets and helpful information will be made available across church networks during the coming weeks.'

Temporary Chief Superintendent Walls said: 'The ScamwiseNI Partnership exists to raise the awareness of members of our community to the very real risk of scams but also to educate them to some very simple steps they can take to become scam-wise. I am delighted and encouraged that the Partnership has the endorsement and support of the leaders of the main Churches who have undertaken to share the Scamwise message across their many congregations. I look forward to the development of this collaboration over the coming years and the active participation by the Churches in keeping people safe.'

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# *The Church and Society Commission of the Church of Ireland made the following statement on the Blasphemy Referendum*

The following statement from the Church and Society Commission of the Church of Ireland, on the Referendum to remove the reference to blasphemy in the Irish Constitution, was issued by the Chair of the Commission, the Rt Revd Kenneth Kearon, Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe.

“We acknowledge that the current reference to blasphemy in the Constitution of Ireland is largely obsolete.

We recognise that there is grave concern at the way blasphemy laws have been used to justify violence and oppression against minorities in other parts of the world.

There is a fundamental human right to freedom of religion, but also the freedom of expression (within limits). However, the human right of Faith Communities

to contribute to public life, including public debate on issues that are of importance to everyone, without being subjected to attack or ridicule, must be acknowledged and respected. Religious and other minorities, in particular, have a right to expect that they will not be gratuitously offended or humiliated. We remind citizens that some religions and cultures may have different sensitivities for what they find offensive, and this should be, as far as possible, respected.

The psychological impact of hate speech on isolated communities, particularly online abuse, should not be underestimated.

We cannot reflect on these questions without expressing our solidarity with all those, throughout the world, who are experiencing persecution, and human rights abuses, because of their faith or beliefs. We urge the Government of Ireland to make our country

a leading example of protection for freedom of religion, freedom of conscience and the human rights of minorities.

While we recognise that this is not an option in the upcoming Referendum, we would have preferred to have seen a proposal to replace Article 40.6.1.i. with an Article protecting freedom of religion and freedom of speech in accordance with the European Convention on Human Rights Articles 9 and 10.

Further, we would urge the Oireachtas to enact the Criminal Law (Hate Crime) Bill which was proposed in 2015, but has yet to be brought forward to be debated.

The Church of Ireland, as always, continues to pray for the members of the Oireachtas, in private prayer and public worship.

## *Resources for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019*

The Right Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher and Chair of the Church of Ireland Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue, has highlighted the resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU), which are now available to order for use in parishes.

The theme for this year is Only Justice.

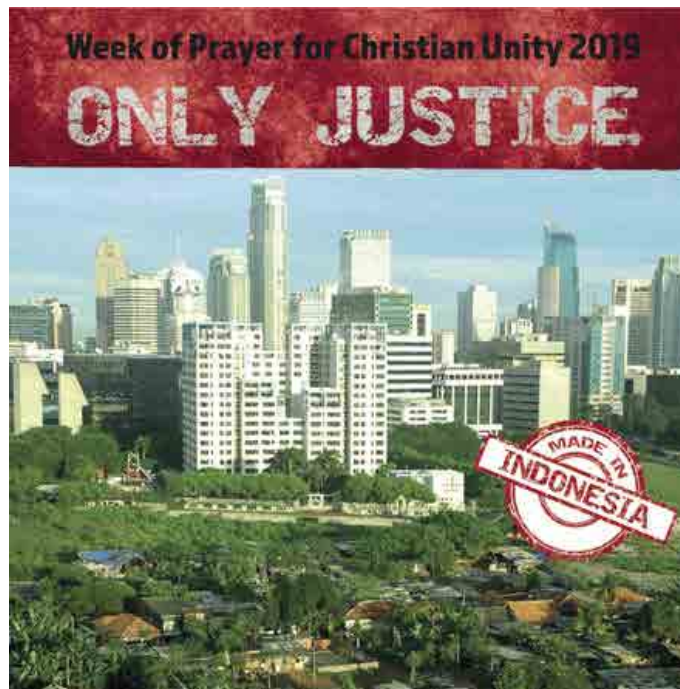
Bishop McDowell said: ‘I hope that this annual commendation of the order of service and other materials relating to the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, provided by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, is not received simply as a formality. Although it has both its critics and its weaknesses, the WPCU provides all of us with a fixed point in the year to celebrate, initiate, or perhaps revive the emphasis on solidarity in faith between believers in service of the Gospel and the World that is very opportune.

‘This year the material is inspired and derived from the Christian community in Indonesia, the world’s most populous Muslim-majority country, and is drawn from the great imperative of the Deuteronomist – “Justice and only justice you shall pursue...” (Deut. 16:20) – focusing on the depth of the biblical understanding of a word associated too easily with the iron certainty of the law but intended as a means of restoring right relationships. In an increasingly atomised world and an “individualised” Ireland, there is a great yearning for this call to restored relationships and the reality of mutual dependence.’

Resources are now available to order from Norwich Books and Music (tel. 01603 785925) or to download from [www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer)

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from 18th-25th January – the octave of St Peter and St Paul.

Christian Aid provides Go and Do action points for each day of the week, linking into its work in the relief of poverty and advoca-



cy of justice: [www.ctbi.org.uk/goanddo](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/goanddo)

Christian unity messages and details of events can be posted on the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Twitter wall – by adding #wpcuwall to Twitter posts. Updates about the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity can also be found on Twitter by following the #wpcu2019 hashtag.



## WELCOME TO CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES AT SYNOD



Canon Desmond Kingston, Revd Chris MacBruithin, Dean Kenneth Hall, St. Macartin's Cathedral; Revd Lorna Dreading, representing the Methodist Church; Monsignor Peter O'Reilly, representing the Roman Catholic Church and Mrs Hope Kerr, St. Macartin's Cathedral

## Service of Choral Evensong to mark 400 years of education

A special service taking place in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen in early November will mark an important anniversary of education in Fermanagh. The Service of Choral Evensong on Sunday 4th November at 3pm in the St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen will mark the 400th anniversary of the opening of the Free School of Fermanagh at Castle Balfour, Lisnaskea.

The school moved 30 years later to a site near the Cathedral and became Enniskillen Royal School and, after another 100 years, moved to Portora Hill. The Portora Board helped found Enniskillen Royal School for Girls which later became the Collegiate Grammar School.

The Service will celebrate the Royal tradition of education in Fermanagh and the potential for Enniskillen Royal Grammar School to carry forward this Royal strand, enriched by the traditions of both Portora and the Collegiate.

The Right Revd David Chillingworth, former Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church and a former pupil of Portora Royal School will be the preacher.

## Palliative Transport Service invites public to annual meeting

Everyone in the community is invited to the Annual General Meeting of Palliative Transport Service for Fermanagh, a volunteer driving service which provides transport for patients requiring cancer treatments at cancer centres in Belfast and Londonderry. The meeting takes place on Thursday, 6th December 2018 at 7.30pm in Fermanagh House, Broadmeadow, Enniskillen.

In the previous year, the charity reported more than 300 patients being accommodated in transport journeys to cancer centres and it now costs almost £20,000 each year to run the service.

There has been an increase in treatments in recent times with the opening of the Sperrin Suite at Altnagelvin Hospital.

Ann McMenamín, the co-ordinator for the charity, thanked all their volunteer drivers for their co-operation, promptness and willingness to accommodate patients in all types of situations including inclement weather, congested traffic and long waiting times at the centres. She particularly praised those who had long waiting times and commended them on their patience shown.

Patients are normally referred to the service by health professionals such as District Nurses or GPs.

The co-ordinator contacts the patient to establish their needs and appoints a volunteer driver who collects the patient from their home for the appointment and returned again.

Volunteer drivers are reimbursed with a standard fuel and meal allowance but are not paid for their time.

The service relies on donations/fundraising and without the generous support of service users, the public, groups, clubs and individuals, the charity would not be able to sustain the service. Service users are asked to make a donation according to their means and the number of drives provided.

The current office-bearers are; President – Lady Katie Hamilton; Chairperson and Secretary – Ita Vesey; Vice-Chairperson – Lenore Sammon; Co-ordinator – Ann McMenamín; Treasurer – Mary Quinn; Assistant Treasurer – Kathleen Young; PRO – Colin Greaves.



### Palliative Transport Service (Fermanagh)

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### Annual General Meeting

**Thursday 6th December  
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# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## November 2018

• Sunday 4th November – **Service of Choral Evensong** in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 3pm to mark the 400th Anniversary of the opening of the Free School of Fermanagh in Castle Balfour, Lisnaskea. Preacher: The Right Revd David Chillingworth, Former Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church and former pupil of Portora Royal School. The school moved 30 years later to a site near the Cathedral and became Enniskillen Royal School and, after another 100 years, moved to Portora Hill. The Portora Board helped found Enniskillen Royal School for Girls which later became the Collegiate. The Service will celebrate the Royal tradition of education in Fermanagh and the potential for Enniskillen Royal Grammar School to carry forward this Royal strand, enriched by the traditions of both Portora and the Collegiate.

• Sunday 4th November – **Celebration and Praise Service** in Drum Parish Church at 3.30 pm to mark the 190th anniversary of the church. Special preacher will be Archdeacon Brian Harper with the guest choir, Kilmore Cathedral Choir. All are welcome.

• Sunday 4th November – **Diocesan Ministry of Healing Service** in St. Patrick's Parish Church, Castle Archdale at 7.30pm

• Tuesday 6th November – **Glebes Committee Meeting** in the Hilliard Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 11am (Clones RD Annual and Kilskeery RD Annual).

• Tuesday 6th November – **Board of Education Committee Meeting** in the Board Room, Clogher Diocesan Office, Enniskillen at 10am.

• Tuesday 6th November – **Glebes Committee Meeting** in the Hilliard Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 11am.

• Tuesday 6th November – **Diocesan Council Meeting** in the Hilliard Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 2pm.

• Thursday 8th November – **The 34th Annual Variety Concert** will be held in the Youth Hall, Tullyhommon (kindly granted) at 8pm. Comper for the evening will be Ian Coalter and the guest artist will be Curtis Magee with various other artists performing.

• Thursday 8th November – **Service of Prayer for Healing and Remembrance** in St. Finbarr's Church, Carrickmacross at 8pm.

• Friday 9th - Sunday 11th November 2018 – **WW1 Remembrance Weekend North Fermanagh Remembers** will hold a weekend of events to remember the end of the Great War (1914 - 1918) in Ardess Parish Church and Parish Centre. Friday 10.00am - 2.30pm exhibition open to schools; Friday 7.00pm - Official opening address by LT. Commander Peter Archdale, Royal Navy (Retired); Friday 7.30pm talk by well-known journalist Maurice Neill on WW1 soldier Willie McBride; Ardess Accordion Band will be in attendance Saturday Exhibition opens at 10.00am, Saturday 3.00pm keynote speaker Major Alan McFarland, Royal Tank Regiment (Retired) president of the Somme heritage centre on the Irish Divisions; Sunday Exhibition opens 3.00pm; Sunday 7.00pm Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving to include Ballinamallard Silver Band and the Silver Tones.

• Friday 9th November – **Harvest Gala Ball** organised by Holy Trinity Church, Dromore in the Valley Hotel, Fivemiletown, on Friday 9th November 2018 at 7.30pm in aid of Fields of Life. A Charity Auction of donated items will be held during the event. Music by 'ATMOSPHERE'. Dress Code: Smart Dress. Admission (by ticket only) £37.50. For more information or to purchase a ticket, please contact Gordon Deazley (Team Leader) on 028 8289 8005 or email [gdeazley@btinternet.com](mailto:gdeazley@btinternet.com).

• Friday 9th November – **Sallagh Parish Dance** in the parish hall from 10pm - 1am with music by The Cascades. Cost £5 for church funds.

• Saturday 10th November – **Derryvullen South Parish Auction** at 12 noon at the Church Hall, Tamlaght.

• Saturday 10th November – **Devenish Parish Sale and Auction** at 2.00pm in the Reade Hall, Monea.

• Sunday 11th November – **Commemoration event to mark 100th anniversary of the ending of First World War** at Enniskillen Castle from 5:45am-7:30am including Prayers of Reflection and a Service conducted by the Very Revd Kenneth Hall, Dean of Clogher and the Right Revd Monsignor Peter O'Reilly, Parish Priest of St Michael's Church Enniskillen. 11:30am at St. Macartin's Cathedral, Remembrance Day Service with representatives from the British, Irish, American, Polish Governments and the former Northern Ireland Assembly to be broadcast live on RTE One TV. 5:30pm, Regimental Standards positioned in Cathedral; There but not There' (10 perspex figures) installation in place; 6:00pm, Service in St Michael's Roman Catholic Church. As the congregation leave St. Michael's, 100 musicians from

the County Fermanagh Massed Pipes and Drums will play a selection of hymns and then join Viscount Bro

• Thursday 15th November – **Clogher Clerical Association** in St. Patrick's Parish Church, Monaghan, commencing with a Service of Holy Communion at 11.30am followed by tea/coffee. Speaker: The Bishop.

• Thursday 15th November – **Flower Demonstration** by JP Flowers (Wilma Simpson) organised by Drumsnatt Parish in Clogh Memorial Hall. Admission £10/10 Euros. Raffle and supper on the night.

• Friday 16th November – **Gospel Concert** in Derryvullen North Parish Church, Irvinestown, with music by Strule River String Band. Under 18s free and admission for adults at £10.

• Saturday 17th November – **Christmas Craft Fair** organised by the Galloon Group of Parishes in the Church Hall, Newtownbutler from 11am - 4.30pm. Tea/coffee, sandwiches and traybakes.

• Sunday 18th November – **Clogher Diocesan BIG SING** in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7pm. Email your favourite hymn to [bigsing@clogher.anglican.org](mailto:bigsing@clogher.anglican.org) or submit it in writing to the Diocesan Office. A selection of favourite hymns from people across the diocese will be included in the selection of hymns at the event.

• Thursday 22nd November – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen from 1pm - 1.35pm led by Canon Henry Blair.

• Friday 23rd November – **Garvary Parish Concert** in Garvary Parish Church at 7.30pm featuring Ballyclare Male Choir. Tickets priced £10 available from Parish Secretary or members of the Select Vestry.

• Friday 23rd November – **Kilskeery parish concert** in Kilskeery Hall at 8pm. Concert featuring the Silver Tones, Kilskeery Silver Band, Queen Elizabeth II Primary School. Tickets £7.50 and free admission to primary school children.

• Saturday 24th November – **Donacavey Craft Fair** in Donacavey Hall.

• Sunday 25th November – **Gospel Concert** in Christ Church, Aughnamullen at 8pm. More details later.

• Sunday 25th November – **Service of Re-Dedication** in the Priory Church, Killadeas at 3pm by the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd John McDowell.

• Sunday 25th November – **A Commemoration of the End of the First World War Service** in Lisbellaw Parish Church at 7pm. Speaker: The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd John McDowell.

• Tuesday 27th November - Sunday 2nd December 2018 – **Ardess Parish Mission** with speaker, Archbishop Ben Kwashi of Jos, Northern Nigeria.

• Wednesday 28th November – **Christmas Fair** in Aghavea Church Hall.

Friday 30th November - Sunday 2nd December 2018 – **Christmas Tree Festival** hosted by St.Finbarr's Church, Carrickmacross, working alongside Carrickmacross Chamber of Commerce to involve schools, businesses and organisations. Launch night on Friday night, open Saturday from 10am to 6pm and through the day there will be refreshments, cake stall, raffle, Santa's Grotto and parish cookery book for sale. Open Sunday from 1pm to 7pm ending with Carol's or Praise Service.

### December 2018

• Sunday 2nd December – **Dedication of the Lewis Organ** by The Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd. John McDowell at 3pm in Galloon Parish Church. This was postponed from an earlier date in October.

• Thursday 6th December – **Clogher Clerical Association AGM and Christmas Lunch** in St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher, commencing with a Service of Holy Communion at 11.30am followed by AGM and Christmas Lunch in Corick House Hotel, Clogher.

• Thursday 6th December – **Diocesan Spirituality Event** for Clergy, Diocesan and Parish Readers and Diocesan Pastoral Assistants at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall of St. John's, Fivemiletown. Speaker: Breige O'Hare, who is experienced in leading quiet prayer and reflection on Scripture.

• Thursday 6th December – **Carrickmacross Parish Concert** in St Finbarr's for Malawi Mission 2019 Trip for Habitat for Humanity. Along with local choirs the acclaimed Irish baritone, Benjamin Russell, is flying in from Germany to perform on the evening. Ben is the cousin of one of our Malawi team, Victoria.

• Friday 7th December – **Drum Parish Church's Annual Carol Service** at 8pm.

• Saturday 8th December – **Christmas Fair Church Sale** organised by Clones Parish in the Creighton Hotel Ballroom, Clones on Saturday, 8th December from 10am - 12.30pm.

• Saturday 8th - Sunday 9th December 2018 – **Festival of Christmas Wreaths**

organised by Killadeas Parish Outreach Group.

• Sunday 9th December – **Annual Carol Service** in Christ Church, Aughnamullen at 3pm.

• Sunday 9th December – **Annual Praise and Gift Service** in Killeevan Parish Church, Clones, Co Monaghan at 3.00pm

• Wednesday 12th December – **Flower Arranging Demonstration** by Elizabeth Allister in Christ Church, Aughnamullen at 8pm.

### May 2019

• Thursday 16th - Saturday 18th May 2019 – 2019 **General Synod** in the Millennium Forum, Londonderry.

• Friday 24th - Monday 27th May 2019 – **Flower Festival** in Ardess Parish Church. The theme of the weekend will be "The great I Am." This will be a wonderful celebration of the God that says "I AM".

### June 2019

• Sunday 16th June – **175th Anniversary Service** in Colaghty Parish Church at 3.30pm.

### May 2020

• Thursday 7th - Saturday 9th May 2020 – 2020 **General Synod** in Croke Park Meetings and Events Centre.

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