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Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Clogher Diocese of the Church of Ireland will be leading a pilgrimage to Jordan, Israel and Mount Sinai during 2019. The pilgrimage will take place from 2nd-13th December 2019 and is open to anyone both inside and outside the Diocese. Anyone wanting further information should contact the Tour Leader, Chancellor David Skuce on Tel. 028 68641235.

A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



Dear Friends,

Lent is a time for reassessment. It is time to take stock of where we are in our relationship with God as we approach the season when we recall his great acts of redemption and vindication. It is a season which involves its own type of sorrow but also it's own type of rejoicing and resolve. Giving something up for Lent or doing something positive which we haven't done before during Lent are ways of acknowledging our shortcomings and doing what is in our power to put them right.

It can also be a time when the Church as a whole takes stock. A time when all Christian traditions ask themselves where they stand in relation to God and to the world around them, and on the basis of that discernment, to do what is in their power to put things right.

In the past the Church and the Gospel shaped whole societies- their laws, institutions and customs. People disagree when that power or influence began to decline in Western Europe but there is now no doubt that the decline is now almost complete. In some places on the very fringes of Europe such as here in Ireland decline came late but when it arrived it was very swift and bitter. Perhaps the last redoubt of some form of "Christendom" is in countries in

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Eastern Europe, but even there the signs of decay are clear.

It is not the first time that this has happened. For instance the Gospel was once very powerful in North Africa and large parts of the Middle East, but over many centuries was replaced by Islam as a way of life and of understanding.

However in Europe where the Christian Gospel has receded as an important influence on everyday life it has not been replaced by another "big story" to take its place. Instead it has been replaced by scepticism about the ability of any story to explain ourselves or the world around us. Insofar as there are some things that people share (a common story-the things we talk about when we're together) these are about television, the internet and shopping. Financial insecurity is what torments us now and the anxieties of modern life have led to a mental health crisis. Such a crisis has many causes but at least in part has its origins in what many people experience as the meaninglessness of life. This is a new place for us to be and we need to think and pray very hard about how to respond.

Perhaps it would be useful to lay out the situation and the resulting problems a bit more specifically.

First, Christianity has moved from the centre to the margins. It is very common now to meet people to whom anything other than the basic details of the Gospel are news. Unfortunately when they hear us talking about the Gospel and it's implications it can seem like bad news.

An inevitable consequence of being on the margins is that we are also a minority. In many places we were once an overwhelming majority but as with all majorities we became complacent, indifferent to criticism and unthinking. We ate, drank and were merry (and there is a place for all of those things) but we

did not watch and pray. Most critically such power as we had we sometimes exercised for our own benefit rather than for the good of others. We were often uncharitable.

We allowed ourselves to be tied very tightly into the societies where we lived and kept no real critical distance. We settled into usually comfortable lives. God has now unsettled that complacency and we are once again called to become travellers (what the Scriptures call sojourners) and pilgrims in a culture where we no longer feel at home.

In the past (and nowhere more so than in Ireland, North and South) we had a very important place and could be assured of being listened to. We enjoyed many privileges. Now we are one voice among many and struggle to get a hearing. By and large that is a good thing as we are no longer in control. Now our only influence will be through how we witness to the Gospel story and it's ethical implications.

To do this we need to become less of an institution. Institutions are important because they embody truth and wisdom and hand these from one generation to the next. However they are easily corrupted and can become very inward looking. They are usual better at hoarding than at pruning and can become weighed down by excess baggage. We need to become more of a movement or a network, open to the prophetic voices keep that calling us back to our true vocation adapted for changing circumstances.

I realise that the above may seem a little gloomy (penitential perhaps?). Perhaps for next month and in the spirit of the Resurrection I will have a go at looking at what we might do to respond to the place where we find ourselves.

+John, Clogher

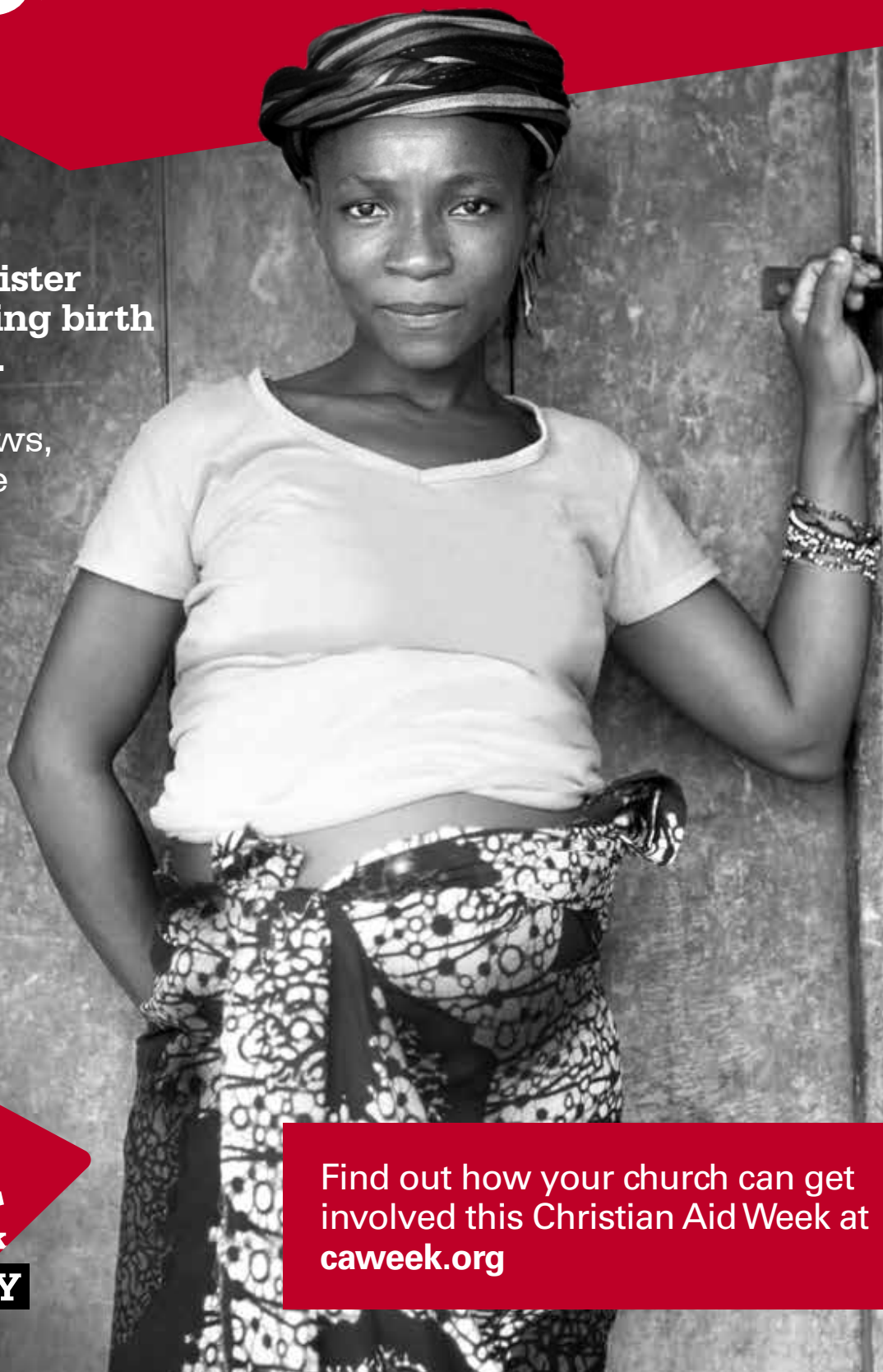
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Jebbeh Konneh,
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Services

Sunday 3rd March

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

Wednesday 6th March

Clogh 7.00pm Ash Wednesday

Sunday 10th March

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

Sunday 17th March

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45am Children's Carol Service
Drumsnatt 9.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th March

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

Sunday 31st March

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

200th Anniversary

This is a very exciting time at St Mark's Aghadrumsee as we prepare to celebrate our 200th birthday with a year of events to mark this milestone, starting with an opening service on 5th May 2019 and finishing with a special weekend June 2020. If you would like to get involved come along to our next meeting on Monday 1st April at 8.00 pm.

Anniversary Book

All contributions for the anniversary book must be with Moira Johnston or Captain Hamilton by 25th March 2019.

Coffee Morning

Megan Howe has organised a Coffee Morning and Craft Fair in the Archdale Hall, Lisnaskea on Saturday 2nd March from 10 am to 1 pm. All proceeds to Tiny Life supporting the six babies born too soon every day in Northern Ireland. It is wonderful to see one of our young people involved in such a project so please try to attend.

Ash Wednesday

A group service will take place on Ash Wednesday, 6th March at 7.00 pm in Clogh Church.

Lent Study

This year's Lent Study at the Rectory continues on Monday 11th and 25th March meeting for tea and cake at 7.45 pm followed by our study. We are using Before Amen, a four-session video-based study, where best-selling author Max Lucado reveals his struggles with prayer and how he discovered that it is not a privilege for the pious or the art of a chosen few but a simple tool everyone has been given to have a conversation with God. He shows you how to let go of uncertainties about prayer, trust that God hears you and embrace a prayer life that brings peace and rest.

Meetings for the month

- Clogh Mothers' Union - Monday 4th March at 8.00pm. We welcome Mary and Maeve from Cancer Transport to tell us of their work and to receive the money collected at our recent Christmas Services. All welcome.
- Young Ladies Group - Tuesday 12th March at 8.30pm.
- Clogh Bowling Club continues each Wednesday at 8.00 pm in Clogh Hall
- Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild - Thursday 21st March at 8.00 pm.

Sympathy

A number of families in our group have recently been bereaved. At the time of writing we have just learned of the death of Norman Graham, a lifelong member of Drumsnatt parish. Norman served on the Select Vestry for many years, 58 of those spent as Churchwarden. Our sympathy is extended to the entire Graham Family. We were saddened to learn of the death of Nan Forster and extend our sympathy to her daughters Esther and Myrtle, son-in-law Raymond, grandchildren Alan and Susanne and the entire family circle. Sympathy is also extended to the families of the late Henry Johnston, Derrymeen and the late Ada Kerr, Lisnaskea and to the Madill and Howe families on their recent bereavements.



Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



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Services

Friday 1st March

8.00pm Colebrooke Women's World Day of Prayer Service

Sunday 3rd March

10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion
12.15pm Cooneen Holy Communion

Wednesday 6th March

8.00pm Colebrooke Ash Wednesday Holy Communion

Sunday 10th March

10.45am Colebrooke Morning Prayer
12.15pm Cooneen Morning Prayer

Wednesday 13th March

8.00pm Colebrooke Wednesday Lent Service

Sunday 17th March

11.00am Cooneen Family Service

Wednesday 20th March

8.00pm Colebrooke Wednesday Lent Service

Sunday 24th March

10.45am Colebrooke Morning Prayer
12.15pm Cooneen Morning Prayer

Wednesday 27th March

8.00pm Colebrooke Wednesday Lent Service

Sunday 31st March

11.00am Cooneen 5th Sunday Service tba

SNATCH (Sunday Night At the Church Hall) Youth Ministry

Aghavea & Colebrooke

All young people of secondary school age welcome.

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GFS

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

Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Group meet every Tuesday from 7pm-8.30pm for boys and girls aged 4-14 years. The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.

Squirrels (4 - 6 years)

Beavers (6 – 8 years)

Cubs (8 – 11 years)

Scouts (11 – 14 years)

Bowling Club

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

New members will be very welcome.

Mothers' Union

The opening meeting in 2019 began with a service of Holy Communion in the Parish Hall conducted by Revd John McClenaghan. The scripture passages were read by Emma Gould and Violet Kirkpatrick. Using the prepared order of service, everyone sang the uplifting and challenging hymns. The rector then spoke about the Lord calling the first disciples to follow him. He challenged each member to consider the call the Lord Jesus Christ makes on their lives, to listen and then move forward in step with God. This reflected the theme for 2019 Listen Observe Act in Step with God. After the sharing of Holy Communion the service closed with the hymn 'Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?'

A business meeting followed after supper was served.

At the February meeting MU branches from the local area were invited to join with Colebrooke and Cooneen members and the Trustees to explore the theme for 2019.

On Wednesday 20 March the members are joining the Lenten service in the church followed by a time of fellowship with refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

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Sympathy

As a parish, we wish to extend our prayers and sympathy 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.

Upcoming Services

Sunday 3rd March

Holy Communion

Sunday 10th March

Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism
Evening Prayer (Brooke Memorial Hall)

Sunday 17th March

Family Service

Sunday 24th March

Morning Prayer

Sunday 31st March

Morning Prayer

Our morning services are at 11am, and always followed by refreshments in the church. Our evening service in the Brooke Memorial Hall in Brookeborough village is an informal service at 7.30pm, at which all are always welcome.

Lent Services

The 40 days of Lent are an important period of reflection and preparation for all Christian

people, as we anticipate the Passion of Holy Week and Jesus' death and resurrection. We will mark Ash Wednesday on 6th March, and each subsequent Wednesday we will have a short worship service in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Holy Week Services

We will be joining with Brookeborough Methodist Church as we mark Holy Week. Closer to the date, we will publish the details of each evening's service.

We will celebrate Easter Sunday with our usual Dawn Service followed by a cooked breakfast.

GFS

Our Girls' Friendly Society continue on a Wednesday evening, at 6.30pm, and would welcome all young ladies from three years old up, and always have a lot of fun as they work together in their different activities each week.

Bible Fellowship

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. On 13th March we will study the Bible character Esther, followed by Samuel on 27th March. All are very welcome.

Bowls

The Bowls Club continue to enjoy fun and fellowship during both practice and competitive games. If you would like to join us at any time - please come along any Monday evening, or speak to any of the members.

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.

St Patrick's weekend

We will mark St Patrick's weekend with a special Stew Night on Saturday 16th March at 7.30pm. This will be a family occasion, and there will be music from the Strule River String Band, and of course, lots of stew and goodies to eat! We look forward to a fantastic evening of fellowship and fun. All are welcome.

Auction

We will hold a Parish Auction on Saturday 6th April. We would welcome any and all items for the auction and look forward to welcoming people to the Parish Hall on the day.

Renovations

The contractors have made a fantastic start to the renovation work on the Church building - and we will continue to post updates on our Parish website — www.aghavea.blogspot.com. Our services continue each week as usual, just in a different venue, our Parish Hall. We are NOT renovating our Church - but our church building!

Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno



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Youth Club

The Youth Club met on 9th of February which was a special Valentine's evening where the children made lots of Valentine's cards for their Mummies and Daddies and any particular favourite close friends! There was also the usual array of activities on offer – air-hockey, football table, snooker, table tennis, games and soft ball football. There was also refreshments for the children and for the adults who came along. The youth club will meet again on Saturday 2nd March and 16th of March at the usual time of 6pm in Ballybay Church Hall. Newcomers always very welcome!

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union had a special evening on Wednesday 13th of February in Castleblayney Church Hall. Janet Hill, parish treasurer and Glebewarden, gave a very inspiring and extremely interesting talk about her trip to Romania at Christmas time in the areas where the Shoe Boxes



Janet and her helpers with the shoeboxes.

were being distributed. Janet was the co-ordinator for the Shoe Box Appeal for most areas of County Monaghan and the Church Hall was used as its HQ for this huge undertaking. She also encouraged several schools and groups to take part and contribute shoe boxes for most of South Armagh as well. Janet gave a great powerpoint display on the night of different areas of Romania that benefited. The appalling conditions that people and children have to live in and the extent of the poverty was a real shock for everyone who attended on the night. A huge crowd attended the event and we thank Janet for giving this hugely informative and educational talk for us and indeed for being the coordinator for this huge effort to help those very poor children of Romania. We also thank all those parishioners who helped Janet, especially John Montgomery, Churchwarden, who was Janet's right hand man, and also Ethel Coulter who helped with packaging. Thanks to the Rector who set up the media for Janet with his laptop



and his media projector on the night. Refreshments were served afterwards. (see photos).

Ash Wednesday

A service of Holy Communion will take place on Ash Wednesday 6th of March at 11am in St Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney.



Marking Yvonne's retirement as Postmistress.

Clontibret News

Congratulations

Warmest congratulations to Darren and Suzanne Tate on the birth of their son, William Anthony on 29th January and to the proud grandparents, Adam and Deborah. We wish them every blessing as a family.

Post Office closes

On Friday, 26th of January our Post Office closed for the last time bringing to an end a service valued by all in the community. Over the course of the day customers were treated to light refreshment as they said their farewells to Yvonne Donaldson who had been Postmistress for almost 50 years. The rector was amongst those who called to give Yvonne best wishes on her retirement and was welcomed by all the family. (see photos).

Best wishes to Rector

We were all shocked to learn that our rector would be leaving us in April to take up the vacancy in Swords, Donabate and Kilsallagan. We wish the family every blessing as the rector takes his next step in ministry.

Mrs Alexander hymns

On Sunday, 10th March, parishioners will avail of the opportunity to join in the evening of praise with the hymns of Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.00pm and to see the exhibition on her life with special music.

Prayers

We remember our parishioners who are unwell at the moment especially Kenny Graham and assure them of our prayers and best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Clontibret Easter Vestry

Clontibret Easter Vestry will take place on Wednesday, 27th March at 8pm in the Church Hall.

Muckno

Mothers' Union

Well done to Janet Hill who gave a very inspiring talk about her trip to Romania at the Mothers' Union event on 13th of February. It was also a powerpoint media display from her trip and everyone really found the evening a very profound experience. Thank you Janet for all your work with the Shoe Box Appeal and being the coordinator of it for most of county Monaghan. Also thank you to everyone who helped her in any way.

Congratulations

Very hearty congratulations goes to James Hill and his Fiance Arlene Mannering who



James and his fiance Arlene.



were engaged recently. Wishing you both God's richest blessing as you plan for the future. (see photo).

Muckno Easter Vestry

Muckno Easter Vestry takes place on Wednesday 3rd April 2019 at 8pm in the Church Hall.

Ballybay

Repair Work

Christ Church has decided to repair its avenue as it has decayed a lot in recent years. The work will be carried out by Watterson's Contractors. It will make a beautiful job it. However it will also cost a significant amount of money, over 10,000 euros. We are appealing for people's financial help towards the cost of this significant work. If you would like to contribute financially, please contact Joseph Crawford or Astrid Moffett.

Commissioning of William Graham

William Graham will be commissioned Parish Reader by the Bishop of Clogher on Sunday 7th April at 4pm in Christ Church. William has been undergoing training with the Chancellor of the Diocese, David Skuce over the last number of weeks. We wish him every blessing and he can be assured of our full support and heartfelt prayers from everyone at Christ Church for taking on this important role in Ballybay Parish.

Ballybay Easter Vestry

Ballybay Easter Vestry takes place on Tuesday the 2nd April at 8pm in the Church.

Illness

We continue to pray for Jean Moffett.

Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh



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Services

Sunday 3rd March

Morning Prayer St Finbarr's 10.30am

Morning Prayer Magheracloone 12noon

Wednesday 6th March

NO Holy Communion St Finbarr's

Ash Wednesday Service St Finbarr's 8.00pm

Sunday 10th March

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon

Morning Prayer Ardragh 1.15pm

Wednesday 13th March

Ash Wednesday Service St Finbarr's 8.00 pm

Sunday 17th March

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 9.00am

Arise and Shine St Finbarr's 10.30am

Service of the Word Magheracloone 12noon

Wednesday 20th March

NO Holy Communion St Finbarr's

Sunday 24th March

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon

Holy Communion Ardragh 1.15pm

Wednesday 27th March

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Sunday 31st March

United Service Magheracloone 12noon

Ash Wednesday

We begin our journey into Lent with a reflective service as we come before our God of forgiveness and acknowledge our weaknesses with a service in St Finbarr's on Ash Wednesday at 8pm. The service will focus on penitence and will include the opportunity for prayer ministry and Holy Communion.

Lent 2019

For our Lent study this year we will be using the medium of film to look at the issues of suffering and doubt. Meeting each Thursday



Bishop Pat Storey at Jewels Women's Group.

during Lent we will watch a movie one week and then discuss it from a Christian viewpoint the following week. On the third Thursday evening we will have a Taize-style Lenten service.

Again we are grateful to Lorna and Carl Moy for their hospitality in offering the use of their home each week for our studies.

Thursday 14th March – Shadowlands based on the life of CS Lewis

Thursday 21st March – Bible study looking at Shadowlands

Thursday 28th March – Taize-style service

Thursday 4th April – The Theory of Everything based on the life of Stephen Hawkins

Thursday 11th April – Bible Study looking at The Theory of Everything

Youth Group

Our Youth Group have been working through the "Live to Give" resource produced by the Church of Ireland Youth Department. "Live to Give" introduces young people to the Biblical principles of generosity and giving and is helping our youth group to think about how generous they are with what they have. Before our study each month we always enjoy some fun and unusual games.



Mrs Bertha McMahon, the oldest parishioner, celebrates her 98th birthday.

Our March Youth Group meets in the Parish Room on Wednesday 27th March at 7.00pm and is open to all young people aged 11 plus.

Cabra Central School

Cabra Central is our joint National School along with Kingscourt Parish in the Diocese of Meath and is situated on the outskirts of Kingscourt. The four-teacher school has a dedicated staff team who produce a wonderful learning environment for our children to thrive on. The school constantly does very well in inspections and has achieved a number of awards including the Green Flag.

Cabra are now enrolling for September 2019 and anyone interested in learning more about sending their children to the school should contact the principle Mrs Janine O'Neill.

New Roman Catholic Bishop Of Clogher

It was with a mixture of delight and sadness that we said farewell to Monsignor Larry Duffy as he left his role as Parish Priest in Carrickmacross to become Bishop of Clogher. Bishop Duffy was a good friend to us in the Church of Ireland and being a local man from Magheracloone is well known to many of our parishioners. Revd Colin and Philip Keegan, secretary of St Finbarr's Select Vestry represented the parish at a farewell Mass and meal for the then Monsignor Larry in St Joseph's and the Shirley Arms Hotel.

Revd Colin was also personally invited by Bishop Duffy to attend his installation in Clogher Roman Catholic Cathedral where our Bishop John greeted Bishop Duffy on behalf of other Christian denominations. We wish Bishop Duffy God's richest blessing as he begins this new role.

Prayer Meetings

Our Parish prayer meetings continue on the first Monday of each month at 8pm in the Rectory. Prayer has to be the cornerstone of our Group of Parishes so we would encourage people to come along and join us in praying for our church, our community, the wider world, the sick and ourselves.

Jewel's Women's Group

In January Jewels were joined by Bishop Pat Storey who spoke about her faith and what it was like to become the first female Bishop in Ireland and the UK. It was wonderful to see so many women come along on what was a bad night weather wise and I know everyone who attended was truly inspired by Bishop Pat's words.

In February the women got together for a pot luck supper and we thank Caroline Merrin for hosting this event in her home.

This was a truly enjoyable evening as the ladies came together for good food and good conversation.

The final Jewels of this session will be on Wednesday 20th March with our end of year service followed by a meal out.

Malawi 2019

Our Mission team were delighted to have our venue in Malawi confirmed. We will be working in partnership for Habitat for Humanity in Madisi in helping to build

two houses for orphaned families. Madisi is to the North West of Malawi and is approximately an hour and a half drive from the capital Lilongwe.

At a recent team meeting we learnt more about the culture in Malawi as well as focusing on the ethos of Habitat for Humanity which emphasise a "hand up" rather than a "hand out" approach. The team would appreciate your prayers as they begin all the practical preparations towards travelling at the end of June.

Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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Services

Wednesday 6th March. Ash Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Monthly Healing Service.
Mullaghduin Hall (note change of date)
8:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service. Cleenish

Sunday 10th March

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

Sunday 17th March. St Patricks Day

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

Sunday 24th March

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

Sunday 31st March

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

Sunday 7th April

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

Please note:- Services may change from time to time, updates in Church Porch

Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 6th March, Ash Wednesday.
- Wednesday 20th March, Wedding in Cleenish



Cleenish Supper Dance.

- Thursday 21st March, Cleenish Select Vestry (note change of date)
- Wednesday 27th March, Mullaghduin Select Vestry
- Sunday 31st March, Mothers' Day
- Friday 19th April, Good Friday
- Sunday 21st April, Easter Sunday
- Monday 22nd April, Easter Monday, Mullaghduin Flute Band Concert

Monthly Healing Service

The next monthly Healing Service takes place on Wednesday 6th March 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.

Cleenish & Mullaghduin Mothers' Union

The Branch are hosting the Diocesan Quiet Day on Saturday 9th March in Cleenish Parish Hall, Bellanaleck. The next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th March in Mullaghduin Parish Hall, at 8pm. It will take the format of a Young Members Meeting. Members send good wishes to Bertha

Vance who has been in Hospital, and at time of writing has sufficiently recovered for a return to the Nursing Home.

Cleenish Parent & Toddler Group

The Group has now resumed after their mid-term break. They meet on Tuesday mornings from 10-11.30am, in Cleenish Parish Hall.

Cleenish Brownies

Brownies took part in the Thinking Day Service in St John's Florencecourt, on Sunday 24th February. On Tuesday evening 26th February they attended a Celebrations Evening in Enniskillen Cathedral Hall. Their weekly meetings take place in Bellanaleck Parish Hall on Wednesday evenings, 6:30 to 7:45pm.

Cleenish Parish Annual Supper Dance

Approximately 150 patrons attended the Annual Supper Dance on Friday evening

8th February, in the Unionist Headquarters, Enniskillen. Sincere thanks are due to Ossie and Balfour for their organisation of the event, and to June who took charge of the catering arrangements. Also to all the helpers who assisted before, during, and with the wash up, to make the event very successful. (See photos).

Bereavement

Bobby Carson

Bobby was born at Moneyouragan on 22nd July 1932, the only child of Robert Joseph Carson and Anna Frances, nee Buchanan. As a young man, he moved to Dunmurry on the outskirts of Belfast where he met and married Daphne. The young couple were blessed with two children, Will and Julie. Employment brought Bobby and his family back to Fermanagh for some years, to run the filling station and shop at Letterbreen. When Will and Julie married and settled in Belfast, Bobby and Daphne moved, once again to Belfast, to be near their grandchildren, of whom they were very proud. Bobby died peacefully at his home on Tuesday 5th February, and his largely attended funeral service was held in Mullaghduin Parish Church on Friday 8th February. He was buried in the adjoining Churchyard. We sympathise with Daphne, Bobby's wife of over 60 years; with his son and daughter, Will and Julie; his daughter in law, Jackie, son in law, Paddy, his grandchildren Sarah, Kate, Patrick, Grace, Katherine, Frank, Jill, and Rosa and the wider family circle.

Sympathy

Sadie Donaldson

Sympathy is expressed from both Parishes to the Magazine editor Brian, whose mother Sadie passed away on Wednesday 30th January.

Cleenish Centre

See below a photo taken at the Christmas Carol Service which took place on Sunday afternoon 2nd December. This was held over due to pressure of space last month. The staff at the Centre are still in shock due to the sudden death of their long-time companion Ethel Kingston, who passed away suddenly on Thursday evening 10th January. Due to the full time chef retiring for health reasons, the Management are moving more and more towards Self Catering. To hire the Centre, or if you feel 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



Cleenish Centre Carol Service.

At the Group meeting on Wednesday 28th November, members concentrated on arrangements for the Annual Childrens' Party which took place on the afternoon of Saturday 8th December. The recent meeting between representatives from D.A.E.R.A., and the local Council reported the fishing stands along the shores of Laragh Lough were unsuitable due to timber decay, and would remain closed for the foreseeable future. The Group are expecting results of road traffic flows from Transport NI, and concern was again expressed about increasing road traffic volumes, and the speed of vehicles passing the Church and Parish Hall. Artificial lighting at the M.U.G.A., and power washing the Childrens' Play Area will be looked into during the new year. Due to current Council policy, it is most unlikely artificial lighting will be installed within M.U.G.A.'s.

The Annual Childrens' Christmas Party on Saturday afternoon 8th December, was again very successful, with approximately 60 children attending with their parents etc, and receiving a gift from Santa Clause. Sincere thanks are expressed from the Group to Councillor Alex Baird for attending, to Malcolm who kept the Children entertained with his musical disco, to the members of F.O.D.C., and their Santa Train, to Santa himself, to Ossie for lighting the Christmas tree, to Leslie and Cleenish Church for use of their Car Park, the ladies who provided the food, and to all who assisted to make the afternoon very successful. The Group wish to apologise to Mullaghduin General Vestry, Cleenish Brownies, and all who turned up on the night, for the late cancellation of the

Pathfinder Initiative meeting due to be held on Wednesday 23rd January. This was a result of the Speaker contacting the Secretary during mid- afternoon that he could not travel due to heavy snow.

The pedestrian count along the Loughshore Path for period October to December was 7570. The annual total 72,512 pedestrians, an increase of over 31% from the previous year.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 27th March.

Enquires to Group Secretary Owen Wilson, e mail:- owenjwilson@btinternet.com

Holy Baptism

Mullaghduin Parish Church

Sunday 23rd December 2018

Katherine Elizabeth Gertrude Jamison, daughter of Philip Ivan, and Kelly Louise, 32 Earlfort, Moira.

Christian Burials

Cleenish Parish Church

■ Saturday 1st December 2018

Irene Josephine Moore, Causeway End Road, Lisburn, formerly Derrychara Road, Enniskillen, after service in Enniskillen Independent Methodist Church.

Aged 89 years

■ Sunday 13th January 2019

Ethel Margaret Kingston, 69 Oakfield Road, Enniskillen.

Aged 65 years

Mullaghduin Parish Church

■ Friday 8th February 2019

Robert Edward (Bobby) Carson, Apartment 10 Huntingdale, 20 Annadale Avenue, Belfast.

Aged 86 years

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Fundraising Weekend for Cathedral Heating System

Just before Christmas we received the news that the entire heating system in the Cathedral has to be replaced as soon as

possible. Not only this but also essential work is required to stabilise the north wall of the Cathedral along with other maintenance work. These projects hope to be phased over the next couple of years, however as the heating system is deemed urgent this will have to be commenced as soon as possible.

As you are likely aware the Cathedral is a substantial building and therefore to renew the heating system will also be a 'substantial' undertaking. Therefore we turn not only to our faithful parishioners at this time, but also to our friends wider afield and ask for your support in this first leg of this crucial project.

Parish Auction

On Saturday 9th March there will be a parish auction in Clogher 'old' Primary School. Viewing from 11am – 1pm, Auction begins at 2pm sharp.

Day of Praise

On Sunday 10th March between 2.30pm – 6.30pm, St. Macartan's Cathedral will be filled with continuous praise and worship. (Please note there will be no 11.30am service in the Cathedral). Choirs, musicians,

organists and worship bands are giving of their time and gifts over the four hours to fill this beautiful historic Cathedral which has been a site of worship to Almighty God since the 5th century. The day draws to a close with a service of praise and thanksgiving that evening beginning at 7pm. It is a wonderful opportunity to come along during these hours to listen, pray and spend time in the presence of The King of kings.

Among those already signed up for a slot over the afternoon are local church choirs, organists and worship bands and Down Cathedral Choir.

If you or your band / choir / group can come and help St. Macartan's either during the afternoon or for the evening service please contact the rector: Rev. Olie on 07792728495, your help will be greatly appreciated.

Lenten Services

Wednesday 6th March

8pm St. Mark's Newtownsaville

Wednesday 13th March

8pm St. Mary's Errigal Portclare

Wednesday 20th March

8pm St. Mark's Augher

St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher

A Day of ...



Sunday 10th March 2.30 – 6.30pm

Drop into the Cathedral and soak in God's presence as you listen to organists, choirs, soloists & worship bands fill our beautiful Cathedral with praise & worship to the King of kings.

Stay for 5 minutes or all afternoon.

~ a warm welcome & a cup of tea awaits you ~

A Service of Praise & Worship

Our day of Praise & Worship draws to a close with a Service at 7pm.

Guest Preacher: Rev Stephen McElhinney

Mission Director of S.A.M.S



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SIX WARS



Clogher Graveyard Tour

Visit graves of soldiers from the Siege of Derry: the Boyne campaign: the Peninsular War: The Crimea: the American Civil War & the Great War.

Led by Jack Johnston at Clogher Cathedral
(Registration at 3.45pm)

Sunday 10th March 4.00pm



Sgt. David Bloomfield fought at Salamanca 1812

Wednesday 27th March

7pm (please note earlier time) St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher

Wednesday 3rd April

8pm St. Mark's Newtownsaville

Wednesday 10th April

8pm St. Mary's Errigal Portclare

Wednesday 17th April

8pm St. Mark's Augher

Maundy Thursday 18th April

8pm St. Mark's Newtownsaville

Good Friday 19th April

8pm St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher

St Mark's Augher Youth Club

Tuesday Junior youth Club (pre-school – P4) 6.30-7.30pm

Wednesday Senior Youth Club (P5 – 2nd Year) 6.30-7.30pm

Ablaze Youth Fellowship

Ablaze is a fun, friendly and safe space for any young person of secondary school age to meet other young people, enjoy food, take part in games and activities and explore faith.

March Programme

- Sunday 3rd: Carmichael Hall. 7- 8.30pm.
- Sunday 10th: Praise Service in Clogher Cathedral. 7pm.
- Sunday 17th: No Ablaze.
- Saturday 23rd: Reboot & Spring Breakout in the Assembly Buildings, Belfast. (More details to follow.)
- Sunday 31st: Carmichael Hall. 7- 8.30pm.

Knit, Stitch & Natter Dates

Thursday 14th & 28th March 10.30am – 12noon



Thursday 11th & 28th April 10.30am – 12noon

Gospel Concert

Keep free Wednesday 27th March at 8pm for a Gospel Concert in Corick House Hotel. Proceeds in Aid of St. Mark's Parish Church, Augher. Tickets £10 available from Select Vestry members, parishioners or at the door.

Coffee Morning

Please keep free!

On Saturday 6th April St. Mark's Newtownsaville are holding a coffee morning in Eskra Community Centre towards Church funds. More details will follow.

Clogher Mothers' Union

The opening meeting of 2019 for Clogher Cathedral Group of Parishes Mothers' Union was held in the Cathedral where the Rector, Revd Olivia Downey, conducted a Service of Holy Communion and also gave the address. During the Service, the Lesson was read by the Branch Leader, Mrs Iris Moffett, and hymn singing was accompanied by pianist, Mrs Sylvia McClung.

Supper was served by Mrs Keys and Mrs Moffett and a short business meeting followed. Invitations were received from Aughentaine P.W. to their Visitors' Night on 26th February and from Clogher W.I. to their 80th Anniversary Dinner on 21st February. For the March meeting there will be a Beetle Drive in the Carmichael Hall, Augher following the Lenten Service.

Table Quiz at St. Mark's Augher

On Saturday 25th January the Carmichael Hall in Augher was full to capacity for a table quiz. A great night was had by all, a huge thanks to all who came a long and supported us.

Baptism

27th January 2019, Miss Lillian Stockdale, daughter of Hazel Trimble and Alan Stockdale, St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher.

Christian Burial

■ Derek Ray Johnston, 27th January 2019, St. Mark's Newtownsaville.

■ Anna Margaret (Rita) Haslett, 15th February 2019, St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher.

St. Mark's Church Augher

Gospel Concert

Wed. 27th March, 2019

Corick House Hotel, Clogher @ 8pm

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THE QUA FAMILY • YOUTHFUL CHORUS

Tickets £10

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Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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Services

March 3rd

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

March 10th

Currin 10.00am: Holy Communion
Killeevan 11.30am: Holy Communion

March 17th

Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer
(Saint Patrick)
Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

March 24rd

Currin 10.00am: Morning Prayer
Killeevan 11.30pm: Morning Prayer

March 31st

Newbliss 11.00am – Joint Service of Morning
Worship for Mothering Sunday

Confirmation

Preparation classes are currently under way in the Rectory. Please continue to pray for our confirmation candidates – Ellie Lancashire (Drum), Hannah Keating, James Keating, Kacey Irwin, and Michael Cleary – as they prepare for this important milestone in their journey of faith. Please also put the date of the confirmation service firmly in your diary as a red letter day: 7 April 2019 at 11.00am in Killeevan Church, led by our Diocesan Bishop, +John McDowell.

Forthcoming marriage

Please pray for Julie Leech and Peter Brophy as they prepare for their wedding in Clones Church on Saturday 23 March 2019.

Illness

We remember in our prayers Sadie Hall and all our parishioners who are ill in hospital or undergoing treatment at present.

Condolences

We offer our sincere condolences to

Heather Hall and all who mourn the sudden death of Mr and Mrs Joseph Waller

St. Tighernagh's Day Celebration – 4 April 2019

The parish of St. Tighernagh and the people of Clones, along with the wider community, are set to celebrate "The Clones Saint". This will be their second annual event to remember the saint who made such a contribution to Christianity in this area.

The celebration will take place on 4 April 2019, which is St. Tighernagh's Day.

The retired Bishop of Clogher, +Joseph Duffy – who recently launched his new book on St. Tighernagh – has been invited to attend; so too have Bishop Larry Duffy, the new Roman Catholic Bishop of Clogher and our own Diocesan Bishop. Invitations have also been issued to The Silver Band, which was so popular last year and to a range of local community singers.

The fact that the local GAA grounds, the primary school, and the Church of Ireland are all named after St. Tighernagh gives some idea of his significance to our town. Come and join us on this special day – more details next month!

Mothers' Union

We wish to thank Ivy Ritchie and Maureen Kennedy for their work as MU Branch Leader and Treasurer respectively. They have both done a magnificent job and have ensured a constant stream of highly enjoyable monthly meetings. Ivy and Maureen are now passing over to the 'younger generation', and we are delighted that, as of July 2019, Linda Keating will become our new Branch Leader, Heather Hall our Secretary, and Irene Hall our Treasurer. We are really looking forward to having Linda, Heather and Irene at the helm, and we thank them for taking on their new roles so readily. We also look forward to 26 May, when we shall be having a very special enrolment service for all our new members at 11.30am in Killeevan Church – along with a celebration of the service given by our long-standing members. More details on that in due course.

Bible Study

Please note that the Bible Study Group will meet in the home of Etta and Roy Crowe



on Tuesday nights at 8.00pm. All are welcome – see Roy or Etta for more details.

First Aid Training

We are aiming to ensure that we have a rota of first-aiders at all of our services and events, and the Civil Defence in Monaghan have agreed to provide appropriate training in Clones for any parishioners from our Group who would like to be involved in this way. It is proposed to have three options available in order to enable as wide an uptake as possible:

- A cardiac / defibrillator course (Four hours)
- A general introduction to first aid (Three hours)

- A certificated First Aid Responder course (20 hours)

Interested parishioners should contact the Rector by the end of March.

Parish Trip to the Dáil in Dublin

On Wednesday 13 March we shall be having a parish excursion to Dublin, during which we will have the opportunity to visit the Dáil. All the available seats on the coach were booked up very quickly, and we will report back on the trip next month. However, we wish to extend our warm thanks to Heather Humphreys TD, Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation, for inviting us in the first place and facilitating our visit. Her invitation is much appreciated.

Community notice: Different Keys Community Choir, Clones

Are you interested in singing as part of a group? If so, our recently established community choir is seeking new members both male and female, aged over 18. Practices take place in the Court House, Clones, on a regular basis. For more information, call Dara MacGabhann, Clones Family Resource Centre, on 047 52919. Funded by the International Fund for Ireland.

Annual Sale

Killeevan Parish will hold their Annual Parish and Missionary Sale on Saturday 13th April 2019 from 3.00-5.00pm in the Parish Hall at Killeevan.

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Services

MARCH

3rd Holy Communion 11.30am

6th Evening Prayer – Ash Wednesday
8.00pm

10th Family service 11.30am

17th Morning Prayer 11.30am

24th Morning Prayer 11.30am

31st Morning Prayer 11.30am

APRIL

7th Holy Communion 11.30am

7th Evening praise 7.00pm

14th Family service 11.30am

18th Maundy Thursday 8.00pm

19th Good Friday 8.00pm

21st Easter Holy Communion 11.30am

28th Morning Prayer 11.30am

Fermanagh E3 prayer evening

There was a good attendance for the E3 prayer evening with Jeff Gawn and Liam. Liam is currently an intern with Scripture Union. Jeff give an insight of what was currently happening within the schools around Fermanagh and Omagh area. Prayer



The CE seniors MAF.

points were given, and prayer offered for each of the current projects and for upcoming projects as well as our schools, staff, pupils, Board of Governors and parents. Our thanks go to the ladies who provided the refreshments for all at the end of the night.

CE/Youth group

We were delighted to welcome Jan Corrie to speak and share with the Juniors and Seniors about MAF – Mission Aviation Fellowship. The juniors took part in a game and both groups engaged in an interactive talk on the work of MAF, and what it does in 35 countries around the world. Thanks again to all who arrange and lead the weekly activities each week.

Breakfast at Colaghty

The Saturday morning breakfast was a wonderful time of fellowship for all in attendance, partaking of the usual cooked breakfast. The event was organised as a fund raiser towards our children' ministry and their mission projects this year and the generosity of the response is much appreciated by all. We offer a huge thanks

to those who so willing give the food items, prepared the hall, washed and cleared up afterwards, and to the cooks in the kitchen, deserving of our gratitude for a wonderful breakfast.

Bowling Club

The club meets regularly each week and competes at competition level. They held their AGM with no changes in the officer team. The chair thanked all for their contributions throughout the year, in whatever capacity for the good of the club, and to those for the unenviable task of arranging fixtures and matches. The club competitions have finished with the round robin win by Nelson Kilfedder, the singles by Alan Curtis and the doubles by Alan Curtis and William Irvine. See photos.

Women's Fellowship

The members have enjoyed the informative talks given by Gareth Rooney on Mission Aviation Fellowship and its work throughout the world, and a Crafts evening with Ruth Boyd. Our thanks to the committee who plan the programme of meetings and for the refreshments provided at each monthly meeting. The next meeting the speaker will be Adele Finlay. New members always welcome.

Young@Heart

The monthly meetings take place on the third Wednesday of the month with the last having a speaker talking about the effects of hearing loss and offered hearing tests to those present who wanted to prevail of the service. Some of the members are currently engaged in a fitness programme at the FODC leisure facilities. New members always welcome.

Wellbeing Event

15th March 2019 - Kesh Rural Deanery Wellbeing & Self-Care Event Termon Centre Pettigo, 7.30pm for everyone aged 18 and over.



The CE Juniors MAF.

Farm, Fellowship & Faith

The next meeting of our Farm, Fellowship & Faith nights, will take place in the Parish hall on 25th March 2019 at 8.00pm. A representative from the PSNI will be present to speak on farm crime and matters of safety off and on the road. They will highlight some of the legalities and constraints in relation to use of farm machinery. This is a must for all within the farming community, please put the date in your diary and plan to attend.



The Round Robin Bowls winner.



The Singles winner.



The doubles winner.

Evening service

There will be an evening of worship on Sunday 7th April 2019 at 7.00pm DV, with Sammy Heenan from Rathfriland who will share some of his 'lived' experiences from being orphaned as a boy when terrorists murdered his father, and of God's grace and mercy at work in his life as he shares his testimony. Please add the date in your diary, tell your family and friends and plan to be present, light refreshments in the hall afterwards

Moving on

We offer our prayerful good wishes to Canon Henry Blair, his wife and family as he leaves Ardess and moves to Tullaniskan and Clonoe in Armagh Diocese.

Dates for the Diary

- 4th May 2019 – Parish Auction
- 16th June 2019 175th Anniversary service 3.30pm
- 7th – 13th October 2019 Parish Mission

Dates and times of church groups and activities

- Women's Fellowship 2nd Monday at 8.00pm
- Stitch and Chat Tuesdays at 7.30pm
- Young@Heart 3rd Wednesday at 10.30am
- Bible Fellowship Wednesdays at 8.00pm
- Bowling Club Thursdays at 8.00pm
- Junior CE Friday nights at 7.00pm – 8.15pm
- Youth group Friday nights at 8.30pm – 10.00pm
- Bible Fellowship Wednesdays at 8.00pm

Please check weekly announcements for any changes or updates to the various groups/activities that meet regularly.

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Wed 6th March

7.30pm Derryvullen North Ash Wednesday Liturgy

10th March

10.30am Derryvullen North Holy Communion 1

11.45am Castle Archdale Holy Communion 1

Wed 13th March

7.30pm Derryvullen North Lenten Service (Night Prayer)

Sun 17th March

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

Wed 20th March

7.30pm Derryvullen North Lenten Service (Night Prayer)

Sun 24th March

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

Wed 27th March

7.30pm Derryvullen North Lenten Service (Night Prayer)

Sun 31st March

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

Wed 3rd April

7.30pm Derryvullen North Lenten Service (Night Prayer)

Sun 7th April

10.15am Castle Archdale Holy Communion 2

11.30am Derryvullen North Holy Communion 2

Diary Dates

- Sat 9th March 7.30pm Young Farmers Play hosted by Irvinestown Orange Community Group in Derryvullen North Hall
- Tues 12th March 2.30pm Tuesday Club (Derryvullen North Hall)
- Tues 12th March 8.00pm Faith &

Friendship Bible Fellowship (Mahon's Hotel)

- Wed 20th March 7.30pm Fashion Show (Women's Group, in Derryvullen North Hall)
- Fri 22nd March 7.30pm BB Annual Display (Derryvullen North Hall)
- Tues 26th March 6.30pm Joint Parishes Senior Citizens' Dinner (Derryvullen North Hall)

Women's Group

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday 17th January and the speakers were Joe and William Graham who gave a talk about and led a demonstration of Boccia. This is a sport designed for athletes with high support needs and has no Olympic equivalent. It is a target sport played indoors with soft leather ball and involves intriguing tactics, incredible skill and nail biting tension. Once you see it or play it you will be hooked! William plays for the Fermanagh Lakers and he is also part of the Northern Ireland game and is classified as a bc1 and currently holds the bc1 Irish title.

The members will be holding Fashion Show on Wednesday 20th March at 7.30pm (see diary above) with the proceeds going to the Fermanagh Support Group for Down's Syndrome. Fashions by Tom Read and Klass and some vintage pieces. Tickets are £10

and are available from Klass and Tom Read Menswear.

RAF Cadets

The 72 (OMAGH) Squadron of the RAF Cadets held their Church Parade and attended the Derryvullen North Church Service on Sunday 3rd February to mark the foundation of the Cadets in 1941. They were led by Flying Officer Graham Dodds and were also joined by family and friends as well as by members of the Royal British Legion. Flying Officer Dodds addressed the congregation to explain the significance of the day as well as the history of current role of the RAF Cadets. Their Standard was presented and members of the force read the Epistle, led the Intercessions and assisted the Churchwardens with receiving the collection. The organist for the Service was Mrs Margaret Gray. At the end of the Service all were invited to join the RAF Cadets outside at the Cross of Sacrifice for the laying of a floral tribute to the Fallen with prayer led by the Rector.

Mothers' Union

The meeting held on 23rd January was an informal Auction Evening with opening devotions and business items led by Dr Margaret Knox.

Joint Parishes Senior Citizens' dinner

After a lot of work by Dr Margaret and her team this event unfortunately had to be cancelled as that was the day the snow decided to arrive in Fermanagh. As readers will see in our diary section, this has been rearranged for Tuesday 26th March. Our thanks to Mr Norman Coalter of Saddlers for being so helpful and flexible in all these arrangements. Our thanks also to the Bowling Club for also being so understanding and supportive even though they will have missed two evenings of bowling.

Faith and Friendship

The group met on Tuesday 12th February in Mahon's Hotel for the regular informal sharing of thoughts and experiences arising from a Scripture passage. The passage this month was Matthew 16:13-20 and the initial notes for reflection were taken from the book written by the Revd Ruth Patterson, founder of the Faith and Friendship movement. In her notes, Ruth pointed out that in this Scripture passage when Jesus declared that the Gates of Hell would not prevail he and the disciples were in reality not far from a locality known as the Gates of Hell, an ancient place of human sacrifice. Pointing out such a place perhaps across the valley would have made his



The BB lunch was well attended.

words all the more powerful. The Faith and Friendship meeting is open to anyone of any Church in the community.

Boys' Brigade

At the Morning Service in Derryvullen North there were special presentations about the work of Boys' Brigade and the Multiple Sclerosis Society by Mr Joe Graham (BB Captain) and Mrs Siobhan Allister (MS Society Fermanagh Branch). The following Sunday about 140 people shared in a lunch served by the Officers and Boys of the BB – this was to raise funds for both BB and MS. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported this and a total of £1325 was raised. A special word of thanks goes to Tullana on the Green, Lisnarick who sponsored the soup, with main sponsor Severfield, Ballinamallard. We are also grateful to Drumharvey Filling Station, Castle Archdale Vivo Lisnarick, Molly's, Asda, Tesco and Supervalu for their support and everyone who came along for the soup or who gave donations. The proceeds will be split between Multiple Sclerosis and BB funds. The Captain thanks everyone especially Officers and Boys who made this event a huge success. The success was not only financial but many of those who attended mentioned how enjoyable it was to have the time chatting to one another over good food. Many also remarked how well the Boys of the BB worked to serve the meal and help clear up. Well done!

Tuesday Club

The group met on 12th February and enjoyed a quiz prepared and led by Dr Margaret. The meeting was rounded off with refreshments.

Irvinestown Orange Community Group

Irvinestown Orange Community Group are proud to host Rathfriland Young Farmers' Club 3-Act play in an effort to fundraise for the renovations of the Orange Hall.

Their play will be on Saturday 9th March in Derryvullen North Church of Ireland Hall Irvinestown. Everyone welcome. Tickets available from Joe Graham 07784587920, Robert Gibson 07766514170, Anna Moffit 07759838131. Rathfriland YFC are delighted to announce the return of their 3- Act Play. This year the club are excited to perform another play by Sam Cree, titled Family Fever. The action of the play takes place in the living room of Gailbraith family before and after Christmas and on New Year's Eve. Just two days before Christmas the Gailbraith family find themselves in chaos when the married daughter is rushed into hospital for the "happy event". Doors open at 7.30pm curtain up at 8pm. Tickets cost £7.50 Adult. Children pay at the door.

Thanks from The Pantry

Val from The Pantry, Lisnaskea wrote to ask that her thanks be passed on to parishioners and Sunday School children from Castle Archdale and Derryvullen North for their generous gifts for the food bank back in December. These were greatly appreciated and contributed greatly to helping people from our Fermanagh community.

Bowling Club

This season there have been seven matches played – x3 wins, 3x losses and x1 draw. The most recent matches have been: Home to Aghavea on 18th January (win), Away to Aghavea 21st January (lost). On the basis of these results the members hope to have retained their position in the league. Until the end of the 2018-2019 season the Club hopes to arrange friendlies with local clubs as well as conclude their own club members competitions.

Holy Baptism

■ Jay William Johnston, 20th January, Derryvullen North
■ Eliyanah Elizabeth Bleakley, 10th February, Castle Archdale

Derryvullen South and Garvary



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Services

3rd March, The Sunday before Lent

10.30 am – Garvary Parish Church - A
Celebration of Holy Communion

12.00 noon – Derryvullen South Parish

Church - A Celebration of Holy Communion

10th March, The First Sunday in Lent

10.30 am – Derryvullen South Parish Church

- Morning Prayer

12.00 noon – Garvary Parish Church -

Morning Prayer

17th March, St. Patrick's Day The Second

Sunday in Lent

10.30 am – Garvary Parish Church Morning
Prayer

12.00 noon – Derryvullen Parish Church - A

Celebration of Holy Communion

24th March, The Third Sunday in Lent

10.30 am Derryvullen Parish Church –

Morning Prayer

12.00 noon Garvary Parish Church –

Morning Prayer

31st March, The Fourth Sunday in Lent

(Mothering Sunday)

10.30 am Garvary Parish Church – Family
Service

12.00 am Derryvullen Parish Church -

Family Service



Mrs. Christine Wilson receiving her 50yr
membership certificate of Garvary Mothers'
Union from Rev. Betty Thompson.



The evening of Scottish Ceilidh
Dancing was enjoyed by many in
February.

Lenten Services

6th March

8.00 pm – Ash Wednesday

– Derryvullen South Parish

Church

13th March

8.00 pm – Garvary Parish

Church

20th March

8.00 pm - Derryvullen South Parish Church

at 8.00 pm

27th March

8.00 pm – Garvary Parish Church



Mothers' Union

On Monday 21st January members attended the opening service which was a Celebration of Holy Communion in Derryvullen South Parish Church. Due to weather conditions the A.G.M. which was to take place after the opening service was postponed until 18th February. Members were asked to attend the World Day of Prayer on Friday 1st March in Tempo Parish Church. Members are also asked to attend the midweek Lenten service on 13th March in Garvary Parish Church. After the service a short business meeting will take place followed by supper. On Monday, 18th March, the monthly meeting of Mothers Union will be held in Derryvullen South Parish Church Hall and this will be a craft evening.

Garvary Parish Church Sunday School

They are holding an evening of board games on Friday 22nd March at 7.30. This will be an evening of fun and fellowship, for the young and the not so young. Proceeds to the Sunday School.

Cash for Clobber

The clothes collection will take place on Tuesday, 26th March from Garvary Parish

Church Hall. Our thanks to Hilda Lucy for organising this and for overseeing and facilitating the storage of the clothes until they are collected. The proceeds will go to church funds so please support this if you can.

Scottish Ceilidh Dance

This was held on Friday 15th February in Derryvullen South Parish Hall. It was an evening of fun and fellowship and everyone enjoyed the live music by Malcolm and George and the dances were called by Rita Cooper. A delicious supper was served after which the members of the Scottish Dancing group gave a demonstration of Scottish dancing. Thanks to Rosemary and Nicholas Watts for organising this event and thanks to those who prepared and served the supper. The proceeds from this event will go towards church funds. The Scottish Dancing group meet on Tuesday night in Derryvullen Parish Hall and everyone is welcome to come and join in the fun.

Bereavements

We remember with prayerful support and deepest sympathy Lee and Elizabeth Johnston on the death of a much-loved father, father-in-law and grandfather.

Prayers

Please remember in your daily prayers those in both parishes who have been ill, those recovering at home and those awaiting results or having treatment.

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Sunday 3rd March

10.00am. Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church

11.30am. Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm. Evening Service Devenish Parish Church

Wednesday 6th March

8.00pm Ash Wednesday Service, Boho Parish Church

Sunday 10th March

10.00am. Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am. Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm. Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 17th March

10.00am. St Patrick Day, (HC) Boho Parish Church

11.30am. St Patrick Day (HC), Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm. Evening Service, Devenish Parish church

Sunday 24th March

10.00am. Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am. Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm. Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

Sunday 31st March

10.00am Mothering Sunday/Family Service, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Mothering Sunday/Family Service, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm No Evening Service

Lenten Services

Lenten Services will continue each Wednesday night at 8.00pm, alternating between Devenish and Boho churches.

Mothers' Union

On Tuesday 15th January we were delighted to welcome one of our own members, Norma Ferguson, to speak at our meeting. Norma thanked everyone for the opportunity to speak on the topic of 'New Year New You' and her role as NI Chest Heart & Stroke Co-ordinator in the Western Trust area, which is to help spread awareness of chest heart and stroke conditions. Using a powerpoint presentation Norma spoke on the Well NI Programme, which is designed to encourage each individual to live and maintain a healthy lifestyle. She gave a detailed account of the factors each of us can control to increase our chances of being healthy and avoiding heart disease or a stroke. Everyone agreed that Norma had certainly highlighted the fact that so often the choices we make every day can cause ill health now or in later life but these can be reduced with some lifestyle changes to diet, exercise, etc. Florence thanked Norma for her attendance.

On Tuesday 19th March we are having a bring and buy sale followed by a short



John and Ivy McClure cutting their 60th wedding anniversary cake.

meeting. This is our branch fundraising event so please bring along items for the stall. Anyone who wishes to support this event will be most welcome.

World Day of Prayer will be held in Devenish Parish Church on Friday 1st March at 8 p.m.

Table Quiz

A very successful table quiz was held in the Reade hall on Saturday 26th January. We wish to extend our thanks to the Quizmaster Danny Redmond, to Norma Ferguson and her helpers for organizing it and everyone who attended and supported the event.

Welcome

We wish to welcome Peter and Vicky Eames and their children Aria and Brayden to the Parish.

Congratulations

To John and Ivy McClure on the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary To Peter and Vicky Eames on the birth of their son Brayden.

Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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Why is it called Lent?

Lent is an old English word meaning 'lengthen'. Lent is observed in Spring, when the days begin to get longer. Lent, then, is generally observed as a time for Christians to reflect, repent, and pray as a way of preparing their hearts for Easter. Some Christians choose to give up a habit or behaviour during Lent as an exercise in prayerful self-denial. This might range from something as simple as not drinking sugary drinks during Lent to a full-blown programme of fasting. Some Christians commit to a special devotional activity during Lent for example, daily Scripture reading, regular prayer for a specific person or topic throughout Lent, or volunteer work in their community. They choose to take up a habit or behaviour. The choice to observe Lent is a personal one, the whole point is to focus

your heart and mind on Jesus during the journey to Easter.

Why 40 days?

40 is a significant number in Jewish-Christian scripture: In Genesis, the flood which destroyed the earth was brought about by 40 days and nights of rain. The Hebrews spent 40 years in the wilderness before reaching the land promised to them by God. Moses fasted for 40 days before receiving the 10 commandments on Mount Sinai. Jesus spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness in preparation for his ministry. Most Christians regard Jesus' time in the wilderness as the key event for the duration of Lent.

The colour purple

Purple is the symbolic colour used in some churches throughout Lent, for drapes and frontals. Purple is used for two reasons: firstly because it is associated with mourning

and so anticipates the pain and suffering of the crucifixion, and secondly because purple is the colour associated with royalty, and celebrates Christ's resurrection and sovereignty. Whatever, we seek to do this Lent may we journey again with Christ in preparation for Easter day.

Services in March 2019

Sunday 3rd March 2019 - The Sunday before Lent

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

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

Wednesday 6th March - Ash Wednesday

8pm : Donagh Parish Church: A Reflective Group Service

Sunday 10th March 2019 - The First Sunday in Lent

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh: A Celebration of Holy Communion

Sunday 17th March 2019 - The Second Sunday in Lent (Saint Patrick's Day)

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Tyholland Parish Church: Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th March 2019 - The Second Sunday in Lent

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

Sunday 31st March 2019 - The Third Sunday in Lent (Mothering Sunday)

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: A Group Service (Family Service)

A Tribute to the Late Joseph (Joe) and Louise (Louie) Waller

An excerpt from the funeral address given by Rev. Lorraine Capper for the late Mr and Mrs Joe Waller.

In both sudden death and anticipated death, there is pain. The sudden shock of losing someone we love without warning so stuns us - but today we have lost two lovely people. This whole community is in grief. We are in shock and numbed by the sudden tragic deaths of Joe and Louie Waller. When I heard the news I simply did not want believe what I was hearing. Loss of a parent people often say is like losing part of yourself. How much harder when you lose both parents in one terrible tragedy. David and Marina we are heart-broken for you. Joe's brother's Robert, Russell and Leslie his sisters Helen, Violet, Ivy and Maggie and to Louie's brothers Cecil and Norman we express our deep sympathy to you all at this time of great loss. To Joe and Louie's much loved and precious grandchildren: Stewart, Matthew,



Joe and Louie Waller, who have been mourned by the parish of St. Salvator's.

Mark, Daniel and Luke we know you will miss Granda and Granny very much. I offer you the wise words of little Daniel: he said, "God's house has now got two more very special people, our Grandad and Granny. All is going to be OK, God will look after them now." What profound words from a little boy. We know that a day like today is one of the most difficult that this family has to face. God has given us all a very special gift, the gift of this earthly life. Often it is a gift that we do not appreciate, it can become something that we just take for granted. Today, we cannot change the reality, and we can only thank God for the years and for all that was good about both Joe's and Louie's life and for the many good times we have had the privilege of sharing with them. For the impact they have had on our lives. We can see from the extremely large gathering here today the high-esteem Joe and Louie held within this community of Glaslough. People have travelled here today from north, south, east and west.

Louie was a woman who touched many lives and enriched them. Louie always welcomed you to her family home. She was a great home-maker and always offered you great hospitality. She was a great baker. People for miles around know of Louie's famous chicken sandwiches. She loved gardening and she kept her garden to a very high standard. One day Joe trimmed her shrubs in preparation for autumn, however, when Joe disappeared off-side Louie was out with the shearers trimming off the bits that Joe had missed. Louie has had a great variety of

jobs from working with textiles and making outfits to hairdressing and even working as a conductor on the buses. She is a woman whose presence will be sorely missed. Joe was a cheerful-chatty chap. He had been a lorry-driver. But he loved the farm. Both Joe and Louie liked to keep up with the latest technology - they attended classes to learn more about iPads and mobile phones. Joe had a keen interest in photography and he took many photographs for Clogher Diocesan Magazine. He was a long-serving member of the vestry here in St. Salvator's. He was a man who did many jobs behind the scenes. You always knew if Joe was given a job he would get it done. When I think of Joe and Louie many words come to mind. They were caring, thoughtful, welcoming, helpful but to sum them up in one word I would say that they were 'devoted'. First of all, they were totally devoted to each other. It was on 31st March 1964 that they got married in this church almost 55 years ago. They had their reception in the Westerna in Monaghan and honeymooned in Jersey and the surrounding islands. It was rare not to see them both together- when you saw Joe you saw Louie close by his side. They did everything together. They had their routine for the week and every day Joe would take Louie for a wee trip to Lidl. The profits in Lidl will go down now. Secondly, both Joe and Louie were devoted to their family. First, to their son, David and their daughter-in-law Marina. Louie noted that they never had to beat David but had

to shout at him many times to bring him into line. They viewed Marina as the daughter they never had. Their grandchildren, all of them were their pride and joy. Joe and Louie would forget their age, running up the steep slope at the side of their home to play football with the boys. Although they would tell you that they did not spoil them, we all know that they did.

Thirdly, both Joe and Louie were devoted to this church. They were always willing to help out with anything that needed doing. Both were committed and devoted members of both the Church Choir and Donagh Community Choir. I am delighted that so many of the community choir have joined us today - it reflects the high-esteem that Joe and Louie were held in by the choir. They both loved the "Winter's Tale" that we have at Christmas. Joe was a willing helper and would even help to assemble a stage for the ever - growing choir to stand on. Louie was a member of the Mothers' Union and again she would faithfully attend the monthly meetings. They rarely missed church and indeed they did not like to miss church. They would arrive here in good time so Joe could ring the bell. They are a great loss to the church-family. Lastly, but by no means least - their devotion to God. When Louie was unwell in recent days her faith shone through. She refused to be negative about her circumstances and said that God would help her and indeed God was with her. Joe also acknowledged that it was with God's help and his faith in Him that allowed him to cope with life. In our reading from John's gospel chapter 20, one of Louie's favourite Scripture passages, we see that the disciples were engulfed by gloom. They had left everything to follow Jesus, pinning all of their hopes on Him as the Messiah. But now, He was dead. On top of the shock of watching Jesus' horrible death on the cross, Peter was wrestling with his own failure in denying the Lord. All of the disciples were guilty of abandoning Him and fleeing in fear. We also see grief and despair in the tears of Mary Magdalene. Just as Joe and Louie were devoted we see that Mary was devoted.

The devotion of Mary: "Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" (John 20:1-2) While the disciples were sleeping, Mary was not only awake but working. It was still dark when she went to the tomb. After the disciples had found the tomb empty and went home, it was Mary who stayed behind.

She was the first and the last at the tomb of Jesus. That's devotion. She stood by Jesus through the most difficult of times and her devotion persisted even in his death. Remember that when Mary went to the tomb, she did not expect to meet Jesus. She expected to find a dead body that needed to be prepared for burial. Mary acted out of devotion.

In her devotion we also see an emotional Mary. Today, like Mary, if we will seek the crucified, risen, and ascended Saviour, He turns our sorrows into hope. We are faced with death today but thanks be to God that death is not the end of our story. Christ is risen from the dead and that gives us hope today that we who believe in Jesus-death is not our end. The news of Jesus' resurrection brought hope to people who were overwhelmed by despair and grief let His resurrection bring you hope today. We express our sympathy to all who have been recently bereaved and to those who remember the anniversary of a lost loved one. We remember especially the families of those young boys killed also in a tragic car-accident in Donegal. We also send our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fielding on the death of Rev. John Fielding, Maurice's brother.

A Tribute To Joe and Louie Waller from Mrs. Ethne MCCord, Musical Director of Donagh Church Choir and Donagh Community Choir.

Joe and Louie were dedicated members of both our Parish and Community choirs. I shall never forget their kindness and support to me personally. I called Joe "my roadie" – he was always there before services to help me carry my electric piano into church for special occasions. When the service ended he was first up to make sure that everything was

safely packed away and the piano carried out to the car. At practices they were there to help me lock up and see me safely out of the church and grounds. They often helped me by reminding me "what should we wear?" or "what colour of ties should the men wear?" They were up for every occasion and I'm so glad that they derived so much pleasure from our outings. I am thankful for the great times we had together whether it was back in Baillieborough on Joe's home turf or at the "Big Sing" in Enniskillen.

"Kind" was a word I often heard to describe both Joe and Louie and indeed I witnessed it many times. During snow or frost I often overheard Joe offer to drive the minister from Glaslough to Errigal or Tyholland. Nothing was too much trouble when it came to helping others. Christianity in action! I was overwhelmed by the response from choir members who all said they would be honoured to take part in the funeral service. Only those who were ill or had work commitments were absent and I am encouraged that we are a family who care about each other. It was very appropriate and comforting to know that Louie was laid to rest in her "Winter's Tale" dress. She reflected deeply on the words of each piece that we sang and kept certain ones in her folder to read over at home to give her strength and encouragement.

We give thanks for Joe and Louie's time with us and for their deep Christian faith which ensures that they are both now singing in "God's choir in the sky."

The Parish and Community Choir family join in extending our deepest sympathy to David, Marina, their boys and family circle.

Mothers' Union

A great time was had by one and all at the February meeting of the Mothers' Union. We





The Mothers' Union members during a visit to Busy Bee Ceramics, Glaslough.



went to visit our local pottery in Glaslough, Busy Bees Ceramics. The ladies were very busy some throwing their own pots on the potter's wheel whilst other chose to hand-paint various ceramic animals. What bespoke masterpieces were produced! Thanks to Brenda and Mary from Busy Bees Ceramics for their wonderful training, guidance and advice. At this meeting we also celebrated the birthday of Mrs. Eileen Coulter. We joined in singing 'Happy Birthday' and sharing a slice of birthday cake. We held a minute of silence for the late Louie Waller, a very faithful member of Mothers' Union. Revd. Lorraine led us in prayer giving thanks for Louie and for the impact she had had on our lives. Thanks to all the Mothers' Union members who helped serve tea at the funeral of Joe and Louie Waller. The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will take place on Wednesday 20th March in the home of Mrs. Diane Wright- Kendrick. We are having a visit from Siobhan O'Connor.

Siobhan is no stranger to us all as she sings with us in the Donagh Community Choir. We look forward to Siobhan coming and sharing her culinary skills: baking scones with a twist!

Girls' Brigade

On Friday 22nd March we are looking forward to the Girls' Brigade Display and Prize-giving Evening in Donagh Parish Church Hall at 7.30pm. The girls with their Captain Margaret Dudgeon and her committed team of leaders are working hard for this event. Please plan to come along and support this evening.

Farewell to Monsignor Joseph McGuinness

A farewell service in Tyholland Chapel is to take place for Monsignor McGuinness on Friday 8th March at 8pm, followed by supper in the Tyholland Community Hall. If you plan to attend please advise Mrs. Elizabeth Garland to facilitate catering.

Congratulations

To all who have celebrated birthdays - especially to Mrs. Eileen Coulter who celebrated a special '0' birthday. Eileen is a very committed and dedicated lady to St. Salvador's Church. She is a member of the select vestry, serving for many years as an excellent treasurer. She is a Mothers' Union member and she sings with both the Church Choir and Donagh Community Choir. As a church family we wish her many happy returns and every blessing for the years to come. Eileen, you are an inspiration to us all. To all who have set transfer tests, among them Hannah Atkinson. Well done, Hannah for the excellent and well-deserved results you achieved. Wishing you ever continuing success for your future.



Celebrating Mrs. Eileen Coulter's birthday at our Mothers' Union meeting in February.

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Sunday Services & Lenten Services (March)

Sunday 3rd March

9.00am Holy Communion 2, "Listen to him" (Luke 9:28 – 36)

11.00am Family Service, "Esther" (Esther 4:9 – 17)

Wednesday 6th March

8.00pm Ash Wednesday, Holy Communion 2,
"Signpost 1 – Turning water into wine" (John 2:1 – 11)

Sunday 10th March

11.00am Confirmation Service, Rt Rev John McDowell

Wednesday 13th March

8.00pm Wednesday, "Signpost 2 –
"Healing of the Official's Son" (John 4:43 – 54)

Sunday 17th March

11.00am Holy Communion 2, "...ripe for Harvest" (John 4:31 – 38)

Wednesday 20th March

8.00pm Wednesday, "Signpost 3 –
"Healing at the Pool" (John 5:1 – 15)

Sunday 24th March

11.00am Service of the Word, "Gospel's view of Jesus – Mark" (Mark 1:1, 14-15, 21-35)
7.30pm Praise & Ministry Service



Mrs Lorna Thompson and Mrs Hazel Barr at the Bead for Life evening.

Wednesday 27th March

8.00pm Wednesday, "Signpost 4 –
"Feeding the 5,000+" (John 6:1 – 15)

Sunday 31st March

11.00am Service of the Word, "Gospel's view of Jesus – Luke" (Luke 1:1-4; 2:41-52)

A Christian

Several years ago, a preacher from out-of-state accepted a call to a church in Houston, Texas. Some weeks after he arrived, he had an occasion to ride the bus from his home to the downtown area. When he sat down, he discovered that the driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change. As he considered what to do, he thought to himself, 'You'd better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it.' Then he thought, 'Oh, forget it, it's only a quarter. Who would worry about this little amount? Anyway, the bus company gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a 'gift from God' and keep quiet.' When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, and then he handed the quarter to the driver and said, 'Here, you gave me too much change.' The driver, with a smile, replied, 'Aren't you the new preacher in town?'

'Yes' he replied.

'Well, I have been thinking a lot lately about going somewhere to worship. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. I'll see you at church on Sunday.'

When the preacher stepped off the bus, he literally grabbed the nearest light pole, held on, and said, 'O God, I almost sold your Son for a quarter.'

Our lives are the only Bible some people will ever read. This is a really scary example of how much people watch us as Christians and will put us to the test! Always be on guard—and remember—You carry the name of Christ on your shoulders when you call yourself, 'Christian.'

'Greener'

Over the past few weeks we have been replacing lightbulbs with more energy efficient LED bulbs, which will not only drastically reduce our usage of electricity but will also save the parish money. With 128 lightbulbs in the chandeliers alone we have estimated a saving of at least £250 a year. A big thank you to all those involved in helping to make us a little 'greener'. Other improvements that we are making to the



The new LED lightbulbs



The safety sign in the graveyard.

PLEASE BE AWARE
of dangers in the cemetery such as uneven ground, open or sunken graves and hazards concealed by vegetation. Be mindful that all memorials have potential to harm by virtue of their size, weight and condition.



Bead for Life with Florence Creighton.

Church and Hall will be in next month's magazine.

Safety

For those going around the graveyard recently you'll have seen the new signage warning people to 'PLEASE BE AWARE' of dangers in the cemetery. We have also put together a Parish Safety Statement, thanks to Mr Gordon Deazley—our safety officer—and a copy of this statement will be included in the annual report.

Bead for Life

The Mothers' Union enjoyed an evening with Florence Creighton, on 16th January, hearing about Bead for Life—a recycled paper bead industry helping alleviate poverty in Uganda, especially amongst women. Florence was the one who introduced the bead making as part of a mission in Banda Slum, Kampala in 2002 and since then it has grown and impacted the lives of many. During the night, the women had an opportunity to make their own beads. For more information: www.beadforlife.org

Prayer Meeting

Prayer Meeting is on Wednesday evenings (before the Bible Study) @ 7.30pm, except for the 3rd Wednesday of the month and during Lent, when it's at the earlier time of 7.00pm (before the Lenten Services @ 8pm).

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

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A question that I have been asked a few times in recent months is how the date of Easter is calculated. I thought that it would be useful to share this information with you. I hope that my sources are accurate. The date of Easter is the Sunday following the paschal full moon, which is the full moon that falls on or after the spring equinox. In practice, that means that Easter is always the first Sunday after the first full moon that falls on or after March 21. Easter can occur as early as March 22 and as late as April 25, depending on when the paschal full moon occurs.

Easter falls on 21 April this year so we can see that it is almost as late as is possible. As we look forward to Lent we can be tempted to skip past this season and focus on Easter. If we do this we are making a mistake. Lent is a season that has much to offer us.

Lent is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. The Lenten season is a time when many Christians observe a period of fasting, repentance, moderation, self-denial, and spiritual discipline.

The purpose is to set aside some time for reflection on Jesus Christ – on his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial, and resurrection.

During the six weeks of self-examination and reflection, Christians who observe Lent typically make a commitment to fast, or to give up something - a habit, such as smoking, a particular food or drink, such as sweets, chocolate, or coffee.

Some Christians also take on a Lenten discipline, such as reading the Bible and spending more time in prayer to draw nearer to God.

I hope that some of the congregation will have taken up the offer to obtain a Lenten resource to study this year.

The goal of these spiritual disciplines both in self-denial and in doing something extra is to strengthen the faith of the observer and develop a closer relationship with God.

Lent begins on 6 March and we will have a service to mark Ash Wednesday and I intend to run a bible study group during Lent on the subsequent Wednesday evenings.

The course is called "from the ram to the lamb" and takes us from the sacrificial system of the Old Testament to the events that we remember in Holy Week and at Easter as Jesus paid the ultimate sacrifice for our sin.

We will have services in Holy Week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of which further details will be in next month's magazine.

As I mentioned last month as the days grow longer we will be looking forward to better weather and we might hope to get away for a week or two. While this is part of life it reminds us that we can often be guilty of spending our time looking forward rather than enjoying the moment.

As we approach Lent I would challenge you to resolve to enjoy the moment and use the season of Lent to reflect on your life and see how you can make improvements.

Then when Easter arrives we can truly appreciate all that God has done for us and what the events of Easter mean for us.

Services in March

Sunday 3 March 2019

Morning Prayer 10.00 Templecarne, 11.30 Holy Communion Tubrid

Wednesday 6 March 2019

Ash Wednesday Service 8pm venue tbc

Sunday 10 March 2019

Holy Communion 10.00 Muckross, 11.30 Morning Prayer Tubrid

Sunday 17 March 2019

Holy Communion 10.00 Templecarne, Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

Sunday 24 March 2019

Morning Prayer 10.00 Muckross, 11.30 Holy Communion Tubrid



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Aughnamullen

Burial

Our sympathy with the relatives and friends on the death of Mrs Jean Hartness (nee Kennedy). Her funeral took place in Christ Church, Aughnamullen on Monday 14th January conducted by Revd. Charles McCallum and Mr Walter Pringle.

Advance notice

We hope to have our annual Coffee Morning in mid-May, date to be confirmed along with the details.

Aghabog

Get well wishes

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have been in hospital recently and wish them a speedy recovery.

Parade service

A service to celebrate the centenary of Drumate Star of Bethlehem RBP 992 will be held in Aghabog Parish Church on Sunday 31st March 2019 at 3pm. The preacher will be Revd William Anderson, Sovereign Grand Master. Everyone welcome.

Bereavement

Sympathy is extended to all those who have been bereaved recently.

Christmas Carol Service

Our Carol Service held on Sunday 16th December at 7.30pm was very well attended. Our special thanks to the organist, and the Sunday school children for their singing, also to the teachers for their work in preparing the children. Thanks also to those who read the lessons, to Mrs Dorothy Hawthorne who sang two lovely pieces and also to those who prepared the church and those who supplied and served the Christmas refreshments.

St. Patrick's Service

This will be held in Aghabog Parish Church on Monday 18th March at 11am, followed by refreshments and games for the young people. All are welcome.

Dartrey and Rockcorry

Mothers' Union

The annual Mothers' Union dinner in the Side Street Restaurant in Cootehill was much enjoyed by a good turnout of members, husbands and friends. Lovely food and fellowship contributed to the atmosphere of the occasion. Grateful thanks to Shirley and Lottie who were responsible for all the arrangements for the evening.

Personal

Our thoughts and prayers are with all who are unwell at present. We are mindful, too, that a number of parishioners have been bereaved. We also remember them in our prayers.

Rockcorry National School

Rockcorry National School are holding a Flower Demonstration by Monaghan Flower and Garden Club on Thursday 28th March at 7.30pm in Rockcorry National School. Tickets €10. Buy a ticket to be in with a chance of winning an overnight B&B stay for two in the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen courtesy of Wright's Quarry, Swans Cross. Large raffle and auction on the night of flower displays and other prizes galore.

Rockcorry National School are now enrolling for September 2019 and are having an Open Day on Tuesday 12th March from 1 to 3pm. Distinguishing assets include :-

- Fantastic Newly Built School
- Speech and Language Therapist
- After School club for infants
- Health Promoting and Green School
- Large indoor and outdoor play area
- S.T.E.M. Education and Aistear
- Swimming lessons for all classes.

Visit our informative website for more information on our wonderful school. www.rockcorrynsscoilnet.ie Telephone 0429742554 email rockcorryns@gmail.com H18FD93

Drum

Mothers' Union

The annual MU dinner took place on 24th January in the Side Street cafe in Cootehill. Thank you to Catriona and staff for the lovely meal, and to the men and women who attended. Also special thanks to Sandy, Davy, Megan and Anita for providing the music. And to Walter Pringle too.

The next meeting will be in Aghabog on Thursday 21st March at 8pm. Mr Abraham Storey will be the speaker about his recent trip to The Holy Land. This is a visitors' night so all welcome.

The closing service will be held in Drum Church on April 11th at 8pm. All members are asked to bring their donation for overseas on the night in preparation for the Area Service which will be held in Clontibret Church on Friday 3rd May.

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Services

Sunday 3rd March – The Sunday before Lent

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

Ash Wednesday 6th March

7.30pm – Penitential Service with Holy Communion

Thursday 7th March

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 10th March – The First Sunday in Lent

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

Wednesday 13th March

7.30pm – 8.00pm – Compline

Thursday 14th March

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 17th March – The Second Sunday in Lent

(St Patrick's Day)

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

Wednesday 20th March

7.30pm – 8.00pm – Compline
Thursday 21st March

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 24th March – The Third Sunday in Lent

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

Wednesday 27th March

7.30pm – 8.00pm – Compline
Thursday 28th March

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 31st March – The Fourth Sunday in Lent

(Mothering Sunday and 100 Years of the RAF)

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

Holy Baptism

10th February - Amelia Grace Coalter
James Alexander Elliott
James Thomas Sturdee

Christian Marriage

9th February - Rosemary Jane Taylor
and Stuart Andrew Forrest.

Christian Burial

- 27th January - William Robert Moore, 3 Sunnyside Court, Enniskillen.
- 29th January - June Diane Andrew, (Cremation) St Macartans Care Home, Clogher formerly of Kingston Upon Hull.
- 29th January - Gordon Herbert Armstrong, (Cremation) Knockmoyle Nursing Home, Omagh, formerly of Derrychara Drive, Enniskillen.
- 3rd February - David Henry (Harry) Weir, The Graan Abbey Nursing Home, late of Drumlin Heights, Enniskillen.
- 5th February - Christina Elizabeth Lynch (nee Downey), 6 Benmore Park, Hillview, Enniskillen.
- 8th February - Gordon Robert Mahood, 41 Wesleydale, Ballyclare formerly of Enniskillen.

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Each year, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is always 46 days before Easter Sunday. Lent is a 40 - day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and ultimately celebration. The 40 day period represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness, where he fasted and where Satan tempted him. Lent asks believers to set aside a time each year for similar fasting, marking an



Karl Saunders.

intentional season of focus on Christ's life, ministry, sacrifice, and resurrection. Ash Wednesday starts Lent by focusing the Christian's heart on repentance and prayer, usually through personal and communal confession. The extra mid-week services during Lent and afford us all an opportunity to come together for worship and reflection. Don't let these opportunities pass you by and slip away unnoticed and make no impact on you

and your journey of faith.

CMSI and Lenten Project

St Macartin's Cathedral - Sunday 3rd March at 11.00am

Guest Preacher - Diocesan Reader: Karl Saunders

Karl is well known to us in St Macartin's having been a Select Vestry Member for many years and through his work with Sunday School. This is the launch of the Sunday School CMSI Lenten Project which focuses on the work of the Church in Nepal as it cares for those on the margins of society.

Collection boxes will be available in the Cathedral porch.

Mrs Alexander Exhibition

St Macartin's Cathedral

Saturday 9th March from 11.00am – 4.00am

Sunday 10th March from 2.00pm – 8.00pm

Morning Service at 11.00am and Evening Service 7.00pm

Featuring Mrs Alexander's famous hymns - Once in Royal David's City,

There is a Green Hill Far Away, All Things Bright and Beautiful

Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander, hymn writer and poet was wife of William Alexander who was Bishop of Derry and who became Archbishop of Armagh.



Dean Hall with Eva Baxter, narrator of the Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander Exhibition.



The Iona Room.

The Iona Room (Prayer Room in Cathedral Hall)

When we decided to renovate and extend our Cathedral Halls we realised it would become a busy centre of many activities in the centre of Enniskillen and in the midst of busyness sometimes we need a place of peace and quietness to withdraw to! Where better than to that of a prayer room?

What is a Prayer Room?

A prayer room is a quiet location set aside in a busy public place (hospital, university, airport, etc.) where people can pause and spend time in quietness or prayer.

Why a prayer room?

A Prayer Room is an opportunity to draw aside, take time out and meet with God. It is a dedicated space where people can go to pray and spend time with God. Even Jesus withdrew to pray (Mt 14:13; Lk 5:12-16; Jn 6:14-16), not at the expense of serving the Father but in order to be more effective in that. The key is not about the physical space but about making space for relationship with God who from the beginning of time longs to be with His people and connect with them. We know that God is everywhere and we can meet with God anywhere and everywhere, but a Prayer Room with time and place set aside can be an important part of growing in relationship with God. It's a great addition to our Cathedral Hall and very helpful to be a place with no distractions! Why is it called the 'Iona Room'?

Iona is an Irish name. St. Colmcille founded his monastery on Iona, the island between Ireland and Scotland in 563 AD and thus the name is associated with "blessed." The island is famous for quiet spiritual retreats. Why not make use of such a facility? The room is beautifully furnished and was



greatly enhanced by the very kind gift of a beautiful 'window featured mirror' (erected above the altar) by Ivan and Avril Kee. The room also has a bookcase that contains a library of books. These books were kindly gifted by Miss Marie McCordick, a former Diocesan Lay Reader for reading in the Iona Room or they can be borrowed and returned. So read, pray, meditate or just be silent!

Mark 6:30-34 - The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.'

Matthew 6:9-13 - 'Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one.'

Philippians 4:6 - Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and

supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

1 John 5:14 - And this is the boldness we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

There is a monthly Healing Service held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 1.05pm.

Messy Church

Messy Church meets again on Thursday 21st March, from 4.00-6.00 pm in the Cathedral Hall.

Last month we had visitors from Bolivia, Louis and Maribel, and they told us about what it's like to be a child in their country. Come along this month for more fun, songs, crafts and games! Remember – every child with an adult, and every adult with a child.

Confirmation

Last month, we had a table quiz to revise what we have learnt so far about baptism and confirmation, our church, the Prayer Book and special times and seasons. Team Katrick were the winners, with 'Kenny's Dean Team' in second place. Well done to everyone for doing well!

Classes continue on Monday 4th and Mon 11th March.

We take a break on Mon 18th for the St Patrick's weekend, and Xplore is on Monday 25th.

Xplore

We meet on Monday 25th March from 7.00-9.00 pm.

Check the Instagram group for more details.

Pilgrim

Our adult formation group continues on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Dates until Easter are: Tue 5th March, Tue 19th March and Tue 2nd April.

We don't meet during Holy Week, but participants are encouraged to attend Holy Week services instead.

Bowling Club

St Macartin's Annual Mixed Pairs Tournament will take place on Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th March with the Final on Thursday 21st March in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall at 8.00 pm sharp.

Entries to Maud Shaw - 02866322133 or Mobile 07720081175.

Mothers' Union

On 11th February the meeting in the Hilliard Room was opened by the Dean with a reading and prayers. The speaker was the Revd Paul Thompson from Derryvullen North & Castle Archdale Parish, who gave an interesting talk on his 18 years as prison Chaplain in various prisons in England

and Wales. Revd Thompson is a native of Armagh. He joined the prison service as a Chaplain after he was ordained and described the service as challenging but also rewarding. His pastoral work included the prison staff and their families as well as inmates. The service is multi-cultural and all faiths have to be catered for. Usually a representative from a different faith leads each service. Many of the prison officers come from a military or navy background. Generally they don't stay in the service for long, so the staff are constantly changing due to high levels of stress and intimidation from the prisoners inside, and families outside. Smuggling in illegal substances and mobile phones is an everyday occurrence and staff have to be on high alert at all times. Revd Thompson answered a number of questions and told some amusing

and disturbing stories about some of the characters he encountered during his time as Chaplain.

Catering arrangements were made for the meeting to be held in the Cathedral Hall on Thursday 28th February to explore the MU theme for 2019 - Listen, Observe and Act in step with God. After supper the meeting closed with the Mothers' Union prayer. The next meeting is on Monday March 11th with Delightful Desserts.

Tuesday Club

There was no Tuesday Club meeting in January due to snow. The 26th February meeting is a talk on 'Living with Dementia.' Then on 26th March there will be a talk on 'Mental Health and Wellbeing with speaker Davina Coalter at 2.00pm in the Hilliard Room.

St Macartin's Cathedral Choir Variety Concert

Cathedral Choir Capers! in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall on Friday 29th March 2019 @7.30pm. Subscription £10.00. Proceeds for Cathedral Fabric Fund.

Don't miss what promises to be an evening of great entertainment – anyone who was at the Senior Citizen's Dinner can vouch for that – a parish fun night! Tickets on sale in the Cathedral Office and from Churchwardens and Select Vestry Members.

Prayer

Gracious God, may our vision be clear, our commitment strong and our faith constant, and so may your light shine through us, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Fivemiletown (including Kiltermon)



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Mothers' Union

The February meeting took place in St John's Hall, Fivemiletown. Following risk assessment, Arlene Wright welcomed 32 members, visitors and our guest speaker, Julie Corbett. Prayers were led by Arlene and bible reading by Vera Stronge. The meeting was then handed over to

Julie. She spent two weeks last summer in Uganda with Wakissa ministries, working with children and young people; she hopes to return this summer accompanied by her mother, Muriel Henry. She spoke of how many young people facing life changing circumstances were looked after by Wakissa ministries.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Susan Farrell.

Following supper a business meeting took place.

Arrangements were made to attend:

- Cavanaleck Presbyterian women visitor night.

- Mothers' Union quiet day in Cleenish parish.

- Exploring mother's union theme at Colebrooke Hall
- Woman's World Day of Prayer will take place on 1 March at Fivemiletown Methodist Church.

A discussion took place regarding a gift for the church to mark the 90th Anniversary of our branch in November.

The meeting closed with the grace

A committee meeting was arranged

for Wednesday, 6 March, after the Ash Wednesday service.



Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully



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Service Times

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

Sunday School Times

Drummully: 9:00-10:00am in Drummully Church
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).

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 6th March 2019 at 7.00pm.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Women's World Day of Prayer will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Newtownbutler on Friday, March at 8.00pm. All welcome

Group Service

There will be a Group Service in Galloon Parish Church on Sunday, 10th March at 11.00am.



Bowling Club members enjoy a celebratory meal.

Mothering Sunday

There will be a Group Service in Sallaghy Parish Church on Sunday, 31st March at 11.00am for Mothering Sunday.

Galloon

Galloon Parish Auctions

The next Parish Auction is on Saturday 27th April 2019 at 12.00 noon. Doors open at 11.00am. As usual we need help leading up to the auction as well as on the day itself. Help is also needed in the kitchen to keep the tea flowing. For any information regarding the auction, to offer help or request items collected contact William Little 02867738676 or Richard Bell 02867738295.

Mothers' Union

The March Mother's Union meeting will be our annual family outing to Irvinestown for 10-Pin Bowling and Supper. All welcome to join us for a fun and fellowship evening!

Burial Register

The funeral service for Harry Leary was held on Wednesday 6th February in Clogh Church conducted by Captain David Hamilton. The address was given by Mr Walter Pringle, Diocesan Reader and soloist was Reverend W Nixon. Our sympathy is extended to Harry's wife Pearl, children Jonathan (Paula), Janice, Neville (Sarah), Joanne and grand-daughter Olivia.

Sallaghy

Dance

The next Parish Dance will be held on Friday 22nd March with music provided by Robert Brown with dancing from 10.00pm – 1.00am. The cost will be £5 including supper and all proceeds are in aid of Church Funds. Everyone will be made most welcome.

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union members are encouraged to attend the Quiet Day hosted by Cleenish



Mrs Helen Allen and
Desmond Kettyle.

Parish on Saturday 9th March.

The Branch meeting will be held on Thursday 14th March when Rebekah Clingan will talk about her year spent in Dilworth School, Auckland, New Zealand.

Retirement

Mrs Helen Allen who has retired as secretary of Sallaghy Bowling Club was the special guest at a supper held after the annual round robin competition in Sallaghy Hall on Tuesday 22nd January. Helen was commended for her many years of hard work and dedication as secretary to the club from its inception in the early 1970s by the incoming secretary, Howard Crawford who said he had a hard act to follow. Helen is pictured being presented with a token of appreciation from the club members by Desmond Kettle, a fellow founder member of the bowling club.

Bowling Competition

The Bowling Club held their annual round robin competition in the Church Hall on Tuesday 22nd January with a full turnout of members. Winner on the night was Howard Crawford with Mrs Vera Fiddis as runner up.



Howard Crawford with Valerie Fiddis.

Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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Services

Sunday 3rd March

Garrison 10am HC
Slavin 11.30am HC

Wednesday 6th March

Ash Wednesday Service in Garrison Parish Church at 8pm

Sunday 10th March

Kiltyclogher 10am HC
Belleek 11.30am HC

Sunday 17th March

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

Sunday 24th March

Kiltyclogher 10am MP
Belleek 11.30am MP

Sunday 31st March

Group Service Belleek 11.30am MP



Garrison Parish Church.

Mothering Sunday

Sunday 7th April

Garrison 10am HC
Slavin 11.30am HC

Bible Study

Bible Study begins on Wednesday 13th March and continues during Lent every Wednesday evening from 7.30pm -8.30pm, ending with a cup of tea. Everyone welcome, men and women.

Mothers' Union

The January meeting was an opening service and was held in Garrison Church on Wednesday 20th. The service was led by the branch leader Dot Barlow, and Holy Communion administered by the Rector. A meeting and supper followed in the church hall.

The March meeting will be held in Garrison Church Hall on Tuesday 19th March



John and Ivy McClure celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

February (Note changed from Wednesday) at 8pm. Everyone welcome to hear Revd Paul Thompson, Rector of Derryvullen North speak to us.

Prayers

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

Anniversary Celebration

Mr John and Mrs Ivy McClure (nee Kerr) were joined by their family at Garrison Parish Church on Sunday 3rd February to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. Garrison Church was the setting for their wedding some 60 years ago on 2nd February 1959. Revd Ngozi welcomed John and Ivy and the McClure extended family to celebrate a service of Holy Communion. Special Hymns were sung which were chosen by the couple and prayers for their good health and many more happy years of



marriage and good health. Also included in the service were readings with the theme of "Love"

Holy Baptism

Jessica Ann McCordick, baby daughter of Daniel and Megan was baptised in Garrison Church by the Rector on Sunday 20th January 2019. We were delighted to welcome family and friends to this special occasion.

Congratulations

Best wishes to the parents of two more little baby girls born in the Parishes. Congratulations to Evan and Ciara McCordick and Stanley and Jayne Allingham on their new arrivals.



Mrs Edith Kirkpatrick who celebrated her birthday in February.



Baby Jessica McCordick at her Baptism with her parents, Rector and family.



Revd. Ngozi and her friend Evelien Ebbers from The Netherlands, who came to Fermanagh to celebrate her 50th birthday.

Inishmacsaint



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Parish register

Baptism

27th January, 2019 Jacob Alan Ferguson, the son of Alan and Julie Ferguson. At our family service on 27th January we had the christening of Jacob Alan Ferguson, son of Julie and Alan. It was lovely to see the Ferguson and Graham families. The Sunday School children also took part and we are delighted to welcome Jacob into



the household of faith and the parish of Inishmacsaint.

5k Fun Run and Walk

This was a great success and everyone who took part in it, thoroughly enjoyed it. All involved in it need to be congratulated. We would all like to thank Leeann Muldoon,

Mary Rutledge and Laura Rogers who made the day such a success. To date we have raised £1270.00. Well done everybody.

Date for your diary

On 11th April there will be a Big Sing Along in Inishmacsaint Parish Church organised by Mrs Gillian Rutherford. All proceeds go



Inishmacsaint

BIG SING

Hymns old and new led by the church choir



Friday, 12th April at 7.30pm in
Inishmacsaint Parish Church

Collection in aid of parish funds

towards church funds. Everybody welcome.

Lenten services

These will begin on Ash Wednesday, 6th March and each Wednesday there will be a service of Holy Communion at 10.30 and an evening service at 8pm.

Farewell to our Rector

It is with regret we say farewell to our rector who is leaving at the end of April. Chancellor Skuce has been appointed to Dunfanaghy Group of Parishes and the date of institution is Friday 3rd May at 8 pm in Holy Trinity Church, Dunfanaghy. We as a parish congratulate him and wish him well in his new venture.

Mothers' Union

We were pleased to welcome Mrs Hope Fawcett to our January meeting when she spoke about her voluntary work with Women's Aid. Many of our members were unaware of the work of this charity and its impact on the local community.



In February our members were involved with providing food for our Parish 5k Fun Run. They helped serve the food at this Parish fundraiser. On 1st March we look forward to joining our

neighbours in Devenish and Boho for the World Day of Prayer. We also look forward to Mrs Noreen Little, Outreach Co-ordinator, coming to speak to us at our March Branch Meeting.

Kilskeery and Trillick

Pastoral cover and services will be conducted by **Abraham Storey**

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Sunday Services

Trillick – 10.30 a.m
Kilskeery – 11.45 a.m

Mothers' Union

The opening Service of Holy Communion was held on Monday 21st January in Trillick Parish Church. The Celebrant was Canon Mark Watson. In spite of poor weather conditions there was a good turnout of members and we were pleased to welcome one new member.

Trillick Girls' Brigade

The Enrolment Service for girls and leaders took place on Sunday 2 December in Trillick Parish Church. Thank you to Mr Abraham Storey for conducting the service. We would like to thank all parishioners, friends and family who donated shoe boxes to our annual Samaritan's Purse Shoebox appeal. Special thanks to Jill Funston who co-ordinated the collection for us.

The girls made up Christmas gifts for the housebound in our parishes and we are very thankful to Canon Johnston who delivered these gifts for us before Christmas.

The Girls' Brigade are now looking forward to their annual meal and display on Saturday 30th March in Kilskeery Hall. Further details will be announced later.

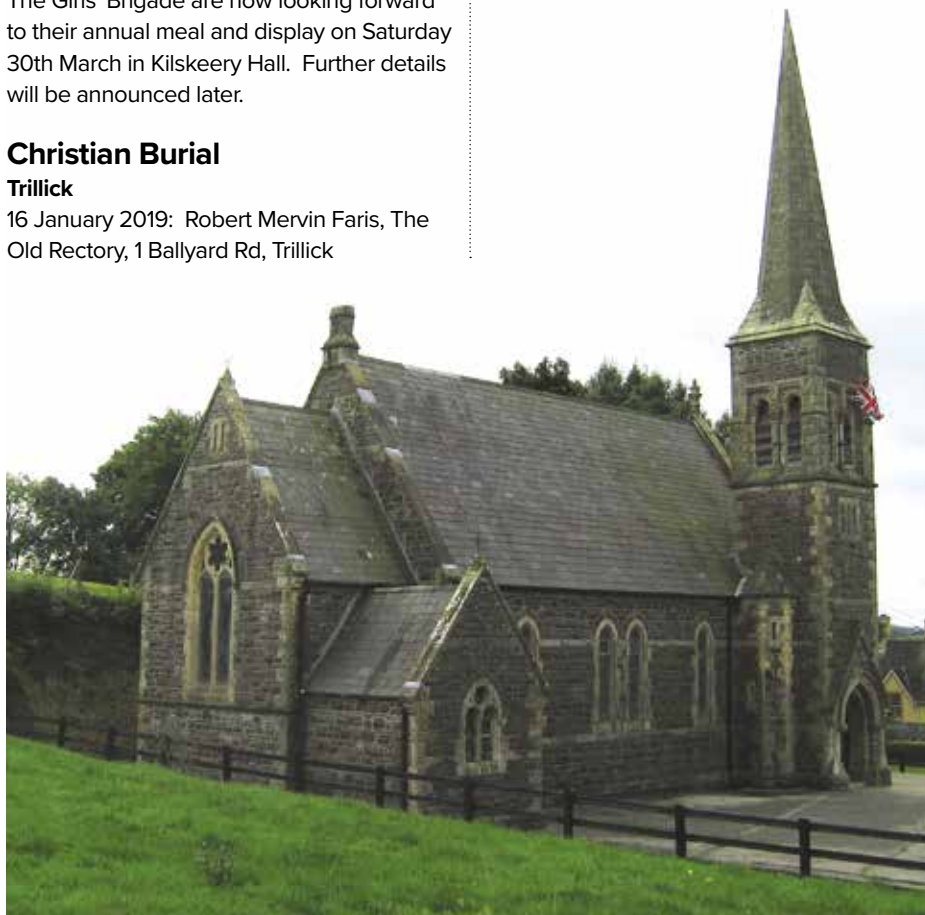
Christian Burial

Trillick

16 January 2019: Robert Mervin Faris, The Old Rectory, 1 Ballyard Rd, Trillick

Kilskeery

21 January 2019: Margaret Moore, Hillcrest Private Nursing Home, Omagh (formerly Sydare Rd, Ballinamallard)



Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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Congratulations

Congratulations to the catering committee for putting on the most fantastic breakfast in February with speaker Rodney Connor from NI Air Ambulance.

Concert

Lynda Lindsay and friends put on a spectacular concert in Stormont in February. A number of parishioners went to support her and had a most wonderful time worshipping almighty God in a beautiful setting followed by a marvellous supper. Thanks Lynda.

Sympathy

The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Gordon Mahood formerly of Ballyclare; the late Cheryl McClellan formerly of Lisburn; the late Vickie Rendell formerly of Knowle; Horace Raitt formerly of Donegal and the late Jimmy Little formerly of Clabby.



Some of those who attended Stormont to hear Lynda Lindsay and friends.



Enjoying the special fundraising breakfast for Air Ambulance NI.



Lisnaskea



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Services

Sunday 3rd March

11.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Wednesday 6th March

8.00 p.m. Service for Ash Wednesday

Sunday 10th March

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesday 13th March

3.00 p.m. Holy Communion in Trinity Hall
for senior citizens.

Sunday 17th March

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th March

11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer & Holy Baptism

Mothering Sunday 31st March

11.30 a.m. Family Service

Burial:

■ 18th January

Lucinda (Lucy) McCoy, 17 Sylvan Hill,
Lisnaskea.

■ 28th January

Alice Adarine (Ada) Kerr, Killygullen,
Lisnaskea. (Buried in Drumsnatt)
Our thoughts and prayers are with the
McCoy and Kerr family circles
at this time.

Holy Baptism:

■ Sunday 10th February

Cheryl Jacqueline Agnew, Kingstown,
Lisnaskea. Daughter to Gary and Amanda.

■ Sunday 17th February

Alistair Malcolm John Hall, Hollybrooke,
Lisnaskea. Son to Malcolm and Shelia.
Many congratulations to both families.

Abaana New Life Choir

We are very much looking forward to
welcoming this wonderful group of children
to perform for us on Tuesday 9th April
in The Archdale Centre. The choir are
currently on tour throughout the UK and
Ireland and have a very busy schedule. We
had the great pleasure of hearing them
back in 2017 and found it a truly uplifting
experience. Please put the date in your
diary.

Mothers' Union

At our January meeting Kenny Douglas
shared some of his experiences working
with the Ambulance Service. He told
us how he felt God had guided and
supported him in his life and his
career. It was interesting to hear how
ambulance drivers, paramedics and
telephone operators all work as a
team to deal with life threatening
situations.

We were delighted to welcome
members and friends from other
branches to our Visitors Night in
February. It was very encouraging to
see our hall so well filled. Our thanks
to everyone who attended and
helped make the night so enjoyable.
Everyone listened with interest as



Timothy and his dog Reggie.

Tim Richmond from the Fire and Rescue
Service told us of the work carried out by
the members of that service. As he talked
about fire hazards in our homes we all
began to mentally tick boxes. He certainly
gave us food for thought and we all went
home thinking, "Switch off when not in use,
pull out the plug, use the fireguard, close all
doors, check the fire and carbon monoxide



Some of the ladies from the parish with guests enjoying a Christmas meal in Viscount's Restaurant.

alarms....." I could go on. This is all certainly good advice and something we as mothers need to be aware of. Our thanks to Tim for bringing his Rescue Dog Reggie with him. It was amazing how he could sniff out the small amount of accelerant that Tim had hidden. He did not let a room full of adoring females put him off.

At both these meetings we got an insight into the work of these two wonderful 24-hour emergency services. We all on a daily basis hear sirens and see fire vehicles and ambulances as they rush to different emergencies. As we do we subconsciously breathe a little prayer for the person in danger but we also need to remember the men and women manning these services as they deal with whatever situation they are called to attend.



Some of the ladies from the parish with guests enjoying a Christmas meal in Viscount's Restaurant.

We look forward to welcoming Lettie Coulter to our March meeting. As well as telling us something of her role as Social Policy Contact, Letty is going to give us some demonstrations on tying or draping

our scarves.

Members please remember to bring all knitted, crocheted or sewn items for the hospital and nursing homes to our April meeting.

Magheracross



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Generous Giving Campaign

March 10th will see the celebration of our "Generous Giving Campaign" which has been running through February. We were delighted to welcome Nicola Brown, who helped to develop the scheme, and the Revd Gary Galway from Drumcree Parish who shared with us the success of the programme two years ago.

Confirmation

Our confirmation classes continue through March on Tuesdays and Thursdays with 33 candidates from Magheracross, Trory and Killadeas. The Trory and Killadeas service will be on March 24th and then in Magheracross on March 31st.

Lent

Our Lent services begin on Ash Wednesday (March 13th) and then every Wednesday in Lent at 8pm.



Some of the long serving members with Archdeacon Harper and Norma Scott.

Mothers' Union

Magheracross Mothers' Union met in the Archdale Hall on Thursday 7th February. After the members sang a hymn we had a bible reading and prayers. We then had a very interesting and entertaining display and talk on antiques in the Mary Sumner years. On Sunday 20th of January in the Parish Church four new members, Doris Byers, Gloria Graham, Jenny McCrea and Kate Outram were enrolled by Mrs Irene Boyd, our Diocesan President. Long service certificates were then awarded to 15 members.

40 years service certificates were presented to: Iris Crawford, Iris Elliott, Katie Gregg, Muriel Johnston, Nora Robinson and Rita Stewart.

50 years service certificates to: Ada

Gilmore, Muriel Gilmore, Joyce Kerr and Olive Nixon.

60 years service certificate to: Eva Taylor.

63 years service certificate to: Lily Robinson.

66 years service certificate to: Noreen Elliott.

67 years service certificates to : Gloria Gilmore and Pearl Knox

Our next meeting is on Thursday 7th March and our speaker will be Noreen Little, the Mothers' Union Action and Outreach Co-ordination.

Coming in April

The Abaana Children's choir from Uganda will be performing in Magheracross once again. They will be with us on the evening on Palm Sunday, April 14th and visitors are very welcome.

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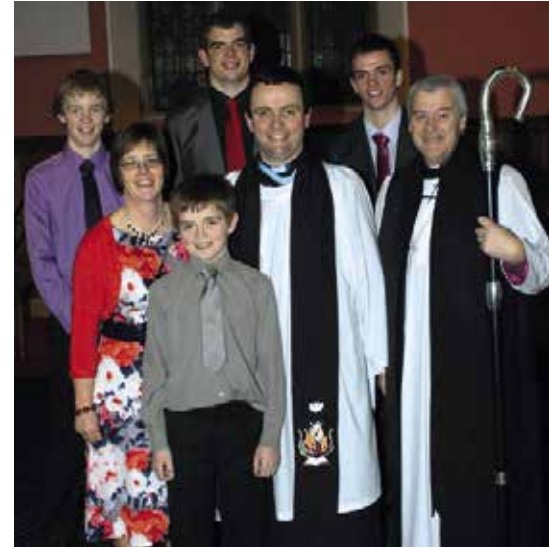
As you read these notes, after 12½ amazing and blessed years in the parish, my time in Ardess is drawing to a close. We came as a family of six (with four smallish boys) to Ardess in 2006, however, we really leave Ardess being just two (myself and Helen). Our sons have all grown up, left school and joined the world of work. You will see from the photograph of 2006 compared to that of 2011 and 2018, that there has been quite a difference in the physical appearance of my family (and its growth!), but the natural growth that is to be expected in life means girlfriends and wives now stand beside the boys. Not only have I been reflecting on the change within my own family but that of the Ardess parishioners' families who I have been blessed to minister to throughout the years.

As these memories come back, I am reminded that not only do we physically change (in the dynamics of our family life (and our looks!)) but spiritually we change. It has been amazing to see people come to the realisation of the need for a personal relationship with God and to see them really living for God. I pray that they will continue their walk with Him and extend God's kingdom. God is faithful and we give Him the glory for these blessings! However, it is painful to see those who have slid away from their relationship with God. Those who have lost their



2006: Canon Henry Blair, wife Helen and sons.

connection with Him and have went with the flow for the 'easy option' to live in the world where anything goes. Living in the world but not being part of the world can sometimes make the life of a Christian difficult as the world's view is not God's view. Take a moment now (perhaps reading the Parable of the Sower (Matthew 13)) and look back at your own spiritual journey - are you walking more closely with God now than you were 12 years ago, or have you grown closer for a time and then grown away again? People will look back over the last 12 years to see the practical things that



2011: Canon Henry Blair & Family at Service of Institution with Bishop Michael Jackson.

have been achieved within Ardess which have been significant (and I pray that the church will now be set up for many years with regular ongoing maintenance). The practical things are a necessity and we get on and do them but what makes the last 12 years worthwhile for myself, as a minister, is the difference that has been made for the kingdom of God - the differences that we see in the people, the family of the church. If I have encouraged one person to go deeper in their faith and draw closer to God my ministry at Ardess has been a success. As Paul said to see someone 'running the race' of life for God,



2018: Back Row: Canon Henry Blair and his sons (Rodney, Keith, Nathan & Jason)
Front Row: Helen Blair, Judith Blair, Anna Millar, Hannah Mullan, Sarah McAlpine.

makes it all worthwhile and the spiritual fruit will only be truly visible when we are in heaven.

Mothers' Union

The first meeting of 2019 in the Mothers' Union calendar was the annual January communion service which was conducted by Canon Henry. The branch secretary, June McCutcheon, enrolled Mrs Sue Russell as a new member. The service was followed by a cup of tea and a short meeting.

Friends In The Afternoon

On 22nd January, Shirley McCann, our Children & Youth Worker, who joined us in 2018 told her story to the Friends in the Afternoon. Shirley shared her journey of faith so far. Then spoke on 'The power of prayer and perseverance' relating it to the story of Hannah, 1 Samuel ch 1.

CEF Course

Jonathan and June Graham hosted a 10-week CEF Teaching Children Effectively course and after a lot of hard work, study, homework and presentations, 17 of our leaders were successful in gaining their certificate. We are especially proud that six of those who completed the course are part of our own youth fellowship. The in-depth course covered many topics including doctrines, preparation, scripture memorisation and visual communication in teaching. The training has been of great benefit to all our leaders and volunteers.

Service of Thanks

On Sunday 10th February, we had a service of thanks for our Children's Church leaders and children at Ardess. Jonathan Graham was our speaker at this service and he spoke about the importance of God first in our lives in an entertaining service which spoke to both young and old. He presented the CEF Certificates to the leaders: Rosie Beare, Megan Bogle, Lauren Booth, Diane Booth, Esther Boyle, Anna Bryson, Alan Crawford, Nicky Gormley, Fiona Harvey, Ayla Johnston, Glenn Johnston, Pamela Likely, Shirley-Anne McCann, Ben McGloin, Shevonne Nagel, Amanda Robinson, Nia Robinson and Zoe Osborne (not able to make church).

We are very thankful for the Lord's blessing upon our children's ministry and look forward to seeing it develop further.

Messy Church

Also on Sunday 10th February was our Messy Church held at The Fountain Centre. We had fun creating family/friend paint handprints, friendship bracelets,

love bugs, family trees, prayer cubes and cloud hearts. Rev Philip presented different short fun film clips that showed the importance of working together in a team. We then joined together for soup, sandwiches and tasty nibbles.

Fountain Club

(P5 - P7): Thursdays
Our Fountain Club will be an exciting bible-based club for primary school children age P5 - P7 incorporating bible stories, quizzes and fun activities. This will be held every Thursday evening from 6.15pm to 7.30pm.

Wellbeing & Self-Care

Kesh Rural Deanery will be holding an evening on 15th March '19 for those aged 18+ who would like to learn more about caring for or improving their own mental wellbeing. The speaker is Conor McCafferty, who works for a charity called ZEST, who will centre the evening on our wellbeing, how we can take better care of ourselves and also offer signposts for those who perhaps feel they need something further.

Dates For Your Diary Events

Alpha @ Ardess Parish Centre: Every Tuesday 8.00pm, commenced 29th Jan but please do come along on join us from 5th February as this is an amazing opportunity to ask questions about Christianity.

Messy Church @ The Fountain Centre: Sunday 10th Feb '19, 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Wellbeing & Self Care - Adults (aged 18+): Friday, 15th March 2019 7.30pm @ Termon Centre, Pettigo.

Flower Festival @ Ardess Parish Church: Weekend of 26th May '19

Special Church Services @ Ardess Parish Church

Ash Wednesday: Wednesday 6th March '19, 8.00pm

Mothers' Day: Sunday 31st Mar '19, 11.00am

Palm Sunday: Sunday 14th April '19, 11.00am

Holy Week: Monday 15th April - Friday 19th April '19

Easter Sunday: Sun 21st April '19, 11.00am

Regular Events

Sundays @ Ardess Parish Church
Church Service 9.30am Morning Prayer & 11.00am Family Worship
Children's Church 11.00am

Regular Prayer @ Ardess Parish Centre
Revival Prayer: Mondays 8.00pm - 9.00pm
Wednesday Prayer: Wednesdays 9.30am

- 11.00am

Healing Ministry: Fridays 7.30pm - 8.30pm

24 Hour Prayer: Once a Month, Fri (8th Mar) 12.00noon - Sat (9th Mar) 12.00noon

Regular Events @ Ardess Parish Centre

Ardess Little Lambs: Mon (term-time only), 10.00am - 12.00 noon

Rainbows (Age 4-7) & Brownies (Age 7-10): Mon 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Cubs (Age 8-10 1/2): Wed 6.45pm - 8.00pm

Friends in the Afternoon: (normally every 2nd & 4th Tues of the month) 12th Mar '19 10.30am Kesh Primary Pantomime, 26th Mar '19 Garden of Celtic Saints, Irvinestown

Mothers' Union: Every 3rd Thurs
21st Mar '19 Open Night: Chernobyl Experience, Eveline Smith

Ardess Historical Society: 18th Mar '19
Changes in Society in Ireland Post World War One by John Deering

Regular Events @ The Fountain Centre

Connect YF (Year 8-14): Sun (weekly) 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Guides (Age 10 - 14) & Rangers (Age 14+): Mon 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Beavers (Age 6-8) Wed 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Scouts (Age 10 1/2 - 15): Wed 8.00pm - 9.15pm

In-Stitches: Thurs (except 3rd Thurs of the month): 8.00pm

NEW: Fountain Club (P5 - P7): Thurs 6.15pm - 7.30pm fun, fellowship, bible stories & quizzes
Blaze YC (Year 8-10): Fri (weekly) 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Flame YC (Year 11+): Fri (weekly) Flame 8.30pm - 10.00pm

Regular Events @ Other Venues

Waterworks (P3 - P7): Thurs (term-time only) 3.15pm - 4.30pm @ Kesh Primary School

Life Groups: Various dates/times throughout the week. Contact Philip if you wish to join one.

Baptisms

■ 10th February 2019 - Rebecca Melissa Davis daughter of Jason and Melissa Davis from Grove Hill, Ederney.

Funerals

■ 14th January 2019 - Robert John Irvine (aged 53) previously from Kesh. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Irvine family.

Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



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Dear Parishioners, Thanks from Chernobyl:

Evelyn received the Christmas collections and they seemed to come just at the right time for the Appeal to bring the children to Northern Ireland. For once she was actually speechless. Thanks have been formally sent to each church but on my behalf thanks to everyone for your support.

Parish Dance

Thanks to all who organised and supported the Curtis Magee dance in the Parish Hall on 22nd of February. As I write, the event is still in the future but should be a great success.

Lent and Easter

The midweek Wednesday (8.00pm) services this year during Lent are scheduled for Derrybrusk with Holy Week in Maguiresbridge.

The Lenten series commences with a penitential service on Ash Wednesday in Derrybrusk at 8.00pm

Holy Week services are at 8.00pm on Wednesday, Thursday and Good Friday in Maguiresbridge.

If we have volunteers to cook I hope to have my egg on Easter morning in Derrybrusk! Belfast sunrise is set for 6.08am so a 6.30 start should give you all a nice 20 minutes extra in bed.

This will be followed by Holy Communion in both churches.

Adult Sunday Morning Bible Study

The has restarted at 9.45am sharp in Christ Church each Sunday. We are looking in this session at Christian ethics. It is hoped that this will lead to a deeper understanding of what it means to be a follower of Christ.

New Service

At the moment we are hoping to start a monthly informal evening praise service. I



Ballindarragh Band celebrating its 60th anniversary this year.

am hoping that musicians will come forward to assist. What is envisaged is a service of favourite hymns and choruses with a period of prayer and an informal question and answer talk. Further details will be announced in the magazine and in the churches.

Ballindarragh Band

The band has close ties to the parish and are celebrating 60 years since their foundation. A special service is due to be held in Ballindarragh Union Hall on 24th of February at 7.30pm.

St. Patrick's Day

Celebration of the Holy Communion in both congregations; 10.30am in Maguiresbridge with Holy Baptism and 12.00 Noon in Derrybrusk.

At 3.30pm Maguiresbridge Church will host a service for the members of the Orange Institution and friends. This is hopefully an introduction to a series of lectures on Irish Church History over the next few months.

Orange Order Service

The preacher is the Rector and his address will be on St. Patrick and the independent early Irish Church. It is hoped the service will include a number of familiar Irish hymns.

Happy Birthday Adam

On behalf of the parish I would like to wish Adam Pennell of Inishmore a very happy 21st birthday. Adam has had a lot of sickness this past year but always perks up for Lisa McHugh!! He does however try the rector's patience in that he won't admit Wolves are a better team than Manchester United.

Sunday 9th June

Last year we had a very successful outdoor service and barbecue at Belle Isle. It is hoped to hold the same event again in June at Belle Isle. More information will be available after Easter but please try and keep this Sunday free.

Mothers' Union

Both Mothers' Union branches are now up

and running for the 2019 season.

Derrybrusk had an opening service of Holy Communion during which the rector assisted in admitting to membership five new members.

Maguiresbridge had an opening meal in The Valley Hotel in Fivemiletown and a great meal and evenings fun was had by all. Before Christmas the lunch the ladies hosted raised £500 for the Air Ambulance. It is hoped that the Mothers' Union indoor members tea party will be jointly hosted by both branches on Wednesday 5th June 2019 in Christ Church and the parochial hall. The Mothers' Union is the backbone of a parish and is a valuable organisation within the church and the wider Anglican Communion.

Holy Baptism

In the past number of weeks we have welcomed into membership of the Church; Lori Violet McWilliams, Annie Rebecca Johnston, Myla Kate McVitty, Elsie Louise Brown, Henry Stuart Lionel Johnston.

Burial Rite

Sadly over Christmas and the New Year the Lord called home; Samuel Beacom, Sadie (Sarah) Ebbitt and Olive Johnston.



Adam Pennell celebrating his 21st Birthday with his favourite Country and Western singer Lisa McHugh on St. Valentine's day.

Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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Services

3rd March First Sunday in Lent

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

10th March Second Sunday in Lent

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

17th March Third Sunday in Lent

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

24th March Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

Ladies' Group

The Group met in the Hall on Tuesday 15th January for a talk, the theme being "Be Well" by Ms Amanda Donnelly, Be Well Clinic Monaghan. The evening concluded with refreshments and fellowship. They will

meet on the 19th March in the Hall when community Ban Garda Margaret Oliphant will talk on "Internet Safety".

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union held their visitors' night on Tuesday 5th February in the Hall. This meeting was held in conjunction with Diocesan Mothers' Union and the topic for the evening was the Mother's Union worldwide theme for 2019 "Listen Observe Act in step with God" with participation from all those present. It commenced at 6.30pm with refreshments, followed by meeting at 7.30pm. There was a good response from members and neighbouring Branches. The members are indebted to the Diocesan President Mrs Irene Boyd and members of Trustee body for facilitating the discussion. The Branch will meet in the Church on Tuesday 5th March featuring old Monaghan postcards by Martin McKenna.

Condolences

We offer prayerful sympathy to Ms. Dorothy Adams and family on the death of her aunt.

Postal Bible School

They held their annual prize distribution in St. Patrick's Hall on Wednesday 30th January when a large number of school children from Co. Monaghan came to sing, learn and receive their prayers.

Illness

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

Holy Baptism

On Sunday 3rd February Frankie James Malcolm son of David and Victoria Gilmour was baptised at morning service with a large congregational of members and friends present. We welcome Frankie in to our Church family and pray Gods richest Blessing on him, his parents and all who will have the care of him in the years ahead.

Abaana New Life African Children's Choir

We are looking forward with anticipation to a return visit on Friday the 22nd of March for a concert in St. Patrick's Church at 8.00pm. They will arrive with us on Thursday 21st and will be hosted by members of the Congregation – please contact the Rector if you can host.

Christian Burial

It was with sadness that we learned of the death of Mr David Rountree on Tuesday 5th February in the wonderful care of the staff of Hyland View, Monaghan.

He was a regular attendee at worship while his health permitted. His funeral service was held in St. Patrick's Church on Thursday 7th February conducted by the Rector with a large congregation present. His burial followed in Coolshannagh graveyard immediately after the service. We express prayerful sympathy to his brother John, the wider family circle and the community at Hyland Views on their sad loss.

Vortex Youth Group

The Vortex Youth Group met on Saturday 26th January in the Hall for a "Movie Night" followed for by refreshments.

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A note from the Rector

On Ash Wednesday (6th March) we begin our Lenten journey of faith following the pattern of our Lord and his 40-day sojourn in the wilderness. Lent is not only a time of denying ourselves in some way but also a springtime experience of growth in faith. Once again, this year we will hold Wednesday evening services to help to bring a focus to observance of the season. We begin with an Ash Wednesday Holy Communion service and continue on following Wednesdays with a short devotional service at 8.00pm in Church. Our general theme will be 'Growing in Discipleship', and each week there will be a reflection on various aspects of growing stronger in being a disciple of Jesus Christ using themes such as: Follow, Flourish, Falling, Faithful, Fruitful and Fulfil. I hope that you will join us as and take time this Lent to focus on the heart of the matter

of being a follower of Jesus Christ.

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

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.

The plans were approved by the Representative Church Body in early September.

Our plans are currently with the Planning Service awaiting a decision.

With assistance from the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council, the Parish commissioned a Comprehensive Feasibility Study with a firm called Venturei. The report



The Wednesday Club receiving a sponsorship cheque.

has now been prepared and will be used to reflect the views of the 140 replies to our survey to tweak and improve the plans contained in our application for planning permission.

Prayer Group

The Prayer Group met in February on 13th and 27th of the month at 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

The Meetings in March are on 13th and the 27th.

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 first meeting of 2019 of Rossorry Mothers' Union took place on Thursday 21st February in the church taking the form of a service of Holy Communion (cancelled in January because of the snow).

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 3rd Thursday of every month.

Wednesday Club News

The Club has been running now for 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. Ethel Oldcroft, chairperson and her husband Charlie, a member were delighted to receive a sponsorship cheque from Asda Community Officer Simon Harron in support



Food for the Wednesday Club on Valentine's Day.

of their work.

Wednesday Club Valentines

On Wednesday 13th the Club made Valentines cards and had a beautiful Valentine's day tea to mark the day of St. Valentine.

On February 14th around the year 278A.D., Valentine, a Christian priest in Rome in the days of Emperor Claudius II, was executed. Under the rule of Claudius the Cruel, Rome was involved in many unpopular and bloody campaigns. The emperor had to maintain a strong army but was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military leagues. Claudius believed that Roman men were unwilling to join the army because of their strong attachment to their wives and families.

To get rid of the problem, Claudius banned all marriages and engagements in Rome. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret.

When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Valentine was arrested and dragged before the Prefect of Rome, who condemned him to be beaten to death with clubs and to have his head cut off. The sentence was carried out on February 14, on or about the year 278AD.

Legend also has it that while in jail, St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailer's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it "From Your Valentine." For his great service, Valentine was named a saint after his death.

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

ROSSORRY WEDNESDAY CLUB

Programme - 1st March – 8th May 2019
MARCH

6th NIHE Community Officer (Marylin)

13th St Patrick's Snakes and Ladders! (Ethel)

20th Route 66 Holiday photos. (Charles)

27th Designers' hands. (Ethel)

APRIL

3rd Finding Hope Ministries. (Fiona Acheson)

10th Craft morning. (Ethel)

17th Holy Week Coffee Morning.

24th Easter week – no Club.

MAY

1st Games morning.

8th Summer Outing.

Club closes until 11th September 2019

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



Making crafts on Valentine's Day.

Rossorry Hospice Sunday

On Sunday 3rd March the parish will hold a 'Hospice Sunday' service, when we will have one of the local Hospice team speak to us in Church to tell us about the wonderful work that the local Hospice Nursing Team do in the community in conjunction with the Omagh Palliative Care Unit, Macmillan Nurses and Marie Curie, to relieve the suffering of those suffering with Cancer and other life limiting illnesses. A special collection is being made as a mark of support for these wonderful people.

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

Mother and Baby exercise class started up again on Tuesday 15th January 2019. 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.

Sunday School - Fishers of Men

On Sunday 10th February during our service of Morning Prayer, the Rector presented a Children's address for the Sunday School Children before they left Church to go to Sunday School. Based on the Gospel story of "I will make you fishers of men", the children took part in an experiment to illustrate the lesson of 'being hooked' and the dangers of losing sight of the important issues in life.

The children got involved 'enthusiastically' as can be seen from the photo and learnt an important lesson whilst having fun and entertaining the congregation.

Letter of thanks

The Sunday School made a donation to AMH(Action Mental Health) New Horizons in Enniskillen and received a lovely letter of thanks for their kindness and thoughtfulness.

Founders Day

Founders' Day / Thinking Day fell this year on Sunday 24th February. It was marked by a parade of Scouts and Guides and a special Family Service to celebrate and give thanks for the work of the Scout and Guide movement in our Parish. (Photos in next month's edition)
 Thinking Day or Founders Day is a celebration of the birthday of the founders of the Scout and Guide Movement. Lord Baden Powell and his wife Lady Baden Powell were the first World Chief Scout and Guide. It is the day when we remember Scouts and Guides all over the world. At the Founders Day service, we remember Scouts and Guides throughout the whole world, from those in New Zealand whose day began while we were still asleep to those in the west who will celebrate after our day has ended. It is in that spirit of sharing with Gods children throughout the whole world that we hold this special service of celebration.

Arts & Crafts Classes

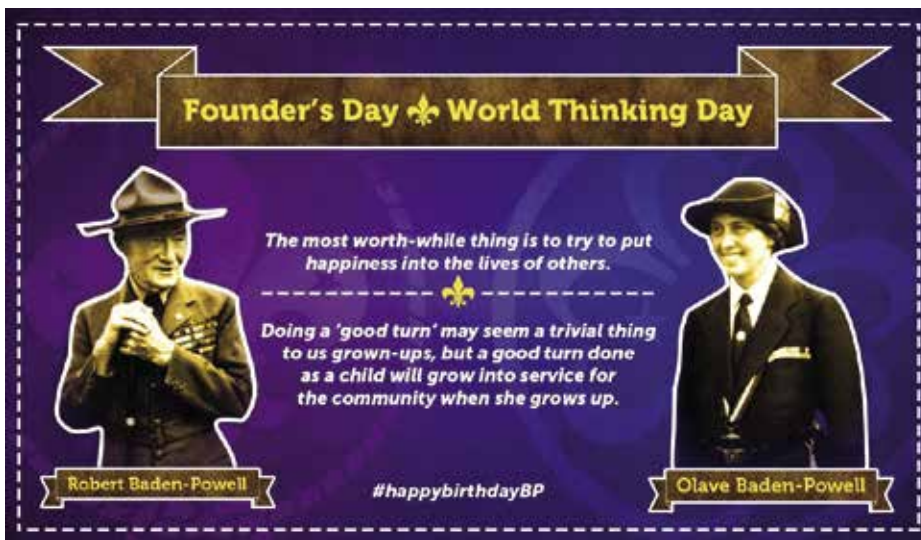
Painting class meets Fridays at 2pm in the Parish Hall.
 Weaving classes meet on Wednesdays at 10am in the Hall.
 The classes are very popular - but there is always room for someone else - so be sure to speak to Yvonne Elliott on 02866 342514 for information.

Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meets on a Monday



The Rector explaining the story of the fishers of men.



evening and occasionally on a Thursday in the Parish Hall at 8pm and continues now until the end of the season in March. If you are interested in getting involved, the Club is always looking for new members. For information: - contact William Stevenson on 07719662473.

SERVICES for March 2019

Sunday 3rd March

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

Wednesday 6th March

8.00pm Ash Wednesday Communion

Service

Sunday 10th March

9.00 am. Holy Communion.
11.00 am. Morning Prayer

Wednesday 13th March

8.00pm Lenten Service

Sunday 17th March

9.00 am. Holy Communion.
11.00 am. Morning Prayer

Wednesday 20th March

8.00pm Lenten Service

Sunday 24th March

9.00 am. Holy Communion.
11.00 am. Family Service .

Wednesday 27th March

8.00pm Lenten Service

Sunday 31st March

9.00 am. Holy Communion.
11.00 am. Morning Prayer

Parish Register

Bereavements

Sadly, since the publication of the last magazine, one of our most senior parishioners has passed away. The parishioners of Rossorry offer their most sincere condolences and prayers for the grieving family. HALL, Georgina of Windmill Heights, Enniskillen, died, peacefully, at the South West Acute Hospital, Enniskillen on Monday 11th February 2019. Her funeral service was held at Rossorry Parish Church at 1pm on Wednesday 13th February, followed by interment at Trory Parish Churchyard in the family plot.

Contact Us...

Website: rossorryparish.com

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 provided by Mr Roy Crowe,
Diocesan Pastoral Assistant

Baptisms

■ 18th November 2018

Georgia Rose Armstrong, daughter of Dale Armstrong and Courtney Newcombe.

■ 27th January 2019

James Joseph JJ Monteith Adams, son of Alwyn and Sarah Adams.

We welcome these children with great joy into the Lord's family.

Christian Burial

6th January 2019 - Albert Browne. The Parish of St Margaret's Church, Clabby extends their sincere and heartfelt condolences to his wife Joan and family on the death of Albert. The large crowd at Albert's funeral reflected the high esteem in which he was held by everybody. We remember in our prayers those who have been bereaved recently and those who are ill.

Lent Services

6th March – Ash Wednesday & HC Tempo 8pm

13th March – Clabby 8pm

20th March – Tempo 8pm

27th March – Clabby 8pm

3rd April – Tempo 8pm

10th April – Clabby 8pm

Holy Week

Wednesday 17th April – Clabby 8pm

Maundy Thursday & HC 18th April – Tempo 8pm

Good Friday 19th April – Clabby 8pm

Easter Sunday 21st April – Services at the usual times

Mothers' Union

Tuesday 12th March in Clabby Hall. This will be an Overseas Night with a special speaker Mr James Cairns, who will talk about his experience in foreign places.

Marching Bands Concert

Tempo Parish Church Hall on Friday 8th March 2019 featuring Inver Flute Band, Thiepval Pipe Band, Drum Accordion Band and Tempo Silver Band with compere Mr Roy Crowe. Admission £10 and everyone welcome.

Fun Bowls Tournament

Clabby Parish Bowling Club Fun Bowls Tournament takes place in Clabby Church Hall on Monday, 4th March; Tuesday, 5th March, Wednesday, 6th March and Friday, 8th March starting at 8pm each evening. Entries and further information from Ivy McCutcheon Tel 02889521000/07788237789 or Tanya Armstrong Tel 07704034828.

Trory and Killadeas

Vacant

Services covered by **Canon Billy Johnston** and **Mr. Colin Brownsmith**.

Archdeacon 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. Sunday school members and teachers will leave mid service for the Old School House.

Lent Midweek services will be 8pm Wednesday at Trory Parish Church.

Holy Week, Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be 8pm at Killadeas Parish Church. Easter Sunday Holy Communion will be at normal times for both churches.

Parish Records Burials

■ Sunday 3rd February - Alan Thomas James Johnston

■ Wednesday 6th February - Margaret Jane (Betty) Abraham

■ Wednesday 13th February - Georgina Hall
Friday 15th February - William Thomas Charles Burns (Stirling, Scotland – Burial of Ashes)

Sympathy

Once more the start of the year has hit our parish hard regarding bereavement.

To Barbara and the Johnston family, to Gary, Emma and all the Abraham family we extend our condolences.

We also offer our condolences to Helen and the Noble family on the death of her aunt Mrs. Moore and to the Hall and Burns families. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Mothers' Union

Next meeting Monday 11th March at Trory School House 8pm. Speaker is William Scholes.

Tuesday Club

Next meeting Tuesday 12th March at Trory School House 2.30pm. Colin Brownsmith will be the guest speaker.

Bowling Club

In house competition continues until March 14th. Don't forget the annual club dinner planned for April 12th. New members always welcome.

Fitness Classes

The classes continue every Wednesday evening 7.30pm at Trory Parish Hall Ballycassidy.

Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick at this time, especially Herbie and all those who care for him.



Proceeds being presented to Air Ambulance NI and the RNLI from the Festival of Wreaths.

Killadeas

Church Services

Church Services continue as usual: 10am each Sunday, with Holy Communion on the First Sunday of each month and tea/coffee in the Parish Hall after our Service on the Third Sunday of every month. Sunday School leaves during Morning Prayer. All are Welcome.

Presentation of Cheques

We held a presentation night on Friday 27th January when we handed over donations of £500 to both the RNLI and the Air Ambulance. The money was from contributions received at the Festival of Wreaths, held at the beginning of Advent, donations to the Parish Choir for their Carol singing on Christmas Eve in the Manor

House Hotel and our Christmas Services plate offerings.

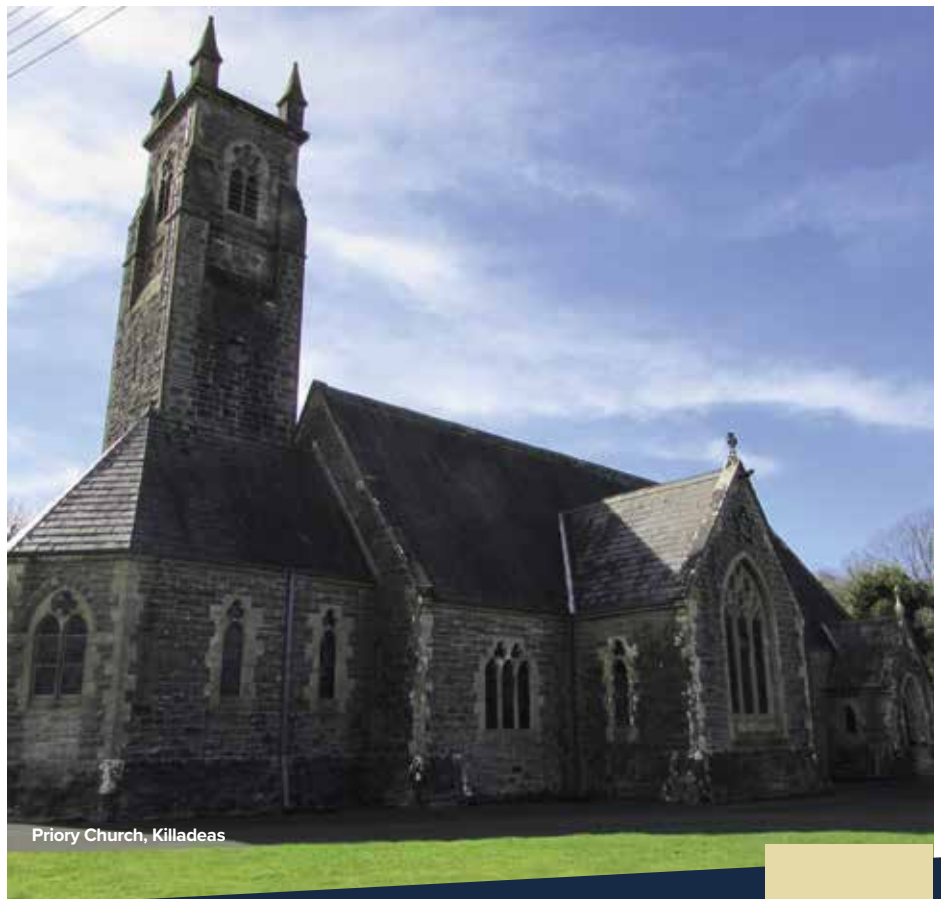
It was a very enjoyable and enlightening night with Mr Peter Scott from the RNLI, and Mr Rodney Connor from Air Ambulance speaking to a full Parish Hall on the roles undertaken by their respective organisations. A big thank you to both of them for attending.

We then had a little socialising over a light supper.

Date for Diary

The Parish Outreach Group together with the P.S.N.I Crime Prevention Officer are holding a Crime Prevention presentation on Friday 29 March commencing at 7.30 in the Parish Hall.

This should be a very interesting evening with supper being served. All Welcome.



Priory Church, Killadeas



CLOGHER DIOCESE



Enrolment night at Fintona.



Enrolment night at Fivemiletown.

The girls have their Bible Study completed at Branch level and now they are starting to work on their Handcraft or Footcraft as the Junior Candidates and Candidates are busy doing footprints!

Over the last couple of months, we have had a few Enrolment Services in branches throughout the diocese. See photos.

Dates for your GFS Diary:

- Monday, 25th February - Council Meeting in the Cathedral Hall at 8pm
- Competition Handcraft to be completed by 23rd March
- Saturday, 23rd March - Cookery Competition South West College, Enniskillen
- Friday, 5th April - Diocese Sponsored Dance - Fivemiletown Parish Hall @ 7.30pm to raise funds for World Project and GFS Missions
- Friday, 3rd May - Diocesan Service Aghavea Parish Church at 7.30pm



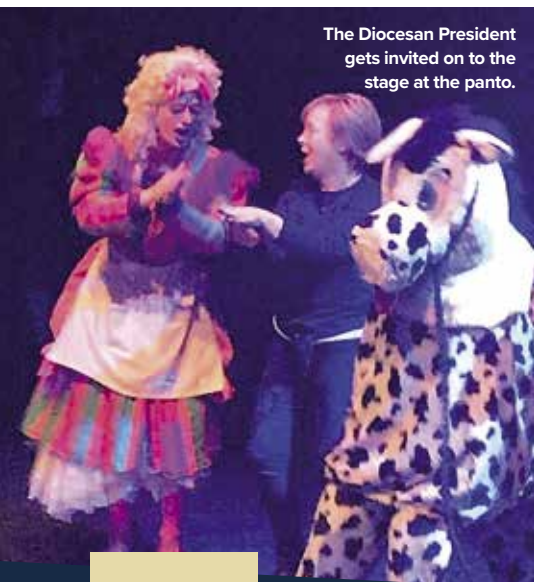
Enjoying butterfly craft at Inishmacsaint.



The panto, Beauty and the Beast.



Road safety was the theme at Fintona.



The Diocesan President gets invited on to the stage at the panto.



Aghavea and Fivemiletown branch members attending the panto.



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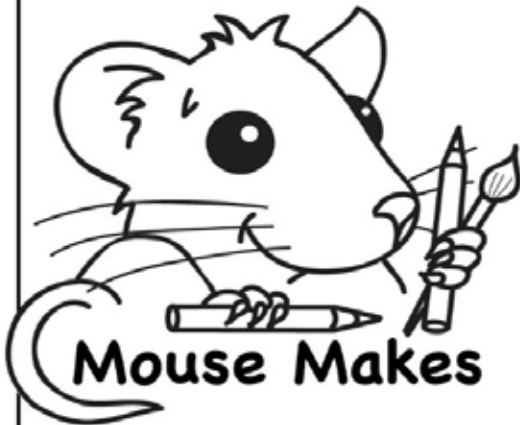
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CHILDREN'S SECTION



Mouse Makes

During Lent read through the Gospel of Luke and each day pray for God to help you become more like Jesus

Lent is the name given to the **40 days** before Easter and is a time to *pray*, to *read* the bible and to *turn* to God. The first day of Lent is **Ash Wednesday**, a day to *repent* and say *sorry* to God for the wrong things we have *said* or *thought* or *done*.



REPENT



FAST



REFLECT



FORGIVE



READ



PRAY

P W R P W O R D O R G F
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Mothering Sunday – 31st March 2019



Flowers and chocolates are lovely gifts to give our mums. Tidying our bedrooms and washing the tea things may be even better! However what God commands us to give our parents; mothers and fathers is "HONOUR."



So what does honour mean? Honour is about treating our parents with love and respect as the important people that they are.

St Paul teaches us that children honour their parents by OBEYING them, and that simply means doing what our parents ask us to do, when they ask us to do it, without answering back and arguing.

If mum asks us to put away the toys then we put them away without complaining. If dad tells us it is time to go to bed then we go to bed without arguing.

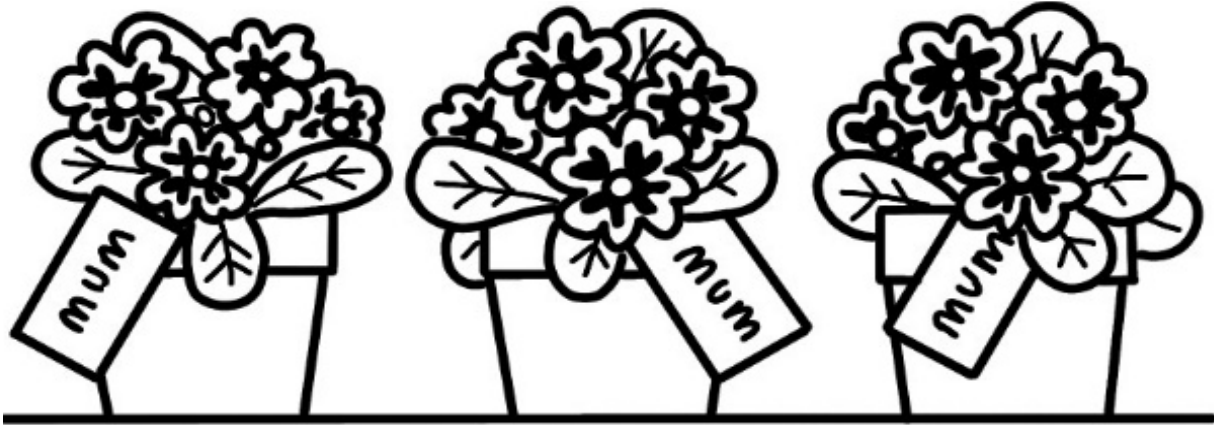
When Jesus was a child he perfectly obeyed his parents. Luke 2 verse 51 tells us that "Jesus went down to Nazareth with them (his parents) and was obedient to them"



Jesus shows us in His behaviour what God expects of all children, that they too will obey their parents.

But it isn't all one way - parents are expected to model God to their children through their parenting; by being good, faithful, true, loving, kind, patient and trustworthy.

If we learn as children to obey our parents, then that lesson will help us all through life when we come across other people we need to obey, like teachers at school or the boss at work. Not only that but we will also find it easier to obey our Heavenly Father.



A Prayer for Mothers

Thank you Lord for our mothers and all who care for us each day.

Thank you for their love and all that they do for us.

Thank you for their kindness and for their support.

Thank you for their patience when we don't get things right.

Thank you for their comfort when we are hurt.

Thank you for their encouragement when we find life hard.

Please bless our mothers today with your love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

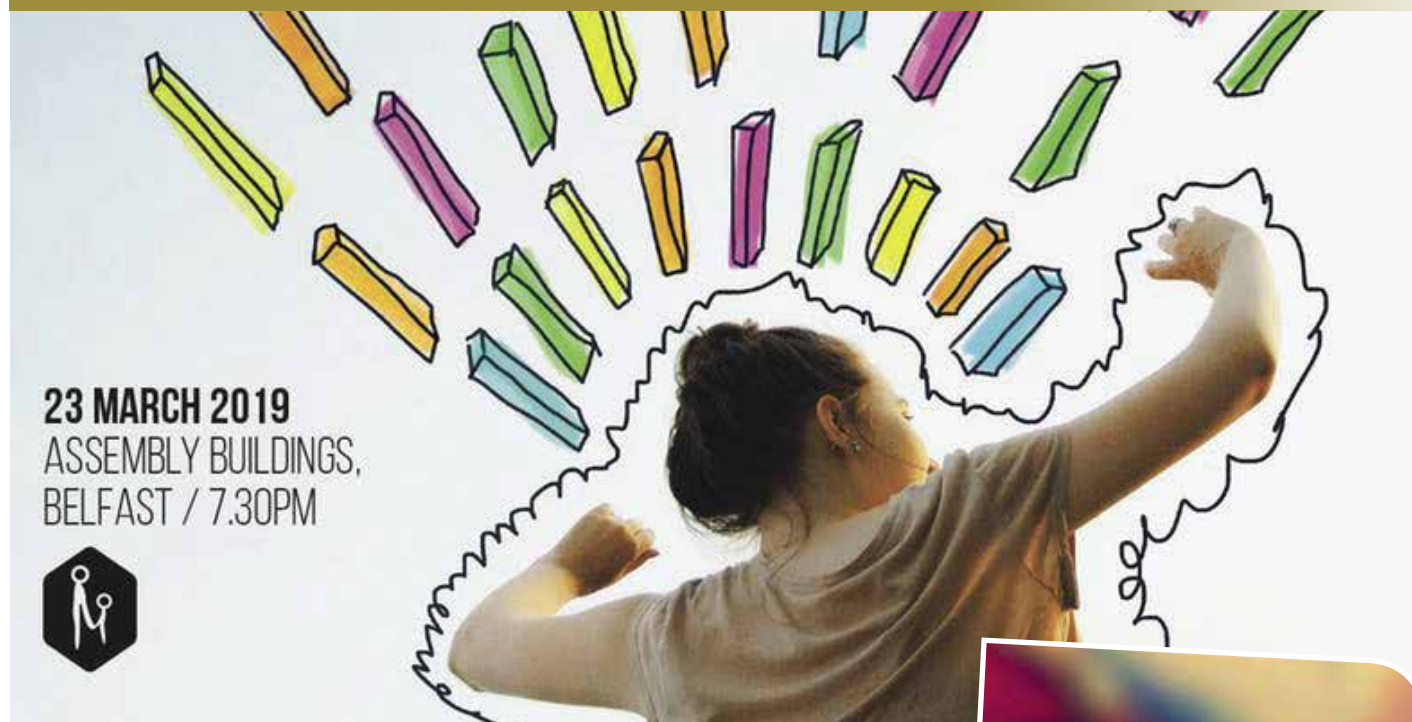


God says, 
'As a mother comforts her
child, so I will comfort you.'
 Isaiah 66.13

YOUTH PAGES

"Re-Boot" & "Spring Breakout"

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS ON
SATURDAY 23RD MARCH '19



It's not often that the opportunity to take young people along to a whole day of high-quality Youth Ministry comes along but that is exactly what is happening on the 23rd of March in Belfast where two premier events Re-Boot and Spring Breakout are taking place.

The Saturday begins with Re-Boot in the Assembly buildings from 10:00am-5:00pm. REBOOT provides a place for 12-18 year olds, with or without any faith or church background, to raise their objections and investigate different perspectives on life. The event aims to equip young people to understand and be able to answer some of the big questions of life and faith for themselves based on a sound biblical foundations. The day will include a team of world-class apologists who want young people to have confidence in what they believe, and the chance to be honest about their doubts. REBOOT has welcomed hundreds of young people through its doors

over the past years, and this is a time and opportunity for you and your young people to be part of this discipleship and learning story.

Later in the day, after an opportunity to reflect and eat, Spring Breakout takes place at 7:30pm again in the same Assembly buildings. This, is an evening of worship and teaching

In many respects a celebration of all the encouragement of Re-Boot. The Spring Breakout main speaker is Joshua Luke Smith who will be sharing a key message for our young people and Lisa Kernoghan and her band will be leading the worship throughout the evening.

As we come to the end of a year of the SEE (Support, Encourage, Engage) Diocesan Youth Initiative this day is a perfect opportunity to "Do Something" for and with your parish young people as Bishop John has encouraged us all to do.



If you would like more information or would like to help with organising a day at Re-Boot and Spring Breakout for your young people then please contact the Diocesan Youth Officer Jonny Phenix: dyo@clogher.anglican.org 07850881712

MOTHERS' UNION



Back from left: At Magheracross Parish Church are; Olive Nixon, Muriel Johnston, Nora Robinson, Iris Elliott, Norma Scott, (Branch Leader), Muriel Gilmore, Rita Stewart, Joyce Kerr, Archdeacon Brian Harper. Front, from left: Pearl Knox, (Founder Member), Eva Taylor, Irene Boyd, (Diocesan President), Gloria Gilmore, (Founder Member), Lily Robinson, and Iris Crawford. (Missing from the photo - Katie Gregg, Ada Gilmore and Noreen Elliott)



New Members from left: Jenny McCrea, Kate Outram, Irene Boyd, Gloria Graham, & Doris Byers. Back Row: Archdeacon Brian Harper & Norma Scott, Branch Leader.

Seven new members enrolled into Mothers' Union in January

On Wednesday 9th January three new members were enrolled into Fivemiletown Mothers' Union: Margaret Gault, Heather Kirkpatrick and Claire Nelson.

Long service certificates were presented to Thelma Atwell (50 years), Margaret Bothwell (40 years) and Vida Bell (40 years, not present.)

On Sunday 20th January 2019 was a very special day for the Mothers' Union in Magheracross Parish, Ballinamallard, when for new members were enrolled. Archdeacon Brian Harper and Heather Harper led the service with Mrs Irene Boyd, Diocesan President, the guest speaker. Mrs Boyd outlined the work of Mothers' Union and especially thanked Magheracross branch for all their hard work and contributions. She then spoke about Jesus feeding the five thousand which was the scripture reading read by Liane Armstrong. Mrs Boyd requested everyone to take up the challenge to reach out to others with the gifts and resources they have, which, when used in faith, can do wonderful things.

Archdeacon Harper and Norma Scott, Branch Leader, enrolled four new members; Doris Byers, Gloria Graham, Jenny McCrea and Kate Outram.

The Diocesan President then handed out long service certificates for 40 years service to: Iris Crawford, Iris Elliott, Katie Gregg (unable to be there), Muriel Johnston, Nora Robinson and Rita Stewart.

Certificates for 50 years of service were presented to: Ada Gilmore (unable to be there), Muriel Gilmore, Joyce Kerr and Olive Nixon.

A Certificate for 60 years of service was presented to Eva Taylor, Lily Robinson (63 years) and Noreen Elliott (66 years, unable to be there.)

Two Founder Members of Magheracross MU, Gloria Gilmore and Pearl Knox both received certificates for 67 years of service to Mothers' Union.

ALL-IRELAND PRESIDENT MEETS 12 DIOCESAN PRESIDENTS

June Butler, the new All-Ireland President met in Dublin with the 12 Diocesan

Presidents, to discuss the vision for MU in Ireland in 2019 and beyond. The presidents shared the positives and negatives which they experienced in their dioceses and they were encouraged to hear of success stories from around Ireland. They then completed an audit of their skills and discussed the key leadership skills necessary to help them through the next three years as Diocesan Presidents. Having time to chat and get to know each other brought a successful weekend to a conclusion.

DIARY DATES:

■ **Quiet Day** - Saturday 9th March at Cleenish, Bellanaleck. The day starts with a service of Holy Communion at 10 am. After morning tea and scones, the speakers will be Archdeacon Andrew Foster and Heather Foster. Lunch is soup and sandwiches followed by tea/coffee and biscuits.

The 'Souls of the Shoes' Exhibition which highlights violence against women is also on display. The day will be finished at 3pm. The cost of the day is £6. Numbers to Liane, please, by 3rd March.

■ **Commissioning Service** - MU members are invited to attend the Commissioning Service for Mrs June Butler as All-Ireland President. The service is on Sunday 24 March at 3.00 pm in Down Cathedral, Downpatrick, when The All Ireland Board of Trustees will also be commissioned. Please contact Liane Armstrong by Tuesday 5 March if you plan to attend (for catering purposes).



The All-Ireland President, June Butler meeting her 12 Diocesan Presidents. They are; Myrtle Nairn, Roberta McCartney, Karen Nelson, Lucy Kavanagh, Sylvia Wheatley, Sally Cotter, Jacqui Armstrong, Hilary Dring, Irene Boyd, Lesley Bayley, Hazel Speares, Sophia Dillon and June Butler.



From left: Olive Nixon and Muriel Gilmore with their 50-year membership certificates presented at Magheracross Parish Church.



Mr. Aleksander Stanek (centre) and the team at the hospital in Tanzania.

Medical staff deliver life-saving healthcare on special mission trip to Africa

A team of medical professionals including a number from local parishes in Clogher Diocese have taken part in a healthcare mission trip to Africa.

The team of surgeons, anaesthetists and theatre nurses led by Mr. Aleksander Stanek, General Consultant Surgeon at South West Acute Hospital, Enniskillen, gave of their time freely and spent over a week in Tanzania in November to carry out hernia operations. More people die in Africa from complications with hernia than from HIV because of the

lack of healthcare.

Hernia problems are rife in Africa and generally as a result of congenital reasons among children and without the help of international mission teams such as this, many local people will suffer considerable hardship and possibly die from hernia related conditions.

While Mr Stanek has made numerous visits to African countries leading medical teams, it was a first for some of the theatre nurses from Enniskillen, including Hazel



Helen Sheridan supporting a surgeon at the theatre.

Dineen, from St. Macartin's Cathedral Parish, Enniskillen. Others on the trip included Tanya Vance, Letterbreen and Helen Sheridan, Lisbellaw.

Hazel explained how the team which included specialist professionals from other parts of Northern Ireland as well as Switzerland and England, had been planning and fundraising for many months before the trip so they could bring all their own supplies of equipment and clothing with them. Many of the instruments had been donated by



Dr. Patrick Stewart, Consultant Anaesthetist, Altnagelvin Hospital and Theatre Staff Nurse Hazel Dineen with a mother and child at the hospital in Tanzania.

Mr. Stanek from previous visits to Korogwe District Hospital in Tanzania, about six hours drive from the capital, Dar Es Salam.

Following their long journey with several connecting flights, three theatres were set up with the help of Sister Avelina Tempa, Surgeon and Sister with the Catholic Order of Sisters of Usumbaya, and the medical team began their hernia repair operations. At the end of the week after working long hours each day, they had carried out 75 procedures.

Hazel said while they are used to working with disposables, they noticed how the African hospital authorities recycled as much as possible.

"We stayed in a basic hotel but I really liked the people who are very happy. We brought gifts of costume jewellery to give away and they were gladly received. I just found them very gracious. It changes your whole perspective on life," said Hazel.

She went on to explain how on their way home at the end of November they had changed flights at Nairobi and Amsterdam where they experienced Christmas lights.

"It was a bit overwhelming. There were no Christmas lights in Tanzania," she remarked.

About the trip, she commented: "You just learned to cope with it. We as a team talked about it a lot and there was a lot of interest from our colleagues when we returned.

"What I got back from the trip was 10-fold what I gave," said Hazel.

"It's just an overload of emotions when you are there. You observe their fight for survival. I did not feel my life was any better than theirs," she added.

Hazel, said that on behalf of the team, she wanted to thank everyone who had generously supported their trip.

The charity, Hernia International, addresses the global healthcare problem of hernia by delivering modern techniques of hernia



Hazel Dineen speaking to local children during a visit to a school in Tanzania.

surgery in low income countries around the world. Teams fly out to more than 20 countries in Africa and Asia throughout the year.

This September, Mr. Stanek will be leading another Northern Ireland mission team, this time to Kenya and plans are already underway for fundraising and participation.



Theatre Nurse Tanya Vance with a five-year-old child and her mother, leaving theatre following a hernia procedure.

MISSIONARY & CHARITABLE NEWS



Weekend of hymns and stories in store in St. Macartin's Cathedral



An exhibition and an evening of stories and song to celebrate the life of one of the most iconic hymnwriters in Ireland, Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander, will be taking place in Clogher Diocese on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, 9th and 10th March. The exhibition in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen runs throughout Saturday from 10am to 5pm and on Sunday from 2pm – 7pm with an evening service at 7pm at which some of Mrs Alexander's famous hymns will be sung and interspersed with stories of her life narrated by Mrs Eva Baxter. During the service, the Cathedral Choir and a choir from the Girls' Friendly Society in Clogher Diocese, will be adding to the praise.



The weekend events has been organised by Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education in co-operation with the Dean of Clogher, the Very Revd. Kenneth Hall, to mark 200 years since the birth of Mrs. Alexander. The exhibition will be brought from St. Columb's Cathedral, Londonderry by Mr Ian Bartlett with some artefacts also on loan from St. Bestius's Parish Church in the Parish of Termonamongan, Killeter, where Mrs Alexander and husband, Revd William Alexander began their married life. Revd. Alexander subsequently became Bishop of Derry and following Mrs Alexander's death, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All-Ireland.



Mrs Alexander was born in Dublin but her family moved to the Strabane area due to her father's work commitments. A talented young woman, she had written her book, "Hymns for Little Children published in 1848. Her many talents also involved many aspects of pastoral work in the parishes where her husband was appointed. Among the best known hymns she wrote were; "Once in Royal David's City," "All Things Bright and Beautiful," and "There is a Green Hill Far Away." In conjunction with the weekend exhibition and service, the Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education has organised the theme for the Archdeacon Ruddell Prize and Bishop's Medal Competition on the "Hymns of Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander." These competitions are open to both primary school age and secondary school age children and entries can be by individuals or groups. The closing date for entries is Wednesday, 19th June and these should be left in the Diocesan Office.



An evening of praise

with the hymns of

Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander

St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen

Sunday 10th March 2019

7.00pm

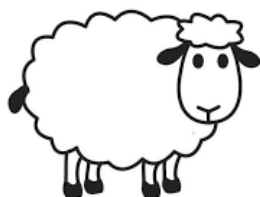
Includes an exhibition on the life and work of this well-known hymn writer

Narration by Mrs Eva Baxter

Special music by Glenn Moore, the Cathedral Choir, Diocesan GFS Choir
and more.....

EVERYONE WELCOME

Refreshments after the service



The exhibition will also be open in the Cathedral
on Saturday 9th March from 11.00 am - 4.00pm
and on Sunday 10th March 2.00pm – 8.00pm

CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

#Pennies4Plastics: a Lenten initiative from the Church of Ireland

Throughout Lent 2019, the Church of Ireland Bishops' Appeal, Eco-Congregation Ireland and the Representative Church Body (RCB) will be inviting individuals, families, parishes, schools, and Sunday schools and clubs to prayerfully reduce their use of plastic.

#Pennies4Plastics is an exciting initiative that celebrates God's Creation, challenges us to make small changes this Lent that help protect this Creation, and raises vital funds for Waste Aid which supports recycling in the Gambia, where many communities have no formal waste management system. It encourages all those taking part to:

1. Get informed about single-use plastic;
2. Get busy making changes (with lots of different ideas);
3. Learn about how plastic waste is being transformed in the Gambia; and
4. Pray for the important environmental issues around waste and plastics.

A resource, full to the brim with everything you need to reduce plastic waste and help others to do the same, is now available (at www.bishopsappeal.ireland.anglican.org/pennies4plastics). This can be



downloaded in full or in four different sections covering information, action, giving, and school assemblies and All Age Worship. You can also download labels and attach them to recyclable jars for your Lenten collection.

Lydia Monds, Education Advisor with Bishops' Appeal, says: 'As we compiled this resource we learned some startling facts. Eight million tonnes of plastic is ending up in the oceans each year – that's the weight of roughly a billion elephants. Also, Ireland is by far the EU's worst offender when it comes to buying single-use plastics. And in countries where there are no waste management systems, people's health is suffering from the mass burning of plastics whilst their livestock become ill and can die from ingesting plastic. This is not an issue for an enthusiastic few; for Christians who worship the God of all Creation, this is an issue for all of us. Take prayerful action with us this Lent.'

Donations can be made online, through a bank lodgement, or by euro or sterling cheque (details for these payment methods are available online here). Funds donated as part of #Pennies4Plastics will be match-funded by Bishops' Appeal and the RCB.

Irish College of Preachers organises conference

The Annual Irish College of Preachers conference will take place this summer from Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th June at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute in Dublin.

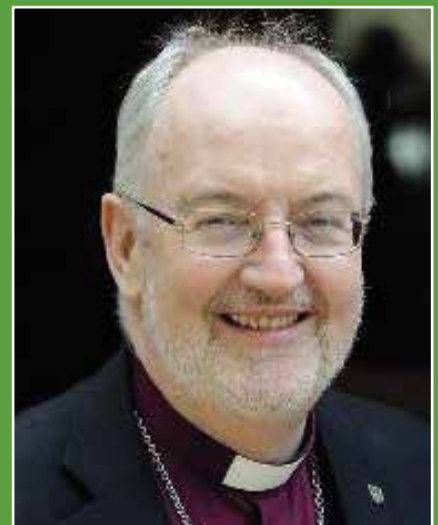
The guest speaker will be Bishop Wallace Benn, a Dubliner who is a respected pastor, preacher and author.

He will be speaking on: 'Preaching that gets through: a look at the essential ingredients for effective preaching'.

Anyone interested should contact the conference organiser, Bishop Ferran

Glenfield; bishop@kilmore.anglican.org for further details.

The Irish College of Preachers exists to promote good preaching in the Church of Ireland. The Conference is open to experienced and inexperienced preachers alike; clerical and lay. It is essentially practical, with group workshop sessions and worship which seeks to model good preaching. Dioceses have sponsored people to attend in the past and if sponsorship is required please contact your Diocesan Bishop and or the Diocesan Warden of Lay Readers.



The speaker at the conference is Bishop Wallace Benn.

IRISH YOUTH MINISTRY GATHERING

This event is happening between 16th and 18th May 2019, at Assembly Buildings, Belfast, organised by John Kee and Summer Madness and partnering with 25 plus agencies, including Exodus, Boys' Brigade, Girls' Brigade, Crown Jesus, Care for the Family, Scripture Union, Tearfund, International Justice Mission and Youth for Christ.

Each day will be themed for the following audiences:

- **Thursday evening** – church leaders, pastors, clergy and parents
- **Friday** – full-time youth workers and people in associated employment
- **Saturday** – youth work volunteers and full-time youth workers

Speakers confirmed include the following; Gavin Calver, Fanta Clarke, Rachel Gardner, Malcolm Duncan, Calvin Samuels.

Tickets are now on sale and more information is available at www.facebook.com/theIYM



Celebrating St Patrick's Radiant Faith: A New Resource from the Church of Ireland

Looking ahead to St Patrick's Day, the Church of Ireland Council for Mission has produced an all-age family service resource – Celebrating St Patrick's Radiant Faith – for use across the island of Ireland. This resource includes prayers and actions that focus on how St Patrick's ministry reflected the themes of the Anglican Communion's Five Marks of Mission, and how Christians can follow his example and live out their faith in Jesus today.

The Five Marks of Mission are:

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom;
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers;
3. To respond to human need by loving service;
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation; and
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

The resource relates each of these to St Patrick's life i.e. in his return to Ireland to tell people about the love of God in Jesus Christ, his teaching on the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, leaving his country to follow God's call and serve the people of Ireland, and his experiences both as a slave and a shepherd.

The Revd Adam Pullen, Chairman of the Council for Mission, said: 'The radiant faith of St Patrick, our patron saint, led to his proclamation and sharing of the good news of Jesus in faith, action and

symbol. I hope that all who use this imaginative and interactive resource, prepared by the Council of Mission, will find it to be an encouragement as we celebrate St Patrick. May it help us as we radiate our faith in prayerful and practical ways across this island.'

The resource is available to download from the following link: <http://bit.ly/2EerGLV>

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Church of Ireland Children's Ministry LENT & EASTER NEWSLETTER 2019



We hope that you glean some new ideas for journeying through Lent and Easter this year, whatever your context. We pray that you will have space to declutter and make room for God's peace, presence and purpose. We pray that your time spent exploring faith with children will be full of ignited moments and that the learning will be reciprocal.



Lent in a Bag:

www.buildingfaith.org have developed a wonderful 'Lent in a Bag' Initiative that is useful for both Church and Home.

They discovered that distributing small bags – cloth, paper, or ziplock bags – with symbols of the season – assists individuals and families in practicing Lent at home. In addition to the items in the bag, they include instructions and reflections (on purple paper of course) to go with each item.

Choose one night of the week and invite those around your table to pick one of the symbols as a starting point for conversation for the whole group, including children.

Put an instruction sheet, sand, a rock, a little wooden peg/figure and a candle into your bag. Each week read about what the symbol relates to. Find out more about the symbols here: <https://www.buildfaith.org/len-in-a-bag/?fbclid=IwAR0eoJDsQTS1wloxobBDhLWKMJoIpYA4qv2HknjIN4yIIntHjriIzu0k2kc>

Tracing Cross

The Building Faith Editor also has a 'Top Pick' of a Lord's Prayer Tracing Cross, which begins as a craft but ends as a reflective prayer for people of all ages.

They have instructions and templates of the Cross and Prayer here: <https://www.buildfaith.org/lords-prayer-tracing-cross/>



Knitting the Last Supper

What about setting up a group interested in knitting in your parish to knit the scene of the Last Supper? People of all ages with an interest in knitting can come together once a week for chats and knits and then people can carry on with the project in their own time. This brings together people from different sections of the church and is a very tangible, playable visual for children of all ages. Get the pattern here:

<https://revruth.wordpress.com/2010/02/28/knitted-last-supper-pattern/>





Holy Week in a Box

From bags to boxes – a wonderful initiative for exploring Holy Week is Holy Week in a Box.

Victoria Beech from GodVenture has adapted a really great version of Holy Week in a Box and even has some suggestions as to where to get the different items!
<http://godventure.co.uk/news/holy-week-boxes/>

Kidsfriendly.org.nz have a hand out that shows step by step how they used a different version of Holy Week in a Box during a family service. It also includes links to the instructions. <http://www.kidsfriendly.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/The-Kids-Friendly-Holy-Week-Box.pdf>



St Patrick's Day:

The Church of Ireland Council for Mission are putting together an All Age Service Outline on the **Radiant Faith of Saint Patrick**. Keep an eye out for it as our sneaky peek showed some lovely creative ideas for interactive games and action based storytelling. We'll be posting it in the News Section of our own website www.cm.ireland.anglican.org so watch out!



Creative Prayer Ideas:

Explore different ways for children to talk to God this season. In this creative prayer video, Lynn Storey looks at reflective ideas alongside more energetic ideas, with some take home prayer ideas included for good measure. Why not make prayer a focus this Lent? <https://youtu.be/YGx2YDNPoLA>



DIOCESAN NEWS

Heading one line

For those who have faithfully worshiped at the site of St. Macartan's Cathedral in Clogher for hundreds of years, in fact since the 5th century, the beauty and serenity of its setting in the heart of the Clogher Valley has always been deeply appreciated.

However, although the site and its history have always been treasured, perhaps the hard work, dedication and investment of the Cathedral community in not only the site, but especially the interior of the present Cathedral has rendered it as a place of worship worthy indeed to be dedicated to the Glory of the one true living God.

Due to a hefty schedule of essential maintenance projects which will be phased over the next couple of years but beginning with the replacement of the entire heating system, the Cathedral Parish are holding a fundraising weekend on 9th and 10th March.

On Saturday, 9th March there will be a parish auction in Clogher 'old' Primary School with viewing from 11am – 1pm and the auction beginning at 2pm sharp.

On Sunday 10th March between 2.30pm – 6.30pm, St. Macartan's Cathedral will be filled with continuous praise and worship.

"We are very grateful to choirs, musicians, organists and worship bands who are giving of their time and gifts freely over the four hours to fill this beautiful historic Cathedral with worship. It is a wonderful opportunity to come along during these hours for five minutes or all afternoon to listen, pray and spend time in the presence of The King of kings. Among those already signed up for a slot over the afternoon are local church choirs, organists, worship bands and Down Cathedral Choir," explained one of the organiser.

"Our graveyard is one of the oldest in Ireland and has been the burial site of both Catholic and Protestant Bishops, Presbyterian moderators, and soldiers from many wars. Simultaneously as the praise is continuing in the Cathedral, at 4pm Mr Jack Johnston will be giving a tour of the graveyard focusing on the soldiers' graves from six wars ranging from the 'Siege of Derry' to 'The American Civil War.' Sunday will draw to a close with a Service of Praise and Thanksgiving that evening beginning at 7pm when the guest preacher will be Revd. Stephen McElhinney, who is the Director of Missions for S.A.M.S. Ireland.

St. Macartan's Cathedral is indeed for many 'a hidden gem' and there is much to come and see and learn whether that is exploring ancient burial stones, the treasures of the archive room where there



Some of the musicians preparing to provide music during the day of praise in St. Macartan's Cathedral, Enniskillen on 10th March.

will be an exhibition to admire, the stained glass windows such as the east window which is a fine example of the artist, John Milner Allen and was dedicated to the memory of John George Beresford, Bishop of Clogher and Primate of All-Ireland in 1862, or the many portraits dating back hundreds of years of past Bishops by artists such as Derek Hill, Thomas Laurence, and Andrew FFesting. "However, the Cathedral's greatest treasure is its people, those who faithfully gather to worship Sunday by Sunday, those who seek peace in times of distress, those who still consider it home despite now living on a different shore, and those who periodically gather from other communities to show their support. This is our true treasure, and our desire is that our Cathedral remains a place of sanctuary and peace for all who seek it.

"Therefore, as a relatively small community facing a rather large challenge we turn not only to our faithful parishioners and community at this time, but also to our friends wider afield and ask for your support in this first leg of this crucial project. A warm welcome and a cup of tea awaits you."

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COMMUNITY NEWS



The first St Tighernach's Day service in 2018.



The Clones Sarcophagus.

St. Tighernach's Day cultural event to celebrate history of Clones

The second annual St. Tiarnach's/St. Tighernach's Day will take place in Clones on Thursday, 4th April, known as the feast day of St. Tighernach's, Patron Saint of Clones.

Last year the inaugural event was held on a date closest to the Feast Day organised by Clones Community Forum.

This cultural event arose from a visit to the Cassandra Hand Centre by Minister Heather Humphrey from the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs.

St Tighernach, Patron Saint of Clones and Bishop of Clogher (506-549) died on 4th April 549 in Clones.

Educated in England he returned to Ireland where he was welcomed by his grandfather Eochaid. Tighernach sought out the boundary of the kingdom to make his first foundation, namely Galloon. He then moved further east to establish his principal monastic foundation at Clones in the 6th century.

This Abbey had been destroyed by fire in 836, 1095 and 1184. In 1207 Hugh de Lacey destroyed the Abbey and town which was rebuilt again five years later and it is the remains of this 12th century abbey that can still be found today.

The monastic settlement of Cluanois (Clones), which included an Abbey dedicated to Saint's Peter and Paul, was still active before the dissolution of monasteries in the late 1530's by King Henry VIII.

St Tighernach is said to have taught a great many to serve God in primitive purity and simplicity which was the way of the Coptic Church before the influence of the Roman Empire. Blind in later life and living like a hermit, Tighernach died of the plague in 549AD.

The Clones Stone Tomb, House Tomb or Sarcophagus in the Round Tower Graveyard is reputed to have been built to house the remains of St. Tighernach and is still in situ today. This is also the location for a nearly intact Round Tower, two almost unique features of Ireland's Monastic past. Nearby is a 9th century Celtic Cross relocated from near the Abbey/Round Tower to the Diamond in front of St. Tighernach Church of Ireland. These along with many more heritage and historical features are all located in the very old Monastic town of Clones.

As part of a cross-community inter-denominational annual event to commemorate the feast day of St Tiarnach/ Tighernach, Clones Community Forum will host St. Tiarnach's Day in Clones on Thursday 4th April 2019 starting at 7.30pm in St. Tighernach Church of Ireland, The Diamond, Clones, continuing afterwards to the Round Tower and finishing with refreshments in the Cassandra Hand Folk

and Famine Centre.

Many Schools, Clubs etc., use the name St Tighernach.

Copies of the book "Tiarnach of Clones" by Bishop Joseph Duffy will be available to purchase on the night.

This event is open to everyone and the organisers hope everyone will attend and enjoy the programme.



St. Tighernach's Parish Church, Clones.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Hub open day for prospective students

The Hub Belfast is a chaplaincy partnership between the Church of Ireland and Methodist Church in Ireland to share in ministry and mission across University and College Campuses in the city of Belfast. They are hosting an open day on Saturday, 23rd March for prospective students for 2019/2020.

According to The Hub, their life is centred around the Worship of God, the growth of Christian Community, and Outreach in the world around us.

“Our commitment is to develop and grow people who, in their own lives, and in serving the mission of the Chaplaincy, will be marked by a commitment to Worship, Community and Outreach.

“Our desire is to be known by our welcome, hospitality, and our generosity in working with and alongside others to grow worship, community and outreach across campuses in the city,” a spokesperson stated.

The Residential Student Centre on Elmwood Avenue in South Belfast is currently home to 49 students. Historically, this has been most closely associated with chaplaincy at Queens University, but students from other academic institutions have lived, and continue to live, as part of the community. Students have been living in chaplaincy accommodation since the 1950s.

The Church of the Resurrection on Elmwood Avenue was built in the 1960s to primarily provide a place of worship for the staff and students of Queen’s University. This worshipping community is now either a permanent or temporary home for people of all ages living, studying and working in the city.

The Hub Café is vital part of their life too, opening its doors throughout the academic year to students, staff, and anyone who simply wants a good place to be for a while.

Vision for Growth

“Building on our experience of working together in covenant, the two churches now seek to grow chaplaincy ministry across university and college campuses in the city of Belfast and you have an important part to play in that growth. Our key priorities for the next three years are:

1. To develop and grow our existing expressions of worship, community and outreach in South Belfast on the Queens University campus, namely the residential



student centre and the Church of the Resurrection

2. To plant and explore new opportunities for mission on campus at Stranmillis College, Belfast Met, the Art College and in the Cathedral Quarter as it prepares for the arrival of Ulster University.

3. To identify, grow and develop servant-hearted leaders through employment, an internship year, and the disci-

plishment of student and church volunteers, and in turn, help these individuals discern their wider vocation and role within the church and society.”

The open day will be applicable to prospective students, families, ministers, youth workers and volunteers across the church.

The Hub is trying to reach any young person who might be thinking about living and studying in Belfast next academic year.



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HOST appealing for volunteers to host international students in homes

Lent is traditionally a time of foregoing something, though there is also now a trend to mark the season by doing something, something extra thoughtful and special.

As the season of Lent approaches, HOST UK is asking if parishioners might consider doing something for international relations... making a small but significant contribution towards greater understanding worldwide.

At HOST, their mission is to give a welcome to international students in United Kingdom homes for friendship and cultural exchange. Their volunteer hosts open their homes and offer the opportunity to their student guests to have a break from studies and the chance to discover a new part of the UK. They share meals and conversation and in so doing learn about each other's

cultures.

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HOST operates all year round and they would welcome more volunteer hosts to join them.

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WELCOME FOR BISHOP LARRY DUFFY



Bishop Larry Duffy addressing the congregation in Monaghan.

The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd. John McDowell was among representatives from various Christian churches formally welcoming Bishop Larry Duffy, the new Roman Catholic Bishop of Clogher, following his Episcopal Ordination in St Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan in February.

Joining Bishop McDowell at the service was the Church of Ireland Archbishop of Dublin, the Most Revd Dr. Michael Jackson and Revd. Colin McConaghie, Church of Ireland Rector of Carrickmacross, where the former Monsignor Duffy had been Parish Priest.

Right: Bishop John McDowell welcoming the new Roman Catholic Bishop of Clogher, Bishop Larry Duffy on behalf of Christian churches following his Episcopal Ordination in St. Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan.



COMMUNITY NEWS



Attending the information evening in St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, were (from left); the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd. John McDowell; Revd. Dr. Fred Munce, Heather McKenzie, CSSC and Andy Brown, TRC.



Among Church of Ireland clergy attending were (from left); Canon Ian Ellis, Rector of Rossorry, Clogher Diocese; Revd. Revd Ruth West, Rector, St. John's, Florencecourt, Kilmore Diocese; Canon Henry Blair and Revd Philip Bryson, Magheraculmoney Parish, Clogher Diocese.

Transferor Representatives' Council organises meeting for School Governors in Clogher Diocese

One of the information evenings for school governors in Northern Ireland organised by the Transferor Representatives' Council took place in St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen.

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Andy Brown, a TRC Executive Member and Chairman of the Education Committee of the Presbyterian Church and among those taking part were the Revd. Dr. Fred Munce, General Secretary of the Board of Education with the Methodist Church and Heather McKenzie, from the Controlled Schools' Support Council, which is supporting the information evenings.

The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd. John McDowell formally welcomed all present.

Each of the Governors who will serve during the period from 2018-2022 were given a Transferor Governor Handbook produced by the Transferor Representatives' Council setting out the Christian principles, ethos and core values as well as the role of being a Governor.

The TRC represents the Church of Ireland, the Methodist Church in Ireland and the Presbyterian Church in Ireland in education in Northern Ireland.



Bishop John McDowell introducing the information evening for school governors organised by the TRC in Enniskillen.

ANGLICAN COMMUNION NEWS

Lambeth conference should include all Anglican Bishops: says African Primate

The Primate of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, has called on Anglican bishops to attend the next Lambeth Conference despite differences within the Anglican Communion.

Archbishop Thabo chairs the international Design Group, brought together by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, to plan the once-in-a-decade gathering of Anglican bishops, which will take place in Canterbury, Kent, in 2020.

"I know people talk about the fabric of the communion as torn", he said, "but we are all fallible human beings in need of God's love and grace, and we need each other."

Archbishop Thabo made his comments in a video on the Lambeth Conference website. In it, he says: "As said in Sepedi [the language of Northern Sotho]: one bangle doesn't ring, two bangles will make a beautiful noise. So we are never alone in this journey.

"Whether you agree with where the communion is, whether you don't agree, come and express your difference in this beautiful space which is a gift from God. Don't just stay at home and say 'I'm not going'.

Now cycling tourists can stay in churches

Special sleeping pods will be installed in a number of remote churches and chapels in Wales for use by cycling tourists. The SpiritCymru project is the brainchild of Ceredigion businessman James Lynch, who runs a sustainable holiday company. It is being launched as part of the Welsh Government's Year of Discovery tourism campaign. The Church in Wales said that the scheme will "bring valuable support to struggling – even closed – rural churches by opening them up as accommodation for touring cyclists."

The head of Property Services at the Church in Wales, Alex Glanville, said: "This is an exciting opportunity to work in partnership to find a new, innovative purpose for churches that have been closed. These buildings remain special places which will find a new audience through SpiritCymru."

James Lynch commented: "We know that there are some 800 chapels and churches in the rural and coastal communities of Wales – many of which are facing an uncertain future.

SpiritCymru will celebrate and promote the heritage values of these beautiful buildings and provide a new sustainable model for continued community engagement and use,"

The scheme has received financial backing from Welsh Government's Tourism Product Innovation Fund and bookings are expected to open in the autumn.

NEWS FOR VESTRIES

Clogher Diocese extends sympathy to Bishop McDowell

The clergy and people of Clogher Diocese extends its sympathy to Bishop John McDowell on the recent death of his father, Jim in Belfast.

A Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving for the Life of William James Frederick (Jim) McDowell was held in the Church of the Pentecost, Mount Merrion, Belfast on Friday, 22nd February.

The Bishop's father, Jim, died on Tuesday in his 98th year.

The officiating clergy at the funeral service included Bishop McDowell, who gave the address; the Dean of Clogher, the Very Revd Kenneth Hall, who conducted the service and the Archdeacon of Clogher, the Venerable Brian Harper, who led the prayers.

The Apostles' Creed was led by Monsignor Peter O'Reilly of St. Michael's Church, Enniskillen.

The readings were by Mr. Aaron Boyce, from Mount Merrion Parish and by Mr. Jim McDowell, the Bishop's twin brother. A Weaver's Prayer was read by Miss Beth Murray, a great-grand-daughter.

The hymns were; "Glorious Things of thee are spoken," "Abide with Me" and the Psalm, "The King of love my Shepherd is." The music was provided by Mr. Glenn Moore.

The private cremation took place following the service.

Mr McDowell, who was predeceased by his wife, Lily, is survived by daughter, Jean and sons, Robert, Jim and Bishop John.



Church of the Pentecost, Mount Merrion, Belfast.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February 2019

- Tuesday 5th February – **Board of Education Committee meeting** at 10am.
- Tuesday 5th February – **Diocesan Council Meeting** at 2pm in the Hilliard Room, Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen.
- Tuesday 5th February – **Glebes Committee Meeting** at 11am
- Wednesday 6th February – **Evening of Prayer for Fermanagh E3 Schools Project** in Colaghty Church Hall at 8pm.
- Friday 8th February – **Cleenish Parish Annual Supper Dance** in Unionist Headquarters at 8pm. Dancing to Wee Tom. Tickets £15 from Vestry members.
- Saturday 9th February – **Church Breakfast** in Lisbellaw Parish Centre at 9.30am with speaker, Rodney Connor from Air Ambulance Northern Ireland.
- Monday 11th - Friday 15th February 2019 – **Sallaghy Parish Pairs Bowling Tournament** in Sallaghy Parish Hall.
- Thursday 14th February – **Table Quiz** in Tempo Church Hall at 8pm.
- Friday 15th February – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for March issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org
- Friday 15th February – **Evening of Scottish Country Barn Dancing** in Derryvullen South Parish Hall with proceeds for Derryvullen South Parish Church Funds. Tickets £10 from Vestry members. Supper provided.
- Tuesday 19th February – **Talk on the Disestablishment of the Church of Ireland** in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.30pm, by the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd John McDowell and hosted by the Dean and Chapter of Clogher Diocese. 2019 is the 150th anniversary of Disestablishment.
- Wednesday 20th February – **Talk on the Disestablishment of the Church of Ireland** in St Patrick's Church, Monaghan at 8.00pm, by the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd John McDowell and hosted by the Dean and Chapter of Clogher Diocese. 2019 is the 150th anniversary of Disestablishment.
- Wednesday 20th - Monday 25th February 2019 – **Kilskeery Bowling Club Tournament** runs from Wednesday, 20th February to Saturday, 23rd February with finals night on Monday, 25th February. Entry fee of £6 including supper.
- Thursday 21st February – **Toccatto** internationally acclaimed performers will be giving a concert in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.30pm. Tickets £10.
- Friday 22nd February – **Gospel Concert** in Aghavea Parish Hall at 8pm. Headline act is True Country Gospel Band and also featuring Roy Crowe and Margaret Johnston. Admission £7.50 including supper. Tickets from the Rector or Vestry members.
- Friday 22nd February – **Wellbeing and Self Care Youth Event** hosted by Kesh Rural Deanery in Tubrid Church Hall at

- 7.30pm for young people aged 12-17 years. Speaker: Conor McCafferty, Zest Charity.
- Friday 22nd February – **Maguirebridge Parish Church Annual Dance** in Maguirebridge Parochial Hall with dancing from 9.30pm to Curtis Magee.
- Saturday 23rd February – **Galloon Parish Auction** at 12noon in the Parish Hall with doors open from 11am.
- Sunday 24th February – **Family Service** in St. Macartin's Cathedral at 11.00am to be attended by the Scouts and Guides to mark World Thinking Day.
- Monday 25th February - Friday 1st March 2019 – **Bowls Tournament** in Garvary Parish Church Hall.
- Thursday 28th February – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen from 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Miss Helen Humphries.

March 2019

- Friday 1st March – **Women's World Day of Prayer Service** hosted by Tempo Parish Church at 8pm.
- Friday 1st March – Colebrooke and Cooneen MU host **Women's World Day of Prayer** in Colebrooke Parish Church at 8pm. All welcome.
- Tuesday 5th March – **Safeguarding Children Training** for Parish Panel Members in the Cathedral Halls, Enniskillen starting at 7.30pm. The training will last approximately two hours and will be delivered by Margaret Yarr, Safeguarding Officer NI for both new and existing panel members. To book a place contact Claire Geoghegan; Email: Claire.geoghegan@rcbdub.org or Tel. 02890828860.
- Friday 8th March – **Marching Bands Concert** in Tempo Parish Church Hall.
- Saturday 9th March – **Parish Auction** for Clogher Parish.
- Saturday 9th March – **Mrs Cecil Alexander Exhibition** in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen from 11.00am - 4.00am.
- Sunday 10th March – **Morning Prayer with the theme 'Mrs Cecil Alexander and her Hymns** at 11.00am in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen. The Mrs Alexander Exhibition is open 2.00pm - 8.00pm and at 7.00pm, a Praise Service with the favourite Mrs Alexander Hymns.
- Sunday 10th - Sunday 10th March 2019 – **Day of Praise** in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Clogher with choirs, musicians, organists and worship bands filling 20-minute slots for continuous praise and worship. If your band, choir, group can come and help contact Revd Olie on 07792728495.
- Friday 15th March – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for April issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org
- Friday 15th March – **Wellbeing and Self Care Event** hosted by Kesh Rural Deanery in the Termon Centre, Pettigo at 7.30pm for everyone aged 18 and over.

- Sunday 17th March – **St. Patrick's Day Service** in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 11am.
- Friday 22nd March – **Sallaghy Parish Dance** in Sallaghy Parish Hall with music by Robert Brown. Dancing from 10pm to 1am. Cost £5 including supper.
- Monday 25th March – **Farm, Fellowship and Faith Evening** in Colaghty Parish Hall at 8pm with the speaker being a representative from PSNI on farm crime, safety on and off the road and driving regulations relevant to farmers.
- Wednesday 27th March – **Gospel Concert** in Corick House Hotel at 8pm with proceeds to St. Mark's Parish Church, Augher. Tickets £10 from Vestry members.
- Thursday 28th March – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen from 1.00-1.35pm led by Canon Henry Blair.
- Friday 29th March – **Variety Concert - Cathedral Choir Capers** in St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 with proceeds for the Cathedral Fabric Fund.
- Sunday 31st March – **Parade Service** to celebrate the centenary of Drumate Star of Bethlehem RBP No. 992 in Aghabog Parish Church at 3pm. Preacher: Revd William Anderson, Sovereign Grand Master.

April 2019

- Sunday 14th April – **Palm Sunday Procession**(with a donkey) at St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen.
- Monday 15th April – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for May issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org
- Thursday 25th April – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, from 1.00 -1.35pm led by Mr Abraham Storey.
- Saturday 27th April – **Galloon Parish Auction** at 12noon in the Parish Hall with doors open from 11am.

May 2019

- Tuesday 7th May – **Board of Education Committee meeting** at 10am.
- Tuesday 7th May – **Glebes Committee meeting** at 11am.
- Tuesday 7th May – **Diocesan Council Meeting** at 2pm.
- Wednesday 15th May – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for June issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org
- Thursday 16th - Saturday 18th May 2019 – 2019 **General Synod** in the Millennium Forum, Londonderry.
- Thursday 23rd May – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Canon Maurice Armstrong.
- 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'.

• Thursday 30th May – **Adult Confirmation** (contact your Rector or Rural Dean for details).

June 2019

• Saturday 15th June – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for July/August issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org
• Sunday 16th June – **175th Anniversary Service** in Colaghty Parish Church at 3.30pm.

• Thursday 27th June – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Miss Lucy Woods.

July 2019

• Thursday 25th July – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Revd Isobel Nixon.

August 2019

• Thursday 15th August – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for September issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org

• Thursday 22nd August – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Archdeacon Brian Harper.

September 2019

• Tuesday 3rd September – **Board of Education Committee meeting** at 10am.

• Tuesday 3rd September – **Glebes Committee Meeting** at 11am.

• Tuesday 3rd September – **Diocesan Council Meeting** at 2pm.

• Sunday 15th September – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for October issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org

• Thursday 26th September – **Clogher Diocesan Synod** at 5.30pm.

• Thursday 26th September – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Miss Helen Humphries.

October 2019

• Monday 7th - Sunday 13th October 2019 – **Colaghty Parish Mission**

• Tuesday 15th October – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for November issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org

• Tuesday 22nd - Thursday 24th October 2019 – **Clogher Clergy Conference** in Dunfanaghy, Co. Donegal.

• Thursday 24th October – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St. Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, from 1.00 - 1.35pm led by Canon Henry Blair.

November 2019

• Tuesday 5th November – **Board of Education Committee meeting** at 10am.

• Tuesday 5th November – **Glebes Committee meeting** at 11am.

• Tuesday 5th November – **Diocesan Council Meeting** at 2pm

• Friday 15th November – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submission of Parish Notes**, advertisements and news stories for December issue. Send to editor@clogher.anglican.org

• Thursday 28th November – **Lunchtime Healing Service** in the Iona Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen from 1.00pm to 1.35pm led by Canon Maurice Armstrong.

May 2020

• Thursday 7th - Saturday 9th May 2020 – **2020 General Synod** in Croke Park Meetings and Events Centre.

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