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Colin Brownsmith and Abraham Storey who will be ordained Deacons in September following their training as Ordained Local Ministers. See Page 65 for story.

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CARLETON 150 AND THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

This year's William Carleton Summer School, marking 150 years since the death of the author and poet in 1869, will have plenty to interest those involved with the Church of Ireland.

The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd John McDowell, Patron of the William Carleton Summer School and one of the main speakers on the first day in the Valley Hotel, Fivemiletown on Tuesday, 15th October at 2pm will speak on; "Disestablishment: What have we made of it?"

Other speakers include Professor Owen Dudley Edwards (Edinburgh University) on Carleton 150 – celebrating Carleton studies in the 150 years since his death. Professor Mark Bailey, Emeritus Director of Armagh Observatory and also Treasurer of the William Carleton Summer School will speak on astronomy and the links with Armagh.

On Wednesday, 16 October, the Summer School tour will take participants to the two cathedrals in Armagh, the Robinson Library and No 5 Vicars Hill. William Carleton wrote letters to Archbishop Beresford and some are in the Robinson Library. Full details by email; wcarletonsociety@gmail.com or follow @WilliamCarleton on Twitter and Facebook.



A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



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Dear Friends,

The following eulogy was given by the Right Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher at the funeral service of Sir Anthony Hart in St. Mark's Church, Dundela on Wednesday, 17th July 2019. The burial took place in Devenish Parish Churchyard, Monea on Thursday, 18th July. Sir Anthony was a former Chancellor of the Diocese and had close links with it throughout his life..

A Master in Israel has died.

I know that to almost everyone sitting here today Tony Hart (I think in latter years it was only his mother and possibly Mary in moments of exasperation who ever called him Anthony) was best known for his legal career. Maybe because of that, it is important for those of us who got to know him in another context, to say that faith and devotion were at the quiet centre of his life; the spring of water which ran through all of his personality and his work. I know that the rector will have more to say about that as will I a little later in this address.

Fortunately, Wikipedia has released us from the need to turn a eulogy into a chronicle, which was the sort of thing Tony hated anyway. I know that because he told me once after I'd given one.

But of course, Tony was most definitely not a citizen of anywhere. He had deep roots. He was the son of a country vet and it showed. Showed in his willingness to be available when he was needed especially to the lame animals known as bishops who sought his counsel at all hours of the day and night. He grew up in an old rectory which his father had bought from the Representative Body not long after the war and he always appeared to me to have the look (if not the cool hauteur) of a country squire. Or indeed even of a squarson, that peculiarly Anglican mix of country gentleman and parson.

But as we all know it's the dim younger son who goes into the Church and Tony could never be described as dim. Although I can't quite envisage him emerging out of the undergrowth around Monea with an old twelve bore broken over his forearm after a spot of rough shooting, he could be quite tweedy (in a tidy sort of way) particularly in the Autumn time. He looked and was perfectly at home doing a bit of hedging and ditching at the house in Fermanagh and he and Mary kept up that substantial dwelling for years with great love and affection, first in looking after Tony's mother and then as their own "get away".

Fermanagh is a very particular place in which to grow up, when the wax of a personality is still soft and will take a deep impression. It is a traditional place and I don't know if that or some other factors had an influence on Tony's somewhat timeless view of life. The very fact that we are using a funeral service today which has been very little changed since the middle of the 16th century is significant. Tony did not subscribe to what an old boy of this parish-CS Lewis- used to call "Chronological Snobbery"- the uncritical acceptance that whatever has gone before is outdated and discredited".

In fact, his judgement was quite the opposite... if a convention or a tradition or a liturgy had lasted for a long time then there must be great virtue in it.

He was open to new ideas of course and in church life when I was rector here and he was on the Select Vestry and also a Trustee I can't recall a single instance when he even muttered under his breath about some innovation being suggested. But I think the service he felt most at home with and which resonated with his world view and experience of life was the old monastic office of Compline, the last service of the day. It helped that it was used regularly in Portora to mark the return of the weekly boarders on a Sunday night. I'm sure they were delighted.

It begins rather fearsomely with a passage from the First Epistle Catholic of St Peter. "Brethren, be sober, be vigilant because your adversary the Devil, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour, whom resist, steadfast in the faith". You could see how something as realistic and unsentimental as that would speak to someone who spent a fair bit of his life listening to the weary maze of everyday tragedies which are the staple of the criminal courts and latterly in the heartrending and very far from everyday pain of those who were so brave as to be able to tell their stories to the Institutional Abuse Tribunal Inquiry.

And yet Compline also includes some of the most beautiful prayers in the prayer book and ends on a pretty confident and resounding "Let us bless the Lord; thanks be to God". And for all his gruelling hard work and responsibility and public service, that's the spirit of Tony Hart summed up right there...Let us bless the Lord; thanks be to God".

Tony had beautiful manners, the product too of that rather old fashioned upbringing and also of his time in Portora when it was a much smaller

school operating in a much more relaxed educational era. He was a Christian gentleman in that sense which Cardinal Newman wrote about so movingly.

“He has his eyes on all his company; he is tender towards the bashful, gentle towards the distant and merciful towards the absurd [I appreciate that that might not be at the forefront in the minds of any barristers present who appeared before Tony inadequately prepared. Although that too was simply part of his veneration the rule of law and its conscientious operation as the bedrock of justice].

“...he is seldom prominent in conversation and never wearisome. He makes light of favours when he does them, and seems to be receiving when he is conferring...He is never mean or little in his disputes and never takes unfair advantage...he is too clear headed to be unjust”. All of it true of Tony Hart as those of you have worked alongside him and had the opportunity to observe him closely can testify.

There was absolutely no doubt that it was his faith and his upbringing, in what was then rather a rather out of the way place, that were the foundations of his character and (that word which it is impossible not to use when you think of Tony) his integrity. That is, a wholly integrated personality, all the working parts meshing together in honesty and candour and fun.

In every aspect of his work and life he had a tremendous sense of duty and sacrifice but never of the sort that makes a stone of the heart. And he knew that, in everything, whatever it may have been, if you wanted to practice the art you had first to learn the craft. You had to work at it...the law and the faith and marriage and fatherhood and friendship. And if I had to give a sort of Scriptural summary of his life it would be simply those few words of Jesus from John’s Gospel...“If ye love me, keep my commandments”; very apt for a man of the law. The great heart always keeping the head right.

Perhaps you’re expecting that I will say a great deal about Tony’s legal career not to mention his incredible scholarly work in legal history, particularly the history of the NI Courts. I will probably say less than is strictly seemly and for two reasons. The first is that most of you know much about more about it than I do. And of course the media and the tributes have already covered so much



Sir Anthony Hart.

of the ground. But for another reason too.

I once asked Tony what he had studied at Trinity and his answer was “Rowing, and a little bit of law”. We all know that the second part of that sentence is rather misleading. There was no-one more diligent and wholehearted in his application to any case or any cause that he defended, prosecuted or tried. His work on the Historical Institutional Abuse Inquiry was a prodigy of organisational skill, forensic ability and, indispensably, of human sympathy which I think in some ways (small and not so small) helped towards healing the manifestly inhuman treatment that was so painfully recounted in that Inquiry room day by day. When Tony Hart was asked to chair that Inquiry, those of us who are believers knew that a Higher Providence has taken a hand and that those damaged lives were for now at least in safe hands.

But in this wholly inadequate tribute I do not want to leave Tony’s life there. I want instead to talk just a little bit about the two places where you could be guaranteed to see Tony smiling like a school boy who has found the keys of the tuck shop. On the jetty and in his home.

Rowing was his passion (and there are people here like Robert Northridge and Derek Holland who could go into much more knowledgeable detail and at much greater length than I can about Tony’s love of the sport. The problem is, that if you let them they would. Rowing was Tony’s passion and he supported the Portora boats and in the past few years the Enniskillen Royal Grammar School rowers by his presence, by his enthusiasm and (as always with Tony)

with his substance. The look of pride on his face when he had an eight named after him was deeply moving. It was as though he had been given all the riches of Araby. And it wasn’t just that this Boat Club, which he had been involved at every level, had climbed to become the best school boat club in the United Kingdom and Ireland, bar none, that chuffed him so much, important and all that it was. It was also that it was providing an opportunity for literally hundreds of young people from every part of the community in Fermanagh with a opportunity to learn the craft, and to know the camaraderie of that least individualistic of sports. And as with everything Tony supported, all done without the left hand knowing what the right was doing. If ever the words of Alexander Pope’s Essay on Man applied to a human soul they applied to Tony; he “did good by stealth and blushed to find it fame”. If you wanted to see Tony in his natural habitat and in the fullness of his natural personality then all you had to do was to watch him at the Erne Head as a Portora or an ERGS boat pulled away of a Coleraine Inst eight. And to be honest I think he also liked the clobber. That rather extravagant rowing gear that you seem officially licensed to wear once your over about 40 years of age and the old centre of gravity has subsided a bit. And indeed if your principal vocation requires you to spend most of your days dressed in subfusc and looking serious while wearing a fair approximation of the hind quarters of a Texel ewe on your head- then what greater joy could there be than to stand on a riverbank, in a white rowing jacket with good trim and the Fermanagh wind blowing through what remains of your raven locks. cont...

There is a sort of tragic completeness that it was after watching the ERGS crews once again victorious at Henley Regatta, and after entertaining them with his usual generosity and fun that Tony fell so seriously ill. Much too soon, but with the laughter and the love of friends still ringing in his ears. Those of us who have served with Tony on the Governors and on the Trustees of both Portora and ERGS will testify to the dedication and expertise he brought to both schools but I don't think that that forgiving man would ever forgive me if I didn't say that (probably) the two letters after his name of which he was most proud were at least as much OP as QC. On Speech Day or on big occasions there was no one who sang the school hymn (Abide with me) with more pride or roared the school motto with more conviction. Floreat Portora.

And of course, the most important aspect of Tony's life was Mary and the family- Patrick, Fiona, Katherine and David. Mary and Tony. As they say when God made them he matched them and possibly only the mystery of God's mind could have made that match. Tony a rather reserved Fermanagh boy. And Mary the outgoing girl from the county Cork. This far north we tend not to hear much either from or about County Cork. And by and large that is a good thing. Down there in Munster you can buy a map of Ireland with county Cork clearly marked and the rest of Ireland simply labelled "Not Cork". Well Fermanagh is definitely not Cork yet in that wonderful alchemy which we call romantic love they met, they mingled and they became (almost) as two minds with but a single thought as Tony and Mary. Who here could ever think of one without the other?

And I know that Tony would definitely never forgive me if I didn't both say that Mary was the very love of his life, the very best of home makers and a wonderful companion through every phase of their lives. A very large number of us in this packed church will have enjoyed Mary and Tony's hospitality over the years. Nothing ostentatious but wholesome food and mischievous fun, with the odd exclamation of mock surprise from Mary at one of Tony's more flippant throwaways "Anthony Hart"!

Being a judge in the days of the Troubles was not day at the beach. I know that the close protection officers became effectively part of the family and were treated as such. It was always reassuring for Mary and the family to

hear the key in the latch at the end of the day. And not only because they knew that Tony was safely home. But also because they knew that whatever may have been troubling them or what ever domestic or school matter needed sorted out-that now it would be all right because Tony was home.

If they're doing their job properly clergyman and woman are in and out of people's houses in all sorts of circumstances all of the time and they develop a kind of forest animal's instinct for the atmosphere in an home. Even the most emotionally inert parson would have known pretty soon that the Hart family and the home that Mary and Tony had created (but in the nature of the case a great deal of the donkey work was bound to fall to Mary) was a place of happiness and fun.

Tony sitting pronouncing from the armchair and treated by the family as a sort of cross between the Dalai Lama and a pair of old slippers; being mercilessly teased by the others; but without a doubt the hero of the living room. You could see it in their eyes and hear it in their voices and (for me) it was only one of the greatest privileges of my life to have been welcomed into that house so often as one of the family. Mary, he loved you so much.

Of course Tony wasn't perfect- he had that man thing which could never admit that he wasn't able to find the way in a car. Apparently on family holidays he never got lost but was always "exploring the countryside".

And of course Patrick, Fiona, Katherine and David.

Somewhere in his Table Talk Martin Luther says "I have four children and my prayer for them every day is that none of them will become a lawyer". He was of course talking about canon lawyers at whose hands he had suffered so much. But you will know much better than me that each of you was guided and encouraged to make your up your own mind and to shape your life your own way. There was always the guiding hand and the touch on the tiller but above all there was the example of a deep and happy marriage, than which nothing is more likely to help those around it to find their own happiness and fulfilment. And you have told me that you had that in abundance.

The word that has cropped up often and stuck out like a sore thumb in what you have said and written to me is the

word "hero". Dad was my hero. That is a big word. A hero...someone who faces life with courage, dedication, ingenuity and strength. And that is what your dad was to all of you. Despite what could so easily have been the crushing demands of public life, Tony always made time to do the ordinary things-family outings to the cinema or to the park. Giving time always when it was needed. Showing by example that giving someone you love a bouquet of flowers can bring quite immense and disproportionate joy. He was your hero and you loved him with your whole heart, just as he loved you.

In drawing this address to a conclusion David has asked if I would read a short poem which he wrote during his third semester at university when, as we all have experienced in similar circumstances, he was feeling a bit low. It was David who wrote it but I think I can safely say it expresses the heart of the whole family.

A Quiet Hero

He might not even know it
But if he did he'd not admit it
Storms rage all around him
He'll not fall, not him
Not the hero
In quiet and unassuming way
From a task this man does not shy away
Brave, courageous, fair and inspiring
Qualities held by so few
He uses them to protect you
You'd think he was a normal, kind man
So much more is held within this man
Self righteous he is not
Unloved he is most definitely not
He's a quiet hero
He's my hero.
Dedicated to my father, there was none better.

When death came it did not come by inches (but death coming by inches can unpick the goodness in the best of people) but with one immense and destructive blow. There was no justice in it. But it is our prayer that on the day of God's justice, when he draws his sheep close to him with his right hand, Tony Hart will hear and know those words as addressed to him "Well done my good and faithful servant...enter into the joy of the Lord" A Master in Israel.

All these words I have offered from my unworthy heart in the Name of the eternal God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

+John Clogher

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Services

Sunday 1st September

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

Sunday 8th September

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

Sunday 15th September

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

Friday 20th September

Aghadrumsee 8.00pm Harvest Service

Sunday 22nd September

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



Clogh Sunday School pictured at their prize-giving service in June. The children who received their certificate and prizes for attendance led the service. With thanks to the hard work of Sunday School teachers Valerie Forster, Sharon McCoy, Julie-Anne Nelson, Debbie Egerton and all who helped out.

Friday 27th September

Clogh 8.00pm Harvest Service

Sunday 29th September

Drumsnatt 9.30am Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45am All Age Harvest;
8.00pm Harvest Service
Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer

Bible Club

Sincere thanks to Jonathan Graham and his team from CEF for making the Holiday Bible Club in Aghadrumsee such an enjoyable week for our children. Thanks also to those who provided the refreshments each day.

Ladies Groups

- The Young Ladies Group will recommence for the new season on Tuesday 10th September at 8.30 pm in Aghadrumsee Old School.
- Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild will have their first meeting of the year on Thursday 19th

September at 8.00 pm. New members always welcome.

Harvest Services

Once again, we are approaching a time of thanksgiving with our Harvest services taking place as follows:

AGHADRUMSEE

- Friday 20th September 8.00pm, Preacher - Revd Elizabeth Cairns.
- Sunday 22nd September 12.05pm with the new SAMS Director, Revd Stephen McElhinney.

CLOGH

- Friday 27th September 8.00pm, Preacher - Revd Colin McConaghie.
- Sunday 29th September 10.45am, All Age Harvest Service followed by Parish Harvest Dinner.
- 8.00 pm Preacher - Mr Walter Pringle.

DRUMSNATT

- Sunday 20th October 3.00pm with Preacher Mr Keith Browne and Soloist Janice Niblock.

Anniversary celebrations

We continue our anniversary celebrations in Aghadrumsee with an evening of music and fun with Revd Jean Mackerel and friends on Wednesday 30th October at 8.00pm

Clogh Concert

Clogh Parish will hold a concert with Larne Cross Community Choir on Saturday 9th November at 7.30pm. Supper served and tickets £10.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Mr and Mrs Harry Whiteman following the death of Harry's sister in Newtownards. Also to the Johnston Family on the death of Ethel's cousin.



Revd Jean Mackerel and Choir who led the Drumsnatt Church Praise Service in June with Churchwardens, Beth Moore and Yvonne Martin.

Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



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Services

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 1

10.45am Colebrooke MP

12.15pm Cooneen MP

Sunday 8

10.45am Colebrooke MP

12.15pm Cooneen MP

Sunday 15

10.45am Colebrooke Holy Baptism

12.15pm Cooneen MP

Sunday 22

11.00am Colebrooke Family Service

3.30pm Mullaghfad Harvest

Sunday 29

10.45am Colebrooke Harvest

12.15pm Cooneen MP

7.00pm Colebrooke Harvest

OCTOBER

Sunday 6

10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion

3.00pm Cooneen Harvest

Mullaghfad Services

On Sunday 22nd September 2019 at 3.30pm, the annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held at All Saints, Mullaghfad. On Sunday 20th October 2019 at 3.00pm our annual Service of Remembrance will be held, with members of Fivemiletown Royal British Legion and also Lisburn Royal British Legion attending. Friends and visitors will be most welcome at these services.

Confirmation

On Sunday 1st December 2019 (Advent Sunday) at 11.00am in Colebrooke, we will have a service of Confirmation celebrated by the Bishop.



Senior citizens enjoying a Beetle Drive and Afternoon Tea.

To prepare the candidates for confirmation, I will be holding a series of classes in the rectory each Wednesday, beginning 9th October 2019.

Attendance is required in order to be forwarded for confirmation.

Those commencing second year or above, at secondary education in September 2019, are invited to attend. Please get in touch with me if you have not already placed the names of candidates on the sheet in church.

GFS

Girls' Friendly Society return after their summer break on Monday 23rd September. The branch then meets every Monday, at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall for girls three years and upwards, and new members will be made very welcome, taking part in games, cookery, craft, bible study and especially having lots of fun.

Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Scouts re-commence late September, and will be meeting every Tuesday from 7pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-11 years, and to 9.15pm for Scouts, 11 – 14 years.

The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.

Squirrels (4 - 6 years)

Beavers (6 – 8 years)

Cubs (8 – 11 years)

Scouts (11 – 14 years)

Bowling Club

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

Bowls

Re-opens in September in Parish Hall for 2019/20 season. We would encourage anyone interested to come along, give it





Senior citizens enjoying a Beetle Drive and Afternoon Tea.



a try whilst having fun and fellowship with other members. All age groups welcome.

Mothers' Union

The branch leader was delighted to welcome Mrs Violet O'Malley and her daughter Audrey to the Indoor Members Holy Communion Service and Afternoon Tea Party in June, which was hosted by Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk Mothers'

Union and Canon Mark Watson. Bishop John led the service, assisted by Revd Charles Eames, Diocesan Chaplain. During the service Samuel Watson played the guitar and sang.

After enjoying a beautiful tea, everyone joined in singing favourite hymns led by Dr Margaret Knox. Mrs Norma Bell, All Ireland Indoor Members' Contact, joined the celebration.

In July members of the branch held a 'Beetle Drive' and 'Afternoon Tea' for senior citizens

from the parishes. Much fun was enjoyed by all present and prizes were awarded for the top scores.

The next branch meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th September at 8pm in Colebrooke Parish Hall when all ladies of the parishes are invited to an evening of 'Dancing and Desserts', led by Mary Wray, line dance tutor.

Come and enjoy fun, fellowship and food! Members and friends are looking forward to the annual outing on 7th September to Banbridge.



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Summer 2019

What a summer we've had this year! Alright, the weather wasn't brilliant, but the craic has been fantastic! We had hosted a Walking Treasure Hunt around the village of Brookeborough, which saw over 100 people from the community walking around to find answers to some tricky questions. There was the fantastic achievement of catering for the annual Royal Black Preceptory parade in Brookeborough at the start of August – both formally in the Orange Hall (kindly granted) and at the hotdog and burger stand in the Main Street. We would also like to thank the Johnston family for granting us the use of the field beside the village for car parking, which was well supported by the visiting crowd. The weather held off mostly, although the rain did come on quite heavily for the return parade, but that didn't dampen the spirits of

all those taking part. The Fermanagh Show provided another opportunity to provide car parking facilities, and some members from the church worked hard in organising cars so efficiently. We are grateful for the provision of the space at short notice, and for those who gave their time to man the car parking.

As these notes are being prepared, plans are already well on for the Annual Barbecue and Dance at Aghavea Church at the end of August. There will be the usual provision of supper and dessert, teas and coffees, and a great atmosphere to round off the night with a great musical selection from the Bracken Strings band. If it turns out even half as good as last year, we'll have had a brilliant night! Don't forget to put the last Friday in August next year for the next barbecue!

The Rector would like to pass on his thanks to all those who worked so hard at each and every event over the summer and showed that even in the midst of the work that great fun and fellowship can be had!

Bible Fellowship

The Bible Fellowship have been busy studying the formative years of the people of Israel, from the Judges to the Kings – and have discovered that many of the challenges in today's world existed even then – greed, deception, power, even "exit-strategies"! We've never had an evening when we haven't been challenged to look at our own lives through the power of the Holy Scriptures and have been brought into a much deeper understanding of our relationship with each other, and more

importantly with God. Bible Studies continue every other Wednesday in the Committee Room in Aghavea Hall.

Mothers' Union

To say that the Mothers' Union hasn't been busy would be telling a lie! Many of the MU members have been busy all summer long, helping out in many occasions with the catering and organisation of the different events. However, they haven't had the opportunity to relax a little and enjoy themselves in the company of the wonderful speakers that have been arranged each month. That all changes in September with the return of the MU Meetings on 10th September, when we will be enriched by Mr Roy Crowe. Come along and enjoy a great evening's fellowship with the MU.

Bowls Club

After a relaxing summer break, the Bowls Club gets back to practice and competition in September. The club will recommence on Monday 9th September at 8pm. Maybe you haven't bowled before, or just not for a while, but any new members will be welcomed with open arms. There is always a great atmosphere, and you can be assured of having a fun evening. Here's an early warning to bowlers from anywhere, don't forget our Annual Bowls Competition running from 28th October to 1st November. More details in the next magazine.

Select Vestry

The next Select Vestry meeting will be on Tuesday 3rd September at 8pm in the Committee Room. There is plenty of work still to do, so we look forward to a good turnout that evening. If you are not a member of the Select Vestry, please pray for the members as they seek God's plan for our parish.

The renovation work has continued over the summer months, with the new roof and repointed walls being the most obvious sign of the work to date. We can assure you that the work has continued at the same pace inside the building too, with the re-plastering virtually complete, and the Building Committee is now considering paint colours, wood finishes, tiling options, beam finishes, etc – all signs that we are entering the most exciting phase of work.

Fundraising Events

This is an ongoing process as we seek to raise the funds to complete the renovation work on our Church building. The next big event will be on 7th September, when we'll have our Tractor Run. Registration will start at 11am, with a projected start at 12pm. Leaving from the Parish Hall, heading out towards Lisnaskea, Maguiresbridge,



The Churchwardens and parishioners surprised the Rector with a celebration cake to mark his first year in Aghavea at the start of July. The occasion also coincided with the 10th anniversary of being ordained, so a double celebration ensued!

and finally getting back to Aghavea, it should provide a marvellous spectacle! (Unfortunately I don't own a tractor, do you think I could sneak in with my motorbike? Rector).

If tractors aren't your thing – then don't panic! We've just the thing at the end of the month! On 28th September, we are hosting a Parish Auction. There are already lots of wonderful pieces up for offer – and we can take plenty more. There will be plenty of opportunity to view the different lots, and tea, coffee and other refreshments will be

available. If you're coming along, bring your purse/wallet and an adventurous spirit.

Harvest Celebrations

Our Annual Harvest Celebrations will be held from 4-6th October. There will be the normal refreshments and tea/coffee after each service. The choir will be providing musical contributions, and guest preachers will bring God's word.

Confirmation

The Bishop will be visiting the parish on 20th October to confirm some of our

young people. In preparation for this event, Confirmation classes will start on 8th September at the Rectory. Attendance at both the classes and in Church during this period will be important, so please keep it in your diaries/phones!

The Rector will be in touch with the individuals already enrolled for the classes, but if you feel that you would like to be confirmed (older or young adults), please get in touch with the rector as soon as possible.

Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno

Vacant.

In charge: Chancellor Ian Berry, (Rural Dean)
Pastoral Care: Chancellor Ian Berry (Rural Dean), Revd James Stevenson and Mr Walter Pringle (DPA).

Christ Church, Ballybay Institution Service

A large number of parishioners from Christ church travelled to St Columba's Church in Swords on Wednesday 1st May as Revd Neal was made incumbent of the parishes of Swords, Clonmethan, Kilsallaghan, Donabate and Lusk by Archbishop Michael Jackson. Canon Pat McHugh paid tribute to Revd Neal's "friendly and affable nature" and his "capacity for active engagement with people of all faiths and none."

Fr Joe Connolly from Donabate and Pastor Clem Hegarty from Swords welcomed Revd Neal and his family to the area and looked forward to "building on the already strong local ecumenical relations."

Revd Neal thanked his family for their support and also paid tribute to the Archbishop for his encouragement. It was a beautiful service and lovely to see the church and its surroundings where Revd Neal and his family will now subside. Thank you to everyone involved who made us all feel so welcome and for the lovely refreshments that was served afterwards.

Thanks

It is always good to say "Thank You." Our thanks to Julie Crawford for teaching Sunday school all year and for preparing the children so well for the lovely children's service which was enjoyed by the large



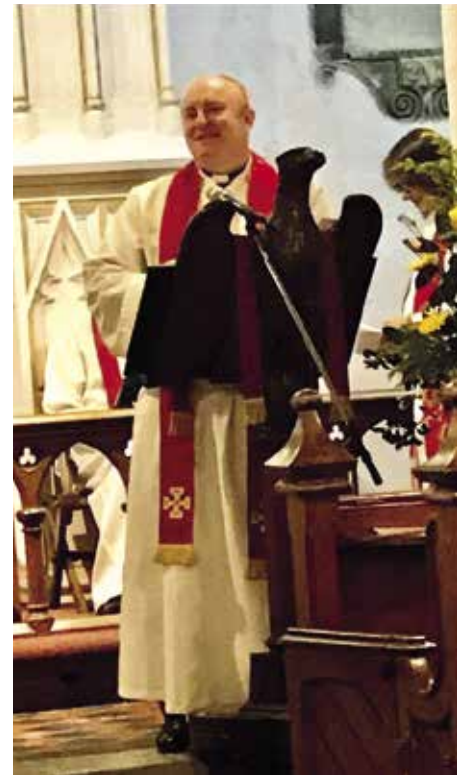
Photos from Revd Neal's Institution.

congregation who attended on Sunday 9th June. What a brilliant job they did, thank you to all involved.

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the clergy and lay readers who help us out each Sunday while our parish is vacant, also our Rural Dean, Canon Ian Berry and Revd James Stevenson who is taking care of our pastoral care and the Clogher Diocesan office for arranging cover for the parish.

Congratulations

Congratulations to John Dixon who celebrated his 95th birthday on 6th July. Many happy returns from all the parishioners. Congratulations to Johnny and Elaine McKenna on the birth of their beautiful new



grand-daughter Ava, daughter to Jonathan and Laura.

Prayers

Please remember in your daily prayers parishioners who have been ill over this past few weeks. We remember those who have been in hospital and are recovering at home, we wish them a speedy recovery. Please remember in your prayers those in nursing homes and residential care, the lonely and sad. Keep in your prayers all those waiting for junior exam results especially Isaiah and Robin as it can be a very stressful time of year. We pray for all those who got their leaving cert results especially Aaron and Elijah. We pray they make the right choices for their bright futures. We continue to hold Gwen, Tanya, Mellisa and their extended



The Sunday School prizegiving in Muckno.

families in our thoughts and prayers with the passing of Revd Knowd.

Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Christ Church will be holding their Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 13th October at 3:30pm. Refreshments served afterwards and all are very welcome.

Communion Service

On the first Sunday of each month communion service will return to the normal time of 12:30pm in Christ Church, conducted by Revd James Stevenson.

Muckno

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union opening evening takes place in the Church Hall, Church Street on Wednesday 11th September at 8pm. Speaker: Mrs Jennifer Leathem speaking about Mary Sumner. Everyone welcome.

Visitors Night

Wednesday 9th October at 8pm in the Church Hall, Church street with Revd Colin McConaghie, Rector of Carrickmacross speaking on his trip to Malawi. Everyone welcome.

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is extended to Gwen, Melissa and Tanya and all the whole family circle on the recent sad passing of Revd George Knowd. George as he was fondly known by, ministered in this group of parishes from his curacy in 1991 until he took up a new position at St Mary's Old Church, Tipperary 1997. He was the instigator of the major refurbishment works carried out at St. Maeldoid's in the early 90's. He had a tremendous charm about him and inspired and encouraged his parishioners in all walks of life. He had a fantastic personality whose warmth and friendliness has left a lasting impression on all those whom he met. His name will be treasured for ever.

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is also extended to the sister of David Coulston who hails from Dartrey Parish. David lived in Iona House, Castleblayney for the past number of years and attended church with a carer almost every Sunday. He loved the music and interaction with us all, but most of all he loved his cup of tea. A number of parishioners from St Maeldoid's travelled to Dartrey for the funeral service. Thank you to all who cares for people like David especially all the staff in Iona House.

We also would like to express our deepest sympathy to Elizabeth, wife of the late Kenny Graham, Clontibret and the wider family circle. Kenny was a highly esteemed member of the community and he was known far and wide.

The parishioners and select Vestry of St Maeldoid's send deepest sympathy to the husband and family of the late Valerie Allen nee McCauley. Valerie, just a few short months ago attended the Annual Friends' Service in St Maeldoid's. The burial of Valerie took place in first Castleblayney Presbyterian Church.

May God give you all the peace that you seek.

Update on Rectories

The Rectory in Ballybay has been connected to the Ballybay Town sewerage scheme. The Rectory in Drumcrew has been passed by the Diocesan Architect and Rural dean and the process of compiling a new profile begins.

Sunday school trip

This year the Sunday school teachers and children decided to stay at home. The teachers made a picnic and they all headed off to Muckno Park. They walked, played and ate their picnic. A great day was had by all.

Then on the Sunday the Sunday School prizes were distributed. Walter Pringle took the service and included the children in prayers and bible readings. He thanked Martha for her excellent work with the children and thanked Lyn and MJ who has been helping Martha since the departure of Lucy. Janet Hill presented them with flowers.

Thank you

We would like to express our thanks to all those who are ministering to us each Sunday.

Best wishes

Get well wishes to Mrs Ethel Coulter on her recent surgery. We pray for all the sick in our parish that they may be healed by the grace of God.



Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh



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Services

Sunday 1st September

Service of the Word St Finbarr's 10.30am

Service of the Word Magheracloone 12noon

Wednesday 4th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Sunday 8th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon

Morning Prayer Ardragh 1.15pm

Wednesday 11th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Sunday 15th September

The Big Church Breakfast @ Arise and Shine

Jackson Hall from 10am

Service of the Word Magheracloone 12noon

Wednesday 18th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Sunday 22nd September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon

Holy Communion Ardragh 1.15pm

Wednesday 19th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Sunday 29th September

Harvest Thanksgiving Ardragh 3.00pm (NO other services on this day)

Malawi Misson 2019 With Habitat For Humanity

The Malawi team had a wonderful experience in Malawi where they built two homes in partnership with Habitat for Humanity for Emma and Angela and their families as part of the Orphan and Vulnerable Children Program.

There is a full report of the mission elsewhere in the magazine but the team would like to publicly thank all who supported, prayed for and sent messages of encouragement during the build up to and their time in Malawi.



Baptism Service for the Sweetnam family.

Parish Outing To The Titanic Belfast

We had a great day out on the Parish outing to Titanic Belfast with the rain not dampening the spirits as we set off on the bus from Carrickmacross. On the way to Belfast we stopped off for some retail therapy at the Boulevard Banbridge. Following our shopping and a bite of lunch we returned to the bus and headed to the Titanic Belfast where we enjoyed a tour of the exhibition and the S.S. Nomadic. As we made our return to Carrickmacross we did what we love to do best as a parish, we stopped off for a lovely meal at the Carrickdale Hotel.

Annual Barbecue At The Rectory

Our annual barbecue at the Rectory was another great night in the life of our parish. Despite the rain the marquees were packed as everyone enjoyed the delicious food with the sound of fun and laughter, the rain filling the air. As always it was lovely to welcome friends of the parish from the area who always come out and support our events. Thanks so much to all who worked so

hard to make the barbecue happen, all who donated food and prizes, everyone's generosity with the raffle and auction and all who came along on the night.

Magheracloone Outdoor Service

The annual St Molua's Day Service took place in Magheracloone on Sunday 11th August at 3.00pm. We were delighted to be joined for the first time at this service by our guest speaker, Monsignor Joseph McGuinness the recently installed Parish Priest of St Joseph's Carrickmacross. The Monsignor spoke on the importance of memories and our thankfulness to those who passed the faith on to us, that wonderful "cloud of witnesses," we read about in Hebrews 12. We were also joined by Father Crowe, Parish Priest of Magheracloone who read the lesson and conducted the prayers.

Thank you to all who helped out on the day with set up, music and providing refreshments.

Harvest Services

The first of our Harvest Thanksgiving Services takes place in Ardragh on Sunday



Attending the barbecue at the Rectory.



Parishioners on their day out.



30th August at 3.00pm. Our guest preacher will be Captain David Hamilton from the Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt. Magheraclone's Harvest Thanksgiving takes place on Sunday 6th October at 3.00pm where our guest preacher will be no stranger to the parishioners. We are delighted to have Revd Richard Roundtree joining us. Richard retired last year as Archdeacon of Glendalough and is back living in the Glebe in Magheraclone. The St Finbarr's Harvest is on Sunday 13th October at 7.00pm when we will be joined by the Diocesan Youth Officer Jonny Phenix. Our Group Harvest Supper in the Jackson Hall will follow the service in St Finbarr's. We have decided this year that the Harvest Services will be the only service on their given Sunday to encourage parishioners to support the other churches in the Group at this wonderful time of year.

Youth Group

Our Youth Group meets back after the break on Wednesday 18th September.

Youth Group is a mixture of fun games and challenges with a short time of worship and Bible talk. All young people aged 11 to 18 are welcome to attend.

We also hope to organise our annual Youth Group trip either in September or October. Rev Colin will have all the details.

Select Vestry Meetings

Select vestries meet again following the summer break:

Ardragh Sunday 1st September
Magheraclone Sunday 8th September
St Finbarr's Wednesday 11th September

Prayer Meeting

Our first prayer meeting following the summer will take place in the Rectory on Monday 7th October at 8.00pm. All are welcome as we pray for our world, our community, our church and the needs of ourselves and others known to us.

Holy Baptism

It was with great joy that we welcomed

Conor James Sweetnam and his parents Darren and Siobhan back to Carrickmacross from their current home in Australia for his baptism in June.

The service was a wonderful celebration as Conor was joined by family from all around the world including USA, Finland and the Aran Islands.

Sympathies

It was with great sadness that we laid Robert Greer to rest on 29th June in God Acre's Cemetery following the funeral service in St Finbarr's. Robert was a very active member of St Finbarr's having been on the Select Vestry for many years and served as Churchwarden and Glebeward. Robert was involved in everything we did as a church family and he was greatly loved not only in our Group of parishes but also in the wider community. Our prayers and support continue to be with Robert's wife, Betty their children, David and Hilary and all the family.

Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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Church Services for September/October

Sunday 8th September

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

Wednesday 11th September

10:00 a.m. Monthly Healing Service,
Mullaghduin

Sunday 15th September

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

Sunday 22nd September

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

Sunday 29th September

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

Friday 4th October

8:00 p.m. Combined Harvest Service.
Mullaghduin.

Sunday 6th October

11:00 a.m. Combined Harvest Service.
Mullaghduin.

7:30 p.m. Combined Harvest Service.
Mullaghduin.

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

Dates for your Diary

■ Tuesday 17th September, M.U., resume.

■ Tuesday 24th January, Red squirrel and bat walk, Community Garden and Loughshore Path.

■ Tuesday 24th September, Parents and Toddlers resume.

W.E.18th to 20th October, Harvest Services, Cleenish.

Monthly Healing Service

The next monthly Healing Service takes place on Wednesday 11th September, in



Staff at Mullaghduin barbecue.



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.

Select Vestry Meetings

Wednesday 18th September. Cleenish.
Thursday 26th September. Mullaghduin.
Note:- Change of date.

Loyal Order Anniversary Services

On Sunday, 30th June, the Orange Anniversary Service took place in Cleenish Parish Church with the parade led by Mullaghduin Flute Band, on a wet morning. The Service was attended by the former County Grand Master, Wor Bro. Tom Elliott. Before the Service commenced, new drums for Bellanaleck Pipe Band were dedicated by Canon Bridle. Sunday 7th July. Orange Anniversary Service, Mullaghduin Parish Church with the parade led by Moybrone Pipe Band. Sunday 21st July. RBP Anniversary Service, Cleenish Parish Church, parade led by Mullaghduin Flute Band. All three Services were conducted by

Canon Bridle. Joan Brownlee was organist in Cleenish and Elizabeth Hazlett was the organist in Mullaghduin,

Cleenish and Mullaghduin Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union recommence the Autumn season on Tuesday 17th September, by holding a Members' Evening in Mullaghduin Parish Hall. Since their last meeting they send their deepest sympathy to the family circle of the late Bertha Vance who passed away recently. Also wishing Shirley Sheridan a speedy recovery, who at time of writing has returned home after a spell in Hospital.

Cleenish Parent and Toddler Group

The Group recommence for the autumn period between 10am and 12 Noon, on Tuesday 24th September, in Cleenish Parish Hall. New mothers and children up to three years old will be made welcome. There is an opportunity were mothers meet each other for the first time and could develop into a long-lasting friendship. If additional information is required contact Rosita Bridle,

Tel 66348259.

Cleenish Brownies

Brownies recommence the new season during September. New girls aged seven to 11 years will be made most welcome from 6:30pm to 7:45pm, in Cleenish Parish Hall. Details of the programme for the new season will be discussed on this evening.

Mullaghduin Barbecue

There was a full house at the barbecue in the Parish Hall on Friday 28th June. The exact numbers cannot be confirmed however the weather was ideal, and everyone enjoyed the food, the excellent music and the banter. The profit was £1960.50.

Wedding

Despite quite a terrible weather forecast for the marriage of Amanda Topping and Martin Scott, it was a delight to see bride and groom, family and friends enjoy pleasant conditions for their nuptials at Mullaghduin on Friday 9th August. We wish Martin and Amanda God's richest blessings for their future.



Mullaghduin Flute Band leave Cleenish Church.



Bereavements

■ Bertha Vance passed away on peacefully in the Tilery Nursing Home on Sunday 7th July. She was the wife of the late Stanley, and mother of Sandra and Freddie. Formerly Sheridan, a native from Teemore, she was the grandmother of Terrie, Belinda, Tanya and Gemma; and was delighted to be a great-grandmother. Bertha loved to attend Church each Sunday whilst she was able and was also a member of the Mothers' Union. We extend our sympathy to Sandra and Freddie and their families; to her sister, Violet and her brothers, Albert, Bert, Walter and George and to the extended family circle. After a Service in Mullaghduin Church conducted by the Rector, she was laid to rest in the nearby graveyard.

■ Cyril Coalter, who died on Thursday, 18th July at the South West Acute Hospital, aged 94 years, resided in "The Mere" Killyhevlín. He was the husband of the late Vera, father of Ruth and John and grandfather of James, Mark, Jonathan, Andrew and Emma. He was a member of Mullaghduin Select Vestry for many years, holding the position of Honorary Treasurer for 26 years. Cyril spent the majority of his working life in a clerical position with Fermanagh County Council. After a Service in Mullaghduin Church on Saturday 20th July, conducted by the Rector, he was buried in Breandrum Cemetery. We extend sympathy to Ruth and John, and their families and to the extended Coalter family circle.

Cleenish Centre

We are grateful to all those local volunteers who assisted with cooking, dishwashing, cleaning, gardening, and who worked generally around the Centre during the summer period. If you, when reading this, could pray for the Centre for the autumn



The flower bed in the Community Garden.

and spring weekend Groups it would be greatly appreciated. All new volunteers will always be welcome. We are really in need of new helpers around the Centre. Whatever way you can assist at all, we would be very appreciative of more help. To hire the Centre, or if you feel that you are called to serve in any way, please make contact by e.mail: enquiries@cleenishcentre.com or telephone 02866349647. You may also view the Cleenish Centre website.

Bellanaleck Community Group

The monthly meetings resume after the summer break, on Wednesday 25th September at which new members especially those living within the local Community would be most welcome, and to give their thoughts and ideas as to how the

local area could be improved.

It is appropriate to mention the floral displays throughout the Village, particularly the hanging baskets at the Church gates. Thanks again to the staff within Fermanagh and Omagh District Council. It is also pleasing to note the widespread use of both the M.U.G.A and Childrens' Play Area, both located at the end of Waterhen Lane. The Community Garden has been particularly popular during the summer period for walkers and those who have vegetable plots. During the forthcoming season, it is anticipated the groups' community notice board located at Cathcart's Shop, will be moved to near the new entrance into the shop. Stage 2 of the Blueways Scheme promoted by Waterways Ireland is programmed to commence this autumn, particularly at the lower end of Waterhen Lane.

The red squirrel and bat walk takes place on Tuesday evening 24th September. Meet in Bellanaleck Parish Hall at 7pm, for pre-tour talk by facilitator guide Catherine Shields prior to the walk in the Community Garden and Loughshore Path.

Holy Matrimony

Mullaghduin Parish Church

Friday 9th August 2019

Martin Scott and Amanda Jayne Topping, 25 Ivanhoe Crescent, Tyne and Wear, England.

Christian Burial

Mullaghduin Parish Church

Tuesday 9th July 2019

Bertha Vance, Trillick, Letterbreen
Aged 87 years.



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Sunday School

Sunday school in all four parishes will reopen on Sunday 8th September.

Bible Study

Fellowship and fun as we gather around God's word.

Commencing on 12th September we plan to meet on the second and fourth Thursday nights of every month at 7.30pm – venue to be confirmed. You don't have to be theologian, all you need is a desire to get to know God and His word a little better. Sign-up sheet will be in each church. Have a chat with Revd. Olie if interested.

Confirmation Classes

Combined confirmation classes for all four parishes will commence on Sunday 8th September at 7pm in the Carmichael Hall in Augher. All candidates must be commencing 3rd year secondary education or above.

Ablaze Youth Fellowship

Ablaze reopens on Sunday 15th September 7pm – 8.30pm.

Everyone Secondary School Age Welcome for Fun, Food and Fellowship.

All confirmation candidates are required to attend.

Please speak to the rector if you have any questions.

St. Mark's Augher Youth Club

Youth Club reopens on:

Tuesday 10th Sept. Junior youth Club (pre-school – P4) 6.30-7.30pm.

Wednesday 11th Sept. Senior Youth Club (P5 – 1st Year) 6.30-7.30pm.



Revd Olie with one of the sets of twins recently baptised.

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union reopens for the autumn on Wednesday 18th September at 8pm in the Carmichael Hall in Augher when the guest speaker for the evening will be Heidi Wilson who will give a talk on her trip to Burma.

Knit, Stitch and Natter

Knit, Stitch and Natter recommences on Thursday 12th and 26th September, from 10.30am -12noon, in the Carmichael Hall, Augher. Come along for a chat, a cup of tea or coffee and something sweet – and if there's time some needlework! New members very welcome.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher

■ Friday 27th September at 7.30pm, Guest Preacher - Dean Raymond Ferguson, former Dean of Kilmore.

■ Sunday 29th September at 11.30am, Family Harvest Service, Preacher – Rector.

St. Mary's Errigal Portclare

■ Friday 4th October at 7.30pm, Guest Preacher - Rev. Colin McConaghie, Rector of Carrickmacross Union, Magheraclone and Ardragh.

■ Sunday 6th October at 3pm, Family Harvest Service, Preacher - Rector.

St. Mark's Augher

■ Friday 11th October at 7.30pm, Guest Preacher - Rev. Ruth West, Rector of Florencecourt Group of Parishes.

■ Sunday 13th October at 10am, Family Harvest Service, Preacher – Rector.

St. Mark's Newtownsaville

■ Friday 18th October at 7.30pm, Guest Preacher - Revd. Johnny McLoughin, Aghavea Parish.

■ Sunday 21st October at 11.30am, Family Harvest Service, Preacher – Rector.

Fundraising Events!

Open Walled Garden at Corick House and Spa

Corick House and Spa, Clogher are having an 'Open Walled Garden' event on Sunday 1st September from 1pm – 8pm, when all donations on the day will be generously given to the St. Macartan's Cathedral Repair Fund. Complimentary tea, coffee and a tray bakes will be available.

Coffee Morning

On Saturday 21st September from 10.30am – 1.30pm, St. Mary's Errigal Portclare are holding a Coffee Morning in St. James' Church of Ireland Hall in Aughnacloy (kindly granted). Everyone warmly invited. All proceeds towards St. Mary's Errigal Portclare Building Repair Fund.

Three sets of twins!

It was with great joy the Rector baptised her third set of twins in the Clogher Cathedral group of parishes in only two years. Lily and Charlotte, daughters of Anne and Len Boyd, St. Mark's Newtownsaville parish; Luke and Amelia, son and daughter of Declan and Zoe Minogue, St. Mary's Errigal Portclare,

and most recently Micah and Jude, sons of Melanie and Damien Sheenan, St. Mary's Errigal Portclare parish. All children are precious and must be greatly valued, however within the Cathedral group of parishes we consider ourselves to be doubly blessed!

Clogher Cathedral Mothers' Union

The members of Clogher Cathedral Group Mothers' Union met in Newtownsaville Hall for their June meeting when they were joined by the Rector, Revd. Olie; Diocesan President, Mrs Irene Boyd and Gospel singer, Mrs Lynda Lindsay. After welcoming everyone to the annual supper, Mrs Iris Moffett, Branch Leader, paid tribute to the late Mrs Josie Trimble, a faithful member of Mothers' Union for many years. She then surprised Mrs Ruth McKeown on her birthday with flowers and good wishes from all the members.

The Diocesan President, Mrs Boyd, congratulated a number of members with long service records in the Clogher Branch and presented certificates to Hilary Keys, Kathleen McKeown, Mabel Ramsey, Joan Potter, Margaret McCloughlin, Bertha Bailey, Mary Bailey, Iris Moffett, also including Martha Fannin with a 65-year certificate. After Grace, a meal was served by Newtownsaville Parish Sunday School teachers. A fireside auction, with Mrs Boyd acting as auctioneer, took place amid much hilarity and brisk bidding. Revd. Olie introduced the guest singer, Mrs Lindsay who entertained the members with a number of Gospel songs which she has recorded. A vote of thanks to the Sunday School teachers, Tracey, Lorna and Avril and also to Lynda was proposed by Mrs Sharon Fannin who handed over a token of appreciation.

In conclusion, Mrs Boyd brought news of Diocesan events and thanked the Clogher

Branch for their generosity in donating to Action Outreach and Overseas Missionary Funds and brought the meeting to a close with prayer. Mrs Moffett wished the members an enjoyable summer and reminded them of the next meeting on 18th September to be addressed by Miss Heidi Wilson who will talk about her trip to Burma.

Baptism

30th June 2019, Ezra Ian Ellison, son of Carole and Ian Ellison, St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher.

Christian Burial

St. Macartan's Cathedral Clogher

27th July 2019, Mabel Ramsey, 76 Ballagh Road, Fivemiletown.

St. Mary's Errigal Portclare

28th July 2019, Samuel Little, formally of Moore Street, Aughnacloy.

Death

On 6 August we held the funeral of Mrs Mildred Farrell in Newbliss Church, followed by burial in Killeevan churchyard. A huge congregation came together to give thanks for Millie's life and to commend her with the confidence of faith into the arms of almighty God. We offer our sincere condolences to Millie's entire family as they continue to grieve her loss.

Obituary

We are sorry to have to report the death on 9 July in Mount Tabor Nursing Home, Sandymount, Dublin, of Canon Robert William Marsden, a much-loved former Rector of this Group of Parishes. A full obituary is to be found on page 64.

Mothers' Union

The first meeting of the new 'term' will be held at 8.00 pm in Killeevan Church on 19 September. Holy Communion will be followed by refreshments and convivial conversation, and our new branch leader, Linda Keating, will outline the forthcoming programme to members old and new.

Graduation Congratulations

Cyril and Christine Rusk of Clones are delighted to announce that their daughter, Lydia, was awarded a Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Chapman University, California USA. She also received awards for volunteer service to Chapman University and for Excellence in Research. Well done to Lydia, who will now start work at the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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September Services

2 September

Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion (followed by refreshments)

Newbliss 11.30am: Holy Communion

9 September

Currin 10.00am: Holy Communion

Killeevan 11.30am: Holy Communion

16 September

Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer (followed by refreshments)

Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

20 September

Harvest Festival Service in Killeevan Church at 8.00pm, followed by supper

23 September

Currin 10.00am: Morning Prayer

Killeevan 11.30am: Morning Prayer



Lydia Rusk
(See below).

30 September

Clones 11.00am: Joint Group Holy Communion (followed by refreshments)

Baptism

We were delighted to welcome into the Church family, baby Scarlett Genoe, daughter of Eric and Louise, who was baptised in Killeevan on 14 July. We pray that the Lord will bless her and her family richly as they walk onwards in faith.

Wedding Anniversary

We offer our congratulations to Robert and Laura Hall of Scotshouse, who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on 10 August. We said special prayers of thanksgiving at our Sunday service in Scotshouse, and we wish Robert and Laura every blessing for the future.

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Services

SEPTEMBER

1st - Holy Communion 11.30am

8th - Family Service 11.30am

15th - Morning Prayer 11.30am

22nd - Morning Prayer 11.30am

29th - Morning Prayer 11.30am

OCTOBER

6th - Holy Communion 11.30am

7th - 11th Parish Mission 8.00pm

13th - Mission Harvest Family Service
11.30am

13th - Mission Evening Harvest Service
7.00pm

20th - Morning Prayer 11.30am

27th - Morning Prayer 11.30am

Christian Burial

3rd July 2019

Robert David John (Bobby) Stronge,
Tirwinny Road.

Christian Wedding

6th July 2019

Aaron Ginn and Sandra Morton in Tubrid
Parish Church.



Enjoying the Parish barbecue.

Autumn approaches

Schools out for summer may for some, now seem a distant memory, as autumn makes a comeback. Many of the groups that took a break over the summer are now in the process of recommencing for another year with new activities and programmes planned, or have been discussed. All our groups are looking forward to renewing existing members, and welcoming others along, both as participants and leaders. Our thoughts and prayers are with all who faithfully give of their talents and time to the mission of the church, encouraging our children, and in the delivery and administration of church activities and groups overall.

Annual Orange Service

We were delighted to welcome the brethren of the local lodges of Colaghty, Glassmullagh and Lack who were joined by visiting brethren for their annual service this year, accompanied by Glassmullagh Accordion Band. The service was conducted by the rector, the organist was Mrs Anne Keys and the Wor. Bro. Derek Humes extended a vote of thanks at the close of the service.

Parish Barbecue

We were truly blessed this year with the fine weather, the warmth and sunshine which brings added joy, and a spring in our step in all we do. It was encouraging to have a full house, so to speak, to meet new friends and reacquaint with old. With the culinary delights of succulent steaks, burgers and sausages and all the trimmings, to the mouth-watering delights of the deserts, and thirst-quenching juice and the welcomed tea, all added to the essential elements for a wonderful night. We are deeply appreciated to everyone who shares their various talents, gifts in the preparation, delivery and clearing up afterwards. To those who supplied the salads, desserts and usual condiments that help keep the costs to a minimum; your generosity is noted and appreciated. To our resident cooks, 'Michelin' Colaghty gold standard, our sincere thanks. To all who came on the night, supported the barbecue, give donations, we are indebted to your faithful support.

Holiday Bible Club

This year's Bible club centred on Ruth with



The Holiday Bible Club
provided plenty of activities.





Photos from the Holiday Bible Club.



teaching, crafts and games tying in with the key themes of choices, blessings and faithfulness. It was a delight to welcome around 40 children each night along with leaders. We thank Anne, Joanna and Emma for the bible talks on Ruth over the three nights and the attentiveness of the children in listening and responding to the questions posed. Our thanks to the crafts team, ably guided by Janet, for the dough and sheaf making along with the various indoor games such as sticky friends. The final night finished with something of a splash, with an outdoor course, slippery slide, and water balloons all a part of the final activities. We are indebted to those leaders, helpers and the confirmation group members for their help this year. From the registration clerks, refreshment team, music leaders, technology experts, craft makers, artist, games team, and to those who taught the memory verse, provided the additional props, set up and cleared the hall, to each a huge thank you.

Farm, Fellowship and Faith

The next meeting has been arranged for Monday 30th September 2019 at 8.00pm at

the parish hall. It was the intention to have someone to speak on Brexit related matters but as we are still, at the time of writing, in the limbo of indecision and project fear, we are planning a health related evening. The farm health bus will, DV, be available from 5.00pm – 9.00pm for farmers to avail of, although this will require pre-booking. For more details, contact the rector.

Parish Mission

The mission will run from Monday 7th - 13th October 2019, excluding Saturday night, in the parish church, with speaker Revd William Anderson on each evening and Jeff Gawn on Sunday morning. The times for the mission will be Monday to Friday, each night at 8.00pm, and Sunday 11.30am and 7.00pm, with the emphasis on 'thy word is truth', John 17: 17. In an age when truth is embellished, rewritten, or disregarded altogether, it is important to enlighten ourselves to the truth of God's word, the truth of the gospel message and of its relevance for our lives presently. Please put the date in your diary, encourage your friends and tell others and plan to come along.

Rural Deanery Youth event

A rural deanery youth event has been arranged for Friday 22nd November 2019 at 8.00pm in Colaghty Parish Hall. The evening is open to all young people across the Kesh Deanery and beyond. The speaker will be Hannah Arnold of Christian Action Research and Education (CARE) on relevant topics making the news at present. More details later, but please put the date in the diary and plan to attend.

Moving on

We offer our prayerful good wishes to Revd Phillip Bryson, his wife and family as they leave Ardless and move to the parish of Trillick and Kilskeery.

Announcements

Please see weekly announcements regarding times, updates and activities of the various groups that meet regularly.



Activities at the Holiday Bible Club.

Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale



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Services

8th September

10.30am Family Service, Derryvullen North and registration for Sunday School
11.45am Family Service, Castle Archdale

15th September

10.15am Morning Prayer, Castle Archdale with Sunday School recommencing
11.30am Morning Prayer, Derryvullen North with Sunday School recommencing

22nd September

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

29th September

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

6th October

10.15am Children's Harvest (Communion 2) Castle Archdale
11.30am Holy Communion 2, Derryvullen North
7.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving with Supper, Castle Archdale.

Dates for the Diary

- Tues 10th Sept. Tuesday Club 2.30pm (Derryvullen North Parish Hall)
- Tues 10th Sept. Faith & Friendship 8.00pm (Mahon's Hotel)
- Sun 15th Sept. Presentation of Mothers' Union Long Service Certificates
- Thurs 19th Sept. BB registration in Derryvullen North Parish Hall
- Wed 25th Sept. Mothers' Union 8.00pm (Speakers from CMSI)
- Thurs 26th Sept. Diocesan Synod 5.30pm (Enniskillen Cathedral Hall)
- Sun 6th Oct. Guest preacher at Castle Archdale Harvest, Mrs Jennifer Gray (Methodist Local Preacher)
- Mon 21st Oct. Guest preacher at Derryvullen North Harvest, the Very Revd K Hall (Enniskillen Cathedral)



The inter-church service on White Island.

Summer Epilogues

The Sunday Evening Epilogues were held each week during July and August at the Castle Archdale Caravan Park – with those during July being led by the Methodist Church and those in August by the Church of Ireland. We also continued to welcome holidaymakers to the Morning Services in both Castle Archdale and Derryvullen North.

South West Acute Hospital Fundraiser

A Grand Charity Concert will be held on Thursday 24th October 2019 at the Killyhevlin Hotel, Doors open 7.15pm and curtain up at 8.00pm sharp. The concert will be starring – Cathy Durkin, White Lightening, Shawn Cuddy, Tony Kerr, Family Affair plus Ireland's No 1 Elvis, Andy Rogers. The compere will be Ivan Kee. Tickets £15 from Tom Reid's, St Michael's Bookshop, MR Financial Services, Leslie's Coffee Shop, Killyhevlin Hotel. The total proceeds will go to the Cardiac, Intensive Care and Stroke Units.

Welcome

We say a very warm welcome to the new Methodist Minister, the Revd George Bowes, who has moved to the Irvinestown and Pettigo Congregations from the Moy area. He is of course no stranger to the area, having worked in Irvinestown in another capacity before being ordained.

Thank you

The Rector wishes to express his thanks to the Select Vestries and Parishioners for the

very kind gift of his cassock and chapter scarf to mark his appointment by the Bishop as a Canon on the Cathedral Chapter to the Prebendal Stall of Donacavey. These were formally presented to him at the Sunday Services in both Castle Archdale and Derryvullen North on the Sunday prior to the Installations. He would also like to thank the large number of parishioners who were able to attend the Service of Installation on 16th June. The Rector was very pleased that additional guests were able to be present at the Service - Fr Kevin Duffy (Roman Catholic) and the Revd Gunther Andrich (Presbyterian).

White Island Inter-Church Service

The Lady of the Lake Festival was held in July and once again there was a packed programme including truck convoy, hole digging, Fair Day on Main Street, cycle race, music and dancing, fancy dress, table quiz, raft and kayak racing, senior citizens' party, White Island inter-church service plus much more. This was as always a great celebration of community and enjoyment. The Inter-Church Service is always held on the first Sunday of the Festival and with a free boat trip being provided for everyone who wishes to attend. This year the weather was glorious and the boat had to make two trips and was full each time to get everyone to the venue. White Island, which lies within Castle Archdale Parish, is a very ancient site. The ruins of an ancient church are found near the shore, built on the site of an earlier monastic settlement. It still has an



The Women's Group enjoying their outing to Hillsborough.

intact arched Romanesque doorway. Fixed to the north side of the south wall are eight carvings (seven figures and one head) built into the masonry of the church. They are all carved in quartzite and were probably constructed between 800 and 1000 and were later used as building stones in the church, before being uncovered in recent times when they were placed for display and safe-keeping in their current locations. The singing was led by the Irvinestown Community Choir with music by Mr David McDowell and the service was led jointly by the Rector, Fr Kevin Duffy (Roman Catholic), the Revd George Bowes (Methodist) and Mr Tommy Laird (Presbyterian) representing the Revd Gunther Andrich who was unable to be present. On such a glorious summer evening it was enjoyable to celebrate our shared Christian faith and heritage in this ancient place of prayer.

Orange Service

An afternoon Service of Evening Prayer in Derryvullen North on Sunday 7th July was attended by members and friends of LOL 159 and WLOL 222 with Drumharvey Pipe Band leading the parade of Irvinestown. Scripture Readings were by W Bro Joe Graham (Assistant Secretary LOL 159) and County Mistress Anna Moffett WLOL 222. The Organist was Mrs Margaret Gray and Piper Jason Irvine contributed a musical piece during the worship. The Service led by the Rector, who also preached, and he was assisted by Dr Margaret Knox. In

the course of the Service, the Rector drew the attention of the congregation to the Lodge Bible of LOL 1270. This Bible was presented to the Lodge on 28th January 1889 by the Rector of Derryvullen North, the Revd Richard Verschoyle. It was given to St Tighernach's Church, Derryvullen North for display and safekeeping by Worshipful Brother Robbie Johnston of LOL 1270. This Bible is usually kept in a special display cabinet in the side chapel of the Parish Church alongside other items of historical significance relating to the Verschoyle family and the Parish. It is displayed in the Church as a constant reminder of the faithful witness by the Brethren of LOL 1270 and all the members of the Order.

Summer Outings

The members of the Parishes' Women's Group enjoyed an outing on Saturday 22nd to Hillsborough Castle and the Derryvullen North Sunday School had a trip to Johnny Rockos.

BB

The 2019-2020 season will see the 40th anniversary of the Company and plans are under way to mark this special time. Looking back at the end of the end of the previous season, we just missed the previous edition of the Diocesan Magazine with the news that the BB football team were Runners Up in the West Ulster Battalion Competition – well done to the team and officers.

Walking Group

Throughout the summer the Walking Group has met each Tuesday evening for a brisk stroll for friendship and to keep active and healthy. This includes people from the Church and wider community.

New activities

During the autumn, the Rector will be beginning several new ventures based in the Parish Centre, Irvinestown. There will be a monthly "Shoppers' Service", a short service of Communion followed by a coffee/tea for anyone out and about at the shops in Irvinestown. This will also be followed by a "Drop In" when the Rector will be in the Parish Centre for anyone who wishes to call in for a chat or make a query or who just happens to be passing. These will be the third Wednesday morning of each month, Service at 11.00am with Drop In from about 11.45 to 12.30. He will also be holding a couple of Christian Study Groups in the course of the year, with the first on the following dates at 7.30pm; Thursday, 31st October, Thursday, 7th November and Thursday, 14th November. The topics will be announced in the Weekly Parish Notices.

From the registers

Baptism

■ Castle Archdale, 11th August - Christopher Thomas Frank Bleakley.

Derryvullen South and Garvary



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Services in September

Sunday 1st September, 2019 - The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

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

12.00 noon Derryvullen South Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

Sunday 8th September, 2019 - The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am Derryvullen South Parish Church – Morning Prayer

12.00 noon Garvary Parish Church - Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism

Sunday 15th September, 2019 - The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am Garvary Parish Church – Morning Prayer

12.00 noon Derryvullen South Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd September, 2019 - The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am Derryvullen South Parish Church – Morning Prayer



Above and below; Mothers' Union members enjoying Afternoon Tea on the Innishcruiser in June.

12.00 noon Garvary Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Sunday 29th September 2019 - The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am Family Service - Derryvullen South Parish Church

12.00 noon Family Service – Garvary Parish Church

Mothers' Union

The monthly meeting of Mothers' Union will be held on Monday 16th September at 8.00 pm in Derryvullen Parish Church Hall. The speaker will be Val Irvine and the topic for the evening will be the "The Food Pantry". New members will be made very welcome.

Parish Barbecue

Derryvullen South Parish Church barbecue will be held on Friday 6th September at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall, Tamlaght. Proceeds in aid of Church Funds and Hall Funds.

Sunday School

Sunday School commencing on the 8th September in both Derryvullen South Parish and Garvary Parish.

Garvary Bowling Club

The Bowling club will meet in September in Garvary Parish Church Hall. For further details please contact Hilda Lucy

Scottish Country Dancing

The Fermanagh Scottish Dancing Group meet every Tuesday during term time from 8 – 10pm in Derryvullen South Parish Hall. The new term starts on Tuesday 10th September. This is a great way of keeping fit and enjoying social activity. You do not need a partner to join in. Feel free to come on your own or with friends. You will be made very welcome. If you need further information please contact Rosemary or



Mothers' Union members on the Innishcruiser.



Nicholas on email rosemary.watgts@btinternet.com.

We wish her God's richest blessings.

Parish Register

Wedding

The marriage of Andrena McKeown and Desmond Cumberland took place on Friday 28th June 2019 at Derryvullen South Parish Church. We wish them God's richest blessing.

Baptism

Olivia Kate Nixon, daughter of Lynsey and Adam Nixon was baptised on 23rd June, 2019 in Derryvullen South Parish Church.

Bereavement

We offer our prayerful support and sympathy to Deborah Dane, her husband Tommy and the wider family circle on the sudden death of Deborah's mother, Rosemary McConnell.

Prayers and Good Wishes

We remember all who have been ill over the past few months, we wish them well, and pray that they will soon be restored to full health.

Devenish & Boho



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Photos of supporters attending the Coffee Morning in memory of Howard Cathcart in aid of Air Ambulance NI.

Services for September

Sunday 1st September

10.00am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 8th

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

Sunday 15th

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 22nd

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church,

8.00pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Friday 27th

7.30pm: Harvest Thanksgiving, Boho Parish Church

Sunday 29th

11.30 am Family Service, Devenish Parish Church

3.30pm Harvest Thanksgiving Boho Parish Church

Burials

Tuesday 9th July 2019

William Edward (Eddie Elliott) JP Keelaghan Springfield, Enniskillen.

The Funeral Service which was conducted



by Pastor Roy Dreading was held in Springfield Methodist Church. Burial was in Devenish Parish Graveyard. We offer our deepest sympathy to Eddie's sons, George and Albert, daughter Joan and the wider family circle.

Thursday 18th July 2019

Sir Anthony Hart, Belfast and formerly of Levally, Enniskillen.

The Funeral Service was held in St Mark's Church Dundela and was conducted by Bishop John McDowell and Revd Helene T. Steed. Burial was in Devenish Parish Graveyard.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Sir Anthony's wife Mary, sons Patrick and David, daughters Fiona and Katherine and the wider family circle.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Friday 27th September at 8.00 pm Boho Parish Harvest

Sunday 29th September at 3.30pm Boho Parish Harvest

Friday 4th October at 8.00pm Devenish Parish Harvest

Sunday 6th October at 11.30am Devenish Parish Harvest

We look forward to welcoming visitors to all our Harvest Thanksgiving services.

Sunday School

The Sunday School service was held on 23rd June. The readers were Kathryn Haskins, Rachel Cathcart, and Gemma Elliott. Prayers were said by Maisie Cathcart, Jason Elliott, Abi Kernaghan, Jacob McHugh, Aerin Daley, Nathan Ferguson and Gareth Cathcart. Sunday School will reopen on Sunday 8th September at 10.45 am in the Reade Hall. We look forward to welcoming new children.

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union will recommence on Tuesday 17th September with a Service of Holy Communion in Devenish Parish Church at 8 pm followed by a short business meeting and cup of tea. We would like to encourage

new members to join our branch, where there will be an opportunity to pray together, support each other and strengthen family life. Our meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 8 pm in the Reade Hall, Monea.

Cake Sale

Devenish Parish held a very successful cake sale on Saturday 20th July at the Diamond in Enniskillen, which raised £800 for the Reade Hall project. The Select Vestry wish to thank everyone who baked, organised the event, manned the stalls and gave donations.

Monea Post Office

Monea Post Office has reopened in the Reade Hall. The Post Office will be operated by Rooney Eurospar and will be open on Mondays from 10.00am to 12noon and on Thursdays from 12noon to 1.00pm.

Coffee Morning

To coincide with the opening of the Post Office, a Coffee Morning was held in memory of Howard Cathcart. Over 200

people attended and as a result £2444 has been raised for the Air Ambulance NI. The parish wishes to thank Rodney Connor for coming to speak about the work of the Air Ambulance. We also wish to thank everyone who attended, gave donations, everyone who prepared and served food and all who helped with organisation.

Devenish Bowling Club

Devenish Bowling Club recommences on Friday 13th September at 8pm. All new members are very welcome. Bowling practice nights will take place on Friday nights this year.

Devenish Bowling Club annual pairs tournament in the Reade Hall Monea on Monday 21st October, Wednesday 23rd October, Thursday 24th October, Friday 25th October.

Final night will be on Monday 28th October. Entries to William Harpur (02866341237)

Congratulations

Congratulations to George and Eileen Little on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Photos of supporters attending the Coffee Morning in memory of Howard Cathcart in aid of Air Ambulance NI.

Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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Services for September

Sunday, 1st September 2019 - The Eleventh Sunday After Trinity

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Tyholland Parish Church: Morning Prayer

Sunday, 8th September 2019 - The Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

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

12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh: A Celebration of Holy Communion

Sunday, 15th September 2019 - The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

10.30 am: Donagh Parish Church: Morning Prayer

3.00pm: Tyholland Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, 22nd September 2019 - The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

10.30 am: Donagh Parish Church: Family Service

12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh: Morning Prayer

Sunday, 29th September 2019 - The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

10.30am: Donagh Parish Church: Group Service, Morning Prayer

Harvest Services

"While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer and day and night shall not cease." (Genesis 8:22)

■ Sunday, 15th September at 3pm Tyholland Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Service with Guest Preacher Rev. Jason Kernohan. Refreshments will be served at Tyholland Community Hall after the service.

■ Friday 27th September Ecumenical Harvest Service held in St. Mary's Glennan at 8pm. Rev. Lorraine Capper is the Guest Preacher.

■ Sunday 6th October at 3pm Errigal Truagh



Taking part in the Children's Day Service.

Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 3pm with refreshments afterwards. Guest Preacher is Rev. Gerald McCartney.

■ Sunday 13th October at 3pm Donagh Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Service with refreshments afterwards in the Parish Hall. This will be themed as "Tractor Sunday". Guest Speaker is Mrs Joy Coulter.

Children's Day

On the last Sunday in June in Donagh Parish Church a group service was held to celebrate all the hard and dedicated work of our Sunday School. This year the theme was based around Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander's life and her hymns. The focus being on her hymn, All Things Bright and Beautiful, which teaches the story of God's creation. Sophie, Colin, Emily, Hannah, Rhys, Jessica, Alexandra and Sarah shared some of the life story of Mrs Alexander. The young people together with their teachers and leaders put a lot of effort and preparation into this service. Each child was given a prize for their attendance and efforts during the past year. The Best Attendance Prizes were awarded to Jessica and Emma Coulter. There was much musical talent on display at this service. Musical items given by Colin, Emily,

Alexandra, Sarah, Sophie, Katherine, Jessica, as well as by the Sunday School Choir. The Sunday School children led prayers. Jack and Rhys lifted the offering. Revd Lorraine thanked all the teachers, leaders and helpers for their dedication and huge commitment in teaching the children over the past year. She said "Effort always shows" and she noted that a huge effort had gone into the Children's Day Service and it showed. Congratulations to the children and all involved in this very enjoyable service.

Fun Night

We held our Parish Fun Night this year in the Oakland Centre at Glaslough. We had the Vortex Youth Group join us with Amanda Garland, their Youth Leader. Children enjoyed the play park, face-painting and playing rounders.

We had one very dedicated chef, Gavin Treanor, who cooked a lovely barbecue. The ladies had made lovely homemade salads and desserts all followed by a welcome ice-lolly on a warm Summer's night. Thanks to Eileen Coulter and Dorothy Keith for arranging the catering; to Amanda Atkinson for spending hours painting children's faces; and to Amanda Garland for arranging team



Children's Day.

games. A great evening was had by young and old alike. There were a lot of tired children going home!

Sunday School

Sunday School recommences on Sunday 8th September. We wish all our children and young people well as they start back to nursery, primary, secondary or grammar school, college, further education college or university. We pray that this year will be a fruitful year of learning.

Safeguarding Trust

Donagh Parish with Tyholland and Errigal Truagh sees the welfare of children as paramount and therefore seeks to promote positive behaviour at Sunday School. All parents should have received a copy of our Code of Behaviour along with a Membership Registration form. Please complete a Membership Registration form for their child /children annually providing child's personal details, medical information, emergency contact number, consent authorisation and also return the slip to acknowledge receipt of Code of Behaviour. We appreciate that we have a great Sunday School where parents/guardians and teachers all work together for the good of the children.

Holiday Bible Club

Our young people aged 4-14 years joined with Glennan Presbyterian Church for this year's Holiday Club which was held in the Oakland Community Centre in Glaslough. This Holiday Club was led by a very dedicated group of young adults from Scripture Union. A good time was had by one and all as the young people heard Bible stories, took part in games, quizzes and crafts as well as singing.

Choir

The choir practice resumes on Monday 2nd September at 7pm for the Junior Choir (in the home of Mrs Diane Wright-Kendrick) and 8.15pm for Senior Choir in Donagh Parish Church. This is in preparation for the Harvest Thanksgiving Services. New members will be made very welcome. Please note that from Monday 9th September Junior Choir will meet at 7pm and finish at 7.20pm so confirmation candidates can attend classes in the Rectory.

P.S.A.L.M.

We were delighted that once again the young people from the parishes availed of some music tuition offered by Mrs. Kathy Bae. This was a wonderful opportunity for students to bring their music skills into the church setting. Many thanks to Mrs. Ethne McCord for her dedication and enthusiasm in arranging this training.



Our Chef Gavin Treanor with Rev. Lorraine

Girls Brigade

After a well-earned Summer break the Girls' Brigade recommences in September (date to be confirmed). All girls must register on that evening between 6pm to 7pm in Donagh Parish Hall. We wish Captain Margaret Dudgeon and her committed team of leaders ever blessing as they start a new season with the girls.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes commence on Monday 9th September at 7.20pm at the Rectory and will finish at 8.10pm. We wish Hannah, Sophie, Rebecca, Rhys, Alexandra, Emily, Colin and Sarah every blessing as they prepare to be confirmed.

Mothers' Union

A small group of our Mothers' Union made it on a day-trip away. Starting off with a guided tour of the newly restored Hillsborough Castle, the members then had time to stroll amongst the lovely gardens and enjoy some light refreshments in the Castle Cafe. They then went off to shop in Newtownards. With tired feet they were glad to have a lovely evening meal in Harrison's Farm Restaurant in Greyabbey before the journey back to Co. Monaghan. Thanks to Mrs. Dorothy Keith for organising this most enjoyable trip. The opening service of Holy Communion will take place on Wednesday 18th September in Donagh Parish Church at 8pm. New members will be made most welcome.

Heritage Week

We were delighted to have St. Salvator's Church open as part of Heritage Week. This year thanks to the hard work of Mrs Ethne McCord, Mrs Dorothy Keith and Mrs Eileen Coulter we have a wonderful display of wedding photographs spanning the decades

of the past. Revd. Lorraine gave a very interesting talk on the history of the parish church built by Bishop John Leslie around 1666 and which boasts one of the finest apsidal chancels in Ireland.

The gathered discovered how the role of the parish church included being responsible for the welfare of the poor and the maintenance of local roads. Revd. Lorraine made special references to weddings.

Sympathy

Our Sympathy to all who have been recently bereaved, among them Margaret Dudgeon who lost her mother, Mrs Simpson. Also the Atkinson family on the loss of Sammy Little their dear relative and friend. We remember Margaret and all the Simpson and Dudgeon families and Atkinson family and all who have been recently bereaved in our prayers.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Alexandra Kendrick, Emma and Jessica Coulter on their recent appearance at Castleblaney Theatre. The girls gave outstanding performances in contemporary dance, tap-dancing and singing. Congratulations to all who have celebrated birthdays. Special congratulations to Joan and Willie Singleton who celebrated 75 years and 80 years respectively; to Ron Kendrick who was 60 and to little Jenny Landers celebrating her first birthday. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Ron Kendrick as they celebrated 30 years of marriage on Saturday 27th July. The congregation at St. Salvator's showed their appreciation for this very dedicated couple. Revd. Lorraine wished Ron and Diane many more years of health and happiness together and thanked them for their commitment to the church and wider community.

Dromore



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Two Rooms

Picture two rooms. In the first room there is a large round table in the middle of the room. In the middle of the table is a large pot of stew, which smells delicious so much so that it is making your mouth water. There are people sitting around the table, but they are thin and sickly and appear to be famished. They are holding spoons with very long handles that are strapped to their arms and each can reach into the pot of stew and take a spoonful, but because the handle is longer than their arms, they can't get the spoons back into their mouths.

In the second room you find things are similar to the first one. There is a large round table with a large pot of mouth-watering stew, just as in room one. The people are equipped with the same long-handled spoons, but unlike those in the first room, the people are well nourished, laughing and talking. What makes the difference between the two rooms is that those in the second room are feeding each other.

'Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.'



Welcome at Kigina Dignity Primary School.

Philippians 2:4

As Christians it should be about 'Jesus and Others, and not about 'self'. When everyone within the Church lives in that way, we will be like those in the second room and show the world what true community looks like.

Fields of Life Team 2019

On 15th July 2019 11 members of Holy Trinity Fields of Life Team set off for a Mission trip to Uganda (nine from Holy Trinity Church, Dromore—Gordon Deazley, Sharon Deazley, Charles Kenwell, Jonathan Keys, Andrew Quill, Joanne Quill, Hannah Quill, Eveline Smith and Matthew Smith and two from Donacavey Parish, Fintona—Geraldine Beattie and Cyril Browne). For three of the team this was their first time to Uganda, five of the team having been on a Fields of Life team before and three having lived in Uganda before.

The planning for this trip began in 2016 when the Team Leader, Gordon Deazley, was asked to put together a team, to build a Girls Dormitory at Kigina Dignity Primary

School in the Rukungiri area of Uganda in East Africa.

Eleven people agreed to be part of this team and together we began the task of fundraising enough money to build and equip the dormitory to house 50 girls. Fundraising included street collections, cake sales, a gala ball, auctions, sponsored walk and many more efforts by the church community and beyond. Over 500 reusable menstrual pads were made for the older children in the school and suitcases packed with bras, knitted hats, blankets, clothing and medical equipment to share with the community and the local hospital. 600 basins, 1,000 handwashing soaps, 600 laundry soaps, 400 tubes of toothpaste and 400 toothbrushes were also purchased in Uganda to distribute when we arrived in Rukungiri.

The team flew from Dublin to Rwanda, crossing the border into Uganda. We travelled the next day to the school where we were to be based for the next 10 days.



Geraldine carrying out repairs to a uniform.

Right: Kigina Dignity Primary School Dormitory.





Kigina Dignity Primary School Dormitory.



Eveline demonstrating handwashing.

None of the team could have imagined the welcome we were to receive from children, teachers, parents and grandparents. They sang and danced, waved posters and shook hands as they led us up the dirt path to the school.

This warmth continued throughout our stay as we shared in building work, teaching in the classrooms, handcraft with the children and the community, sewing school uniforms, sharing in worship, playing with the children and working within the community.

As every day passed, we grew to love this school and the community more and more. They opened up their hearts and homes to us as we moved among them. Many tears were shed as the team left to journey to Kampala.

On route, we stopped at Hope Life Primary School, Burunga, which is situated in the Lyantonde District. Some members of the team had spent time there previously, building the school, staff quarters, a cookhouse, sinking a well and much more. Again, the welcome was wonderful and everyone had a tour of the school, whose numbers had increased from 147 to 518. The next morning the team also visited Hope Comprehensive Secondary School in the Kalungu District and shared in their Sunday worship, and also met some of the children who had gone on to study at the school from Hope Life Primary School, Burunga.

Arriving at Entebbe Airport to begin the homeward journey saw the team

experience different emotions – delight at going home to see family and friends, pride in everything that had been achieved, glowing in the many friendships rekindled and the new friendships made. More importantly the team had thankful hearts that God had granted safe travel, that everyone was kept free from illness and grateful that we had had the opportunity to serve God, encourage each other in our faith and work with our brothers and sisters in Christ to help improve the facilities at the school.

The lives of this team of 11 people have been enriched and strengthened by their time in Uganda.

Sponsorship for a child is still a necessity, providing education, school fees, daily



meals for the child, uniform, books etc. The cost is £17.00 per month. To enquire about sponsoring a child, please contact the Team Leader on 07854 327 878 for further details.

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)



Andrew preaching on the Parable of the Good Samaritan while Matthew pretends to be unconscious.



Jonathan and our Uganda Fields of Life worker Sam carrying basins into the community.

Drumkeeran, Muckcross and Templecarne



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I hope that everyone has had a good summer and that you have been able to take some time out to rest, relax and spend time with family and friends whether or not you have been able to get away. It is important for us to take time out as we live our lives not just to rest and relax but also to reflect on how we are getting on. This is particularly important in relation to our lives as Christians. The best way to do this is to study scripture and to see how we are progressing in our journey to become more like the one who has saved us. When you read these words our harvest season will be underway, and you can find full details of our harvest services below. I hope that there will be good attendance at each of these services as we have guest preachers as well as guest musicians. We look forward to Sunday School recommencing on 8 September and we

pray for God's blessing on our Sunday school teachers, helpers and children for the year that lies ahead. We will also have a confirmation service in May next year and further details of the preparation for this will be circulated to those eligible in early autumn. I would ask that those who are eligible for confirmation continue to attend Sunday School until Christmas and the classes to prepare the candidates will begin in the New Year. The newly formed ladies group Women Together will meet on 17 September and we pray for God's blessing on our ladies as they seek to get together and to build relationships as they do so. I hope that this is the first of such groups which get us together away from Sunday morning in the church building and I pray that the spirit of God would move amongst us and that we would see great things happen in this group of churches.

Parish Register Marriage

Sandra Morton and Aaron Ginn were married at Tubrid on 6 July. We wish them God's richest blessing for their life together.

Services

- Sunday 1 September**
Morning Prayer Templecarne 10am,
Morning Prayer Tubrid 11.30am and Harvest
Thanksgiving Dernasesk at 7pm
- Friday 6 September**
Harvest Thanksgiving Muckcross 8pm
- Sunday 8 September**
Holy Communion Tubrid 11.30am and
Harvest Thanksgiving Muckcross 7pm
- Sunday 15 September**

- Morning Prayer Tubrid 11.30am and Harvest
Thanksgiving Templecarne 7pm
- Sunday 22 September**
Morning Prayer Muckcross 10am, Family
Harvest Tubrid 11.30am and Harvest
Thanksgiving Tubrid 7pm
- Sunday 29 July**
Morning Prayer Templecarne 10am and
Morning Prayer Tubrid 11.30am

Sunday school

A reminder that Sunday school recommences on Sunday 8 September

Harvest Services

- The Harvest Services will be as follows:
Dernasesk - Sunday 1 September at 7pm –
speaker Mrs Sandra Ross
- **Muckcross** - Friday 6 September at 8pm
– speaker Canon Hazel Hicks with Tubrid
Male Voice Choir and Sunday 8 September
at 7pm – speaker Charlie Eames with the
Garrison Singers.
- **Templecarne** - Sunday 15 September at
7pm – speaker Canon Alan Irwin with Anne
Keys providing a musical interlude
- **Tubrid** - Sunday 22 September at 11.30
which will be a Sunday school Service and
at 7pm – speaker Miss Catherine Little, Bible
Society NI

Annual Variety Concert

The 35th Annual Variety Concert will be held in the Youth Hall, Tullyhommon (kindly granted) on Thursday 14 November at 8pm. The Guest Artist will be Kenny Archer with various other local artists performing. Please support this annual event which is enjoyed by all.

Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

Pastoral Cover:
Mr Walter Pringle, assisted by Canon Charles McCollum.

Archdeacon Brian Harper or Canon Ian Berry are in charge.

Aughnamullen

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kevin Carey and Amy Fitzpatrick who were married in Christ Church Aughnamullen on Saturday 27th July 2019. We wish them every blessing.

Congratulations to Adam McMurray and Catherine who got engaged recently.

Safe travel

We wish Alice Forde a safe journey and pleasant time as she sets out for Australia for the christening of her grandchild.

Harvest Service

This will be held on Sunday 8th September at 3 pm and all are welcome to this service.

Concert

On Sunday 12th May 2019, we held a very enjoyable, ecumenical, successful concert to a packed church. We began with Rockcorry Parish National School choir, then Ballybay Presbyterian choir, Ballybay Community choir, soloist Joanne Lynch, Latton/Bawn choir, Cantemus Female choir, Donagh community choir and Classical guitarist Oscar Montaque, all from Co. Monaghan.

Derek Eakins from Cootehill, Co. Cavan was an excellent accompaniment on the keyboard to most of the choirs. Pat Lennon of Latton videoed the concert and there are DVDs available for sale. The parish Priest of Latton, Owen Joe McEaney was also with us. Walter Pringle was a fantastic M.C. on the night and since being in charge of our group has helped us in every way possible regarding major fundraising in our church. We had refreshments in our school hall afterwards provided by the parishioners. Our church is a listed building both inside and outside, so work had to be done as it originally was. We have successfully repaired the church tower and fundraising is ongoing for the roof. Aughnamullen was once the largest Church of Ireland parish in Co. Monaghan. The late Senator Billy Fox's grave is in the graveyard and also has the burial sites of Franciscan Monks and Cromwellian



The Sunday School prizegiving in Dartrey.

Soldiers. There is a wealth of history here. We are a small dedicated congregation doing this work. We appreciate any help we get, not forgetting a generous donation we received last summer from Lisnaskea Parish under the Revs. Alan Capper and also Rossorry Parish.

We would like to thank all those who helped in any way and participated on the night.

Aghabog

Newbliss Eldon RBP

Newbliss Eldon RBP held their annual parade service in Aghabog Parish Church on August 4th at 3pm. The service was conducted by Mr Walter Pringle and the guest speaker was Revd Lorraine Capper. This service was very well supported. Aughnagorgan Accordion Band led the parade to and from the church. Thanks to those who read the lessons, and those who travelled a distance voiced their appreciation of the service and the hospitality afterwards. Our thanks to all who

brought food and who helped in any way.

Harvest Services

Our Harvest service will be held on Sunday 13th October at 8pm.

Bowling Club

The Bowling club will resume in September and new members are welcome.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Adrian Burns and Alanna Mc Carthy on their recent wedding and we wish them every happiness.

Concert

A Country and Gospel Concert in Celebration of Drumate RBP 992- 100th Anniversary on Friday 11th October 2019 in the Union Hall, Newbliss at 8pm. It will be hosted by Gary Wilson and all are welcome. Tea served afterwards and admission is €10.

Soup and cakes

A Soup Morning and Cake Sale is taking place in Aghabog Church Hall on Saturday, 28th September 2019 from 11am – 2pm. All welcome.



Some of the musicians playing at the concert in Aughnamullen.



Some of the singers at the concert in Aughnamullen.

Dartrey Picnic

This long-standing annual event generally draws a good attendance and this year was no exception. A good turnout of bands, lovely barbecue food from Margaret and Christina, a high standard of music from the Rising Stirr band and a lovely tea provided by the ladies of the parish all contributed to a very enjoyable evening. Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped in any way.

Obituary

The death took place on Friday 12th July 2019 of David Coulson, late of Drumgarkin, Drum in Cavan General Hospital after a short

illness. David was son of the late Tommie and Sarah Coulson. For about 40 years David resided in various care homes and he spent the last three years in Iona House, Castleblayney where he received great care and attention from the staff there. The funeral took place on Sunday 14th July to Dartrey Parish Church followed by burial in adjoining graveyard. Sympathy is extended to his sister Maisie, cousins Sylvia Watt and Ruby Irvine Dungannon and the Deering family Drum.

Childrens' Sunday

This special day in the life of the parish was observed in Rockcorry Church on Sunday, 16th June. The children performed to the usual high standard, the result of much hard work on the part of the Sunday School teachers. The following is a prayer written by a nine-year-old boy and read by him at the service. God gave me eyes, ears, mouth and nose. In return I give him praise but I cannot pay Jesus enough for dying on the cross. Amen. Once again our sincere thanks to Tommy, Christina and helpers. There were refreshments in the Sexton's house after the service.

Parade Service

Dartrey District L.O.L. No 4 Annual Parade Service took place on Sunday 30th June to St. John's Parish Church, Dartrey. The Parade was led to and from the Church by Cappa Accordion Band. The Service was led by Mr Walter Pringle, Diocesan Lay Reader and Mr John Neill, Presbyterian Lay Reader, Aughnacloy gave the address. Thanks to Audrey Doogan for playing the organ and to Agnes Phair for supplying the flowers.

School

Best wishes to all the children both starting school and moving on to further education.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Harvest Thanksgiving in Dartrey on Sunday 22nd September when the preacher will be Dean Ferguson.

Rockcorry Harvest Thanksgiving takes place on 6th October at 8pm.

Personal

We remember in our prayers all who are ill at home, in hospital and nursing homes and all who care for them. We also remember the bereaved.

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Services

Sunday 1st September - The Eleventh

Sunday after Trinity

9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Holy Communion

Thursday 5th September

11.00am - Holy Communion

Sunday 8th September - The Twelfth

Sunday after Trinity

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

Thursday 12th September

11.00am - Holy Communion

Sunday 15th September - The Thirteenth

Sunday after Trinity

9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Holy Communion
7.00pm - A Big Sing

Thursday 19th September

11.00am - Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd September - The Fourteenth

Sunday after Trinity

9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Family Service - Back to Church Sunday
7.00pm - Holy Communion

Thursday 26th September

11.00am - Holy Communion

1.05pm - Diocesan Healing Service

Sunday 29th September - The Fifteenth

Sunday after Trinity

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

Holy Baptism

■ 7th July - Cassie Ava Stenson and Conor James Stenson

■ 28th July - Nova Leigh McCordick, Faith Vera Allen-Beresford, Jake Keith Armstrong and Noah William George Fiddis

■ 11th August - Isla Mary Kate Robinson

Christian Marriage

■ 28th June - Louise Ann Abbott and Simon Samuel Foster Prescott

■ 6th July - Katie Wilhelmina Graham and Paul James Gunn

■ 13th July - Rachel Elizabeth Campbell and Michael Ross Westwaters

31st August - Louise Mary McErlane and Calum Robert MacKenzie

Christian Burial

■ 6th July - Liliias Pinkney, 4 Derrychara Gardens, Enniskillen.

■ 13th July - Bryan McIntyre, 5 Ingleby Gardens, Enniskillen.

■ 19th July - Gareth John Donnelly, 194 Gardiners Cross Road, Tempo.

Enniskillen Memorial - Fundraising night - A Big Sing!

St Michael's Roman Catholic Church Choir along with the Methodist Church Choir and the Presbyterian Church Choir will join with St Macartin's Cathedral Choir in 'Big Sing' on Sunday 29th September at 7.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral for a fundraising night. As churches together we would

like the community to gather together to raise money to assist in completing this project. This successful agreed outcome has produced a plan which integrates the existing memorial into a larger memorial which will visually connect the War Memorial to the Enniskillen Memorial. It will be a very fitting tribute to those who lost their lives. Target for the project £15,000.

Back to Church Sunday

Sunday 22nd September at 11.00am
Family Service followed by Tea/Coffee/
Juice/Chat/Back to Church Sunday is based on the simplest and shortest step in evangelism – that we should invite someone we already know to something we love; invite our friend to our church. “I have wanted to come back for some time and this just gave me the nudge I needed.” Success isn’t a percentage, a number, or a line on a graph. Success is one person inviting one person.

‘What a friend we have in Jesus’

Joseph Scriven died on August 10, 1886. His tale would hardly seem to warrant a page in church history were it not for one fact: he is the man who wrote a hymn that must rank among the 10 best-known and most-beloved of all time. That hymn is "What a friend we have in Jesus."

Joseph needed a friend in his troubles. Born in Banbridge on 10th September 1819, his prospects seemed favourable. He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin and engaged to be married. Then tragedy struck. His fiancé drowned on the evening before their wedding. This was the first of many misfortunes that led him to consecrate his life and property to Christ’s service. He had strained relations with his family and this may have been the reason he emigrated to Canada, where he taught and tutored to make his living.

Again he became engaged, to Eliza Roche. Once again tragedy struck. Shortly before the couple were to marry, the girl became ill and died. One can hardly estimate Joseph’s shock and depression. His own sorrows seemed to make him more aware of the suffering of the poor and weak and he attempted to live out the Sermon on the Mount, giving or lending to anyone who asked and sympathised with all who were more unfortunate than himself. He sawed wood for the stoves of the physically handicapped and comforted the poor and mentally distressed.

Joseph wrote his famous hymn in 1855 to comfort his mother who still lived in Ireland. He did not seek to be noticed for it, and his authorship was only discovered by accident shortly before his death. Ira Sankey added a tune to the words.



An artist's impression of the new Enniskillen Memorial.

What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

On Sunday 15th September, the bicentenary of his birth, many churches in Ireland and further afield will sing ‘What a friend we have in Jesus.’

Exhibitions will be held in Banbridge Library from 8th -15th September as well as a Community Service in Holy Trinity Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 15th September to honour the memory of the celebrated famous son of Banbridge.



Joseph Scriven.

Parish Visitation

Over the Summer months many homes in the parish were visited and received the new pack with the registration forms enclosed. If you have not already received these forms contact the Parish Office and we can arrange for these to be sent out to you. It is important that everyone who wants to be connected to St Macartin’s Cathedral is fully and legally registered to meet the new Data Protection regulations, and your permission to hold the same.

If for some reason you have not returned the forms please do so as soon as possible. All the data collected will be collated this month. We hope to take a snapshot of the parish in 2019 and use the information we collect to plan how best we can further the Kingdom of God in Enniskillen over the next years. Any offer of help will be valued and appreciated, and the generosity of Saint Macartin’s parishioners is never taken for granted and many give freely and willingly to God’s work.

Welcome back!

I realise that people lose touch with church and with God in their lives for a multitude of different reasons and that it is sometimes difficult, as time goes on, to re-establish those connections. I hope in some way this visitation will be an opportunity for you to take the first steps in reawakening your relationship with God. You can be assured of a warm welcome in St Macartin’s at any time and also of a caring pastoral response in time of need, regardless of the situation or circumstance!

Join or Rejoin?

(If anyone wishes to join or rejoin the Cathedral Parish now is the time to do it! Please ask them to call into the Cathedral Office or why don’t you collect the necessary forms for them from the Cathedral Office. I would make a guess that every family knows at least one other family who don’t belong to any church! Get them connected – be a like Saint Andrew – see below:

Saint Andrew

Saint Andrew only gets a short mention in scripture. Upon meeting Jesus, he immediately goes to his brother Simon Peter to tell him that he has found the Messiah. After introducing his brother, the future rock on which Christ used to build his church, Andrew sinks into the background. Even the few mentions Andrew gets afterward are almost always in reference to his brother. But instead of going on an emotive rant about his superior sibling, Andrew simply takes his place among the other Apostles, following Jesus and spreading the Gospel.

Indeed, if Andrew had constantly compared himself with Peter, he might have become unthankful for his own gifts and ended up looking on his brother with envy or disdain. Andrew is a wonderful example of what it is like to be a Christian. Let us all quietly introduce others to life in the Cathedral in hope that they too will be followers of Christ! This is very simple but can be very effective!

Welcome to the PrayGround

Boys and girls, come out to pray, We're happy to see you in church today! The PrayGround is NOT there to keep little ones out of earshot! We love having babies and toddlers in the service with us. We honestly don't mind a bit of noise – in fact, 'if there's nobody crying, the church is dying!' The PrayGround is there to make it as easy as possible for families with small children to attend church together. Feel free to come and go as you need. You can follow the service over the speaker and make it to Holy Communion.

For children too young to attend Sunday Lights, or occasional little visitors not registered for Sunday Lights, activity bags are available from the porch on your way in. They contain colouring, reading and other materials to keep younger members occupied.

Forming Faith at St Macartin's

September means it's time to go back to ...

Sunday School

'Sunday Lights' Forming Faith in Children A Special Family Service will be held on Sunday 22nd September and details of Sunday Lights' recommencing will be announced at the service. Registration will take place after the Family Service.

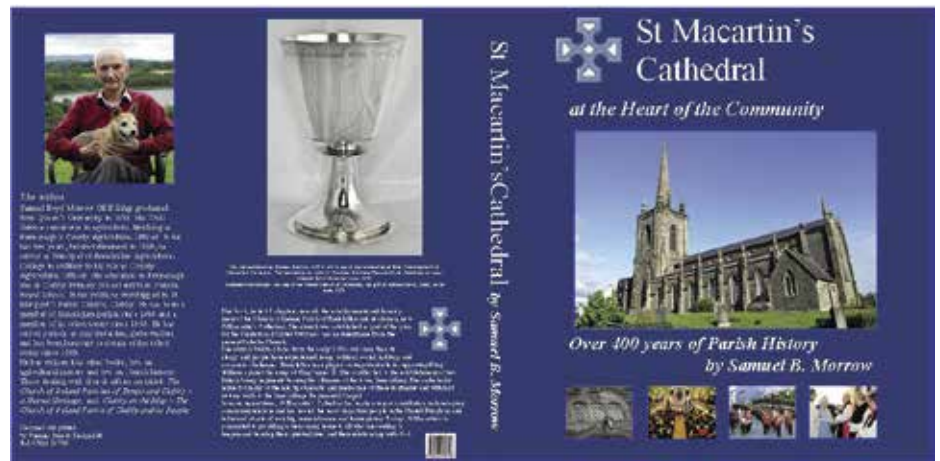
Messy Church

Messy Church is exactly as its name suggests. It's Church, so we meet together and worship God through Bible stories and songs. And it's Messy! There's always glue and glitter, food and fun.

Messy Church is open to all children of primary school age and their parents or guardians. The rule is: no child without an adult, and no adult without a child. Now that we're in a new school year, we are looking forward to meeting new friends! So even if you've never been before, even if you or your children aren't parishioners of the Cathedral, you are very welcome to join us! Next Messy Church on Thursday 17th October from 4.00-6.00pm in the Cathedral Hall.

Confirmation

A Confirmation Service will be held in the spring of 2020 for young people of school



The cover of the new book on St. Macartin's Cathedral

Year 9 and above. Those who expect to be confirmed should regularly attend church with their families. There is no logical sense in being confirmed if you are not a regular attendee at church! Application forms for Confirmation are available in the Parish Office for those who wish to be confirmed. Please collect and return them as soon as possible.

Xplore

Xplore is a relaxed, café-style venue for young people in Years 10-12. We want the young people of St Macartin's to feel they belong to the wider church family, to know that they are valued, and to have a safe space to ask questions about faith as a teenager and young adult. We meet in the Upper Room (youth wing) of the Cathedral Hall monthly from 7.30-9.00pm. Next meeting on Monday 23rd September.

Pilgrim

Pilgrim is our adult formation group. It is a relaxed, café-style night where we can get to know each other a bit better and explore our Christian faith. Some Pilgrim members like to speak a lot, and some prefer to sip coffee and listen. Some are reasonably sure about things and others are still thinking. The format is open and welcoming, and every opinion is respected. There is space for people at all stages of their Christian journey. Meets twice a month and will begin after the Harvest - more details next month.

Guides

Anyone wishing to join Rainbows (4-7), Brownies (7-10), Guides (10-14) or Rangers (14-18) in September must register on the girlguiding website, due to the high numbers already enrolled. Find them at <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter>. Start date Tuesday 24th September in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall.

Scouts

The new scouting year will commence in mid-September with a registration evening on Monday 14th September in the Cathedral Hall at 6.30pm. Beaver and Cub sections will commence on Monday 21st September at 6.30pm. Scouts will commence on Thursday 24th September.

Choir Practice

Choir practice takes place each Wednesday evening in the Cathedral commencing at 7.30pm. Practices will resume on Wednesday 4th September following the summer recess. New choir members are most welcome, currently tenor or bass singers would be particularly encouraged to consider joining. Please contact Glenn or Jayne.

Bell Ringers

Fewer than a dozen parish churches in Northern Ireland have towers with peals of eight or more bells where campanologists can exercise their skill. Enniskillen is one of these, and the peal of 10 bells is rung in changes each Sunday and on special occasions. Practice takes place Thursdays 7.00-8.00pm and new ringers will be warmly welcomed to send out the call to worship on Sunday!

Tuesday Club

Recommences on Tuesday 24th September from 2.00 to 4.00pm in the Hilliard Room. Come and meet other parishioners - a good friend could be someone you have yet to meet.

Bowling Club

Bowling Club will recommence on Wednesday 11th September, mornings 10.30am to 12.00 noon and evenings 7.30pm to 10.00pm. Everyone is welcome and we are looking for new members to join us for fun and fellowship.

Mothers' Union

After a lovely summer break, Mothers' Union will open the new season on Monday 9th September at 8.00pm with a night of 'Fun and Fashion' with Cecillia in the Enniskillen Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, to which all ladies are invited. The committee have arranged a varied programme for the coming months including a trip to HeadHunters and a visit to the Ardhowen Theatre before Christmas. New members will be very warmly welcomed.

Harvest Services - Keep Free!

■ Sunday 13th October 2019 at 11.00am.

Preacher: The Venerable Terry Scott, Archdeacon of Armagh and Rector of Magherafelt Parish.

■ Sunday 8th October 2017 at 7.00pm.

Preacher Revd Canon David Ferry, former

Curate of St Macartin's Cathedral
"Come, ye thankful people come"

Coming soon...

A book on the history of St. Macartin's Cathedral.

The Author Samuel Boyd Morrow OBE BAgr graduated from Queen's University in 1959. His Civil Service career was in agriculture, finishing as Fermanagh's County Agricultural Officer. In his last two years, before retirement in 1996, he served as Principal of Enniskillen Agricultural College in addition to his role as County Agricultural Officer. His education in Fermanagh was at Clabby Primary School and then Portora Royal School. In his youth he worshipped in St Margaret's Parish Church, Clabby. He has been a member of Enniskillen parish since 1966 and a member of the select vestry since 1968. He has served periods as churchwarden, glebe-

warden and has been honorary secretary of the select vestry since 1989.

Prayer

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

Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully

Vacant

In Charge: Archdeacon Brian Harper or Chancellor Ian Berry

Pastoral Care: Dean Raymond Ferguson and Mr Roy Crowe (DPA)

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).

Harvest Services

Sallaghy: Sunday 29th September at 11.00am, Speaker - Mr Keith Browne, a Diocesan Lay Reader. The service will be followed by a cup of tea in the Parish Hall and all are invited to share a time of friendship.

Galloon: Sunday 13th October at 11.00am, Speaker - Chancellor Ian Berry, Rector of Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore.

Drummully: Sunday 20th October at 7.00pm, Speaker - Canon Maurice Armstrong, Rector of Tempo and Clabby.

Galloon

Galloon Parish Auction

The next auction is on Saturday 7th September 2019 at 12.00 noon in The Church Hall, High Street, Newtownbutler. We already have a good selection of items for the auction. We have the part contents of a lady's residence including a very fine antique mahogany bedroom suite, a piano, easy chairs, mirrors, breakfast cooker, super-ser type heater, (like new) and much more. We have a wide variety of chinaware, glass, pictures, household goods, bed linen, boxed lots suitable for traders, dealers and car-booters. This is an auction you cannot afford to miss! Doors open 11.00am. Refreshments are available. See you there! Donations are always welcome. To arrange delivery or collection contact William Little 02867738676.

Special Service of Music

A Special Service of Music conducted by Dean Raymond Ferguson with professional organist, Dr Joe McKee OBE MA Hon FGCM will be held on Galloon Church on Sunday 27th October at 3.30pm.

Congratulations

We congratulate Michael Hutchinson who has been ordained a Deacon. The service took place in the Cathedral Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, Blackburn on Saturday 29th June 2019 by the Right Reverend Dr Jill Duff, Bishop of Lancaster. We wish him all God's blessings for his future ministry in the Church of England.

Sympathy

Mrs Mildred Lawson Farrell's funeral service took place in Killeevan Parish Church on 6th August 2019. We offer our sincere sympathies to Mr and Mrs Trevor Farrell and family, Bridge Street, Newtownbutler and the wider family circle.

Holy Matrimony

The marriage of Mr James Hutchinson to Miss Caroline Patton took place on Wednesday 29th May 2019 in Maze Presbyterian Church. Many congratulations to Mr and Mrs Hutchinson and we wish them both health and happiness for their future life together.

Holy Baptism

Casey Marie Moncrieff, daughter of Nigel and Joanne and Dylan Alexander Moncrieff, son of Jonathan and Siobhan were baptised on 10th August 2019.

Sallaghy

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union opening service of Holy Communion will be held in the Parish Church on Thursday 12th September at 8.00pm in the Parish Church followed by supper in the Church Hall.

Orange Service

The Annual Orange Service was held on Sunday 30th July when the members of Lisnaskea District and other brethren were in attendance for the service of Morning Prayer. Thanks to Lisnaskea Accordion Band who led the parade.

Derryadd Harvest

A Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held in Derryadd Church Sunday 22nd September at 3.30pm. The service will be conducted by Mr Roy Crowe and the speaker will be Rev Alastair Donaldson, Rector of Derrylin Parish Church.

Bowling Club

The Bowling Club will recommence for the new season on Tuesday 10th September at 8.00pm in the Church Hall. New members of all ages will be made most welcome and everyone is asked to encourage someone to attend for the first time to enjoy a game of bowls and the fellowship together.



The annual Orange parade on their way to Sallaghy Church.

Drummully

Sympathy

We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of former parishioner, Mr George Carleton, who passed away in Scotland recently.

Car Boot Sales

We wish to thank everyone for supporting our Car Boot Sales over the summer

months. It is greatly appreciated.

175th Anniversary

Our 175th Anniversary in Drummully Parish Church will be celebrated with a joint service on Sunday, 24th November at 3.00pm, the Feast of Christ The King. This is to be officiated by Bishop John McDowell. Supper will be served afterwards in the Church Hall. Everyone will be made warmly welcome.

Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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Services

Sunday 8th September

Kiltyclogher 10am HC
Belleek 11.30am HC

Sunday 15th September

Garrison 10am MP& FS

Slavin 11.30am MP&FS

Sunday 22nd September

Kiltyclogher 10am MP
Belleek 11.30am MP

Sunday 29th September

Garrison Parish Church Group Service
Friends Service @ 4pm with Strule River
String Band

Sunday 6th October

Garrison 10am HC
Slavin 11.30am HC

Sunday 13th October

Belleek 11.30am HC
Kiltyclogher - Harvest Thanksgiving at 7pm

Harvest Services

■ Friday 13th September at 8pm – Slavin Parish Church- Harvest Thanksgiving with Gospel Music. Special Guest: Lynda Lindsay and choir singing. Everyone welcome.

■ Friday 20th September- Belleek Parish Church- Harvest Thanksgiving at 8pm.

■ Friday 27th September- Garrison Parish church - Harvest Thanksgiving at 8pm.

■ Sunday 13th October – Kiltyclogher parish Church - Harvest Thanksgiving at 7pm.

A harvest supper will be served after all of the services. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

Mothers' Union

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 17th September in Belleek when the speaker will be Rachel Love who will talk about her career working in Belleek Pottery. Everyone is welcome.

Congratulations

A special congratulations to Stanley Allingham who broke the Irish Sheep shearing record of shearing over 669 sheep in nine hours by achieving 708 on Sunday 4th August. Well done from everyone and a lot of money raised for very worthy charities.

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, especially remembering Billy Nelson.

Christian Burial

■ Tuesday 2nd July 2019 - Burial of Mrs Katie (Kitty) Isabella Gregg in Slavin Church after a funeral service in Magheracross Parish Church Ballinamallard. Sympathy is extended to her sons Raymond and Leslie



Canon Ngozi wearing the cassock and scarf presented to her by the Parishioners and family members.



From left: Catherine Carson, Liesel Zink and Edith Kirkpatrick, attending the Installation Service.

who still reside in Slavin Parish and their families and her many other family members throughout the world.

■ The burial of Mrs Lily McAllister from Cork, originally from Ballyshannon took place in Garrison Parish churchyard. We extend sympathy to Ernest, Stanley and Pam, all living in Cork.

Special Service in Enniskillen Cathedral

Many parishioners from all four parishes were pleased to be present for the special service of installation of Revd Canon Ngozi

in Enniskillen on 16th June as Prebendary of Kilskeery along with her relations and friends who travelled to attend. It was a wonderful service and a privilege to be part of a great occasion.

During June and July we welcomed Canon Ngozi's sister, Ojii and her niece Maka to our Group of Parishes. They attended Canon Ngozi's installation as Canon on 16th June. They also enjoyed attending the two Orange Anniversary Services held in Slavin and Garrison Churches.

Both ladies are gifted singers and we were very privileged to hear the rendering of a



Canon Ngozi with her relations and friends who attended her installation in Enniskillen as Prebendary of Kilskeery.



Canon Ngozi with her family and friends who travelled from far and wide to attend her Installation service, pictured in Slavin church.

song from them on each of the Sundays they were with us. Maka, a professional musician accompanied the singing on the keyboard.

Holy Matrimony

Congratulations and best wishes to Alan and Shelina Ovens who were married in

Malta on 5 August 2019. We wish them every happiness in their home in London.

Holy Baptism

■ On Sunday 7th July in Kiltyclogher Church, Libby Eveline Allingham was baptised, Libby is the daughter of Stanley and Jayne Allingham. The Godparents were William

Kempton, Gail Boyle, Gillian Smith and William Allingham.

■ On Sunday 11th August James William Robert Deacon was baptised in Belleek Parish Church. James is the daughter of Violet and David. The godparents were Diane Doherty and Alan Brock. It is wonderful to welcome these two



Canon Ngozi with her sister Ojii in Slavin Church.



Rebecca and Amy with Ojii, Canon Ngozi's sister at the Garrison Parade service.



Canon Ngozi judging the "wacky welly" competition at the Melvin Summerfest in Garrison.

babies into their respective churches and congratulate the parents on their Baptism.

Family Service in Garrison

The Annual Prize-giving was held on Sunday 16th June in Garrison Parish Church. The children read prayers which they had written for Father's Day.

They also sang a song entitled, 'There is peace in Christ.'

Canon Ngozi was presented with a voucher from the Sunday School on the occasion of her new position as Canon and Prebendary of Kilskeery.

Canon Ngozi presented Lorraine Boyd with a token from the Sunday School teachers and children for all her work with Sunday School.

A cup of tea and some treats were served and enjoyed by all, after the service in the Church Hall.

Friends Service in Garrison Parish Church on Sunday 29th September

Everyone is invited to a lovely afternoon in Garrison Church on Sunday 29th September at 4pm. A chance to welcome back and chat with old friends and meet new acquaintances. We are delighted to welcome Strule River String Band to this informal service. Light refreshments will be served at the interval. There is no entry charge but a collection will be taken up towards church funds and ongoing church refurbishments.

Annual SEFF service

Revd Canon Ngozi Njoku will be the speaker at the annual SEFF service in Templecarne Church on Sunday 6th October at 3pm to be conducted by Revd



The Allingham family at their Baptism in Kiltyclogher church.

Charlie Eames. If anyone can contribute towards the tea after this service, please speak to Joy Graham.

Keep in touch

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org.

The web manager is Jenna Earls. Photos & articles etc. for the website to be e-mailed to Doreen Earls at Social Networking: Follow us on Facebook using the name Garrison Group of Parishes. Simply 'Like' our page to receive updates on events.



At the Deacon family Baptism in Belleek church.

Sunday School children preparing for the Garrison prizegiving service.



Inishmacsaint

Vacant

In Charge: Canon Mark Watson (Rural Dean) or Archdeacon Brian Harper.

Pastoral Care: Canon Mark Watson (Rural Dean), Canon Ngozi Njoku and Miss Isobel Stewart (DPA)

During the summer months we lost two faithful church members, Mrs Mabel Hassard and Mrs Dorothy Elliott. Both ladies will be missed from the church, especially the choir and Mothers' Union. We would like to express our sympathy to both families.

Deaths

- 13th June - Mrs Dorothy Elliott, Stratore
- 26th June - Mrs Mabel Hassard, New Line

Marriage

26th July - Miss Wendy Ferguson married Mr Stephen Crooks. Wendy is the daughter of Donald and Janet Ferguson. We wish them God's richest blessings in married life.

Ordination

Colin Brownsmith has extended an invitation to all parishioners to his upcoming

ordination as a deacon in Enniskillen Cathedral on Sunday 15th September at 7 pm. Clergy and Readers are invited to robe. We take this opportunity to congratulate Colin and wish him God's blessing in his ministry.

Congratulations

We as a parish would like to congratulate Miss Sadie Hamilton on celebrating her 90th birthday recently (Photo right).

Prayers

We continue to pray for members of our congregation who are housebound, sick or in hospital. If anybody needs pastoral care please contact the Churchwardens.

Mothers' Union

Birthday wishes

One of our senior members, Miss Sadie Hamilton, has celebrated a special birthday. We wish her every blessing. Sadie has been a member of our Branch for 36 years.

Sympathy

It is with deep regret that we learned of the death of Mrs Mabel Hassard on 29 June. Mabel was a founder member of the Inishmacsaint Branch having joined in 1955. She had attended meetings faithfully for 64 years and was present at our final meeting of the season in April this year.



Mabel will be remembered for the great interest she took in Mothers' Union activities, for her sense of fun and her presence and smile lifted the atmosphere at every meeting.

She was an example of everything Mothers' Union stands for and will be greatly missed within our Branch.

September meeting

Our next meeting for MU is Monday, 23 September at 8pm with a service in Inishmacsaint Church conducted by Revd Canon Ngozi Njoku. New members are most welcome to join us.

Kilskeery and Trillick

Vacant

Pastoral cover and services will be conducted by Abraham Storey.
Rural Dean, Revd John Woods is in charge.

Sunday Services

Trillick 10.30am
Kilskeery 11.45am

Kilskeery Parish Barbecue

This will be held in Kilskeery Hall on 6 September from 7.30 pm onwards.

Service of Institution

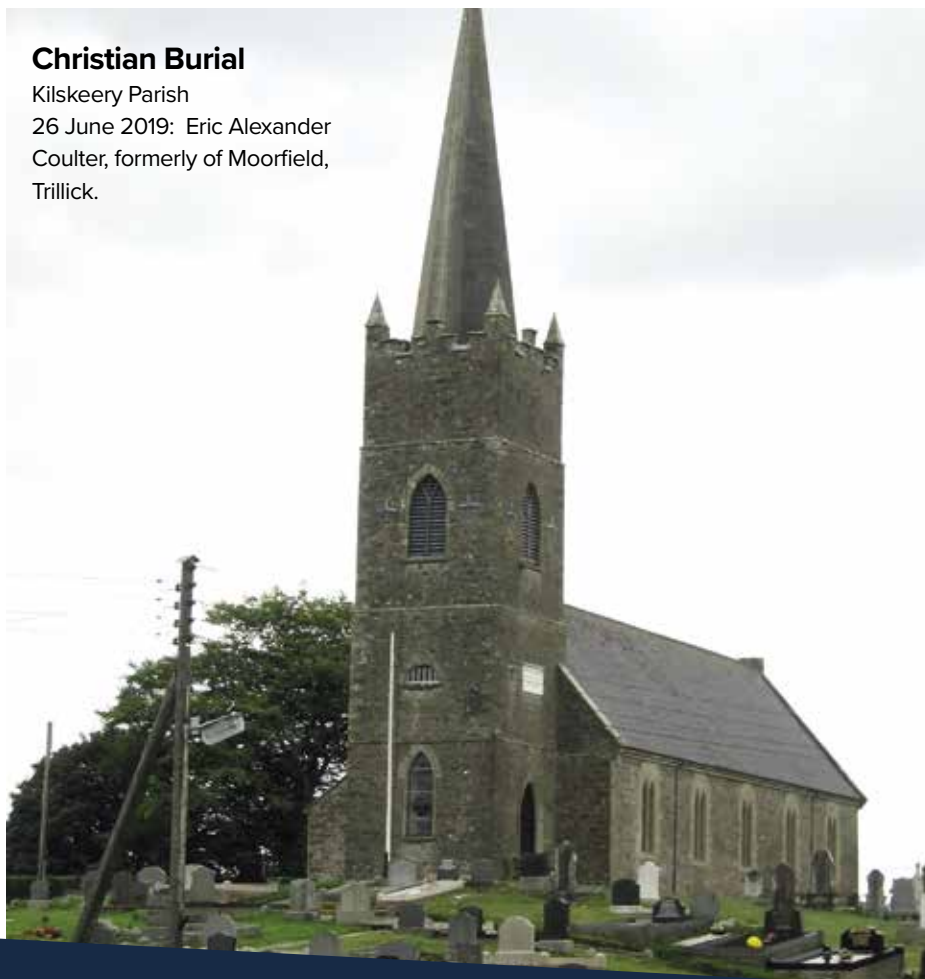
The institution of Rev Philip Bryson as Rector of Kilskeery and Trillick Group of Parishes will take place on 12 September at 7.30 pm in Kilskeery Parish Church.

Mothers' Union

Members will meet on Monday 16th September in Kilskeery Youth Hall for an evening of crafts.

Christian Burial

Kilskeery Parish
26 June 2019: Eric Alexander Coulter, formerly of Moorfield, Trillick.



Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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Services

1st September

11am Lisbellaw Holy Communion
3pm Coolbuck Holy Communion

8th September

11am Lisbellaw MP and Commissioning of Sunday School and Bridge teachers and helpers

3pm Coolbuck Evening Prayer

15th September

9.45am Lisbellaw Holy Communion
11am Lisbellaw Morning Prayer
3pm Coolbuck Late Evening Office

22nd September

11am Lisbellaw Morning Prayer with launch of Mothers' Union
3pm Coolbuck Harvest Thanksgiving

Monday, 23rd September

8pm Coolbuck Re-dedication of Coolbuck Church and Harvest Thanksgiving with special speaker: Bishop John McDowell

29th September

11am Lisbellaw Family Service
3pm Coolbuck Compline



The Puppet Band led the worship on Fathers' Day.



Here are some of the mice that will take part in our Christmas Play on 29th and 30th November.



Some of our Sunday School readers.



A very proud grandma!



Some of the Sunday School teachers distributing prizes to their pupils.



Some of the Sunday School teachers.

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union Service of Holy Communion on Tuesday, 24th September at 7.30pm in the church followed by tea in the Parish Centre.

The following is the annual report of the MU branch;

After our opening service in September we enjoyed learning from Miss Isobel Stewart about her journey to the Holy Land. Our October meeting was very poignant, as we were tracing the footsteps of a soldier during World War 1.

In November we visited Polliwogs where we all thoroughly enjoyed the items we painted. Members attended the Autumn Council meeting and the Prayer Vigil.

Our annual dinner in the Valley Hotel in January was delicious. We had a speaker from Stroke Awareness in February. Members attended World Day of Prayer in Tempo, and we also attended the local Women's Institute visitors' night to hear of the work of Jengana.

We enjoyed our March meeting with Mrs June Graham telling us about Queen Esther. We had a wonderful experience in April with Coyagh Bears where there was such skill and patience in making these bears. We attended the Diocesan Service in Fivemiletown. Members had contributed to the World Wide Fund and this was presented at the service. We attended the Spring Council and brought along the knitted items which our members had taken their time, given their skills and donated so generously to, these articles which are distributed within our Diocese.

Our annual outing was to Dublin where we toured the National Botanical Gardens and also Dublin Castle where our guides were very eloquent and informative. A scrumptious meal was served to us in Conra Wood Golf club.

We have all enjoyed our time together and new members are welcome to any of our meetings.

Harvest

Harvest thanksgiving in Lisbellaw on Friday, 11th October at 8pm with speaker Ms Melanie Grimsley.

Harvest barn dance on Saturday, 12th October at 8pm with Jason Kilfedder.

Parish Auction

Parish Auction and Sale of Cakes: 2nd November at 12noon.

Parish Play

Dancerella - on 29th and 30th November in Lisbellaw Parish Centre.

Sympathy

The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Eric Coulter, formerly of Kilserry, the late Charlotte Mabel Hassard, formerly of Derrygonnelly and the late Cyril Coalter, formerly of Enniskillen.

Baptism

■ 23rd June 2019

Nicholas Jordan Louis Henderson, son of Ivan, Lisbellaw

■ 14th July 2019 (Lisbellaw)

William Thomas John Acheson, son of Rachel and William Acheson, Lisbellaw

■ 14th July 2019 (Coolbuck)

Libby Mary Alexandra Dane, daughter of Richard Dane and Natasha Martin, Lisbellaw



Two of our youngest readers.



Some young collectors.



Some proud fathers on Fathers' Day.

Lisnaskea



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Services SEPTEMBER

- Sunday 1st**
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
Mr Kenneth Rutledge
- Sunday 8th**
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
Mr Kenneth Rutledge
- Sunday 15th**
11.30 a.m. Holy Communion
- Sunday 22nd**
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
(Collection for sponsored children)
- Sunday 29th**
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Marriage

Saturday 20th July
Suzanne Evelyn Ritchie and Scott James
Livingstone, 7 Castlehume Court, Enniskillen.
Congratulations to the happy couple.



Relaxing during the Twelfth catering.



Burial

Saturday 10th August

Yvonne Mary Millar, 3 Kilmore Green, Lisnaskea, buried in Derrylin Parish Churchyard. Our thoughts and prayers are with Yvonne's family circle and friends.

Catering

A huge thank you to everyone who gave freely of their time to help organise and carry out the catering both on 12th July in Lisnaskea and 3rd August in Brookeborough. Also those who gave food items and donations of money.

Without volunteers this could not happen each year and we are very grateful to all. A total of £2,939 was raised for church funds.



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Welcome to Naomi

We extend a very warm welcome to our new youth and children's worker, Naomi Armstrong. Naomi is no stranger to youth work and brings with her a wealth of experience. She is also no stranger to Fermanagh as she hails from Pettigo. She will be arriving here following a spell as a church youth worker in Australia. Mums and Toddlers and Sunday School Roisin Johnston has been organising our Mums and Toddlers Group on a Tuesday morning for several years but now has to step down due to work commitments. Roisin has been a very popular and dedicated leader and organizer and we are indebted to her for her commitment. In our Sunday School, Jane Elliott has served as the leader and organizer with great enthusiasm but has now decided to step aside. This has been a big

responsibility each Sunday morning and we are very grateful for the time that Jane has given to this role.

A new kitchen

After several years of planning and design, the new kitchen in the Archdale Hall has been installed. This has taken a lot of hours of work on the part of those who did their research around other halls, spent time discussing plans with designers and then overseeing the installation during the summer. It is a sterling piece of work and we can be very proud of this asset.

Getting the message out there

The most popular way of keeping in touch with the church news is through the Facebook page which has 648 followers and reached 785 people in July. We also have a new, and more traditional, way of

getting our message on to the street – a large poster sign. This new signage will give seasonal inspiration to those passing through the village and advertising for selected major events (eg the Silvertones concert or Harvest/Christmas). The sign has been erected in memory of the late Miss May Armstrong by her family circle.

What's happening?

Girls' Friendly Society (GFS) will re-start on Tuesday 24th September at 6.30-8.00pm in the Archdale Hall. All former members and new members from three and a half years upwards will be very welcome.

Come for a mixture of activities e.g. games, music, craft work, cookery, Bible stories and especially for making friends and having fun. Come and try it out!

Lunch Club

Lunch club for seniors resumes on Friday 13 September 2019 in the Archdale Hall at 12.30 pm.

New members very welcome. To book your lunch please contact Iris Hurst on 079 7063 1135

Scouts

All sections start back week beginning 23rd September in Archdale Hall.

Squirrels (4-6 year old) Wednesday 25th 6.00pm to 7.00pm (Methodist Hall)

Beavers (6-8 year old) Monday 23rd 6.00pm to 7.15pm

Scouts (10.5-14 years) Wednesday 25th



Archdeacon Brian Harper and fellow walkers at the end of the pilgrimage.

6.30pm to 8.00pm

Cubs (8-10.5 years) Thursday 26th 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Bowling Club

The season starts with the traditional pairs tournament running from Monday September 9th with the final on Thursday 12th. After that, the club meets every

Wednesday and Saturday night for all ages.

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union meets on the first Thursday of the month and is an opportunity for friendship and guest speakers. Although the traditional name is "Mothers' Union", this is open to everyone who has an interest in family life within the context of the church. The September (5th) meeting will be held in the Parish Room at 8pm and will be a celebration of Holy Communion. There will also be a coffee morning and cake sale on Saturday September 14th 10:30am-12:30pm with a opportunity to view the new kitchen."

Church Concert in October

Country and Gospel Concert on Friday 18th October in the Church. Artistes appearing include Silvertones Male Voice Choir Church Choir, Crawford Bell, Margaret Johnston, Sarah McAlpine (Harpist), Revd. David McBeth (Compere). Admission: £10.

Thank you

A very personal word of thanks to the diocese for the opportunity to have a Sabbatical. During the time away, I had the most amazing experience walking the 500-mile Camino de Santiago in Spain. Heather and I also had the family time with my first grandchild Sarah Rose and her parents. Thank you to the lay readers and assistants and clergy who covered the services during this time and provided pastoral care in the parish.



Naomi Armstrong,
Youth Worker.

Magheraculmoney

Vacant



Curate Assistant:
The Revd Philip Bryson.

From 12.09.19:
In Charge:
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(Rural Dean).

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The summer holidays are over for another year and we find ourselves hopefully re-engaging with church after what was probably, a slower pace for the last eight weeks or so. It can be a great time to revisit what we do and how we do it and make sure that we are heading where we want to go.

It has been my great privilege to have served as Curate Assistant in Magheraculmoney Parish Church, over the last three years, most of it under the guidance and tutelage of Canon Henry Blair. I wish to pay tribute Canon Blair who has himself just recently become the rector of Tullanisken and Clonoe, for his leadership and wise guidance in showing me the ropes.

In reflecting on the last three years I have noticed elements of Church life that appear of great importance: prayer, worship, discipleship, unity within the church family, an emphasis on a church for all ages, the ability to enter the family of faith through a variety of traditional and contemporary expressions of worship and engagement, the deep need to know

biblical teaching and truth and how to apply it, living it out practically, the need to share and demonstrate the love of God in the everyday happenings of everyday life, a dependence upon the guidance and work of the Holy Spirit in all things and the most essential requirement of all, to love each other in the same way as God, our Father has loved us. This is not meant to be an exhaustive list and perhaps if I was to spend a further few minutes I would include something else but in setting out into a new academic year, at least, and autumn season, again, where are we heading this time? What are we aiming at? What are the themes, the thinking, the plans, the dreams, the strategies that are gathering to formulate and navigate our journey as we push off from summer's shoreline?

It is my hope and prayer for the church family in Magheraculmoney that they will continue to develop what they have taught me; that they would continue to be a people of prayer and worship, who love the Lord their God and desire to step out and up in faith and live their lives for Him, holding to all of the above. May they remain steadfast in the faith and know increase in that faith, to see the Spirit move in power as He brings glory to Jesus. May they themselves be guided by the Spirit in this new season in finding a person of His choice to step into leadership. My family and I will always be grateful for their kindness and generosity, their constant prayers and encouragement and owe them a debt of love for all their goodness to us. We are sad to go but look forward with faith and expectancy as we not only leave summer's shoreline but Ardess's shoreline too, on our way to a new adventure.

Ladies Night at the Movies

We had another amazing ladies movie night on Wednesday 7th August. Over 50 ladies from throughout the community

attended and were welcomed by the hospitality team with a party bag of treats and a drink. The film was on one man's life journey of faith (the writer and singer of Mercy Me and his number one song 'I can only imagine'). God's presence was very much apparent the whole evening with quite a few of the ladies moved to tears by the emotion of the story. God touched the hearts of those present and afterwards many of the women availed of prayer ministry. We also had a fabulous spread of buns and traybake together with tea and coffee and fellowship together.

Youth and Children's Celebrations

Our youth celebration weekend coincided with YWAM joining us. On Thursday 13th June, we had games and a treasure hunt leaving from The Fountain Centre and going around Kesh town. On Friday 14th, we had a family barbecue, games and night of testimony with the YWAM team and a youth worship evening on the Saturday.

On Sunday 23rd June, our Youth and Children's Leader, Shirley McCann, led the children's church prize service speaking on David and Goliath and 'Facing Your Giants'. There was a great atmosphere and enthusiasm from the children in the church. The fun atmosphere and joviality continued in the parish centre at our barbecue where we had a lovely time of fun and fellowship and delicious homemade desserts, ice-cream and jelly carried out by our wonderful hospitality team.

At the end of June, the Fountain Kids Club, Fountain Youth Club and Connect Youth Fellowship all had their own parties to celebrate the end of term.

Auction

This year the venue for the auction will be at the Ardess Parish Centre at 22 Ardess Road (opposite the church), Ardess,



Young people at YWAM.

Kesh. The auction will be on Saturday 19th October 2019. Please do consider what you can donate to the auction and also lend your support by coming along and putting in a few bids. We pray that this year will be particularly successful to enable us to clear the remaining outstanding balance on the church repairs. Check the website for more details.

Regular Events

SUNDAYS

- Morning Prayer: 9.30am
- Family Worship: 11.00am
- Children's Church (age 3+): 11.00am @ AP Church/Centre (starts 8th September 2019)
- Connect: 7.00pm - 8.30pm @ The Fountain Centre (starts 8th September 2019)
- Mullaghfarne Service 3.00pm every 3rd Sunday

MONDAYS

- Ardess Little Lambs 10.00am - 12.00 noon @ Ardess Parish Centre (starts 2nd September 2019)
- Magheraculmoney Guides (starts 23rd September 2019): Rainbows (age 4-7) and Brownies (age 7 - 10) 6.30pm - 7.45pm @ Ardess Parish Centre. Guides (age 10-14) and Rangers (Age 14+) 7.30pm - 9.00pm @ The Fountain Centre
- Revival Prayer: Mon 8.00pm - 9.00pm @

Ardess Parish Centre

TUESDAYS

- Waterworks (P3 - P7) 3.15pm - 4.30pm @ Kesh PS (starts 17th September 2019)
- Friends in the Afternoon 2.00pm @ AP Centre (starts October 2019)

WEDNESDAYS

- Wednesday Prayer: 9.30am - 11.00am
- Magheraculmoney Scouts: Beavers 6.30pm - 7.45pm (age 5-7) @ The Fountain Centre, Cubs (Age 8-10) 6.45pm - 8.00pm @ Ardess Parish Church, Scouts (Age 10 1/2 - 15) @ The Fountain Centre

THURSDAYS

- Fountain Kids Club @ The Fountain Centre 6.30pm - 7.30pm (starts 12th September 2019)
- In-Stitches 8.00pm @ Upstairs at The Fountain Centre

FRIDAYS

- Healing Prayer 7.30pm - 8.30pm @ AP Centre
- Fountain Youth Club @ The Fountain Centre (Year 8 - Year 14) 7.00pm - 9.00pm (13th September)

Special Events

- Barbecue for Revd Philip's last Sunday at Ardess - 8th September 2019
- Revd Philip Bryson's Service of Institution, Thursday, 12th September 2019
- Harvest Weekend 4th - 6th October 2019 Autumn Soul (Friday 25th - Sunday 27th October) (Year 8 +)

Baptisms

- 4th August 2019, Carter Rose Wilkin, daughter of Timothy and Hollie Wilkin, Australia.
- 11th August 2019, Effie Fearne Ellis, daughter of Grant and Sasha Ellis, Kesh.

Weddings

- 21st June 2019, Janet Spence and Jamie McCrum, Belfast.
- 29th June 2019, Cathy Beacom and Rhys Brumpton, Kesh.
- 6th July 2019, Emma Hannigan and Damien Gormley, Kesh.
- 8th August 2019, Alison Neville and Mark Hamilton, Castlederg.

Funerals

- 23rd July 2019, Evelyn Armstrong of Manoo, Kesh.
- 24th July 2019, Bernadette Lovett of Pettigo.

Magheraculmoney Harvest

4th October 8pm with Dean Kenny Hall
6th October 9.30am and 11am with Canon Harry Trimble.

Mullaghfarne Harvest

15th September 3.30pm with Mrs Eileen Cutler..

Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of the bereaved.

Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



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Dear Parishioners,

Many thanks for your prayers, visits, gifts and care during my recent period of sickness. Thankfully I will be returning to full parochial ministry over the next few weeks as my strength returns. May I thank those who have taken services and provided parochial cover in the group and rural deanery.

Praise Services

Monthly Praise services will resume on the first Sunday of September in Derrybrusk at 8.00pm.

These have been well supported and most enjoyable. We try and include all hymns chosen on the evening.

Additional Services

8th September 2019 at 3.00pm - The dedication of a memorial plaque to the local members of the Ulster Special Constabulary for duty carried out. We will also place the standard of the parish Church Lads Brigade on display in the church.

Sunday 15th September at 7.00pm in Enniskillen Cathedral, the ordination of our parishioner, Abraham Storey to the Diaconate.

Sunday 22nd of September at 10.30am in Maguiresbridge and 12.00pm in Derrybrusk we welcome the newly ordained Revd. Abraham Storey to service in the Parish.

Sponsored Walk

Provisional Date for Group Sponsored Walk. Friday 27th September from Belle Isle

Orange Hall to Belle Isle Castle and return. £10 per walker.

Harvest Festival Services

Maguiresbridge: Friday 11th October at 8.00pm

Saturday 12th October: Men's Prayer and Rugby Breakfast.

Sunday 13th October at 10.30am

Derrybrusk: Friday 18th October at 8.00pm (Feast of St. Luke).

Sunday 20th October at 12.00pm.

Please note that this year we are having a harvest gift appeal in each parish to assist with the finances of the new kitchen in Maguiresbridge and the new ventilation system in Derrybrusk.

Parish Hall Kitchen

Work continues on various fronts to bring the planning for a new kitchen in Maguiresbridge Parochial Hall to fruition. When I get back on duty I would like to hold an evening in the hall to allow parishioners to view the plans. This will be announced in church.

Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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Services

1st September Trinity 11

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

8th September Trinity 12

10.30am St Patrick's Service of the Word
3pm Kilmore Harvest Thanksgiving

15th September Trinity 13

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

22nd September Trinity 14

10.30am St Patrick's Service of the Word
12.15pm Ballinode Holy Communion

29th September Trinity 15

11am St Patrick's Harvest Thanksgiving
followed by congregational lunch.

7th October Trinity 16

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

Christian Burials

It was with sadness that we learned of the death of Edison Stewart at Castleross Nursing Home, Carrickmacross on Wednesday 24th July. His funeral service on Friday 26th July in St. Patrick's Church conducted by Revd. Colin McConaghie, followed by burial in Coolshanagh Graveyard.

We express prayerful sympathy to his sisters Mrs Pearl Breakey, Mrs Myrtle Mills and Mrs Ida McElwaine and their families and the wider family circle on their sad loss.

Sunday School

We look forward to Sunday School beginning again in St. Patrick's on Sunday, 1st September.

Condolence

We offer sincere sympathy to Mr. Jim Carleton and family on the death of his brother in Scotland.

Holiday Duty

We express grateful thanks to Mr. Roy Crowe and Mr. Keith Browne assisted by Mrs. Muriel Treacy for taking services while the Rector was on holidays.

Bowling Club

The club will commence after the summer recess on Monday 2nd September at 10.am and Thursday at 8.pm.

Mothers' Union

The members will meet in St. Patrick's Hall on Tuesday 3rd September at 8.pm when Mr

Jeffrey O' Toole will give a talk on "Over the Counter Drugs".

The October meeting will be on Tuesday 1st October featuring "A Day in the life of Walter" by Mr. Walter Pringle.

Illness

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

The Girls' Brigade

They will meet in St. Patrick's Hall on Wednesday 4th September at 6.30pm.

Ladies' Group

They will meet on Tuesday 17th September for a tour of Glaslough Village Hall with Mr Enda Galligan with refreshments afterwards in Jeremy Herrons.

Playaway Mother and Toddler Group

Will resume in the hall on Thursday 5th September 10.30am -12.00 noon.

Harvest Services

Kilmore Sunday 8th September at 3pm.
Monaghan Sunday 30th September 11am guest preacher Revd. Simon Genoe (Rector of Magheralin and Dollingstown).
Tydavnet Sunday 13th October at 3pm with guest preacher, Canon Alison Calvin, Rector of Killeshandra Group of Parishes.

Vortex Youth Group

They will meet in the hall on Saturday 21st September at 8.pm for registration and fellowship.

New Wine Conference

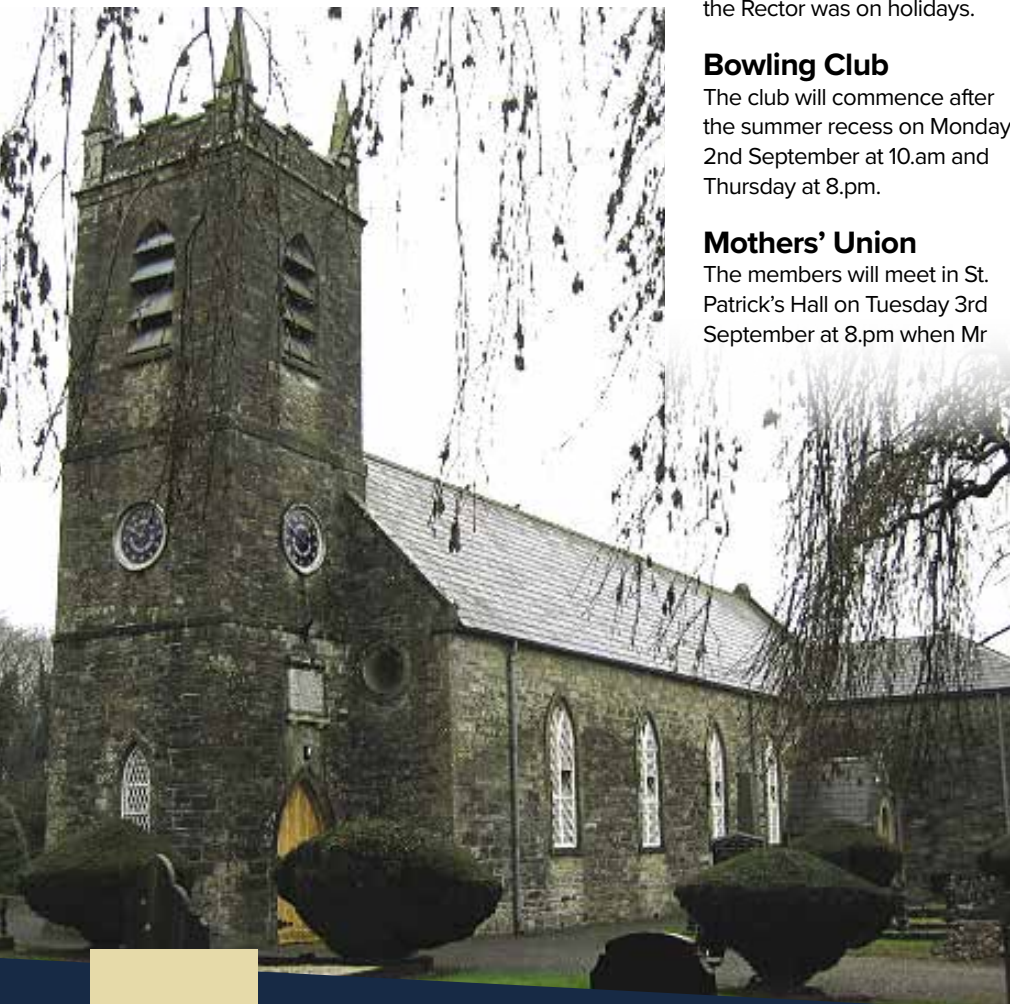
This conference took place in Sligo from 14-19th July. It has grown over the years to the point that this year the team to run the week had more people on it than the number who were at the conference the first year it happened. It was a good week of teaching, worship and fellowship for all ages from babies to children, to teens and adults. The wonderful aspect of New Wine is that no-one is too young or too old to learn more about God and his plan for their lives.

Leaving Certificate Results

Congratulations to Ella Garland, Jonathan Workman and Leah Sleator on results attained in the leaving certificate. We wish them God's blessing as they continue in their studies.

Diary Date

Monaghan Parish sale will be in St. Patrick's Hall on Friday 18th October 10.am -2.pm. Tea and Coffee will be available as well as the usual stalls and all are welcome.



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A note from the Rector

Gradually over the month of September, Sunday School and the various youth and adult organisations using our Hall will commence. Details of starting dates will be either announced in Church or placed on the parish Facebook page and Website (rossorryparish.com). I know the leaders of the various groups are busy preparing programmes of activities and we are so grateful to them for their commitment to serve the Church in this way.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

September is a time for new beginnings, and I would urge all our young families particularly those who have had children baptised in recent years to ensure your children are registered for Sunday School and brought along regularly. We welcome all children from the age of four years. A calendar will be available shortly giving the details of Sunday school arrangements for this term.

EUROPEAN HERITAGE DAY - 15TH SEPTEMBER

Rossorry Church is this year part of the programme of available properties to visit in this NI-wide weekend of opening of properties of historic and cultural interest. The church will be open for visitors from 2-5pm and we plan to have a number of 'guides' available to show visitors around. If anyone would like to volunteer to help please ring the parish office.

HARVEST SERVICES 2019: 4th – 6th October

This year we have decided to bring our Harvest weekend forward and hold it on the first weekend of October. It will be our usual pattern of services: Friday 4th October



Leanne Lappin and Chad Eggleton.

at 8pm; Sunday 6th October at 9am, 11am and 7pm. Full details will be found in our Harvest leaflet.

Your friend and Rector,
Revd Canon Dr IW Ellis



Prayer Group

The Prayer group meets at the Parish office and continues throughout the year with meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

The Prayer Group was closed for the summer but will meet again on Wednesday, 25th September 2019 at the Parish Office at 7.30pm.

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.

Summer Weddings

A busy time for the Rector as he had three weddings in a six-week period, as well as fitting in a well-earned holiday. On 20th June, Rachel Canning from Belfast

but originally from Enniskillen was married to Steven Byrne, a native of Dublin. Canon Ellis officiated.

Then on 20th July, a former parishioner, now living in Australia, Leanne Lappin (daughter of parishioners, Estelle and Jimmy Lappin) was married in Rossorry to Chad Eggleton from Australia. It was nice to see Leanne back in her old parish for her marriage. Canon Ellis officiated.

On 3rd August, two parishioners made their marriage vows in a Service of Marriage and Holy Communion. Geraldine Gillan, a native originally of Sligo and Gerry O' Callaghan of Enniskillen exchanged vows and rings before a large congregation of family and friends. Canon Ellis officiated, assisted by Fr. Albert Leonard, OP (a long term family friend of Geraldine)

Wednesday Club

The Wednesday Club has closed now over the summer but will resume meetings again in September.

The Club has been running now for 20 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.

Further details of dates and speakers appear on the Rossorry Weekly Newsheet in church or online at rossorryparish.com

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



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Rossorry Parish hosted an information evening supporting the Support Our Stroke Services campaign.

Fermanagh Stroke Support Group

As part of the ongoing local campaign to try to save the Stroke Services at the South West Acute Hospital, Rossorry Parish held an information evening at the Parish Hall on Thursday 20th June last. Attended by local councillors, a large number heard about the consultation process and took the opportunity to complete a written submission to the consultation process. Thanks to Councillors Howard Thornton and Robert Irvine for their time and attendance.

Sunday School

The date for Sunday School has not been finalised at the time of writing. Please keep an eye on the Weekly Newsheet or on our Website (rossorryparish.com) for announcements.

It will be important for parents to enrol with the children to ensure Safeguarding principles are upheld.

Scouts and Guides

At the time of writing the restart dates for Scouts and Guides are not yet available but will be in early September.

There are always spaces for new members in these very active units. This is a healthy and active social group which helps guide young people into useful skills and socialisation.

Rossorry Ravens Explorers

As we write the Rossorry Raven Explorers group are off on a three-day expedition (photo right), canoeing and camping around Lough Erne as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award. Never a dull moment!!

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

Parent and Toddler Group

The Parent and Toddler group will soon be starting up again. The response to this has been amazing. It provides a safe space in the Parish Hall for toddlers to meet and play under the supervision of a parent or



grandparent and is a happy and social setting. Details will appear on the Rossorry Weekly Newsheet in church or online at rossorryparish.com

Mothers' Union

The first meeting after the summer break takes place on Thursday, 19 September when the speaker will be Mr Rodney Connor, about the work of Air Ambulance NI. Everyone welcome.

Arts & Crafts Classes

Classes were closed for the Summer but will surely run again in September. Make a note in your diary and be sure to let us know early if you want to join in.

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.

Services

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday 1st September

9.00am Holy Communion.
11.00am Holy Communion with Holy Baptism

Sunday 8th September

9.00am Holy Communion.
11.00am Morning Prayer.
7.00pm Evening Prayer (Rector away on Sunday, 1st September)

Sunday 15th September

9.00am Holy Communion.
11.00am Morning Prayer.

Sunday 22nd September

9.00am Holy Communion.
11.00am Morning Prayer

Sunday 29th September

9.00am Holy Communion.
11.00am Holy Communion

Parish Register

Bereavements

Sadly, since the publication of the last magazine, one of our parishioners has



Geraldine Gillan and Gerry O'Callaghan following their marriage.



Rachael Canning and Steven Byrne.

passed away. The parishioners of Rossorry offer their most sincere condolences and prayers for the grieving family. KIRKPATRICK, Kathleen Veronica (Mona), died peacefully at home after an illness on Thursday 1st August 2019. Her funeral service was held at Rossorry Parish Church at 3pm on Saturday 3rd August 2019, followed by burial at Cross Cemetery, Enniskillen.

Marriage

■ On 20th June 2019 Rachel CANNING from Belfast and Steven BYRNE from Dublin

were married at Rossorry Parish Church. Canon Ellis officiated.

■ On 20th July 2019 Leanne LAPPIN (former parishioner now living in Australia) and Chad EGGLETON were married in Rossorry Parish Church. Canon Ellis officiated.

■ On 3rd August 2019 Geraldine GILLAN and Gerry O' CALLAGHAN (both parishioners) were married in Rossorry Parish Church. Canon Ellis officiated assisted by Fr. Albert Leonard. OP.

God's blessing on their lives together in the future.

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Once again we enter the season of Autumn. There still remains the work of harvesting some of the crops, apples, grain and root vegetables. We see the leaves begin to change to a rich variety of colours. This reminds us all of the passage of earthly time. But as the Church we celebrate God's blessings to us at our harvest services, we also focus on the great harvest of souls at God's great harvest on unknown day which

Christ will return.

In Matthew 13 v 24-30 Jesus told the parable of the weeds and then it is explained in verses 36-43. "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of the Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the Kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one. The enemy who sows them is the devil, The harvest is the end of the age."

God seeks to sow the seed of his word in our lives, and just as the farmer sows seed and expects a response to his word in our lives, a growth, fruit and a harvest of true Christian living. The sowing of the seed of God's word happens every time God's word is read to us, explained and we read it ourselves.

Jesus did also tell the parable of the sower and four responses to the sowing of the seed. The hard ground where the seed makes no impact and is easily taken away. The rocky ground where the seed grows but responses are poor and weak because it can't penetrate deeply. The ground is generally good, but the weeds of sin are still there and are stronger and so a good response is stifled. Then the good ground where there is a variety of good response. The question is how are you responding to the sowing of the seed of God's word in

your life? Do you take time to let the seed be sown in your life? What good would it be if a farmer had a field prepared to sow seed and didn't bother to sow the seed.

God has created us, loves us and wants us to enter into a personal relationship with him as "Our Father". This can only happen when we come to trust in Christ as our Saviour, let the Holy Spirit into our lives (Galatians Chapter 5 v 22). The evidence the seed has been sown is shown to the world around. Then we will be ready for death and the great harvest of souls who will be gathered into the New Heaven one day.

Harvest Services

TEMPO

- Friday 27th September 8 p.m. Mr. Keith Browne.
- Sunday 29th 11-30 a.m. Family Service - Mr. Colin Morris (Crosslinks)

CLABBY

- Friday 4th October 8 p.m. Revd. David Cupples.
- Sunday 6th 10-15 a.m. Family Service - The Rector.

Coffee Morning

Saturday 7th September Tempo Parish
Coffee Morning 10-30 - 1 p.m. Proceeds to Church Funds.



The presentation of Wood Beads to Jean Armstrong of Tempo Scout Group.

Mothers' Union

Tuesday 10th September 8 p.m. Tempo Church Hall – Speaker; James Armstrong on his work with the Prison Fellowship.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jean Armstrong from 1st Clabby and Tempo Scout Group who was recently awarded her Wood Beads from the County Commissioner Mrs. Kat Armstrong. Jean was also presented with a Certificate and Medal of Merit from the Chief Commissioner of Scouts in London. Jean had started her training and her service in Scouting in February 1979. This was presented on his behalf by Mrs Kat

Armstrong. Our Scout Group was formed in 2003. Here is some of the details that had been forwarded to the Chief Scout; "Jean has always been very proactive in maintaining a good amount of young leaders within her group, this is due to her infectious enthusiasm for Scouting and the local youth in her area, She has maintained the highest standard of programme and the delivery of the same and I am amazed at the feeling of family when I visit the group. Jean has dealt with all the struggles a small rural group can have but by being a perfectionist in all she does in Scouting she has always managed to continue to shine" Jean feels that she couldn't have achieved this award without

the leaders who have help and encouraged her. Also to the parents who have sent their young people along week by week. Lastly to the young people themselves it is truly a pleasure to work with you all and the fun we all enjoy means so much to me. I completed my first training in February 1979 but as we all know you never stop learning and that is the great thing about the scout movement they encourage all people no matter what your ability's are to try your best.

Baptism

23rd June, Grace Elaine, daughter of Alan and Cherith Smyton, Ramaley Crescent, Clabby.

Trory and Killadeas

Vacant

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

Revd John Woods, Rural Dean is in charge with **Mrs Sue Hogg, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant**, assisting with pastoral care.

As the summer months draw to a close, the evenings are getting a little shorter and cooler. We do hope that your summer has lived up to expectations.

Children of all ages will be starting school for the first time or returning to new classes or new schools or colleges. We wish them all well and pray for them and all who work in the education system.

The Church and all the organisations that go with it to make up our family will be getting back to doing their good work with volunteers giving of their time and experience. We are most thankful to all our volunteers.

Services

Church Services will continue as normal 11.30am with Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month. Sunday School will resume in the same format on Sunday 15th September.

Trory Harvest

- 11th October at 8pm with Canon Eric McGirr.

- 13th October at 1.30am with Canon Peter Wilson.

Killadeas Harvest

- 27th September at 8pm with Revd Isobel Nixon.
- 29th September at 10am with Canon Harry Trimble.

Bereavements

We offer our condolences to the Cuthbertson family on the death of their brother, to Ella Coalter on the death of her sister and to Annie Lee on the death of her sister-in-law.

Prayers

To all who are in hospital, have been in hospital, recovering from treatment or sickness we wish you a speedy recovery and be assured of our prayers for you.

Church Parade

On 28 July we had our Royal Black Institution parade accompanied by Trory Accordion Band and it was great to have Canon Trimble back with us for the Church Service.

Mothers' Union at Killadeas

The Club will reconvene on 10 September at 2.30pm at Killadeas when it is intended that the events for the upcoming year will be planned. All visitors are welcome and proceeds will go towards Air Ambulance NI. The Mothers' Union had a busy time over May and June.

On 10 May members attended the service at Rossorry Parish Church when the Trory-Killadeas banner was carried by Mrs Shirley Johnston.

On 23 May the Spring Council meeting was held at the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen and it was there that Mrs Gladys Armstrong presented numerous knitted items including 40 Trauma Teddy Bears, baby hats and a special knitted blanket. The items were to be forwarded to South West Acute Hospital for use in the Neo-Natal Ward.

On 5 June Indoor Members from both parishes attended Holy Communion at Maguiresbridge and had a wonderful time. Everyone appreciated the entertainment provided by Samuel Watson singing and playing the guitar. Thank you Samuel.

Tuesday Club

The Club will reconvene on 10 September at 2.30pm at Killadeas when it is intended that the events for the upcoming year will be planned.

Ladies Keep Fit

Classes are planned for September 18th 7.30pm at Trory Church Hall, Ballycassidy. Everyone is welcome and all abilities will be made welcome and catered for.

Bowling Club

After a short recess at the end of August, the winter programme will commence at the beginning of September on Thursday and Saturday evenings.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September 2019

- Sunday 1st September – **Open Walled Garden event** at Corick House and Spa, Clogher from 1pm to 8pm, when all donations on the day will be generously given to the St. Macartin's Cathedral Repair Fund. Complimentary tea, coffee and a tray bakes will be available.
- 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.
- Friday 6th September – **Derryvullen South Parish Barbecue** will be held at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall, Tamlaght. Proceeds in aid of Church Funds and Hall Funds.
- Friday 6th September – **Kilskeery Parish Barbecue** planned. Further details later.
- Friday 6th September – **Derryvullen South Barbecue** will take place at the church hall when the Parish looks forward to an evening of food, fellowship and fun.
- Saturday 7th September – **Galloon Parish Auction** in the Church Hall, Newtownbutler at 12 Noon. Already there are some good items and more have been promised. Donations of items for auction are always welcome. For information or to arrange collection of items contact William Little, Phone 02867738676
- Saturday 7th September – **Aghavea Parish Tractor Run** from the Church Hall. More details later.
- Saturday 7th September – **Coffee Morning** in Tempo Church Hall from 10am - 1pm.
- Sunday 8th September – **Dedication of Memorial Plaque** at a service in Christ Church, Maguiresbridge at 3pm to the local members of the Ulster Special Constabulary for duty carried out. The standard of the Parish Church Lads' Brigade will be displayed in the church.
- Thursday 12th September – **Service of Institution of Revd Philip Bryson** as Rector of Kilskeery and Trillick Group of Parishes at 7.30 pm in Kilskeery Parish Church.
- Friday 13th September – **Harvest Thanksgiving and Gospel Music Evening** with Lynda Lindsay, in Slavin Church, Belleek at 8 pm. Everyone welcome to come along and enjoy Harvest Supper.
- 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
- Sunday 15th September – **Service of Ordination** on the Sunday evening in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen.



EUROPEAN HERITAGE OPEN DAYS 2019

this year part of the programme of available properties to visit in this NI-wide weekend of opening of properties of historic and cultural interest.

- Sunday 15th September – **European Heritage Day** when Rossorry Parish Church will be open for visitors on Sunday from 2-5pm. Rossorry Church is
- Tuesday 17th September – **Public Talk by Revd David Latimer** on 'My Bumpy Road to Peace' based on his book A Leap of Faith', recounting his remarkable friendship with Martin McGuinness in Mahon's Hotel, Irvinestown beginning at 7pm.
- Saturday 21st September – **Coffee Morning** from 10.30am - 1.30pm for St. Mary's Errigal Portclare Building Repair Fund in St. James' Church of Ireland Hall in Aughnacloy (kindly granted). Everyone warmly invited.
- Thursday 26th September – **Clogher Diocesan Synod** at 5.30pm in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen beginning with a Service of Holy Communion in St Macartin's Cathedral.
- 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.
- Friday 27th September – Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk Parishes **Sponsored Walk** from Belle Isle Orange Hall to Belle Isle Castle and return. £10 per walker.
- Friday 27th September – **Ecumenical Harvest Service** St. Mary's, Glennan at 8pm with Donagh Community Choir. Preacher: Revd. Lorraine Capper.
- Saturday 28th September – **Aghavea Parish Auction** in the Parish Hall. More details on the parish facebook page.
- Sunday 29th September – **Enniskillen Memorial fundraising 'Big Sing'** takes place St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen when St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church Choir along with the Methodist Church Choir and the Presbyterian Church Choir will join with St Macartin's Cathedral Choir. As churches together they would like the community to gather together to raise money to assist in completing this project. This successful agreed outcome has produced a plan which integrates the existing memorial into a larger memorial which will visually connect the War Memorial to the Enniskillen Memorial. It will be a very fitting tribute to those who lost their lives. Target for the project £15,000.
- Sunday 29th September – **Garrison Church Friends' Service** in Garrison Parish Church at 4pm. A chance to welcome back and chat with old friends and meet new acquaintances. We are delighted to welcome Strule River String Band to this informal service. Light refreshments will be served at the interval. There is no entry charge but a collection will be taken up

towards church funds and ongoing church refurbishments.



- Monday 30th September – **Farm, Fellowship and Faith** will take the form of a health meeting for Colaghty Parish at 8.00pm at the parish hall. The farm health bus will, DV, be available from 5pm - 9pm for farmers to avail of, although this will require pre-booking. For more details, contact the Rector.

October 2019

- Tuesday 1st October – **Marshall Beresford and Church Fabric Fund** deadline for applications.
- Sunday 6th October – **Annual SEFF Service** will be held in Templecarne Church at 3pm conducted by Revd Charles Eames. Revd Canon Ngozi Njoku will be the speaker.
- Monday 7th - Sunday 13th October 2019 – **Colaghty Parish Mission** Thy Word is Truth' excluding Saturday, with speaker Revd William Anderson, formally Tullaniskan and Clonoe. Monday to Friday services re at 8.00pm and Sunday evening at 7.00pm. Sunday morning service at 11.30am with Jeff Gawn. This mission will incorporate our harvest weekend services with light refreshments in the hall each night.
- Friday 11th October – **A Country and Gospel Concert** in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Drumate RBP 992 takes place in the Union Hall, Newbliss at 8pm. It will be hosted by Gary Wilson and all are welcome. Tea served afterwards and admission is €10.
- Saturday 12th October – **Harvest Barn Dance** in Lisbellaw Parish Centre at 8pm with Jason Kilfedder.
- Saturday 12th October – **Men's Prayer and Rugby Breakfast** in Maguiresbridge Parish Hall. The event coincides with the Rugby World Cup in Japan when there will be matches featuring New Zealand v Italy, England v France and Ireland v Samoa, all taking place during the morning
- 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 15th October – **Quarterly Deadline for receipt of Music Bursary applications.**
- Friday 18th October – **Monaghan Parish Sale** will be in St. Patrick's Hall from 10am -2pm. Tea and Coffee will be available as well as the usual stalls and all are welcome.



• Friday 18th October – **Country and Western Concert** in Magheracross Parish Church, Ballinamallard at 8.00pm. Artistes appearing include: Crawford Bell, Margaret Johnston, Revd David McBeth, Sarah McAlpine (Harpist), Silver Tones Male Voice Choir and the Church Choir. Proceeds from the concert are going towards the new kitchen in the Archdale Hall. Admission: £10. Tickets available from Vestry members.

• Saturday 19th October – **Magheraculmonee Parish Auction** in Kesh. The organisers are looking for any pledges you may be able to make that can be auctioned off as well as auction items.

• Sunday 20th October – **Annual Service of Remembrance** in All Saints, Mullaghfad at 3.00pm with members of Fivemiletown Royal British Legion and Lisburn Royal British Legion attending. Friends and visitors will be most welcome.

• Monday 21st - Monday 28th October 2019 – **Devenish Parish Bowling Club Annual Tournament** takes place in the Reade Hall, Monea on Monday 21st October, Wednesday 23rd October, Thursday 24th October, Friday 25th October with the finals night on Monday 28th October. Entries to William Harpur (02866341237).

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

• Thursday 24th October – **Grand Charity Concert** promoted by Deryvullen North Parish at the Killyhevlín Hotel, Enniskillen. Doors open at 7.15pm and curtain up at 8.00pm sharp. The concert will be starring Cathy Durkin, White Lightening, Shawn Cuddy, Tony Kerr, Family Affair plus Ireland's No 1 Elvis, Andy Rogers. The compere will be Ivan Kee. Tickets £15 from Tom Reid's, St Michael's Bookshop, MR Financial Services, Leslie's Coffee Shop and the Killyhevlín Hotel. The total proceeds will go to the Cardiac, Intensive Care and Stroke Units.

• 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.

• Sunday 27th October – **Special Service of Music** conducted by Dean Raymond Ferguson with professional organist, Dr Joe McKee OBE MA Hon FGCM will be held on Galloon Church at 3.30pm.

• Wednesday 30th October – **Musical Evening** in St Mark's Parish Church, Aghadrumsee with Revd Dr. Jean Mackarel.

• Thursday 31st October – **Priorities Fund deadline for applications.**

November 2019

• Saturday 2nd November – **Lisbellaw Parish Auction and Sale of Cakes** at 12noon in the Parish Centre.

• 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

• Saturday 9th November – **Concert organised by Clogh Parish** with Larne Cross Community Choir in the hall at 7.30pm. Supper served and tickets £10.

• Thursday 14th November – **35th Annual Variety Concert** will be held in the Youth Hall, Tullyhommon (kindly granted) at 8pm. The guest artist will be Kenny Archer with various other local artists performing. Please support this annual event which is enjoyed by all.

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• Friday 22nd November – **Kesh Rural Deanery Youth Event** at 8.00pm in Colaghty Parish Hall. The evening is open to all young people across the Kesh Deanery and beyond. The speaker will be Hannah Arnold of Christian Action Research and Education (CARE) on relevant topics making the news at present.

• Sunday 24th November – **175th Anniversary of Drummully Parish Church** will be celebrated with a joint service on Sunday, 24th November at 3.00pm, the Feast of Christ The King. This is to be officiated by Bishop John McDowell. Supper will be served



afterwards in the Church Hall. Everyone will be made warmly welcome.

• 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.

• Friday 29th - Saturday 30th November 2019 – **Lisbellaw Parish Presents their play, Dancerella** at 7.30 in Lisbellaw Parish Centre.

December 2019

• Monday 2nd - Friday 13th December 2019 – **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** led by Clogher Diocese to Israel and is open to anyone both inside and outside the Diocese. Anyone requiring further information should contact Chancellor David Skuce at Tel. 00353749136187/07764221963.

• Friday 6th December – **Christmas Concert** for St. Mark's Parish Church, Aghadrumsee with the Ferguson Family.



March 2020

• Sunday 8th March – **Favourite Hymns** in St Mark's Parish Church, Aghadrumsee at 3pm with Revd Olivia Downey.

May 2020

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

• Sunday 10th May – **Picnic at Crom** for St. Mark's Parish, Aghadrumsee 200th anniversary year.

• Friday 22nd - Monday 25th May 2020 – **Inishmaccsaint Mothers Union Trip** Please contact Robena 02868641569 for further details.

June 2020

• Saturday 6th - Sunday 7th June 2020 – **Aghadrumsee 200th Anniversary ending weekend** with display of wedding dresses and christening gowns and dress up Sunday.



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MOTHERS' UNION



From Left: Bishop John McDowell, Mr. and Mrs John Irvine, Revd. Charles Eames(Diocesan Chaplain), Liane Armstrong and Myrtle Allen.



Ladies who attended the Tea Party.

BISHOP'S INDOOR MOTHERS' UNION MEMBERS' AFTERNOON TEA

Indoor Members and friends enjoyed the fellowship of an Afternoon Tea Party in Maguiresbridge Parish Hall. Indoor members are unable to attend meetings on a regular basis and this is an annual event for them organised by the Indoors Members' Contact, Dr. Margaret Knox. Bishop John welcomed all present. The afternoon commenced with a Holy Communion Service celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Clogher Diocesan Chaplain, Revd Charles Eames. Samuel Watson sang accompanied by his guitar during administration of the Sacrament. Following communion, all were treated to a delicious afternoon tea prepared by MU members of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk branch. The afternoon concluded with the usual hymn singing accompanied by Dr Knox on the piano. Mrs Norma Bell, All-Ireland Indoor Members Contact was also present.

DIARY DATE:

The Autumn Council will be held in Aghavea Parish Hall on Thursday 24 October at 8.00pm.



The ladies from Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk Parishes who hosted the Tea Party.





Ladies who attended the Bishop's Indoor Mothers' Union Members' Afternoon Tea.



Attending Spring Council meeting

Above: Members of Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher MU enjoying their meal before the summer break. They are (from left); May Somerville, Florence Earls, Jan Corrie and Joy Graham.

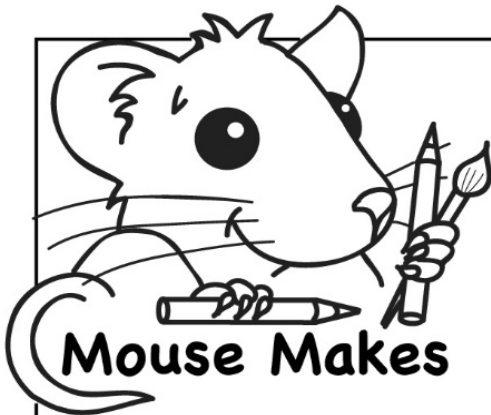
Valerie Thompson, Joan Brownlee and Gladys Armstrong.

Members of Mothers' Union around the Diocese attended the Spring Council meeting in May.



Left: Dorothy Adams and Elizabeth Hazlett
Above: A group of Mothers' Union members at the Spring Council.

CHILDREN'S SECTION



What is your most valuable treasure?

The Bible tells us that the most valuable thing you can ever have is something that can **NEVER** be lost, broken or stolen.

The most **valuable** thing you can have is to be **friends with God** through Jesus.

Read: Matthew 6:19-21

The LOVE of money is at the root of all sorts of what?

_____ *1 Timothy 6:9-10*

What should you be on your guard against?

_____ *Luke 12:15*

What did Jesus ask the rich man to do?

Read: Luke 18:22-26

What is it good to be rich in?

_____ *1 Timothy 6:18-19*

What two things can't you serve at the same time?

_____ and _____ *Matthew 6:24*

What is better than gold?

_____ *Proverbs 6:16*

Who supplies all your needs?

_____ *Philippians 4:19*

What is like a hidden treasure?

_____ of _____ *Matthew 13:4*

Who has all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge?

_____ *Colossians 2:2-3*

How many other words can you make from...

TREASURE IN HEAVEN

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Mt 2:1-12, Mk 9:1-8, Lk 5:17-26

The Pharisees had come to Jesus' home in Capernaum to make sure he wasn't breaking any of their religious rules...

So many came to hear Jesus speak that they filled his house...



and the streets outside.

Four men brought their paralysed friend to Jesus for healing



But the crowd wouldn't let them get close



so they climbed up to the roof and took off some tiles.

They lowered their friend down, right in front of Jesus



Jesus was so impressed by their faith, he said to the paralysed man



Your sins are forgiven.

The Pharisees were shocked!



Only God can forgive sins...so this fellow is insulting God!

But Jesus knew what they were thinking.



Why are you thinking such wrong thoughts?

Is it easier to say 'Your sins are forgiven' or 'Get up, take your mat, and walk'?



But I want you to know that I do have the authority to forgive sins...

Get up, take your mat and go home!



He got up, picked up his mat and walked home, praising God



The crowd was amazed...



We have never seen anything like this!

YOUTH PAGES

Mission trip to Uganda 2019 with Elliott Hanlon

Some may remember that two years ago I travelled to Uganda with the Church of Ireland and Methodist chaplaincy at Queens University Belfast, more commonly known as 'The HUB'. The memories have stuck with me ever since. Over the past two years I have felt God working and planting seeds in my heart to head back. So, on May 31st I got out my suitcase and away I went for another two weeks.

Over the academic year we, the team, met, planned and prayed over our trip asking God to write our path and use us for the growth of His kingdom. We designed crafts, worship, bible stories and games to play with the kids. Upon landing in Kampala we soon realised God has his own wonderful plan which we hadn't a clue about!

Our first week was spent based in two teams. Like last time, part of our team went to work with a crisis pregnancy centre called Waakisa who work with teenage girls who have become pregnant in difficult circumstances. The other half of the team, which I was in, travelled out of the city and worked in a primary school where we helped construct a new toilet block for the school, funded through generous donations from the team fundraising in Northern Ireland.

As well as building we were able to minister to the school children, sharing bible stories, memory verses, worshipping together and playing games. I came away from this school with strong memories of the teacher's passion and drive to serve Christ. One morning we arrived with our building plans for the day and before we got off the bus the head teacher said we were going to start our morning with worship and prayer – the building would wait. His love for God radiated in everything he did, through his teaching, through his words and even through his football. I can honestly say that almost nothing this week went as we planned. I found myself building walls relatively quickly and as quickly knocking one back down, which I quickly fixed with the help of some locals!

While we were there, there was a public holiday and Ramadan, which usually would



us to do there. We again taught scripture through drama, we worshipped our almighty God, we 'assisted' them in their skill workshops and believe it or not a legend called David McCartney shaved his head to spend time with some of the boys. On our first day, completely unplanned, we led prayer ministry for these boys, around half came up for prayer, maybe for their first time. This took my breath away. It shook me that among those coming forward,

mean the kids would be at home. But God sent them to the school for us to minister with them. I think that day he ministered to us through them. On our last day at the school we split up and offered prayer ministry to the children. I had the privilege to pray with each member of the primary seven class. This was an incredible insight of how God was working through their teacher and into the heart of these young people.

And that was just one week.

We re-joined the Waakisa team at the start of the second week. As a team we were not only physically, but also emotionally drained. We had been planning for this second week for the last six months, intending to head out onto the streets and work alongside Abaana in their street reach programme, which works with street children. Here they teach bible stories, feed the children, and provide basic medical care for them, all while counselling them and making them feel loved by Christ. Except that was our plan, not God's.

On the Monday morning of our first day in this ministry we sat down in our briefing room and were told: "Today you are not going to street ministry, you are going to be ministering in a remand home". God sent us to share the Gospel to around 200 young people in a prison. Needless to say, we were all apprehensive, but after some prayer and worship we hopped on the bus and travelled to the remand home. Over the next four days each member of the team was individually used and blessed through Christ. God knew exactly what he needed

four Muslim boys came to me and asked for God in their lives. This I will never forget, hunkered down on one knee surrounded with boys wanting prayer, and helping a young man give his life to God for his first time. God is alive.

Almost everyone who has spoken to me about my trip upon returning home have asked; 1, Did you love it – yes. 2, Would you go back – yes 3, Was it different from last time – completely

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their prayers and support over the last few months. Without God this trip would not have been possible.

Currently in Uganda the government are working to introduce new legislation with reference to street children. Please remember this in your prayers. Pray that Abaana would be able to use this change to glorify God's kingdom and continue to minister to our brother and sisters in Christ. That God's kingdom will continue to erupt in Uganda; that the ministry Abaana have developed will thrive and shine in Uganda. Please also remember teams as they travel back home over the summer, especially as they process what they have encountered during their time serving.

Until next time?

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting me both financially and prayerfully, allowing me to serve Him in Uganda 2019.

*In Christ
Elliott Hanlon*

DIOCESAN NEWS

Bishop McDowell writes open letter to Prime Minister of UK

Dear Prime Minister,

Now that the campaigning has ended and the governing must begin I wanted to write to you about the matter of the Border on the island of Ireland, which is close to where I live. Indeed, the Diocese of Clogher, which I serve, includes all of County Monaghan in the Republic of Ireland and County Fermanagh in Northern Ireland. It wouldn't be an exaggeration to say that my Diocese transcends the Border.

No doubt many others representing many people and interests will have communicated with you on this subject before. So I would first reassure you that I am writing as someone who has always recognised the almost impossible difficulties and stresses placed on those who have a vocation to public life, particularly politicians.

I cannot claim to represent a huge electorate or to have any specialist knowledge. But sometimes an individual should say things which might otherwise go unheard in the cacophony of other, better-known voices; the alternative would be to simply wither in the silence of exhaustion.

As Bishop of Clogher, I have a vocation to care for people on both sides of the Border and a responsibility to pray for both British and Irish Heads of State and their peoples, day by day. Although that is principally a spiritual job of work, it would be hypocritical of me to pray for something without actively working to achieve it. Besides, spiritual wellbeing needs a material basis on which to live.

So, although our priorities and the methods we use to achieve them may be different, I think it is fair to say that our goals overlap; nowhere more so than in the current difficulties surrounding Brexit and the Border, which (very worryingly) give every impression of escalating towards a crisis. For those of us old enough to have lived through longest civil conflict in post-War Europe, the very word "escalation" is resonant with overtones of lived horror and real tragedy. As such, it is reassuring that those in power on both sides have repeated their desire to find answers to the Brexit/Border conundrum problems that protect what has been achieved here since 1998.

What your Government chooses to do to that end will be inevitably one of historical magnitude.

Government's role is to use the very substantial resources of the State to sift evidence, consider policy options and plan a way forward. In so doing it should take into account the needs of society as a whole, i.e. to seek the common good. In light of this, the worst thing a Government can be is irresponsible or careless. No Government should commit a country to a course of action in which the consequences were so opaque as to be

incalculable. It would, therefore, be both logically and morally correct for a Prime Minister to give deep pause before allowing a no-deal Brexit.

But I principally wanted to write to you about the Border.

The Border and the problems which it poses for any form of Brexit are not only technical or technological issues. Nor are they simply issues to do with trade or security matters. Expressed in the starkest terms, the Border is the background against which all political and much cultural life in Northern Ireland (and in a more limited way in the Republic of Ireland) is worked out. Some people like the Border and others do not, but positively or negatively, consciously or unconsciously, it is pivotal to how politicians and people here assess almost all policy alternatives.

For this reason alone, any big change which has an impact on the Border is unavoidably complicated and inevitably charged with emotional and symbolic significance.

After a period of relative obscurity, it now appears that everybody is fascinated by the Border. It is interesting, for a while, to be at the centre of the world's attention. But on the whole I think many of us would rather have been left alone.

For a political border, it is very beautiful in places. That is largely because of the hundreds of small farms looked after by hundreds of sturdy farmers along its length. There isn't much money in it for most of them, but if you ask them why they don't move to somewhere less difficult to farm they say "You can't roll up the land and take it with you". The long term well-being of men and women like these, and their neighbours all along the border, requires and deserves a clearly spelt-out, sustainable agreement between both sides. This is so that they have not only that material basis necessary for civilised living but also hope for their children's future. Neither peace nor prosperity are possible without hope.

I think it was the great English public figure and man of Letters Thomas Babbington Macauley who said of Ireland that "the molten lava of the past flows hot and dangerous under the thin crust of the present".

The ground on which people build and grow in the Border region feels particularly fragile today. It is almost possible to feel the heat of the past burning the soles of our feet. So, please, in your consideration of the future of this place: tread carefully. And with deep and genuine concern I would ask you to be very conscious of the legacy your Government will leave.

Rt Revd. John McDowell is Bishop of Clogher

This article first appeared in the Daily Telegraph in July.

Uganda mission trip was ‘enriching’ experience for 11 participants

After three years of planning and fundraising, the team of 11 members of Holy Trinity Fields of Life Team set off for their mission trip to Uganda on 15 July this past summer.

The team comprised nine from Holy Trinity Church, Dromore; Gordon Deazley, Sharon Deazley, Charles Kenwell, Jonathan Keys, Andrew Quill, Joanne Quill, Hannah Quill, Eveline Smith and Matthew Smith and two from Donacavey Parish, Fintona; Geraldine Beattie and Cyril Browne. Some had been to Uganda previously while for three, it was their first time to visit the country.

Their work involved building a dormitory for up to 50 girls to ensure they stayed safe at Kigina Dignity Primary School in the Rukungiri area of Uganda.

In 2016 Team Leader, Gordon Deazley set about putting together a team and planning fundraising which included street collections, cake sales, a gala ball, auctions, sponsored walk and more efforts by the church community and beyond. Over 500 reusable menstrual pads were made for the older children in the school and suitcases were packed with bras, knitted hats, blankets, clothing and medical equipment to share with the community and the local hospital.

While in Uganda, the group purchased 600 basins, 1,000 handwashing soaps, 600 laundry soaps, 400 tubes of toothpaste and 400 toothbrushes for distribution in Rukungiri.

The team were based at the school for 10 days, receiving a tremendous welcome on their arrival. The children, teachers, parents and grandparents sang and danced, waved posters and shook hands as they led the mission team up the dirt path to the school. A spokesperson said, “This warmth continued throughout our stay as we shared in building work, teaching in the



The local people with basins, soaps and tubes of toothpaste donated by the Dromore mission team.

classrooms, handcraft with the children and the community, sewing school uniforms, sharing in worship, playing with the children and working within the community.

“As every day passed, we grew to love this school and the community more and more. They opened up their hearts and homes to us as we moved among them. Many tears were shed as the team left to journey to Kampala.”

The team also stopped at Hope Life Primary School, Burunga, in the Lyantonde District. Some members of the team had spent time there previously, building the school, staff quarters, a cookhouse, sinking a well and much more. Again, the welcome was wonderful and everyone had a tour of the school, whose numbers had increased from 147 to 518.

They also visited Hope Comprehensive Secondary School in the Kalungu District

and shared in their Sunday worship, and also met some of the children who had gone on to study at the school from Hope Life Primary School, Burunga.

On reflection, the team members went through many emotions; delight at going home to see family and friends, pride in everything that had been achieved, glowing in the many friendships rekindled and the new friendships made.

“More importantly the team had thankful hearts that God had granted safe travel, that everyone was kept free from illness and grateful that we had had the opportunity to serve God, encourage each other in our faith and work with our brothers and sisters in Christ to help improve the facilities at the school,” said the spokesperson.

“The lives of this team of 11 people have been enriched and strengthened by their time in Uganda.”



Mission team workers complete the roof of the building.



The team of 11 members with Julius, their driver and Peter and Doris, interpreters visiting the Equator in Uganda.

CARRICKMACROSS GROUP IN MALAWI WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Lorna Doran and Rev Colin present Carrickmacross Lace to Emma and Angela for their new homes.



The team on the first day of the build.

Carrickmacross mission team satisfied that new homes would provide a safe haven for families in Malawi

The group of 17 people from Carrickmacross Group of Church of Ireland churches comprised mostly of Church of Ireland parishioners with a couple of friends from St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church spent several weeks in Malawi with Habitat for Humanity in July. They were greeted by singing and dancing, a speech from the Village

Chief and hordes of school children who seemed to abandon class for the day to get a glimpse of these people who had come to visit their village to build houses.

A spokesperson explained; "We got to meet Emma and Angela and their families who would be moving into the two newly built homes. Emma is 16-years-old and lived with her mother who has lost most of her sight due to an eye infection and her younger sister Levia who is nine. Angela is 18 and has lost both her parents and was temporarily living with her grandmother Florence and her younger siblings Alena, William and Levison. Both families had been selected by Habitat for Humanity alongside the ZOE project in Malawi as the most vulnerable in the village under their Orphans and Vulnerable Children Scheme on which any family who qualifies for a new home is surviving on less than \$1 a day and living in very poor conditions. "Angela and Emma along with family members and friends contributed to the building of their new homes by helping with work on site. The girls fetched water to mix mortar and the young men mixed the cement and did a lot of heavy lifting. Also on site were four trained masons employed



David McElwaine working with Habitat builder, Sofas.

by Habitat for Humanity Watson, Stanley, Sofas and Paul under the guidance of the Habitat foreman Ishmael. They gave guidance on laying bricks and teaching some Chichewa, the native language of Malawi.

"We took time out from building to visit two other houses built by Habitat for Humanity in the wider district of Dowa and we were

taken on a tour of Kachulu Village where there was no doubting the need for and the importance of safe and weather tight housing.

"As the building was completed the whole community came out to celebrate and you could sense the joy within the entire village that these two young women; Emma, Angela and their families now had a safe place to call home.

In the speeches Anna from Habitat Malawi, an elder of the local church and the Village Chief all thanked the team for working with Habitat for Humanity to help provide these two new houses.

Revd Colin McConaghie and Lorna Doran (team leaders) presented both families with a framed piece of Carrickmacross Lace and photo of the team to remind them of the link between our community and theirs. Speaking on behalf of the team Revd Colin told the village

how the team were only able to help build the homes because of the support of the whole community of Carrickmacross. Every member of the team had had their lives changed because of the warmth of the people of Kachulu Village. Prayers were said for the team and the village.

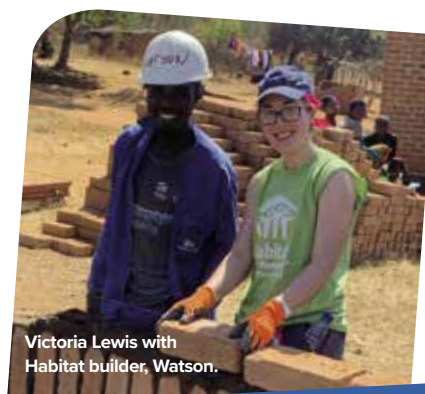
The team also met Father Matthews, a good friend from his time in St Joseph's. Richard Malone presented a donation to Father Matthew's from the team to help with projects in his new parish. Reflecting on the trip, Eleanor Howell spoke of; "the wonderful way the older children looked after the little ones, everyone seemed so happy even though they had so little."

Finola O'Brien reflected how she was; "humbled by the whole experience, they had nothing in a materialistic sense but they have everything love of their neighbours, community spirit, no bitterness or resentment."

Freddie Merrin felt; "we could learn a lot from the people of Malawi about happiness, community spirit and how money really isn't everything."

Philip Keegan spoke of how "it was about one small community on one side of the world getting together to help another small community in an entirely different part showing that humanity can come together to work as one."

"It was a wonderful privilege for each of us to be able to serve God and the people of Malawi through the work of Habitat for Humanity whose mission that every person deserves a suitable home truly answers Jesus call in the Gospel to reach out in love to those who are most in need wherever they are," said a spokesperson.



Victoria Lewis with Habitat builder, Watson.

Revd Canon Robert Marsden

Many people from the combined parishes of Clones, Currin, Newbliss and Killeevan and the Diocese of Clogher were sad to hear of the death of a beloved Rector, Canon Robert William Marsden.

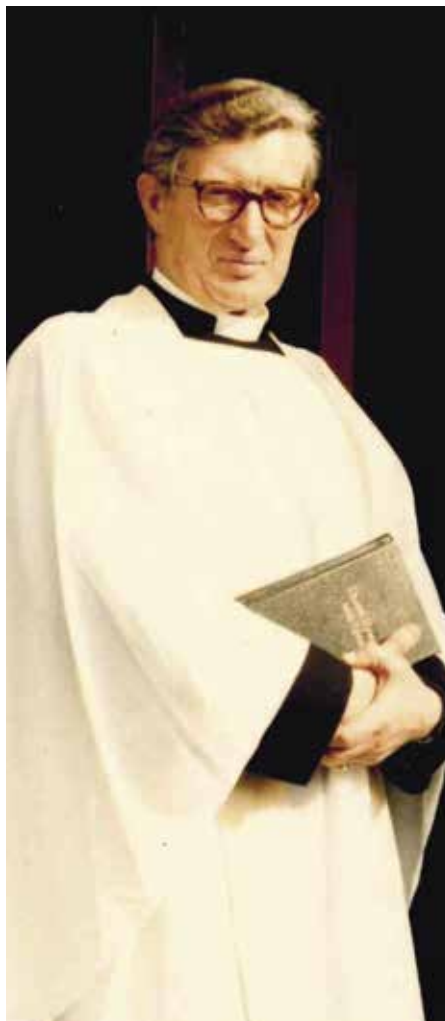
He died peacefully at Mount Tabour Nursing Home, Sandymount, Dublin on 9 July 2019, having been given the gift of old age.

Robert William Marsden was born in 1924, the second of nine children. After attending Mountjoy School, Dublin, like so many young Irish men he enlisted for active service to fight for peace and freedom during the Second World War. He trained with the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and landed in Mulberry Harbour, Normandy, in 1944 as part of the 1st Battalion, Hampshire Regiment. He served with the seventh armoured division of the Devonshire Regiment (known as the Desert Rats) and remained with them until the end of the war, taking part in the Battle of Arnhem and many other notable battles.

He was awarded France's highest decoration, the Chevalier de Legion d' Honneur, in January 2016, by the French ambassador to Ireland, Jean Pierre Thebault. His younger son, David, remarked that his father was deeply humbled, yet immensely proud of the award given to him by the government and people of France.

When he returned to Ireland after the war, Robert Marsden entered Trinity College Dublin to study Divinity and was ordained a priest of the Church of Ireland in 1950. In this same year he married the love of his life, Miss Betty Kirkpatrick. They were married for 67 years and were blessed with three children: Joy, Gerald, and David. Mrs Marsden died peacefully in 2018.

Revd Marsden began his ministry as curate of St. James's Church in Dublin, followed by five years in the Mission to Seamen in the port of Dublin. In 1958 he became Rector of Currin and Drum



in the Clogher Diocese, and in 1966 he was appointed Rector of Clones and Killeevan where he ministered until his retirement in 1994. During this period he was appointed Canon of Clogher Cathedral and later Precentor, a well-deserved title as he had a great interest in (and fondness for) Church Music. His parishioners were delighted when he received these well-deserved appointments.

A quiet, unassuming, gentle rector, his was a calm compassionate voice to his parishioners during the terrorist campaign along the border area for most of his time of ministry. As he was later to remark, all he wanted was for the old spirit of comradeship to return, and he hoped and prayed

that one day it might. His ministry was important to him and he visited his parishioners regularly and took a great interest in their families. He loved being a country Rector, and, as his son suggested, Canon Marsden's energy and enthusiasm helped him to labour as those he ministered to – whether that was with a scythe, an axe, or a spade. He was, of course, a great gardener!

He certainly loved the people of his parish with a deep sense of his pastoral calling. He was a man of many talents and designed the beautiful banner for Killeevan Mothers' Union. He had a great sense of humour and a wonderful memory for names and people, right up until the end of his years.

At his funeral, Archbishop Dr. Michael Jackson reflected on that special generation of Church of Ireland clergy. He noted that while it was about a quarter of a century since Canon Marsden's time in Clogher, he was still remembered with immense fondness by many people. In his tribute he remarked the following which sums up so much about this remarkable man:

"In the diocese of Clogher, where I knew him all my life, Canon Marsden is remembered for his faithful pastoral service and for his instinctive commitment to the community in all its local variety.

He was faithful to God, Faithful to his Church, and Faithful to the people. His watch word was 'Service'. And now comes the time when he joins the roll of those who have run the race. The words of the last hymn sung at his last service in Clogher are perhaps a fitting tribute:

*O let me see thy footmarks and in them
plant my own,
My hope to follow duly is in thy strength
alone
O guide me, call me, draw me
Uphold me to the end
And then in heaven receive me,
My saviour and my friend.*

NEW DEACONS AMONG FIRST FROM TRAINING FOR OLM

Two Diocesan readers in Clogher Diocese, familiar to many congregations are to become among the first in the Church of Ireland to be ordained as Deacons following their training for Ordained Local Ministry.

Abraham Storey and Colin Brownsmith will be ordained to the Diaconate by the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd John McDowell at a service in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday evening, 15th September.

They will then spend a further year based in a parish before being ordained for the Priesthood. Both Abraham and Colin are being ordained after year one because they were both experienced Diocesan Readers.

The Church of Ireland, along with the Methodist Church in Ireland, has been developing training for Ordained Local Ministry (OLM).

An ordained local minister will not be an incumbent of a parish but will be someone who can exercise some leadership role within a local congregation.

Both Abraham and Colin say they have been supported throughout by their families.

Abraham thanked his wife, Gertrude and Colin paid tribute to his wife, Flora Olivene (Olive) as well as all those who had encouraged them including Bishop McDowell and tutors.

Galloon parishioner is ordained for the Church of England



Dean Kenneth Hall pictured with Revd Michael Hutchinson who was ordained with eight others by the Right Revd Dr Jill Duff, Bishop of Lancaster in the Cathedral Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, Blackburn on St Peter's Day, 29th June 2019.

Revd Michael Hutchinson, originally from Galloon Parish, Newtownbutler, educated at Portora Royal School and a former member of St Macartin's Cathedral Choir, was ordained for the Church of England in June. A former mathematics teacher, he said he was inspired by Dean Kenneth Hall and Monsignor Peter O'Reilly at a joint Carol Service in Enniskillen. He is married to Elise, 30, originally from Laventie, France and Dean Hall took part in their wedding service in France. They have one daughter, Emma (2) and Charlie a few months old. About his training, he said: "Studying theology. I have been able to love the Lord our God with significantly more of my heart, soul, strength and mind during training because of the way training works at St Mellitus."

He said his parents were the most influential people in his Christian life.

About his future role, he said; "I will go where God takes me and do what I believe I hear God telling me to do. I anticipate this will be around Christian welcome and unity."

Bicentenary Celebration Events

Cootehill Co Cavan Church of Ireland

Harvest Weekend

Concert with 'Hardtimes Chorus' from Bailieborough
Saturday 14th September at 8.15pm. Admission €10

Harvest Thanksgiving Service with guest preacher Bishop Ken Clarke
Soloist Lorraine Vance, Arva
Sunday 15th September at 3.00pm (refreshments to follow)

Bicentenary Book Launch

Friday 1st November 8.00pm

All events are in the church

Further details on Facebook [cootehillgroupcoi](#)

NEWS FOR VESTRIES

Grant opportunities for parishes from National Churches Trust

The National Churches Trust has announced a number of grants for parishes. Application periods will vary, depending on the grant.

FOUNDATION GRANTS - FOR MAINTENANCE

The Foundation Grant Programme is currently open. The next deadline will be 26 September 2019 (for a decision in November).

The Foundation Grant Programme offers grants of between £500 and £3,000 towards urgent maintenance works and small repairs identified as high priority within a recent Quinquennial Inspection or Survey Report. Also, small investigative works and surveys. Project costs should not exceed £10,000.

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Follow the link below to review the full eligibility criteria, to read the guidance notes and to link to the online application form.

<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/foundationgrants>

GATEWAY GRANTS

The Gateway Grant Programme is currently open. The next deadline is 12 September 2019 for a decision in November.

The Gateway Grant Programme offers grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 towards project development and investigative work up to RIBA planning stage 1, to support churches preparing for a major project, and in developing their project to the point at which they can approach a major grant funder. Grants will never exceed 50% of the project costs for this phase.



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Follow the link in the red box below to review the full eligibility criteria, to read the guidance note, and to link to the online application form.

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CORNERSTONE GRANTS

The Cornerstone Grant Programme is currently closed. It reopened at the end of August and the next deadline will be 4

November 2019 (for a decision in March 2020).

The Cornerstone Grant Programme offers grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 towards the cost of major urgent structural repair projects costing at more than £100,000 including VAT.

We will also consider projects that introduce kitchens and accessible toilets to enable increased community use, costing at more than £30,000 including VAT. Grants will never exceed 50% of the project cost. Please do watch our video about our Cornerstone Grant Programme. You can find out more and apply online at the bottom of this page.

Applicants who met the March 2019 deadline can expect a decision in Mid-July 2019; Applicants who met the July 2019 deadline can expect a decision in Mid-November 2019.

Future deadlines will be 4 November 2019 (with a decision in March 2020), 2 March 2020 (with a decision in July 2020) and 6 July 2020 (with a decision in November 2020).

Follow the link below to review 2019's eligibility criteria and guidance note.

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All details found at the following websites;

<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/foundationgrants>

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<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/cornerstonegrants>

Priorities Fund now open for applications

The Church of Ireland Priorities Fund is now open for applications.

Contributions to the fund come directly from Church of Ireland parishes and, since its establishment in 1980, over €17 million (£14 million) has been distributed in grants.

FOUR CATEGORIES ARE CURRENTLY SUPPORTED BY THE FUND:

- Training – lay and ordained;
- Christian education;



- Outreach initiatives; and
- Innovative ministry in a rural context.

The Priorities Fund website provides

more detail about the above criteria and also allows for applications to be completed online: <https://priorities.ireland.anglican.org>

The closing date for the receipt of completed applications is Thursday, 31st October 2019.

For more information, please contact Gordon Woods at Church of Ireland House, Dublin, on 00 353 (0) 1 4125 636 (9.30am-1pm, Monday-Friday) or via email: priorities@ireland.anglican.org

CLOGHER DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING TRAINING DATES THIS AUTUMN

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As part of the recently updated Safeguarding Trust policy and procedures, all future training (panel members, staff and volunteers) will be undertaken by the Diocesan Support Team (DST) who have been established to carry out all safeguard training within Clogher Diocese as well as conducting parish panel evaluations. Everyone who attends safeguarding training will receive a certificate which will be valid for three years after which they will be required to attend refresher training. The diocese will maintain a register of all those who have attended training. This means the diocese will have accurate records of all those who have been trained.

A number of parishes have taken the initiative to carry out their own safeguarding training. This is very much appreciated and the Bishop would like to thank all those who have been involved in this very important work over the last number of years. Looking to the future, the Bishop wishes to have all training co-ordinated and delivered by the DST. If anyone has been involved in this training and would like to assist in any future training, then please let Michael Skuce know (Contact details below). A number of training dates have been secured for the autumn months within each of the rural deaneries. The training is limited to 20 people and is on a first come first served basis.

DATE	LOCATION	RURAL DEANERY
16 September 2019	Irvinestown Parish Centre	Kesh RD
25 September 2019	Tempo Parish Hall	Clogher RD
1 October 2019	Monaghan Parish Hall	Monaghan & Clones RD
3 October 2019	St Macartin's Cathedral Hall	Enniskillen RD
8 October 2019	Lisnaskea Parish Hall	Clones RD
10 October 2019	Magheracross Parish Hall	Kilskeery RD

ALL THESE TRAINING EVENTS WILL START AT 7.30PM SHARP.



If a parish or group of parishes are able to provide a group of around 15 - 20 parishioners, then a specific training date can be arranged. If you would like to take

up this offer, then please let Michael know and he will try and arrange a specific night for training.

If you would like to book a place for any of the above dates then please contact Sabrina McCabe in the first instance in the Diocesan Office or Michael Skuce.

The contact details are as follows: -

SABRINA MCCABE

Tel: 028 6634 7879 (option 1)
email: sabrina.clogher@gmail.com (available Tuesday - Thursday between 9am and 12noon)

MICHAEL SKUCE

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Seminar to explore receptive ecumenism

The concept of receptive ecumenism will be the subject of a seminar which will take place in the Church of Ireland Theological Institute on Wednesday, 9th October, from 7.30pm to 9.15pm. The seminar is being run by the Anglican and Ecumenical Affairs Working Group of the Church of Ireland Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue.

The focus of the evening will be on the latest report of the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC-III), *Walking Together on the Way*, and the seminar will be open to any interested people (with attendance limited to a maximum of 50). Admission will be free.

The seminar will be addressed by two ARCIC members, Bishop Christopher Hill, from the Church of England and Monsignor Mark Langham, Roman Catholic Chaplain at University of Cambridge.

Walking Together on the Way focuses on receptive ecumenism – the principle that asks first what one's own tradition can learn from another, rather than being first concerned about what other traditions can learn from one's own. Formally practised, it is a relatively new approach to ecumenical dialogue.

The formal contributions will be followed by an opportunity for questions and answers. Spaces at the seminar are limited. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Canon Ian Ellis, Chair of the Anglican and Ecumenical Affairs Working Group, at ian.m.ellis@btinternet.com

Disestablishment 150 marked with special events

Disestablishment has seen a renewed focus on parishioners as a developing and evolving spiritual community. It has enabled the Church to find afresh its independence and mission. It has conferred freedom for laity and clergy to develop a synodical way of life and understanding and to engage with confidence with those of other traditions.

Recognising these positives, the Church of Ireland is planning to commemorate the 150th anniversary through a number of initiatives in 2019 and 2020 at national level entitled 'Free to shape our future'. The Church of Ireland Youth Forum was the first event of the 2019 commemorations marking the 150th anniversary of Disestablishment with the theme of the forum being 'Free to shape our future'. The official launch of the National Programme will begin at the opening commemorative National Service in Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin on 23rd November 2019 with the Archbishop of Canterbury as preacher. It is hoped to have a service in autumn 2020 in St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast, to close the programme. Other projected events include a colloquium in the Church of Ireland Theological Institute on 30th November 2019, architectural walking



tours incorporating the key sites in Dublin during Heritage Week 2019 and 2020 and a symposium at the Royal Irish Academy on Thursday 27th February 2020. There will also be a small exhibition within the Representative Church Body Library and a small exhibition that will travel to the Cathedrals across the Church of Ireland.

It is also projected that a cultural exchange take place in 2020 between the Church of Ireland and the Church of Wales who will be commemorating the centenary of their own Disestablishment from the Church of England in 2020.

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A range of resources to help parishes to prevent scams is now available on the Church of Ireland website at www.ireland.anglican.org/scamwiseni. The four main Churches are supporting the Scamwise NI campaign, which highlights how to spot scams and encourages people who have become victims of scams to seek assistance. The Scamwise NI campaign relates to Northern Ireland but, as many scams cross borders, members of the Church who are living in the Republic may also find this advice helpful. Clergy and parishioners living in Northern Ireland can take part in one or more of the following ways:

- Showing the Scamwise NI PowerPoint slide as part of the church announcements;
- Sharing Scamwise NI leaflets with relevant groups (copies are available by contacting the Church of Ireland Press Office on 028 9082 8880);
- Learning about the different types of scams by visiting www.nidirect.gov.uk/scamwiseni;
- Asking for assistance at their local Post Office;
- Talking openly about the risks of scams and encouraging people who may have been scammed to contact the police.

Remember – if an offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is, but if you can spot a scam, you've got the power to stop it.

Call to mark World Creation Day of Prayer

Green Anglicans are urging churches to join in with World Creation Day of Prayer on Sunday 1 September.

The day marks the start of an annual celebration of prayer and action to protect creation called the 'Season of Creation'.

The season, which begins on 1 September and runs through to the Feast Day of St Francis on 4 October, is set to be celebrated by tens of thousands of Christians around the world. Volunteers organise a range of events and activities in their own communities from prayer services to litter



SEASON OF CREATION

clean ups or advocacy actions.

This year's theme is the 'web of life' and resources, available now on the Anglican Communion website, are designed to help churches reflect on the destruction of the web of life and pray for those who suffer most because of that loss.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Church buildings to open during European Heritage Weekend



Rossorry Parish Church.



St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher

Two church buildings in Clogher Diocese will be opening their doors to visitors during the European Heritage Open Days on 14 and 15 September.

Rossorry Parish Church, located at 162 Ballaghmore Road, Enniskillen BT74 7HB

will be opening on Sunday afternoon, 15 September only from 2pm-5pm. The church has an interesting history and recently marked its 175th anniversary.

St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher will be open during the Heritage Weekend on

Saturday from 10am-1.30pm and on Sunday from 10am-4pm. The Cathedral which sits at the top of the hill in Clogher, has one of the finest archives of records and is the original seat of Clogher Diocese. All buildings are open during the weekend free of charge.

ST. SALVATOR'S CHURCH AND THE LESLIE FAMILY



One of the historic churches in Clogher Diocese, St. Salvator's Church, in the Parish of Donagh, Glaslough, was the subject of a talk given by the Minister in charge, Revd. Lorraine Capper during Heritage Week in the Republic of Ireland in August.

The church boasts one of the finest apsidal chancels in Ireland. Revd Lorraine based her talk, given twice during the week, on various extracts taken from Donagh Parish Vestry minutes.

The church dates from 1666 built by Bishop John Leslie.

Then, she said, the parish was responsible for repairing the roads and assisting the poor. Orphans and "foundlings" were left in the care of the Parish.

Frequent references to people being reimbursed for taking on "orphans" as apprentices or taking in "foundlings", providing them with food and clothing, ensuring that they were taught to read and write and brought up as Protestants. Payments were made to people for transporting "foundlings" to the "foundling hospital in Dublin."

Some of the entries noted that in 1702, the sexton rang the church bell every night from September 29 to March 1. Money was set aside in 1760 for the rebuilding of the church with repairs to the steeple made in 1782.

In April 1791 there was reference made to money being apportioned for the building of a new gallery and in 1796 seats in the church apportioned to various parishioners for payment. Regarding an ecumenical matter, in 1797, £40 was laid on to assist the rebuilding of the chapel near Glennan, then in a ruinous condition. The design of the War Memorial outside the church entrance was submitted by the Rector.

In terms of parish re-organisation, the amalgamation with Tyholland parish was agreed in the 1950's.

The Leslie family have many connections with the church, having paid for or provided contents.

There have been many weddings in St. Salvator's Church including that of Sir Paul McCartney to Heather Mills in 2002, kept secret.

This year, there have been seven weddings in the church.

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