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YOUR MAGAZINE IN SEPTEMBER

Welcome to the printed edition of the Clogher Diocesan Magazine.

We apologise that due to Coronavirus (Covid-19) restrictions, we were unable to print and distribute the magazine for April, May, June and July/August as normal but these were available to read free online on the Clogher Diocesan website.

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Front Cover

Revd Mark Gallagher, Rector of Trory and Killadeas, harvesting salads and vegetables from the raised beds he created at the Rectory. He only arrived to the parishes in June and has been enjoying fresh produce for a number of weeks. See Page 55.

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RESTRICTIONS ON SINGING AND MUSIC EASED AT CHURCH SERVICES

Updated guidance from the Church of Ireland responding to Coronavirus Covid-19, now provides for "quiet" singing in church with organ playing also permissible.

However these further relaxations do come with restrictions.

Those attending church are strongly recommended and encouraged to wear face coverings indoors at Church where possible.

Moving forward, churches can cautiously consider permitting those wearing face coverings and social distancing at least two metres whilst attending church services to participate in singing, provided it is done so at a quiet level. Those not participating in singing should be invited to meditate on the words.

Wind instruments should not be played indoors and the decision whether to play a pipe organ should be based on a risk assessment along with adherence to cleaning guidance and social distancing.

Music should not be played at volume levels that make normal conversations difficult.

Choir practices should be avoided unless essential, and if taking place public health and safeguarding requirements must be observed.

Harvest Thanksgiving services can take place, however keeping in mind that extensive cleaning is required where there are more than two services in a church within a 72 hour period, churches may wish to consider holding any additional Harvest Thanksgiving service, over and above the Sunday morning service, on a Wednesday or Thursday evening.

Harvest displays should not be passed on to individuals after the harvest services end.

FOR FULL UPDATED GUIDANCE SEE PAGES 50-53

PARISH NOTES

Aghadrumsee, Clogh & Drumsnatt



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Thank you

Once again we would like to express our sincere thanks to all who contributed to our Facebook services, to all our readers and musicians but especially to Captain David for the time and effort he has put into each service. We would also like to thank Dean Raymond Ferguson for his enjoyable and thought-provoking weekly reflections.

Church reopening

Further to meetings of the Select Vestries, a decision was made to reopen our churches for worship on Sunday 6th September. Government regulations including social distancing will be adhered to at all times



Taking part in a recent Holiday Bible Club.

and we would ask everyone to follow the directions of the Churchwardens upon arrival to ensure the safety of all.

Holiday Bible Club

We would like to thank Jonathan Graham and his helpers from Child Evangelism Fellowship for running the annual Holiday Bible Club this year in challenging circumstances due to Covid 19. All activities were held outdoors and we were blessed with favourable weather.

Baptisms

Two baptisms took place recently in Aghadrumsee Church. Katie Violet, daughter of Kyle and Lorraine Leary was baptised on Sunday 9th August and Lois Ashley, daughter of Clive and Lisa McVitty on Sunday 16th August. May God richly bless both families at this special time.

Congratulations

The marriage of Amanda Johnston and Lee Kilfedder took place in Clogh Church at the end of July. We wish them every blessing in their married life together.

Sympathy

It was with sadness we learned of the death of Mrs Myrtle Fleming, a faithful member of Clogh Parish. She was a member of the Select Vestry, Mothers' Union and the Choir. Our sympathy is extended to her son William, daughters Dorothy and Meave, daughter-in-law Valerie, sons-in-law Raymond and Noel, her grandchildren, brother Jack and the entire family circle. Sympathy is also extended to the family and friends of the late Mrs Olive Egerton whose burial took place in Clogh recently.

Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



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SERVICES

Sunday 6th September

10.45am Colebrooke HC
12.15pm Cooneen HC

Sunday 13th September

10.45am Colebrooke MP
12.15pm Cooneen MP

Sunday 20th September

10.45am Colebrooke MP
12.15pm Cooneen MP

Sunday 27th September

10.45am Colebrooke MP
12.15pm Cooneen Holy Baptism

FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Matrimony

On Thursday 20th August 2020, in Holy Trinity, Cooneen, the wedding of Miss Zelda Primrose, daughter of Mairead and John Primrose and Mr Harry Lyttle, son of

Jacqueline and Ian Lyttle, took place. Mrs Joanna West, the bride's sister was Matron of Honour and Mr Alex Rooney was Best Man. We wish God's richest blessing on the happy couple as they begin the next exciting chapter in their lives together.

Parish Organisations

At present the parish organisations will not be resuming as normal, due to the ongoing Covid 19 situation. When they are able to resume, they will be held as follows:

Girls Friendly Society

Girls Friendly Society will meet 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

When the Scouts re-commence they 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

When they are able to resume, the Bowling Club meets in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 7.45pm.

Bowls - We would encourage anyone interested to come along, give it a try whilst having fun and fellowship with other members. All age groups welcome.



The Rector, Revd John McClenaghan with Miss Zelda Primrose and Mr Harry Lyttle following their wedding.

Aghavea



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From the Registers

Marriage

10th July 2020 - Allan Greenaway and Christianne Link, Brookeborough.

Baptism

9th August 2020 – Hannah Jane, daughter of Jonathan and Melissa Sey, Brookeborough.

Parish Life in the New Normal

It seemed impossible that the world could change as quickly as it has this year. At our Watchnight Service at the end of 2019, we shared our hopes and dreams about the incoming year. Our prayers included a prayer that God would guide us through all the challenges and difficulties we would face in the incoming year – and this prayer was probably the most important paper of the evening! We are aware that the infection “R” rate is still rising in Northern Ireland, and we are not prepared to risk introducing any increased risk at this stage.

As I write these notes, we can only guess what restrictions will still be in place when



At the wedding of Allan and Chrissie.

the magazine is ready to distribute! As we continue to meet in the Parish Car Park throughout August, we have taken the decision to continue to meet there until at least Sunday 20th September. At our Annual Easter Vestry on 15th September we will discuss the matter and announce the result at that stage.

Please bear with us as we continue to closely monitor the developments, and I am confident that when the appropriate time comes, we will be ready to start immediately!

Drive-in Church

We continue to thank everyone who has supported us throughout the past months, meeting in strange circumstances, yet continuing to meet as the church in Aghavea. We are aware that we have had visitors from other parishes who still don't feel comfortable returning into a building just yet. We are delighted to accommodate them at any time, and will welcome the time when they will feel comfortable within their own parish church again.

In the last edition of the magazine, I referred to the Drive-in services as “the first step in returning to the normality of church”, however it seems that this is the “new normal” for the foreseeable future. Within our own building, we believe that we may only be able to host around 45-50 parishioners in the congregation and would have to turn anyone extra away – a position I never want to think about. In the meantime, we will continue to meet each Sunday at 11am, and all the services will be streamed live on the rector’s Facebook page, which can be accessed using the address <http://www.facebook.com/johnny.mcloughlin>. If you don’t have Facebook, don’t worry – the videos are all public, so anyone can see them. We have welcomed some international visitors to our online services, with Manbobh (India), Sunny (Nigeria) and others regular in their comments and prayers. As we pray for those overseas, they are also praying for us in Aghavea. In a sense, despite the lockdown, we have developed links across continents! It has also been a revelation to watch folks who have never been “tech-savvy” or having any interest in smartphones or computers appearing online – and enjoying much more contact with their families than ever before!

Services

We continue our daily services each Monday to Friday at 10.30am and 5.30pm, using Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer, and a Celebration of Wholeness and Healing on Wednesday evening. We have continued to pray for any and all of the requests we have been given – and we have been reassured that many of the names have had dramatic responses to their situations.

We continue to stream our services on Facebook, where they can be streamed at any time (at the same address above). If you have any prayer requests, you can send them to Aghavea@gmail.com or send them via the Facebook page. The requests only need to include a name, no explanation is necessary as we entrust them into God’s hands, and he knows their needs better than we ever could!

Our parish website is <http://aghavea.blogspot.com> and always has up to date news and information about the parish. We have also started a parish Whatsapp group (if you’re not sure what that is, ask your children or grandchildren). If you would like to be added to the group, you can do so by dropping a text to the rector at 07488371680. The group is a light-hearted effort to keep in touch with each other.

Bible Fellowship

Our Bible Fellowship has restarted, in a completely safe and socially distanced setting in the Church. Meeting fortnightly on a Wednesday evening, our next meetings are on 9th and 23rd September, at 8pm each evening. We will be continuing our study of Jacob, Joseph and the early history of God’s chosen people, continuing towards Moses during October. Feel free to join us, and the notes from each evening will appear online afterwards.

Easter Vestry

It seems strange holding our Easter Vestry in the same month that we should be preparing for our Harvest – however, we were unable to meet during April due to the Pandemic. We will be meeting on Tuesday 15th September in the Parish Hall – again,

all social and physical distancing will be observed – to appoint new members to the Select Vestry, and to discuss the pertinent issues of the day. All are invited to this meeting. Please consider supporting the vestry – especially as they have successfully guided us through the renovation of our building.

Thanks

The Rector, the Vestry and parishioners would like to thank all those who have worked so valiantly throughout the past few months. We are indebted to those who organise the car park each Sunday – Kenny, Norman, Frances, Blayne, Kim, David, Linda and Amanda – no matter the weather, they are there each week!

We would also like to thank Yvonne, Helen and their team for organising a Treasure Hunt around the village in July, and an Evening Walk around Colebrooke Estate. Whilst donations are still coming in for the Evening Walk, the Treasure Hunt raised over £1200!

Congratulations

I am aware that several of our young people received their latest exam results recently, and in these ever-changing times, I am more than aware that the grades and marking schemes are still not settled, but I hope you are rewarded for your hard work!

Congratulations to Allan and Chrissie Link, whose wedding was postponed from the very start of the lockdown until we could meet again in church on 10th July. Their patience and understanding was exemplary, and we wish them all God’s blessings for their future.

Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno



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Re-opening of church buildings

Following the Irish Government’s decision to bring forward the re-opening of church buildings to Phase 3 of the roadmap to ease restrictions, we were able to open all three churches in our group of parishes for public worship on Sunday 5th July. Many thanks to all those who helped to ensure that the necessary protocols and procedures were followed so that the churches could re-open safely (see pictures) - in all instances the health and safety of parishioners, clergy and readers is paramount. These measures have been put in place for our protection and safety, and to comply with health authority and Church protocols and recommendations. We hope that they will help everyone feel safe. Furthermore, we ask for everyone’s

patience and understanding as we all get used to the “new normal”.

N.B. If you (or a member of your household) feel ill or are displaying symptoms of Covid-19, or if you have an underlying health condition or compromised immune system, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO CHURCH – do not put your own health, or the health of others, at risk.

Although attending church services is different in many ways to what it was like six months ago, at the same time, it is also the same as we gather together as members of a Christian community to worship God, to confess our sins, to hear his word and to bring our prayers and praises to him. Thus, the fundamental things are unchanged and it is the same God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, whom we worship. As the Letter to the Hebrews

reminds us, "He is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Heb 13:8).

Please continue to remember in your prayers all those affected by the Covid-19 virus, those who are fearful or isolated, all healthcare staff, those who have to make decisions with regard to how to contain this virus, those who are trying to find suitable treatments and vaccines for the virus, everyone who has become unemployed as a result of this crisis and all who have been affected in any way.

Holy baptism

■ Ella Jane Tate was baptised on Sunday 12th July in St. Colman's Church, Clontibret. We congratulate her parents, Darren and Suzanne, and pray that the Lord may always guide and protect them as they care for her.

■ Jamie Sydney Johnston was baptised on Sunday 9th August in St. Colman's Church, Clontibret. We congratulate his parents, Andrea and Noel, and pray that the Lord may always guide and protect them as they care for him.

New readers wanted!

We are looking for new readers in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney. If you would like to assist with this important parish ministry, please speak to Janet Hill or the Rector.

Easter Vestry meeting – Muckno Parish

The Easter Vestry meeting for Muckno Parish was held in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney, on Wednesday 5th August at 8 p.m. Details of the appointments/elections at same are as follows
Incumbent's Churchwarden: John Adair
Incumbent's Glebewarden: Rachel Collie
People's Churchwarden: John Montgomery



The church ready for worship.

People's Glebewarden: Janet Hill
Parochial Nominators: Ethel Coulter and Harriet Hill
Diocesan Synodsperson: John Montgomery
Parochial Supplemental Nominators: Martha O'Connor and Doreen Hearty
Supplemental Diocesan Synodsperson: John Adair

Members of the Select Vestry:

Ethel Coulter
Doreen Hearty
Harriet Hill
Shirley Rusk
Martha O'Connor
Audrey Hill.

At a subsequent meeting of the Select Vestry, Audrey Hill was elected as

secretary and Janet Hill was elected as treasurer.

Returning to school/college

Best wishes to all who are returning to school or college this month. We are sure you are eager to see your friends and hope you enjoy learning in a structured setting again.

Visit to Castleblayney Garda Station

The Rector was invited to visit Castleblayney Garda Station during the summer to sign a book of condolence for the late Detective Garda Colm Horkan who was tragically killed in Castlerea, Co. Roscommon, last June. We give thanks for the valuable work which the members of An Garda Síochána do in the local community on our behalf and for the vital role which they play in ensuring the well-being of every citizen.

Muckno Parish Sunday School

The children of St. Maeldoid's Sunday School had their end-of-year service at the Family Service on Sunday 12th July. Every child received a book in recognition of their hard work and learning during the past year. Thanks were expressed to the Sunday School teachers, Martha and Lynn, and all those involved in any way, for their dedication and for all the time they put into this important ministry in the parish.

Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those from our group of parishes who have been unwell, lonely, troubled or saddened in recent months.



Sanitisers in place for in-church worship.

Carrickmacross Union, Magheraclone and Ardragh



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Services

(All services are subject to change, for latest updates see our group of parishes facebook page):

Wednesday 2nd September

NO midweek Holy Communion

Sunday 6th September

Morning Prayer St Finbarr's 10.30am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Morning Prayer Magheraclone 12noon

Wednesday 9th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 11.00am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Sunday 13th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Holy Communion Magheraclone 12noon

Morning Prayer Ardragh 1.15pm

Wednesday 16th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 11.00am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Sunday 20th September

Arise and Shine St Finbarr's 10.30am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Service of the Word Magheraclone 12noon

Wednesday 23rd September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 11.00am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Sunday 27th September

Open-air Outdoor Harvest Festival Service (To be confirmed)

Wednesday 30th September

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 11.00am (also live on our parish Facebook page)

Magheraclone Outdoor Service

The annual St Molua's Day Service took place in Magheraclone on Sunday 9th August. We were delighted to be joined for the first time at this service by our guest



St Molua's Open Air Service.

speaker, Revd Martin O'Kelly, Rector of Kingscourt Union of Parishes. Revd Martin shared from personal experience of how the hope of God's unfailing love guides us through grief and other times of hardship. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions we had no singing at the service but our organist, Lorna Lewis played a piano solo of 'I The Lord of Sea and Sky.' A highlight of this annual service is always the delicious refreshments which unfortunately we could not have this year but we look forward to next time. It was wonderful to see so many at the service and to see everyone enjoying a chat while keeping to social distancing.

Harvest Services

With restrictions around Covid-19 likely to remain in place for the time it is impossible for this year's Harvest Festival Services to go ahead as normal with beautifully decorated churches full of people.

Given the limited number of pews in each of our churches there simply is no room for inviting guests along or visiting each other's churches. We will also be unable to hold our annual Parish Harvest Supper in the Jackson Hall.

However, we still feel it is important to celebrate this special time of the year so we have decided to try an open-air service in a venue to be confirmed on Sunday 30th September as we give thanks to God for the gift of the Harvest. We will also once again be collecting non-perishable food donations on behalf of Carrickmacross Foodbank.

If the weather is against us, we will look at moving the date or alternatively celebrate the Harvest in each church during normal service times.

Harvest Gift Appeal

Covid-19 has affected many aspects of the life of our parishes over the past few months and its impact will continue for some time to come. While the worship and witnessing life of our parishes will always be our priority, we cannot ignore the fact that parish finances have been hit hard by the pandemic. While many parishioners have been faithful with their weekly giving even when the buildings were closed, our income is well down on previous years and we have had to cancel a number of fund-raising events.

To help meet the financial cost of running our parishes we are planning a one-off gift appeal this harvest time. We will be writing to all parish households asking if you can support in anyway with monetary gift to the parish to support your church in these uncertain times.

We acknowledge this has been a difficult year for everyone and we thank you all for your continued support. If anyone outside of the parish would like to make a donation please contact Revd Colin.

Parish Organisations

With the ongoing restrictions and uncertainty around Covid-19 we will be holding off on restarting parish activities beyond in-church worship for at least another month.

We hope to restart Sunday School late September/ early October while all other organisations are being regularly assessed based on the latest government and church guidelines.

Holy Baptism

It was with great joy that we welcomed two new boys into our church family in July and



The Fannin family at their baptism.



At the baptism for the Henry-Wallace family.

August.

William Robert Henry-Wallace, son of Colin and Sarah, was baptised in St Patrick's, Ardragh in July. It was lovely to be joined by William's Godparents, Joanne and Iain and family and friends.

Harry Gerrard Robert Fannin, son of Craig and Natalie, was baptised in St Finbarr's, Carrickmacross in August. Harry is the

grandson of Doreen, one of our Parish Readers and it was great to have Doreen assist in the service. Harry was joined by his Godparents, Dawn and Gavin as well as family and friends.

We are delighted to have these two boys join our church family and we look forward to supporting them as they begin their journeys of faith.

Congratulations

We pass on our congratulations to Magheraclone parishioner, Victoria Lewis on her engagement. It has been lovely to meet her fiancé Sam over recent months and we as a parish family are delighted for you both and wish you God's richest blessing for the years to come.

Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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Organisations

Due to the present Coronavirus situation, organisations are cancelled for the immediate future.

If urgent assistance is required contact Canon Bridle 02866 348259. Rosemary

Forde in Cleenish 02866 322795 or Heather Carson in Mullaghduin 028 6632 3390

Sunday Morning Services

These recommenced on Sunday 5th July, conducted by the Rector assisted by Parish Reader Rowena at 10:00am in Mullaghduin and 11:30am in Cleenish.

Weekly Video

Reminder that the Weekly Video is streamed each week from Cleenish Church. It begins with the first verse of a hymn previously recorded by the Choir, followed by prayers and readings by the Rector.

For those of you who can go online the Service is available on the Cleenish website; <http://cleenishparish.weebly.com>.

Monthly magazine notes are available within the Clogher Diocesan Church of Ireland website.

Belated Annual Vestry Meetings

Tuesday 8th September, Mullaghduin in Church.

Thursday 24th September, Cleenish Parish Hall.

Lockdown and daily exercise

At time of writing, a small number of senior members from our two Parishes have just completed an extended lockdown and pleased to return to more or less living a normal life. Unfortunately there are others who feel it is still too early to return to a more normal life as Covid-19 is still very much in evidence.

Rector Coming of Age

For information, our Rector Canon Bridle was instituted into our Parishes 21 years ago. He joined us from Aughnacloy Parish.

Obituary

Sylvia Thornton passed away suddenly during the early hours of Friday 7th August, after being admitted to the South West Acute Hospital a short time earlier during the night. She had been a resident at The Graan Abbey Residential Nursing Home for the previous two years. The younger daughter of the late Richard and Gretta Thornton, Bellanaleck House, she received her early education at Jones Memorial Primary School, followed by Enniskillen Intermediate School.

The newly built boundary wall of Mullaghduin Car Park.



Her first job was a Library Assistant in Enniskillen, before taking up a job as assistant Librarian in the University of Ulster in Jordanstown. Having met Dennis, a fisherman from London, when she worked in the now defunct Lakeland hotel, she was persuaded to join him in Illford, Essex. In 1983 she came home for Christmas and was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. After treatment she returned to Illford. Unfortunately, Dennis too succumbed to cancer and sadly passed away, after which she returned to Fermanagh during the early nineties. She took up a post with the National Trust in Florencecourt, first as a tour guide, before setting up a second-hand book shop.

Her principal passion was gardening and flower arranging, and competed nationally in shows in many parts of the British Isles. It was with this interest she arranged the flower rota in Cleenish Church. Amongst other interests she relaxed listening to classical music.

When returning from a flower festival in 2004 she was involved in a very serious car accident, after which she spent many weeks in Hospital. With determination and resilience she continued with her many hobbies venturing out again walking and climbing with the Fermanagh Ramblers, however the previous serious leg injury from the accident meant she was unable to continue this activity. She also took care of her late mother who later in life suffered a serious stroke and required full-time hospital treatment.

Sylvia suffered another blow four years ago when she was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and following a fall required full-time care.

She was admitted to the Graan Abbey Nursing Home, where she received excellent care, and built up a good rapport with the staff and residents. She loved her arts and crafts, assisted with planting in the garden, and helped to decorate the Home for different yearly events.

On Thursday 6th illness stuck again and

sadly her body was unable to endure any more.

Her Funeral Service in Cleenish Church on Sunday 9th was conducted by the Rector, and her sister Margaret gave the address. Joan Brownlee played the keyboard, and Austen Stinson very capably carried out the funeral arrangements.

Sylvia is survived by her older brother George (Beatrice), sister Margaret (Ian) and four nephews.

Mullaghduin Car Park

Stage 2 of the Car Park is now under construction which means the perimeter walls have been constructed.

Church Graveyards

Remarks have been overheard about the tidy condition of both Graveyards. Thanks are due to Eddie Keys and his team, for the way Cleenish is maintained, and similar thanks are due to the volunteers at Mullaghduin.

Bellanaleck Community Group

The Community Group hope to recommence their monthly meetings on Wednesday 23rd September, however this depends on the current Covid-19 situation nearer the time. During the recent spell of very good weather, the facilities within

the Village catchment area have been particularly busy, which more than makes up for the disappointing July and August.

A copy of email from Waterways Ireland in respect to the slipway extension at Waterhen Lane; "It is pleasing to confirm that a contract has been awarded. A start date has not yet been confirmed but it is anticipated that works will start in October/November of 2020 with works concluding most likely in March 2021.

In respect of Blueway development, as discussed there are no plans for development on Lough Erne during the 2020/21 financial year. It was hoped that a wider tourism study would take place but unfortunately funding has not been secured at this time."

Should any parishioner in Cleenish require assistance within the public domain, contact Owen Wilson 02866 349602, or Sharon Elliott 077325 21533.

Obituaries

Cleenish Parish Church
Thursday 7th May 2020
William Cyril Geddes, 10 Cherry Walk,
Chanterhill, Enniskillen.

Sunday 9th August 2020
Sylvia Beatrice Thornton, Bellanaleck
House, 168 Derrylin Road, Enniskillen
Aged 72 years



Hanging baskets at the gates to Cleenish Church.

Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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Services

Sunday 6 September

Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer
Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

Sunday 13 September

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

Sunday 20 September

Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer
Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

Sunday 27 September

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

Sunday 4 October

Clones 10.00am: Morning Prayer
Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

Hooray – all our churches are now open again!

As we start September, we are thrilled to

report that all our Group churches are now open again for public worship, albeit with strict observance of the current Covid-19 protocols. The Select Vestries in each of our four churches have approved and overseen the smooth implementation of our reopening plans, and bands of volunteers have ensured that all the different measures are in place with regard to signage, limited numbers of worshippers, correct physical distancing, sanitising stations, Covid response areas, contact tracing, use of recorded music, and so on. Many thanks to all of those people who made this possible – and continue to make it possible week-in and week-out.

Scotshouse and Killeevan churches in fact managed to reopen their doors on Sunday 12 July, and it was a great joy for us to be able to gather together in worship again, physically as well as spiritually united. Newbliss Church was next to open on 2 August, which felt like a real home-coming since the church building had been closed for the previous 10 months whilst vital repairs were carried out on the roof. Last, but not least, Clones Church reopened for worship on 16 August, looking amazing – and having been held back only by the need to complete some important repair work on the stained glass windows, which had been halted by the lockdown in March. We just pray that all will now go well and that an effective Covid-19 medicine or vaccine will be found as soon as possible.

Baptism

We were delighted to welcome into the Church family, Emily Hazel Hall, daughter of



Glenda and Ivan as well as a little sister to Isabella, who was baptised in Scotshouse on 23 August. We pray that the Lord will bless her and her family richly as they walk onwards in faith.

Condolences

We offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of James Alexander Moore, who was buried in Scotshouse churchyard on 10 July after a funeral service at his home. James was 11 at the time of his death, and his uncle, Ian Jordan (also a Scotshouse Churchwarden), organised a fundraising climb of the Cuilcagh Boardwalk Trail on 22 August in memory of his nephew. All money raised is going to the Temple Street Children's Hospital Foundation, for which James himself had a great desire to raise funds in recognition for the wonderful care that he and his family received there. If you would like to make a donation too, please contact Ian on +44 7803 078179.

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An example of the Holiday Bible Club craft.

Church reopening

The reopening of churches in a wider capacity, allowed many of us to welcome back parishioners to join with us in church again for worship on Sundays, the first being on 5th July at 10.30am.

During this time of restricted access, worship continued in church, being recording and posted online for parishioners and those who tuned in to worship along at home. It is difficult to perceive how things will continue as we approach the autumn and winter months as predictions seem to offer little comfort or hope. As with anything, we all must be willing to take responsibility for our own actions, be sensible, and use, dare I write it, common sense as we respect one another in all our gatherings and conversations?

Services

Please note as we move into September, services will revert to 11.30am again.

SEPTEMBER

6th Holy Communion 11.30am
13th Family Service 11.30am
20th Morning Prayer 11.30am
27th Morning Prayer 11.30am

OCTOBER

4th Holy Communion 11.30am
9th Harvest service 8.00pm
11th Family Harvest service 11.30am
11th Harvest service 7.00pm
18th Morning Prayer 11.30am
25th Morning Prayer 11.30am

Christian Baptism

■ 5th August 2020 - Olivia Grace Bratton, daughter of Jonathan and Sonia.

■ 12th August 2020

Daisy Grace Abraham, daughter of Darryl and Gail.

Christian Wedding

■ 29th July 2020

Lee Kilfedder and Amanda Johnston, Holy Trinity Parish Church, Clogh.

■ 15th August 2020

Rachael Keys and Christopher Gamble, Colaghty Parish Church.

Holiday Bible Club

This year, the holiday bible club was planned to be held on the morning of 18th July commencing at 9.30am until 1.00pm. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, this moved to online, pre-recorded and posted on the parish Facebook page. The challenge this year was to 'Let God overcome your fears', based on Gideon from the book of Judges Chapters 6 – 8. We hope and pray, as you watched it, you got involved with the singing and crafts and listened to the teaching and have memorised the bible verse from 2 Corinthians 12: 9. "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

We want to thank those who took part, Anne for the bible teaching, Joanna for imparting the bible verse, Janet with her

team, Jean and Helen for the crafts/cooking, Helen for the prayers, Jason for IT and bringing it all together and the rector, Canon Alan.

Drive-in Orange Service

We were delighted to be able to facilitate the local lodges of Lack, Colaghty and Glassmullagh for their drive-in service this year in the church carpark on Sunday evening 19th July as an alternative to the annual evening service due to COVID-19 restrictions. Canon Alan took as his text, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalm 119: 105, with musical accompaniment with William and Jean on accordions. A collection for the LEMOOS was taken up at the close of the service and all measures followed in relation to COVID-19 protocols.

Easter Vestry

Who would have thought it, the Easter



The Orange Drive-in Service at Colaghty Hall car park.



Vestry held in July, strange times indeed. A belated meeting that has led to a raft of reactions, from disbelief, amusement, 'say what'. Unprecedented, exceptional, worldwide pandemics, total lockdown, the constitution is the constitution. There were no changes in this triennial year. We express our thanks and support to the select vestry, nominators, synods persons, and to the parishioners for the confidence they have in those re-elected for 2020/21.

Sunday School, youth groups and other clubs

At the time of submission, further clarity of what will happen in September is still unclear, though it would be hoped that these would resume. Updates around these will be posted in church and on the parish Facebook page.

Harvest weekend

While dates and times of services are noted, they may be subject to COVID-19 guidelines.

Confirmation

Sadly, at this time of writing, no further guidance has been given or a date set for when this service can proceed. It is hoped that when the new bishop is appointed for the diocese, we will see some development on this. Until then, be assured of our continued prayers and you will know when we know.

Annual Gift Sunday

This year with the shutdown, many of our fundraising activities didn't happen. For some this has been a challenging time, with job uncertainty, fears around financial security, and freedoms limited, coupled with the added confusion around the vagueness of COVID-19 measures. The introduction of protocols did little to help or ease the situation in some respects added to it with only further questions as many were left to decipher for themselves. Like many, it became a quick learning curve around the subject of coronavirus, of which nothing was known and yet had many fireside experts.

At times, it felt like nothing less than that of a doctorate in Coronavirus, COVID-19 that would be enough. Setting all that aside, the constant has been our faith, faith in God whose grace and strength is sufficient for all our needs, who is with us through the testing times, guiding us through the difficult paths, lifting us up when we stumble and fall, and holding us when we are weakened by what we see around us. God has blessed us, in ways that only each of us can truly attest too, for He alone knows our greatest needs. The annual Gift Sunday this year is on 22nd November 2020 when we can give back to God a measure of how he has blessed us throughout all we have experienced.. Thanks to everyone for the continued support and generosity of spirit throughout this year and the challenges faced in our parish and missional outreach. Please use the gift envelope provided if making a gift this year.

Please keep an eye on announcements for any changes or updates.

Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale



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Worship

Now that we have resumed in-church worship, the usual pattern of Sunday Worship is being followed in each of our Parish Churches.

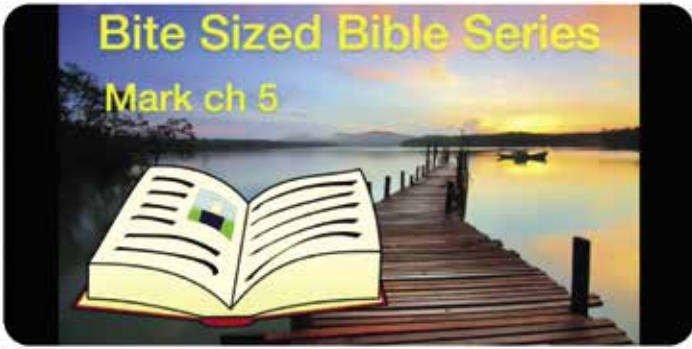
We are still offering the online Services too as there are people who should not be out at Church due to their health and others because they are nervous about the level of risk.

1st Sunday

10.15am Castle Archdale (Holy



Preparing for the reopening of churches.



Midweek studies led by Canon Paul Thompson.

Online services.

- Communion) 11.30am Derryvullen North (Holy Communion)
- 2nd Sunday** 10.30am Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer) 11.45am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer)
- 3rd Sunday** 10.15am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer) 11.30am Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer)
- 4th Sunday** 10.15am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer) 11.30am Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer)

These in-church Services are shorter than normal and as we are not able to have congregational singing we have soloists each week instead. We are also grateful to everyone who has enabled the Services to resume. At the time of writing these notes, there are three baptisms arranged and these will be noted in the next edition of the magazine.

Bible Study and Devotions

The range of online Bible Studies, midweek devotions and reflections continue to be offered and they are still available on Facebook @dvnandca. The Bible Studies are currently looking at Mark's Gospel and as of 15 August we are at session 16. Each study session is "Bite Sized" ie on average a five-minute reflection of the meaning and message of the passage being examined. The purpose is to help us read the Bible with understanding and to grow in faith.

We are also grateful to Mrs Margaret Humes for arranging the copies of "Word for Today" Bible reading notes to be made available and to Mrs Sylvia Woods (Killadeas Service Station) and to the staff of Glenwood Filling Station for having the copies in the shops for people to pick up. This is all much appreciated.

Orange Service

Due to the nature of the restrictions in place the usual Service with the members of the Orange Order could not be held and so the Rector held a short Service of Remembrance at the Cross of Sacrifice in Derryvullen North War Graves burial ground with representatives of the



Orange Order representatives at the outdoor service in Derryvullen North parish churchyard.

Orange Lodges of Lisnarick District on the morning of July 13th. Piper Jason Irvine attended from Drumharvey Pipe Band and contributed a hymn and a lament which was much appreciated by all present.

Weddings

We think very much of those couples who had expected to be married in our churches over the summer but who have unfortunately had to change dates and make plans for another occasion. We look forward to welcoming those couples and their respective families and friends to celebrate together at another time.

Future plans

At the time of writing plans are being made to hold the Annual General Easter Vestry and notice of these for our parishes will be given in the required manner.

While we have re-opened the churches, albeit in a limited manner, we have not been in a position to make decisions about

resuming parish organisations but this will be examined and the information passed to the organisation leaders and parishioners.

From the registers

Christian Burial

■ Mervyn Duncan (6th July 2020) in Castle Archdale.

■ Ruby Guy (6th July 2020) in Derryvullen North.

■ Victor Hunter (10th August 2020) in Derryvullen North.

*“Merciful Father,
hear our prayers and comfort us,
renew our trust in your Son, whom you raised from the dead,
strengthen our faith that all who have died in the love of Christ
will share in his resurrection;
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen”*

Derryvullen South and Garvary



Vacant:

Non-Stipendiary
Minister:
**The Revd Canon
Betty Thompson**

During Canon Thompson's absence Archdeacon Brian Harper is in charge. Service and pastoral cover will be provided by Mr. Roy Crowe DPA and Dean Raymond Ferguson.

Garvary

Garvary Parish plans to re-commence church services on Sunday, 6th September 2020. Mr. Roy Crowe and Dean Raymond Ferguson will be taking charge of our services.

Service Times

Sunday, 6th September

10.30am – Morning Prayer.

Sunday, 13th September

12noon – Morning Prayer.

Sunday, 20th September

10.30am – Morning Prayer.

Sunday, 27th September

12noon – Morning Prayer.

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family circle of Mrs Beryl Keys, Killyvilly, who died



on 7th June 2020 aged 94 years.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family circle of Mr. Sam Heaslip, who passed away on 24th July 2020 just a few days short of his 95th birthday. Sam who was originally from Co. Cavan came to live at Ballydoolagh along with his wife and family in the 1980's and was a regular attender at Garvary Church.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Aileen Quinton following the tragic death of her brother, Derek Quinton on 17th July 2020. Derek was a lifelong member of Garvary church.

He was involved in a lot of church activities especially the choir and the Select Vestry. During his time on the Vestry, Derek served terms as secretary and treasurer.

Diamond Wedding

Congratulations and best wishes to John and Winnie Irvine who celebrated their Diamond Wedding anniversary on 3rd August 2020.

Easter Vestry

It is planned to have our Easter Vestry meeting which was postponed because of the Coronavirus on Thursday, 15th September 2020 at 8pm in Garvary Church hall. Archdeacon Brian Harper will be conducting this meeting.

Prayers

Please remember in your prayers those of our parishioners who are ill, in hospital, at home or receiving treatment.

Devenish & Boho



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September Services

Sunday 6th

10.00am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 13th

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 20th

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church



11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 27th

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

Services

We are grateful that Services have resumed in both parishes since the beginning of July and parishioners are gradually returning to church. While we miss the singing we

express our thanks to Rejoice, Love and Chiemela for playing the hymns on the piano during the services. It is great to have such talent in the parish.

Organisations

There is no news at the time of writing this, when parish organisations can resume, but if this changes we will let you know. However we must always remember to keep to the social distancing rules and use the hand sanitiser, while attending church services.

Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh

Chancellor **Ian Berry** is in charge.

Services and pastoral cover provided by **Rev. Margaret Pringle**

Returning to church

A big "Thank you" to Revd Lorraine and the Planning Committee who carried out all the necessary risk assessments, drew up the protocols and organised signage to ensure that Donagh and Tyholland Parish Churches were open for worship on Sunday 5th July. Thanks are also due to Mr Ronnie Wilson and Monaghan Mushrooms for their help with the provision of signage and hand sanitizer.

Errigal Truagh parishioners have decided to wait until September before reopening as most are presently "cocooning". Parishioners are reminded to adhere to all social distancing measures, wear a mask unless contra-indicated and not to attend church if feeling unwell as the virus is still circulating in the community.

Thanks to Revd Lorraine

Sunday, 5th July was a bitter-sweet experience for the Donagh Group of Parishes. While rejoicing to be back in church parishioners were sad to say farewell to Reverend Lorraine. Speaking after the morning service in St. Salvator's the honorary secretary, Mrs Diane Wright-Kendrick, on behalf of Tyholland, Errigal and Donagh, presented a cheque to Revd Lorraine and thanked her for all her hard work and enthusiastic ministry within the Donagh Group. Diane particularly mentioned Revd Lorraine's work with the young people. "Through constant encouragement and

praise you have managed to bring out their strengths and a great example of this has been the enthusiasm of the youth to become involved in your online services during lockdown. To see so many young people come out this morning to say 'Thank you' is a testament to the positive impression you have made on their lives through your ministry here." Diane also paid tribute to Revd Lorraine's participation in the Parish and Community Choirs and her attendance at all local community activities which had endeared her to the whole community. Speaking in Tyholland Church, Robert Wilson, churchwarden said how sorry parishioners were to learn that Revd Lorraine was leaving, that it didn't seem like two and a half years since her appointment. He thanked her for representing us so well and her warm relationships with our neighbouring churches – something that was very important to us. Robert referred to the report commissioned by the Diocese



Diane Wright-Kendrick thanking Revd Lorraine for her ministry.

of Clogher entitled 'Whatever you say, say nothing' which referred to how the Church of Ireland can sometimes be negatively perceived by others quoting adjectives such as "somewhat aloof and private; proud; not very open, sharing or gregarious; antisocial; snobbish; inflexible/intransigent; tenacious and stubborn." He made the point that Revd Lorraine was none of these things and if that is what the people in Newtownbutler were expecting she would be a severe disappointment! Robert thanked her for her ministry and support during happy and sad times, for her work in securing grants and supporting the Sunday school

room project, for her interest in and participation with the Donagh Community Choir and her kindness in giving up her house at the height of the COVID pandemic to allow a local nurse to isolate. On behalf of all the parishioners Robert wished Revd Lorraine every blessing in her new role as a full-time minister in Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully.

Community Choir gather to say Farewell to Reverend Lorraine

Whilst adhering to social distancing guidelines, Community Choir members gathered to show their appreciation for

Revd Lorraine's faithful ministry to the choir. Choir leader, Mrs Ethne McCord, presented Revd Lorraine with a voucher and spoke for all when she said; "Through closing the choir in prayer each night you brought us much closer as a choir family enabling the choir to develop its mission within the community. You had a great relationship with the young people but at the same time you didn't forget about our older members. Within a very short time of your arrival you knew that names of everyone from baby to grandparent within each family. Your enthusiasm was infectious. God brought us together for a season of life and what a season it was! We pray that He will bless you, keep you and be gracious onto you as you follow His calling into your new group of parishes."

Father Hubert Martin spoke of his warm working relationship with Revd Lorraine and how much he appreciated her friendship while Mrs Concepta McNally presented Revd Lorraine with a beautiful plant and container on behalf of Glaslough Tidy Towns Committee.

Obituary

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Mrs Patricia McGonnell from Newline, Glaslough. Patricia had been the organist at St. Mary's Church, Glennan and a faithful and dedicated member of Donagh Community Choir. Choir leader, Ethne commented; "Patricia and I enjoyed an excellent working relationship especially in arranging music for the World Day of Prayer, the Healing



Marina Waller presenting a plant on behalf of the Sunday School and Dorothy Keith presenting a voucher on behalf of the Mothers' Union.



Ethne McCord (Choir leader) presenting a voucher to Revd Lorraine.



Father Hubert Martin, Diane Wright Kendrick and Rev'd Lorraine.



Concepta McNally presenting Revd Lorraine with a garden plant on behalf of the Tidy Towns Committee.

Services as well as the Annual Community Harvest Thanksgiving. She was a lady of steadfast faith who battled her illness with great courage over several years. We'll miss her very much and wish to extend our deepest sympathy to all her family members."

Due to government restrictions the choir was unable to sing at Patricia's funeral but choir members, dressed in the colours of the Winter's Tale were able to form a Guard of Honour on the approach road to St. Mary's.

Tribute from Reverend Lorraine Capper

"Patricia constantly inspired me with her strong faith. During my time in Glaslough I would visit with her regularly. She fought her illness with dignity and was not a complainer, always thinking about others. During these visits I would ask her if she would like me to pray with her and she always welcomed prayer. On my last Sunday in Glaslough I paid a final visit with my dear friend, Patricia. She was having a hard day and I knew as she knew herself that her time on this earth was short. Patricia asked me if I would take part in her funeral service and I promised her that it would be a real honour to participate. I asked Patricia if she would like me to pray that God have mercy on her and let her pass away peacefully in her sleep. Patricia was in agreement. When I prayed with her, Patricia settled down and drifted off to sleep. Her last words to me were "Till we meet again." In just a few days time Patricia slipped

away from this world to be with her close friend and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Patricia was a great woman of faith and pillar of the whole community in Glaslough. Her kindness, gentleness,

caring and loving are over but she will not be forgotten for the legacy she has left behind in Glaslough which has been an inspiration to young and old. At rest and at peace."



Revd Lorraine admiring the scarves in the Community Centre.

A community "knit together"

Rev. Lorraine visited the Community Centre to admire the beautiful scarves knit by the local community during lockdown to be given as gifts to front-line workers and the homeless.

Birthday Congratulations

Congratulations to Mrs Elizabeth Garland who recently celebrated her 70th birthday. Elizabeth is a tireless worker who supports all church events within the Donagh Group of Parishes and the wider community.

Congratulations

Congratulations are sent to Paul and Emer Wilson on the birth of Ronnie Wilson born 15th July, a brother to Zandie and Arthur and grandson to Ronnie senior and Doris.

Welcome to Revd Margaret Pringle

We welcome the Revd Margaret Pringle who has been appointed to replace Revd Lorraine. Revd Margaret served in our group of parishes before and is well known to parishioners. Revd Margaret is keen to promote music within church and it was she who first encouraged Ethne to start the parish choir which in turn has led to the formation of the Community Choir.



Revd Lorraine and some choir members pay a surprise visit and present a special 60th birthday cake in the shape of a piano to say thank you to their accompanist Mr Gerard Toal.



Elizabeth and Wilfie Garland.

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Sunday Services

Sunday 6th September

11.00am S o W, 'Miracles of Jesus – Healing the man born blind' (John 9:1-16)

Sunday 13th September

11.00am S o W, 'Miracles of Jesus – Water into wine' (John 2:1-12)

Sunday 20th September

11.00am S o W, 'Miracles of Jesus – Calming the storm' (Mark 4:35-41)



Sunday 27th September

11.00am S o W, 'Miracles of Jesus – Walking on water' (Matthew 14:22-33)
S o W – Service of the Word

Midweek Services (Sept)

2nd September

8.30pm 'Faith, Love & Hope' (Colossians

1:1-8)

9th September

8.30pm 'Live a life worthy of the Lord' (Colossians 1:9-14)

16th September

8.30pm 'The Supremacy of Christ' (Colossians 1:15-20)

23rd September

8.30pm (No Midweek Service) Easter Vestry

30th September

8.30pm 'Hope held out in the Gospel' (Colossians 1:21-23)

A Faithful Servant

'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.' 1 Peter 4:10

Valerie Jackson certainly used the gifts that God gave her to serve others and to show God's grace to those in Dromore and beyond. The response to the Livestreamed Service of Thanksgiving for Valerie on 14th July on Facebook (viewed by more than 9,000, with 5,500 engagements) as well as the comments on Bradley's Pharmacy Facebook page, show something of the impact her faithful service has made. Valerie's service as a Pharmacist in Dromore will certainly be missed, but as a Church family, her loss will be felt much more.

Not only was Valerie a lifelong member of the Church, but she was an active and faithful member – among other things she taught Sunday School from 1998, taking overall responsibility for co-ordinating the Sunday School Programme from 2000. She was always well prepared, not only each Sunday for the lessons, but also for the special services throughout the year where she tried to ensure that every child was involved. Her patience and rapport demonstrated her love for young people and desire that they too would come to know and follow Jesus also.

Valerie not only worked with young people but was keen to encourage others working with young people too, offering support to the teachers and staff of Dromore Controlled Primary School. She was a dedicated and hardworking member of the Board of Governors, being always willing to help in whatever way she could and often coming straight from work to sub-committee meetings, followed by the main meeting.

As I said at the Service of Thanksgiving, her choice of hymns and readings told people why she did what she did. She was living 'FOR HIM' because He died for her (2 Corinthians 5:15), knowing that through his death and resurrection that she would one day go to be 'WITH HIM' (John 14:3), which is better by far (Philippians 1:23). As a Church family, we continue to remember Valerie's family in our prayers – Florence (Valerie's mum) Arnold and Noel (Valerie's brothers) and Alison (Valerie's Sister-in-law).



Valerie Jackson.

Although Valerie had a very prominent role within the community and in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore, talking to people in Dromore it is obvious that she did a lot of things behind the scenes which may have gone unnoticed. Unfortunately, a common statement that people make when someone dies is 'I wish that I had told them...' (whether it is about gratitude, or love, etc.). We leave things unsaid that should have been said.

And so the challenge for us who remain is that we too would live 'FOR HIM', desiring to one day be 'WITH HIM' and that we don't leave words of encouragement unsaid, but as the writer of Hebrews says we 'encourage one another daily' (Hebrews 3:13). And later in Hebrews we read these words:

24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25

Services

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions (2m distance) the numbers that we can have within the Church are greatly reduced (around 40) and therefore the hall will be used as an overflow for each service (giving us an extra capacity of between 25-30 people). Therefore, we have decided to

offer two services each week – one on the Sunday at 11.00am and a Midweek Service on Wednesday at 8.30pm. Our service on Sunday will be an 'All-age' Service, lasting no more than 40 minutes, while our Midweek Service will be aimed more at adults (with more in-depth teaching from the Bible), lasting no more than 45 minutes. Both services will also be livestreamed on Facebook (uploaded later to YouTube), offering the service for those who for one reason or another would prefer not to come back yet to 'In-Church' worship.

Given that our average attendance is much more than 65-70 people, and that we don't want to turn people away, you may like to consider whether the Midweek Service could be your main service (still having the option of watching the Sunday Service online).

Sunday School

There will be no 'In-Church' Sunday School until further notice. Instead we are offering the 'All-age' Service each Sunday along with a monthly pack with resources for parents to do activities together with their children – based around the theme of the service each Sunday. We will be setting up a WhatsApp Group for parents so that other resources (videos, etc.) can be sent out each week to help children engage with the passages, learn a memory verse and much more. It is hoped that parents will send pictures of what the children have been doing, so that a collage of pictures can be included during the countdown timer each Sunday.

GFS and CLB

The safety of our GFS and CLB leaders and members is our top priority and details will follow as to when and how they will be meeting together. Until then, we will continue to do online activities.

Keeping up to date

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

- Like our page 'Holy Trinity Dromore' on Facebook
- Watch our Live Streamed Services <https://www.facebook.com/holytrinitydromore/live/>
- Subscribe to our YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwj585CXlqOq6W6h7_2AiYg/
- Watch uploaded Services on YouTube on a smart TV (uploaded usually on Sunday afternoon)
- Follow us on Twitter @HTDromore.
- Get a recording of the service on CD or DVD every week

Drumkeeran, Muckross and Templecarne



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I am writing these words in early August and am delighted to be able to say that our church buildings have been reopened since 5 July. It is wonderful to have people in our church buildings again.

As I have said before I only want people to return to church when they are comfortable doing so. I would say though that it would be good to see a few more people out on Sunday mornings as we are privileged to have the freedom to worship God in this country again having been unable to do so for a number of months.

If there is anyone who is holding back because we are not allowed to sing, we are permitted to have soloists so please speak to myself or Irene Boyd and we can arrange your debut performance.

I hope that everyone is continuing to take care of themselves and that you are trying to live life as normally as possible in these challenging times. I realise that for many this is their busiest time of year but that said I hope that you have all managed to spend time with family and friends and have allowed yourself some time off to relax. While life still continues to be uncertain as we do not know how the return to school will go and it is unclear as to whether those who are hoping to move to third level education will be able to do in a way that even approaches normality we should remember that there is one thing in life that never changes.

I am referring of course to the love that God has for each one of us and to the certainty that should bring to our lives. While we have and continue to live in challenging times such as we have never previously experienced God is still with us and as scripture reminds us, we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

I would encourage you to use these words and indeed all of scripture as your source of

information and comfort at this time rather than looking to the things of the world and the constant flow of information which is not always accurate or helpful.

God's Word is accurate and will help us face whatever life brings.

While we have been worshipping together, we realise that things are not back to what they were before, and we do not know when and indeed if that will be the case.

This of course means that we have had to and will continue to do things differently. We have had to and will continue to think about every activity and service and put measures in place as necessary to make things as safe as possible.

We would normally be looking forward to the return of Sunday school at this time of year as well as looking forward to our Harvest Services. Again as with most of our lives we will not be able to do these things in the normal and familiar way.

At the time of writing we are still unclear as to whether Sunday school will recommence and if it does what format it will take. As such I will state that Sunday school will not recommence before Sunday 27 September at the earliest.

The reason for this is to allow us the time to consider the best way to recommence if that is possible and to communicate this to you. I will communicate these plans via the church newssheet and through the parish and Sunday school Facebook pages. Our Harvest services will take place although we have had to change the timings of these to reflect the additional demands that are placed on us this year. The details of these services are listed below.

Sadly at this point in time Dernasesk will not be able to reopen as it would be impossible to put the necessary measures in place and accommodate even a small number of people.

As we are still having to think about social distancing our numbers will be restricted at all these services. I do not want to discourage anyone from attending but we may have to turn people away if we cannot accommodate them safely.

There is one other matter that I want to address and that is finances. While I realise that the past months have been difficult for everyone and while the church buildings were closed for almost four months it is important to realise that the church was not closed.

When I say that I mean that the work of the church is not limited to a building and that work has continued and bills have still had to be paid just as we all have had to continue to pay our bills.

As such I would ask that you consider your giving to your church and try to ensure that



at least you pay the same as last year or if possible, please consider increasing your giving.

I would hope that it goes without saying that we do not want anyone to place themselves in any financial difficulty as I realise that for some their income has been reduced and that future employment may not be secure.

Parish Register

Baptism

I was delighted to be able to baptise Olivia Georgiana Hazel Knox, daughter of Gary and Katrina and sister to Matthew and Isaac on 18 July. This had been delayed because of the pandemic so it was great to be able to carry out this baptism and welcome Olivia into the church family.

It was a very happy occasion as we welcomed the Elliott and Knox families and as a parish, we extend our congratulations to Gary and Katrina on the new addition to their family.

Harvest Services

- Muckross Sunday 13 September at 7pm – speaker Reverend Mark Gallagher (Rector of Troly and Killadeas)
- Templecarne Sunday 20 September at 7pm – speaker Canon Paul Thompson (Rector of Derrylvullen North and Castle Archdale)
- Tubrid Sunday 27 September at 11.30am – speaker Mrs Eileen Cutler (Diocesan Reader)

Diary

- Sunday 6 September Morning Prayer 10.00 Templecarne, Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid
- Sunday 13 September Holy Communion 11.30 Tubrid, Harvest Thanksgiving 7pm Muckross
- Sunday 20 September Morning Prayer 11.30 – Tubrid, Harvest Thanksgiving 7pm Templecarne
- Sunday 27 September Holy Communion 10.00 Muckross, Harvest Thanksgiving 11.30 – Tubrid

Ematrix with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

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

Chancellor Ian Berry is in charge.

Dartry and Rockcorry Covid-19

Words like lockdown, sanitizers, face masks, wash your hands, keep safe and social distancing have become common parlance since the terrible global Covid-19 pandemic reached our shores in early March.

It is a strange experience for us to be surrounded by red tape when we come to church.

We miss all the things which we had previously taken for granted, the freedom to chat to each other on the way in and out



of church, to sit in our usual pews, to sing hymns and to shake hands. However, after an absence of four months, the re-opening of our churches for public worship was welcome and a time to reflect on all the events of everyday life since lockdown. It made us really appreciate being able to meet and worship together in person as soon as it was considered safe to do so. This virus has not gone away and vigilance is needed from us all. We have to obey the precautionary procedures as outlined by the government and House of Bishops. Numbers of confirmed cases and deaths continue to rise and our thoughts and prayers are with all who have been bereaved and lost loved ones.

We also keep in prayer those among us who have been ill at home or in hospital.

Finance

Despite the virus and the prolonged closure of the churches the mission and ministry of the church continues. We are grateful for your continuous financial support during this difficult time.

Aghabog

We are delighted to be back in the church again after some months. It feels very strange.

Bereavement

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs Iris Egerton on the recent death of her grand-daughter, Amanda Slee, Bath, England, daughter of Bertie and Olwyn Williamson, sister of Russell and Rachel. Please remember in your prayers Amanda's husband, Robin and sons, James and Thomas and all the extended family circle.

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Services for September 2020

Thursday 3rd September

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 6th September - The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am - Holy Communion

Thursday 11th September

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 13th September - The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am - Morning Prayer

Thursday 18th September

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 20th September - The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am – Morning Prayer

Thursday 25th September

11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 27th September - The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am - Morning Prayer

Christian Marriage

25th July - Lisa Margaret McComb and Stephen Darrell Alexander.

Christian Burial

- 2nd July - Baby Joshua Oliver Duncan.
- 14th July - John Thomas (Tommy) Whyte, 5 Scaffog Park, Enniskillen.
- 18th August - Audrey Elizabeth McClenaghan, 18 Barbour Court,

Enniskillen.

■ 20th August - Colin McClelland, Belfast, formerly Enniskillen.

■ Edward James (Jim) Robinson, 28 Silverhill Park, Enniskillen.

Cremation

■ 7th July – Kathy Yvonne Barnett, 44 Mill Street, Enniskillen.

Thursday's at 11.00

A Service of Holy Communion is held each Thursday at 11.00am. Those who usually attend the early Sunday morning and Sunday evening services should consider (if not working) attending the Thursday service, as it is much quieter than the 11.00am Sunday morning service. The 9.00am and 7.00pm services can no longer be held to comply with the recommended guidelines. The 9.00am Sunday morning service will return as soon as allowed.

Installation of Webcam for Live Streaming

Just before Easter we installed a webcam and now every Sunday at 11.00am the main service is streamed on the internet and this will continue in the days ahead for the housebound who have internet access. If you have internet access, you can join the 11.00am service each Sunday. You will find the 'Live link' on the home

page of the Cathedral website; www.enniskillencathedral.com.

It is truly amazing that over 15 weeks from the installation we have had well over 20,000 viewing devices watching and since more than one person may be viewing the same device it accounts for a lot of people!

The total hits on the website for that period were 26,900.

Donations towards the cost of the installation would be very welcome.

Parish Visiting

Since parish visiting will not be possible for some time yet, I would appeal to parishioners to let us know if you are unwell or know someone who is unwell. We can arrange some form of contact to be made depending on what restrictions are in place at that time.

Parish Organisations

Please note that all Parish organisation will be unable to meet again until they are allowed to do so and all the regulations and guidelines are adhered to. We will keep you fully informed through the Cathedral News, Pew News and Diocesan Magazine.

Easter General Vestry

The Easter General Vestry will be held in the Main Hall to allow for social distancing on Monday 7th September at 7.30pm. All registered vestry members are welcome to attend. The only business will be to carry out the necessary elections. This meeting was to have been held on Monday 30th March but was postponed because of the Coronavirus: Covid 19.

Appointment of Jenifer Johnston as DL of County Fermanagh

It is with great joy and excitement that we learned that Mrs Jenifer Johnston has



Mrs Jenifer Johnston



St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen.

been appointed as a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Fermanagh. In the United Kingdom, a deputy lieutenant is a Crown appointment and one of several deputies to the lord lieutenant of a lieutenancy area. Deputy lieutenants are nominated by a Lord Lieutenant, to assist with duties as may be required, their name presented to and not disapproved by Her Majesty the Queen.

DLs represent the lord lieutenant in his or her absence, including at local ceremonies and official events, from opening exhibitions to the institution of clergy. They must live within their ceremonial county, or within seven miles of its boundary. Their appointments do not terminate with any change of lord lieutenant, but they are legally required to retire at age of 75. So, Jenifer, according to the above, you have a long period ahead of you and we wish you every blessing in your new role. Fermanagh now well and truly honours a native of Tyrone!

Mrs Johnston DL, is the Branch Leader of St Macartin's Mother's Union and is a member of the Select Vestry.

This appointment is the fifth among our

registered parishioners. Mrs Rosemary Wilkinson, Mrs Joanna McVey OBE, Mr Shaun Pendry and Dr John Graham are already serving deputy lieutenants for County Fermanagh.

Prayer

Almighty God,
you have made us members of Christ and of his Church
here in this Cathedral Parish of Enniskillen.
May we as a 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



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A New Start

Although the New Year begins in January — and the church New Year starts in December! — for many people the month of September also feels like a new start.

For a lot of people, September will remind us of our school days where it marked the start of a new academic year and for those of us who work in a school this is still the case. Some students will be leaving home to start university, younger students will be starting new schools or beginning a new school year. A new timetable, new teachers, new routines. For others, September marks the end of a long summer when their children return to school and the pace of life changes, or they return to work. Alongside all this of course, September marks a change in the season; we begin to see autumnal colours and the evenings drawing in earlier.

We all have times in our lives, times of change which cause us to react on the past and also to think about the future. It may be a new job or a new home. For many people in the church there is an ongoing exploration of what they feel God is calling them to do, where he may be leading them. I am certainly not just talking about formal ministry, but various roles in our church and community. Asking 'could I do this?' or 'is God calling me to take this step?' With all the changes I have experienced over the past few years, one thing that has encouraged me is that God is with us — both as we recall what has gone before and also as we look ahead.

One particular image that I would like to share with you is of a road with cats eyes on either side. Sat in a car on a dark night the road is unseen and it is only when we turn on the lights that the way is illuminated before us. To me, this is a powerful image



Revd. Lorraine outside Galloon Parish Church.

as we think of Christ as our light, lighting up the way before us. Even when the future is uncertain and unknown, he is there with us. Most poignantly perhaps, is that the cats eyes only allow us to see as far as the light allows. We have to move forward trusting that the path will be lit up and that we will see and know the way. Trusting God can be hard and we can often feel uncertain about what lies ahead. But we know we do not journey alone, he is with us and we also have one another.

I pray this image encourages you as much as it encourages me as you journey forward. 'Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path' Psalm 119:105

New Rector

It is with great delight that we welcome Revd Lorraine Capper as Rector to our group of parishes. In these strange and difficult times Revd Lorraine was instituted online using Zoom on Thursday 9th July 2020. The institution was conducted by Archdeacon Brian Harper, Archbishop's Commissary and among those attending was the Provincial Registrar for the Province of Armagh, Canon Colin Moore and

Chancellor Ian Berry, who presented Rev Capper for institution. The scripture readings were read by Rev Alan Capper (Lorraine's husband) and Mr Charles Crawford. Also attending the institution was neighbouring minister, Captain David Hamilton from Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt as well as parish secretaries and other office-bearers from the groups' parishes and some parishioners from the Donagh Group and family members. The



Revd Lorraine addresses the congregation at Sallaghy Parish Church on her first Sunday as Rector.



Rev. Lorraine's first sermon in Drummully Parish Church reminding us all that God sees us all as stars, each of us shines with many differing talents.



Rev. Lorraine is welcomed to Sallaghy Parish by Rector's Churchwarden, Mrs Mildred Crawford and People's Churchwarden, Mr George Little.

Group would like to wish Revd Lorraine God's blessing as she commences her time in all three parishes.

Now that the time of vacancy has ended, we would like to thank Dean Raymond Ferguson and Mr Roy Crowe who provided the group with ordained and lay pastoral care and service cover respectively, for their work and interest in the group over the past year or so. It had not been possible to carry out pastoral visits towards the end of their time with us, but Mr Crowe kept regular telephone contact with many during that time. Thank you gentlemen.

Reopening of Group Churches

At the start of July, the NI Assembly lifted the restrictions on church worship giving us the welcome news that we could meet again in the church buildings for worship although we are still required to follow appropriate social distancing. Representatives of each Select Vestry worked with the Acting Rural Dean, Canon Berry, to work through and implement the return to in-church worship protocols sent out by the House of Bishops and Representative Church Body prior to reopening. Drummully and Sallaghy reopened on Sunday 5th July with Galloon following on Sunday 12th July. A particular thanks to all those who ensure that our

parish churches are appropriately cleaned for each service.

Services in September

Sunday, 6th September 2020 - The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity.

9am: Drummully Parish Church: Morning Prayer

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer

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Sunday, 13th September 2020 - The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

9am: Drummully Parish Church: Morning Prayer

10.30 am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer with Baptism

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer with Baptism

10.30 am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer with Baptism

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer with Baptism

Sunday, 20th September 2020 - The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

9am: Drummully Parish Church: Morning Prayer

10.30 am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer

3.00pm: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer

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Sunday, 27th September 2020 - The Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

9am: Drummully Parish Church: Morning

Prayer

10.30 am: Sallaghy Parish Harvest

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer

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, 27th September 2020; 10.30 am: Sallaghy Parish Harvest

■ Sunday 4th October 2020; 9.00 am: Drummully Parish Harvest

■ Sunday 18th October 2020; 3pm Galloon Parish Harvest with special organ recital (if permitted).

Burial Register

■ 15th July 2020: Theophilis William Noel Allen, 152 Moorlough Road, Lisnaskea, aged 87 years.

■ 13th August 2020: Margaret Faulkner, Gortacharn Nursing Home, Lisnaskea. Formerly from Killard, Newtownbutler aged 90 years

Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection Life and the Life."

We remember in our prayers all who have been recently bereaved.

Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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Services

Sunday services continue at 10am and 11.30am as per the usual rota. Social distancing will be observed and hygiene controls in place at all services. Until further notice there will be no hymn singing or wine administered during Holy Communion.

Christian Burial

Mrs Gertrude (Gertie) Elizabeth Hamilton passed away suddenly but peacefully at Hillcrest Care Facility on July 21st. She had reached her 99th year of life and was in very good health until recently. Her funeral service was held in Garrison Parish church on Friday 24th July, conducted by Revd Canon Ngozi. Mrs Hamilton had lived with her daughter Betty Wallace at Drumlegagh for a long number of years and attended Baronscourt Parish Church. It was very fitting that her Rector, Revd Ivan Dinsmore was present to read the gospel reading and give the address. In his tribute to Gertie he mentioned how much she had loved Garrison but so enjoyed living with her daughter Betty and the many places she travelled with Betty, her husband Ivan and her three grand-daughters. Gertie had attended Baronscourt church until very recently. Our sympathy is extended to her only daughter Betty, son-in-law Ivan, grand-daughters Amy, Bethany and Mandy, and her husband David and the extended family circle. Burial took place in the adjoining churchyard where her late husband Fred is buried.

Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have



George Love with members of his family (From left); sons Nigel and Roy, George and daughters Rachel, Zara and Caroline.



George Love with Canon Ngozi and Churchwardens, Rachel Love and Robert Johnston.

been in hospital or unwell in recent weeks and months since lockdown. We also remember our parishioners who have been shielding at home. We especially think of Kathryn Ovens in Scotland as she progresses with her treatment and assure her and the family circle of our prayers as we continue to pray for her recovery. We also pray for other parishioners who have had tests and treatment during the last difficult months. We remember all those who are anxious and pray for peace in their hearts.

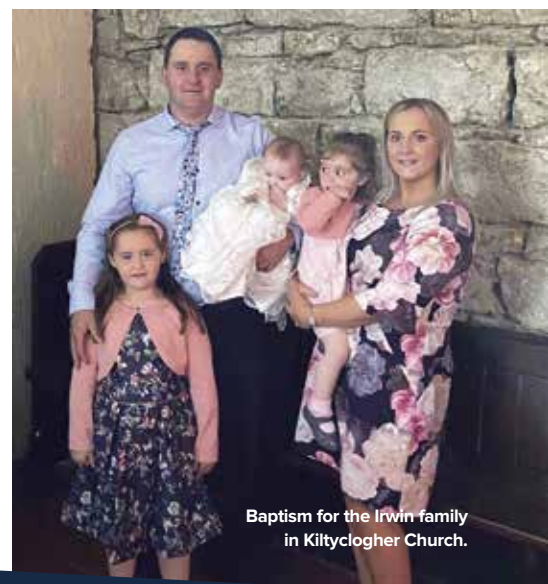
Holy Baptism

Lexi Bethany Irwin, daughter of Robert and Marcella was baptised in Kiltyclogher Church on Sunday 2nd August. Also in the photo with her parents are her older sisters, Leah and Lily.

Special Birthdays for Belleek Parishioners

On Sunday 5th July, a socially distanced tribute was enjoyed in the Wark Hall, Belleek. Rachel Love (Rector's Churchwarden in Belleek Parish)

presented Mrs. Eileen Kirkpatrick with a bouquet of flowers to congratulate her on her 90th Birthday. Over the years Eileen has worked tirelessly for Belleek Church and also in fundraising for the Wark Hall. Her home baking has been enjoyed by many from near and far. She was helping with teas in the Wark Hall until two years ago and continues to be at Church every Sunday. She is a great encourager in the



Baptism for the Irwin family
in Kiltyclogher Church.



On Sunday 5th July, Rachel Love (Rector's Churchwarden in Belleek Parish) presented Mrs. Eileen Kirkpatrick with a bouquet of flowers to congratulate her on her 90th Birthday.



Eileen with her two daughters, Hilary Redmond (left) and Jill Maguire (right).



Canon Ngozi and Eileen.

'Church family'. Eileen is a member of Mothers' Union and was presented with a voucher for the Lemon Tree by Branch Leader, Dot Barlow. Eileen's granddaughter Aimee McKee and her husband Wally from Belfast sang two lovely pieces. Wally accompanied on the guitar. Eileen's two daughters, Jill Maguire and Hilary Redmond were present with their husbands and Eileen's three grandchildren were also in attendance. We wish Eileen continued good health for many more years to come.

On Sunday 16th July, Robert Johnston (Peoples' Churchwarden in Belleek) presented George Love with a gift to congratulate him on his 80th birthday. George held the office of Churchwarden

in Belleek and has been a member of the Select Vestry for over 40 years. Over the years George has been at hand to carry out many jobs in the maintenance of Belleek Church. George used the gifts of his hand for many tasks which required a handy person. Whatever the job, George always obliged. Nothing was too much trouble. This was also the case when sometimes a job needed completed in the Rectory. George has excellent joinery skills. When the Sunday School needed a prop made for a special service, George was the person to do it, taking nothing for his materials or time involved. George was a Caretaker of the Wark Hall for many years. He was able to spot a job which needed to be done and carry it out. As George has taken a well-deserved retirement from this work, we wish him

good health for many years ahead. George Love was able to attend with many members of his family, including his sons Nigel, Roy and George, daughters Rachel, Zara and Caroline. His wife May unfortunately was unable to attend for health reasons and his son William could not attend the service because of travel restrictions. Sadly, another son, Adrian was killed at age 19 in a motor cycle accident in 1990.

Canon Ngozi's special anniversary

At Mrs Kirkpatrick's celebration on Sunday 5th July Canon Ngozi was presented with a bouquet of flowers from the Mothers' Union to mark the 10th anniversary of her ordination as a Priest in the Anglican Church. Dot Barlow (Branch Leader)



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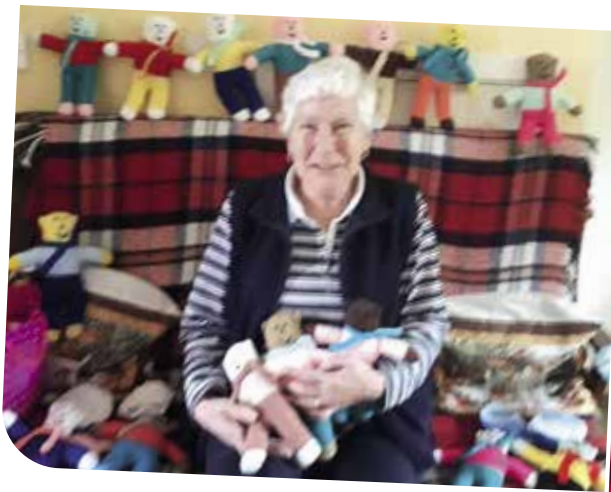
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made the presentation and thanked Canon Ngozi for her interest and all her efforts in the running the Branch, by taking services and helping to organise the yearly programme.

Knitting for Mothers' Union

Mrs. Sally Carson and her daughter Wendy Stephenson have been busy during lockdown knitting 40 little teddies for the A&E Unit of SWAH. These items have been forwarded to Noreen Little, Unit Coordinator for Faith and Unit in Clogher Diocesan Mothers' Union.

The little teddies were in short supply in recent months and are greatly appreciated by the hospital. Sally and Wendy also knit 40 little baby hats which are given out to newborn babies in Maternity Ward. We sincerely thank Wendy and Sally for all the hours of hard work and for the resources they have put into this work for Mothers' Union.



Teddies and Hats.

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.



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We are living in very challenging times and church life has certainly changed. We pray for the return of some sort of normality very soon.

We continue to remember in our prayers all those affected by Covid-19. We especially pray for the frontline staff and all who are directly involved in the running of day to day things especially all the decisions that have to be made regarding our young people

Appointment of New Rector

Revd Stephanie Woods, Rector of Lisbellaw and Coolbuck has been appointed part time Stipendiary Minister in the Bishop's Curacy of Innishmacsaint. We as a parish look forward to welcoming Revd Woods and wish her all the best in her new

appointment. Revd Woods' first service will be on Sunday 6th September at 11.30am. Everyone welcome and all COVID 19 guidelines will be followed.

At this point we would like to thank all who have helped out during the vancancy in taking services and also Miss Isobel Stewart for looking after the pastoral care.

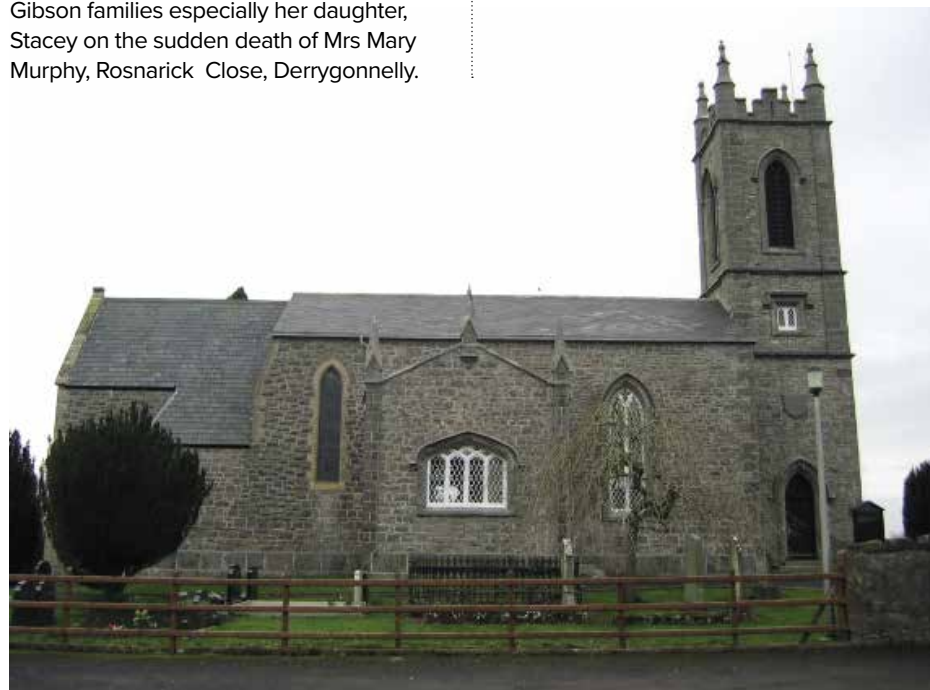
Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the Murphy and Gibson families especially her daughter, Stacey on the sudden death of Mrs Mary Murphy, Rosnarick Close, Derrygonnelly.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.

Illness

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all who are ill either at home or in hospital, the housebound and those in nursing or residential care. Lord be with each and everyone of them in these uncertain times



Kilskeery and Trillick



Rector:
Revd Philip Bryson

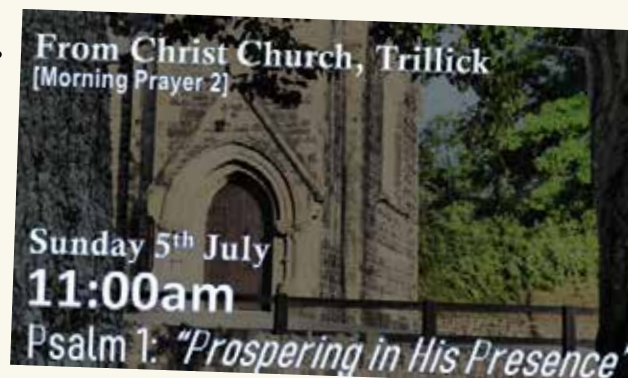
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It's Moving On...

It feels like we are moving on through the months, through the year, and as we come to those high points which we usually look forward to, we find that they have been moved or cancelled or dulled down. Now in September, summer holiday time has come and gone and probably looked much different than first planned. But did we focus on what we didn't get or have or do, that we had planned and looked forward to? Or was our attitude to make the most of what we could do and be thankful for the people we could be with and maybe the extra time that we could be with them? The constant media bombardment of negative newsfeeds and the intravenous drip of world calamities played and replayed before our very eyes, every hour on the hour, believe it or not, might just encourage us to become more fearful and panicked, and less faith-filled and at peace. The question might be then asked, "Well, how can I go through these challenging days

with a proper perspective on the chaos and a proper perspective on my faith in God?" For the first eight weeks of 2020 we spent time thinking about "20-20 Vision", as we discussed looking forward into the new year, and considered how we might do that with our eyes on the Lord and knowing that His eyes are on us too. We didn't think that we would be walking into a pandemic within two weeks of finishing that sermon series. But as I reflect back now, how appropriate were the words of those sermons? We thought of:- the blinding effect of sin; the Lord's invitation to look up and dream of His blessings; having an awareness that we are in a spiritual world as well as material; visions of heaven and heaven's perspective on earthly events; holding on to faith even when you don't know where you are going; the God who sees and knows not just our outward appearance but our very hearts; the God who sees us wherever we go and knows us completely; and Jesus, the One who sees and who knows. And so how appropriate were those words? It makes me think of studying and school. We are taught and then we are tested. We receive the information and then we are given the opportunity to see if we have understood it and if we are able to make it relevant in everyday situations. We began the year with teaching about having our eyes fixed on the Lord who has His eyes fixed on us, and then we faced an opportunity to discover how we would retain that teaching and how we would make it practical in our everyday lives. Sometimes, or perhaps, more often than not, we don't see the connection between God's word and our lives. We hear it or read it and then we close the book and carry on. Could there be a lesson that we should learn at this stage, to treat God's word to us as precious. To ask as we read

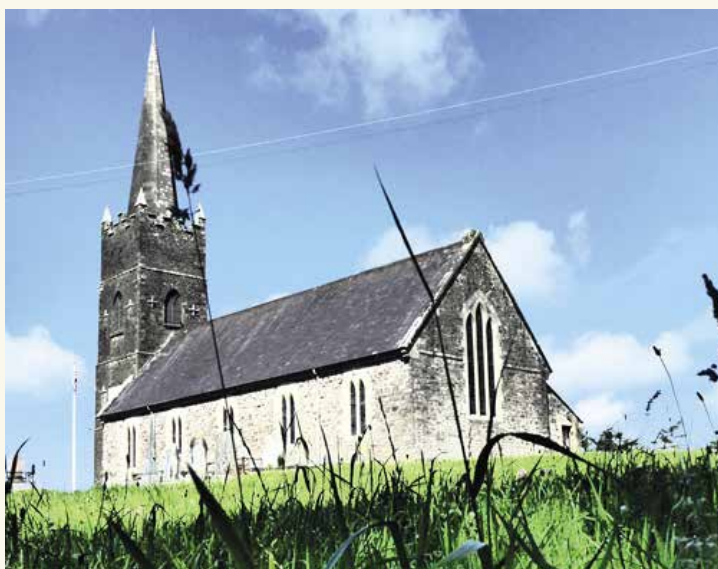
it or hear it preached or sang or? To ask Him to place the promises in it, deep into our hearts and souls that they may increase our faith in Him and give us His perspective on our lives and the situations that encircle us. It seems that we are not through the pandemic just yet, so we still have an opportunity to dig into God's word, for answers, for solutions, for hope, for healing, for guidance, for encouragement, for truth, for light and let His words wash our minds from all that we allow to in-still fear and panic, hopelessness and depression. So as we move on from summer and into autumn, may our eyes, our vision, be firmly fixed upon Him and less on the media screens; and may our faith and joy and peace arise as we discover that no matter what we face, He is enough and His promises, bejewelling His word, are life and strength and grace to us still.



Summer Months

July: Online Services

In our Sunday Services throughout the month of July we took time to look at a number of the psalms considering them in the context of the presence of God. What we seem to find when we read the psalms is that a key element to the concerns



contained within, is the presence of God. The psalmist is looking for God's presence, experiencing God's presence and being blessed because of God's presence. These services were online via our FACEBOOK page and presented from both Christ Church, Trillick and Kilskeery Parish.

August : Drive-In Services

Throughout the month of August we continued meeting together by way of our Joint Drive-in Services at Kilskeery. We took the rain with the sunshine and fortunately had no hail or snow (yet). Our theme has been and will continue to be into September, "If My People", taking time to consider the Lord's response to Solomon's prayer at the dedication of the newly built temple. It is with great appreciation to those who come along faithfully to set up each Saturday evening and also those who

have provided the use of a lorry, and the use of a sound system, that we are able to make these Drive-in Services possible.

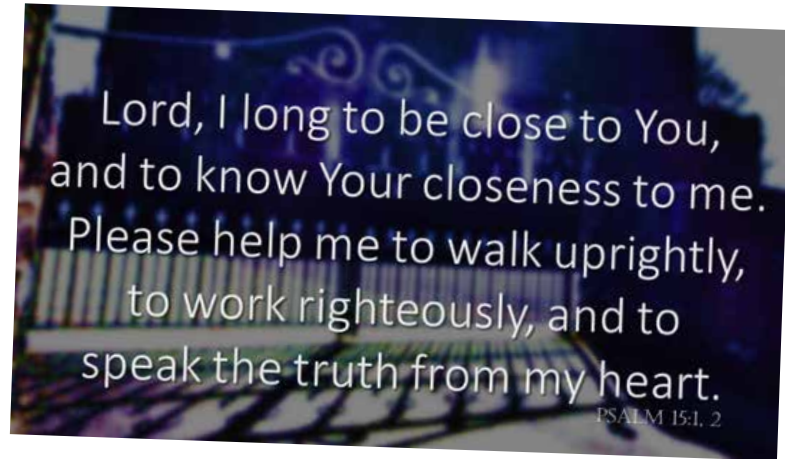
Psalms150

As part of the FACEBOOK schedule, encouraging verses have been put up weekly.

On 4th August, after thinking through some of the psalms during July, I decided to start putting up a verse from a psalm each day, and work through all of the psalms in the process. It wasn't until a few days later that I discovered that starting on the 4th of August we will finish going through all of the psalms on 31st December. Perhaps there's something in that?

Facebook

Facebook continues to be a good means of keeping connected and sharing information. We assume and hope that



this will change in the not so distant future as we move back into our buildings again. An outline presence has proved positive, and it is out intention to continue this in some form in the future.

September And Beyond

Proverbs 19:21, "There are many plans in a person's heart, nevertheless the Lord's counsel – that will stand."

Psalm 119:105, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Proverbs 3:5, 6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your paths."



Lisbellaw with Coolbuck

Vacant

Archdeacon Brian Harper is in charge.

Services and pastoral cover provided by Revd. Colin Brownsmith.

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy to Mrs Violet Lee and her daughters Barbara and Sharon on the death of Wesley, a much-loved husband, father and grandfather.

Farewell

A drive-in service was held to say farewell to Rector, Revd Stephanie Woods. See photographs on these pages.



Baptism for the Crawford and Williams families in Lisbellaw Parish Church with Revd Stephanie Woods before she left the parish.



Lisnaskea



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Services

Sunday 6th September

Morning Prayer

Sunday 13th September

Morning Prayer

Sunday 20th September

Morning Prayer

Sunday 27th September

Morning Prayer

*Please note services will remain at 10.30 a.m.

Holy Baptism

■ Sunday 26th January - Jacob Irwin Lucy, 68 RabbitBurrow Road, Lisbellaw.

A son to Stephen and Lindsey.

■ Sunday 2nd August - Theodore Emre Gregg, 17 Carnwood, Lisnaskea.

A son to Gordon and Megan.

Congratulations to both couples on their new arrivals.

Back to church

Having had a number of weeks meeting for "Drive in" services which many people enjoyed, finally on 5th July we were very pleased to return to worship inside our church. Although it seemed very strange not to see people sit beside each other in the pews, not being able to have a chat or sing, nevertheless it was a new beginning in some ways. We were able to hear hymns being played and were still able to see friends we may not have seen for a long number of weeks. It was also lovely to have a baptism in August and to welcome Theo Gregg into the church family. As the regulations and rules seem to be changing regularly we must be prepared for these changes and learn to adapt to a new way of life and be thankful we can still meet in some form.

General Easter Vestry

This meeting which was postponed since

Easter took place on 11th August and this year was a triennial year. The following people were elected to serve;

Rector's Churchwarden - Niall Hogg

People's Churchwarden – Hazel McDonald

Rector's Glebewarden – Henry Mayne

People's Glebewarden – David Doonan

Vestry Members:

Maxine Leary (Treasurer)

James Brady

Linda Cassidy (Secretary)

Andrew Kells

Betty Storey

Geoff Kerr

Helen Wilson

Hilda Latimer

Steven Johnston

Alan McDonald

Parochial Nominators:

Helen Wilson, Alan McDonald, Andrew Kells and Maxine Leary.

Supplemental Nominators:

Hilda Latimer and Henry Mayne.

Diocesan Synodsmen:

Alan McDonald, Helen Wilson and Maxine Leary.

Supplemental Synodsmen:

Betty Storey and Steven Johnston.

Mothers' Union

This has been a strange time since March but we are thankful that all our members have come through it safely. We thank all



One of the baptisms in Lisnaskea Parish Church.



The church ready for in-church worship.

those involved in the frontline services and all the volunteers who kept the daily life in our community running smoothly. We all have to continue to do our part and adhere to any instructions given out by those who have the responsibility for keeping the country safe and moving on. If things were normal we would now be busy preparing for our Visitors Night in September but owing to present circumstances we have had to postpone. Our apologies to all the Branches who were invited but we hope next year we will be able to welcome you all on another night. We were having Kenny Fisher and The Silvertones at that meeting and Kenny has kindly promised that when we are able to organise another date they will come, so we have a night of music and hearing about the work of The Fisher Foundation to look forward to. Thanks to our members who knitted Trauma Teddies. They have been passed on to Noreen who will bring them to the hospital. It is very satisfying to know that these teddies bring comfort to the children who are admitted to the hospital or have to attend the A&E ward. Also a big thank you to members who have been sewing masks and passing them on to healthcare workers and anyone else who needs them. Please everyone keep safe and enjoy the rest of the holiday period. We do not know when our meetings will be able to resume but in the meantime we will continue to keep members informed of any Mothers' Union news or information by email.



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Unusual summer

It has certainly been one of the most unusual summers in the life of the church. Thankfully, the parish community in Ballinamallard has remained strong. It has been a difficult time for those who have been required to observe a very strict isolation and several continue to do so. Traditional parish ministry has also changed. There has been much less time spent driving, hospital and home visits have been non-existent until very recently and Sunday morning has involved conducting Morning Prayer in the rectory sitting room to a camera whilst still remembering that about 60 people were watching live and another 1000 might be viewing it through the week from any point on the planet.



Whilst the online services are still continuing, we are also now open on Sundays at 11am. Our thanks are extended to Jenny McCrea, Julie Heatherington, Howard McMorris and Liane Armstrong who organised this in accordance with the safety advice. With the two-metre distancing, we can open every third pew and whilst we noticed a few minor issues on our first Sunday, we were able to adjust going forward. Our first Sunday also coincided with the introduction of face coverings in enclosed spaces so we all looked very strange (but very fashionable).

It has been a learning curve and it has been useful to share good practice with other parishes.

We have not yet been able to assess how our activities will proceed through the autumn and winter. Social distancing, hygiene, track and trace and face coverings are the essentials that need to be observed and this will impact on all our adult and children's groups. The situation is always changing and may improve or worsen so constant review and flexibility will be important.

Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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Services

Sunday 6th September

10:30am St Patrick's (& on Facebook live)
12:15pm Kilmore

Sunday 13th September

10:30am St Patrick's (& on Facebook live)
12:15pm Ballinode

Sunday 20th September

10:30am St Patrick's (& on Facebook live)
12:15pm Kilmore

Sunday 27th September

10:30am St Patrick's (& on Facebook live)
12:15pm Ballinode

Sunday 4th October

10:30am St Patrick's (& on Facebook live)
12:15pm Kilmore

Back to church

On Sunday 5th July we were able to meet for worship in the church building again. It was good to see people again in church and a very welcome difference to preaching and leading into a phone!

With coming back into the church building, the Select Vestry had agreed to invest in some new equipment and technology to help with live-streaming our services. We are grateful to Monaghan County Council for a grant towards getting this equipment and especially grateful to Josh Johnson from Hope Monaghan for advising us what we needed to get and helping us to set it up. There are some aspects of being in church that are hard to get used to and we are trying to work out in practice what is best to do. For many the hardest part of the restrictions in church is not being able to sing. This is so much part of who we are and what we do that it is hard to have music and not join in singing. We still do have hymns and songs, this is important. We need to have music and hymns in our worship to help us praise God, to help us give voice to our praise and to inspire our praise and prayer. We can sing in our

hearts (and when we occasionally forget ourselves sing quietly aloud), mouth the words and we can still stand for the hymns and do the actions for the children's song. This is something that has helped in our worship and movement has always been important and perhaps even more in the current pandemic. John Calvin wrote this in his commentary on Acts "The inward attitude certainly holds first place in prayer, but outward signs, kneeling, uncovering the head, lifting up the hands, have a twofold use. The first is that we may employ all our members for the glory and worship of God; secondly, that we are, so to speak, jolted out of our laziness by this help."

We are getting used to both being in church and online and the new equipment is making this a better experience, even with a few teething problems. We're getting into the good habits of sanitising our hands, filling in our contact details and sitting in some unfamiliar seats. We are getting more confident and comfortable with being in church and next we will have to work out new ways of doing what was normally routine in September.

Protocols

In the next few weeks we will have had (hopefully) our first baptism in line with the protocols that the House of Bishops have put in place. It will be a bit different but it will be good to be able to welcome, support, pray and continue to do these things for our newest parishioners.

We will also plan to have a communion service, though this will take a bit of working out how to do in line with the House of Bishop's protocols and the logistics of space in our church buildings.

As yet we aren't sure what will happen with Sunday School as we are waiting for guidance from the central church bodies/ bishops. We do have a good idea of what we may need to do from the guidelines that were published for our National Schools but we'll need to think about how this will look in practice.

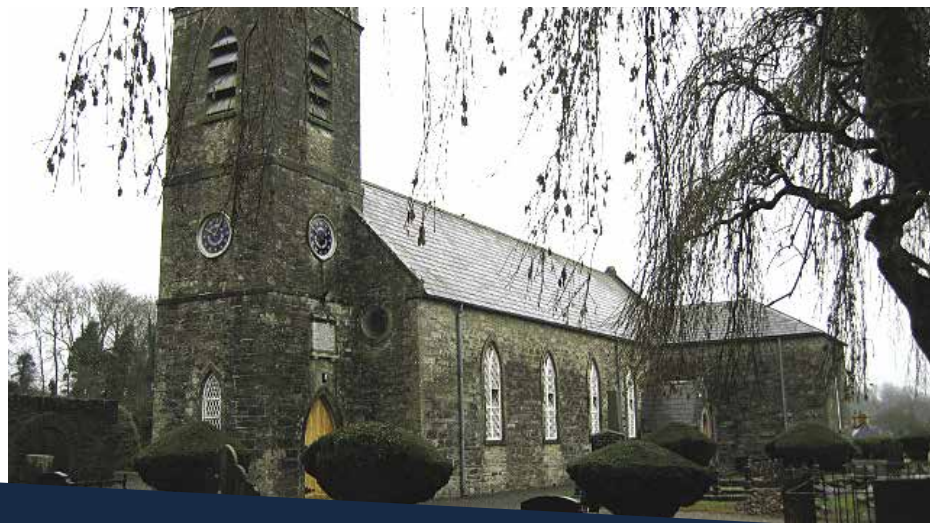
At this time of year we would also be in the throes of preparing for harvest celebrations

but with restrictions on space and numbers who can be in the church building these services will have to be a bit different. We will also be planning to hold the Easter General Vestries for the parishes in order to elect select vestries and also the triennial elections of nominators and synodsmen.

Prayers

There is much that we have prayed for and during these last months and many prayers that we have seen answered. For these next weeks I would ask you to pray especially for our schools, for principals, teachers, pupils, parents, boards of management and governors as they seek to bring pupils back to school and settle into some very new routines.

You may find this prayer helpful to use; Almighty God our heavenly Father, we come to you in prayer for our schools. Father God so much has happened and changed over these past months that our schools starting back is making us nervous but we do look forward to seeing friends and this bit of normality returning to our lives. Help us to remember that in all the changes you are the God who changes not, that your love for us is there in Jesus Christ and his presence with us through the Holy Spirit. We pray for your help and blessing on our schools as they start back. We thank you for guidance that our teachers and Boards of Management and Governors have received and worked through. Thank-you for the plans that have been put in place. Help us to understand them and to adapt them if they need to be changed. Help parents and teachers and staff to learn new habits of being at school. Take away any fear or nervousness that we may be feeling. Help us to hold on to the truths that Peter and Paul wrote when they told us "cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you" and that "I can do all this through him who gives me strength". For we ask all these things through Jesus Christ your Son and our Lord. Amen.



Rossorry



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A note from the Rector Rebuilding parish life

As we stand at the beginning of September after almost six months dealing with the coronavirus pandemic, we face uncertainty about how parish life might look in the coming months. One real positive has been our return to in-church worship since the beginning of August. Thus far, our arrangements seem to be working well, the numbers of people attending have been manageable and many have said how they have so enjoyed being back in God's house on a Sunday morning.

We are also continuing with recordings of services and providing these online for those who are unable to join us at present. One of the lessons we have learned from the past few months is how important our on-line presence is to communicate with parishioners and to engage with the wider community. This platform of communication will be an important tool for us as we rebuild parish life.

The cycle of life however does continue and over the summer, death has sadly taken a number of our most faithful and dedicated parishioners. We assure those families of our sympathy and prayers at this time of bereavement. A number of weddings have been postponed until next year and baptisms re-scheduled for the autumn. We have not however had any indication of when confirmations may be possible in parishes.

Now we must begin to turn our minds to restart our parish activities. As schools reopen, we need to think out how we might approach our work with children, young people and, also, our work with adult groups who use the Parish Hall. Once we gain clarity on when we may open our halls to week-day activities we will turn to how this might happen. Most likely it will be through conducting risk assessments just as we did

for opening the church building. We all so wish life would return to normal, however we are increasingly aware that we will have to live with the virus in the community for months to come, and the uncertainty of the possibility of an autumn surge in new cases of Covid-19. So, we will have to rebuild our parish life cautiously yet purposefully to enable us to re-engage with our parishioners and the community. We look forward to discussing with the various leaders of our parish organisations and community groups who use our Hall to find safe ways of taking our programmes forward. We pray for the guidance of God in all we do and trust in his unfailing help and power to invigorate us and inspire our work. A verse from one of our Gospel readings in recent weeks is so encouraging to our faith in Christ for all the future holds – it occurs in the episode of the stilling of the storm on lake Galilee. Jesus came to help the disciples, in the midst of the storm, and says: 'Take heart, it is I, be not afraid.' Matthew 14: 27

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

How is the Parish keeping its work going?

The current emergency has changed the way we work- indeed the way we must work. In spite of this we are managing to keep the work of the Parish moving, as best we can. Below are details of the various methods we have devised to provide some level of services and pastoral support to you, the parishioners.

Return to in Church Worship

Delighted to report that we are back in Church for services! We went back into Church on Sunday 2nd August for the first service. There have also been two funerals held in Church – (see Parish Register, below, for details).

All is going well and with the help of our volunteer Select Vestry members as ushers we find that people have picked up on the new arrangements quickly.

There is one Sunday service each week at 10am – to suit everyone.

Online services

We understand that not everyone is ready yet for in church worship so the Rector prepares and publishes, on Facebook on Sunday afternoon, weekly services of Morning Prayer or Holy Communion as appropriate.

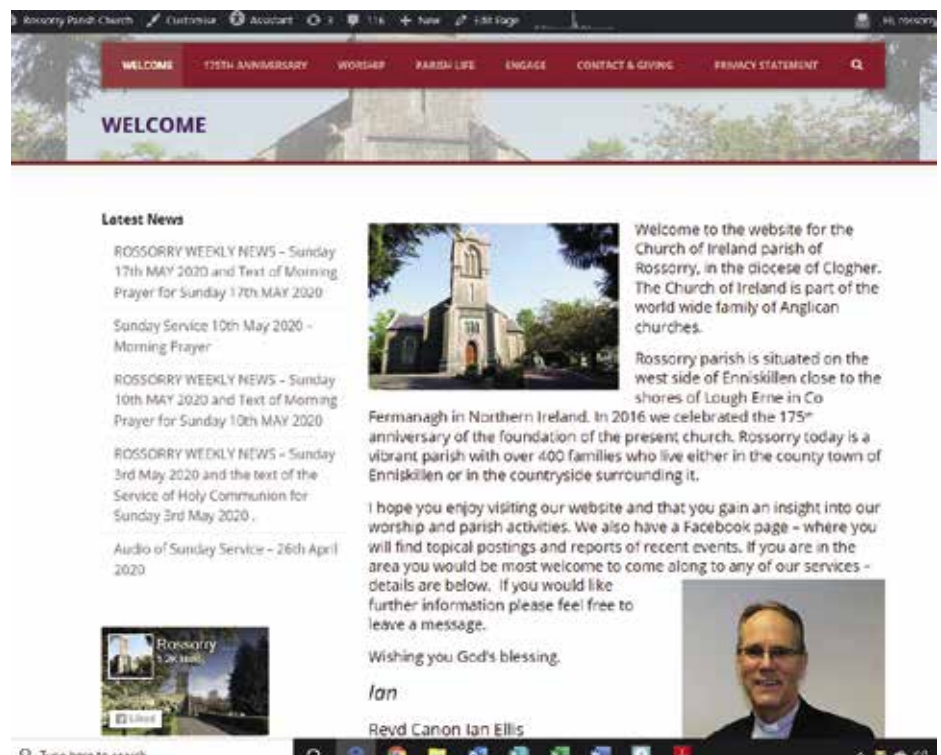
These services will continue to be prepared and placed online for Sundays into the foreseeable future.

He will, also, continue to provide occasional short 'Reflections' aimed at the children of the Parish and he encourages families to allow their children to view these, as they are surely missing Sunday School!

Parish Website

(rossorryparish.com)

The website is still up and running and will contain the Rossorry Weekly News Sheet and usually the printed text for upcoming Services which will appear on Facebook.



PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES AND READ THE SAFETY PROTOCOL ON PAGES 11 & 12—before the Service begins.

MORNING PRAYER – 16th August 2020 – Tenth Sunday after Trinity
(Using the Book of Common Prayer- BCP)

Introduction and Opening Hymn - 343

1 We love the place, O God,
in which your honour dwells;
the joy of your abode
all earthly joy excels.

2 It is the house of prayer,
where we your people meet;
and you, our Lord, are there
your chosen flock to greet.

3 We love the font, for there
new life in Christ begins;
it speaks of your great care,
of cleansing from our sins.

4 We love the word of life,
the word that tells of peace,
of comfort in the strife,
and joys that never cease.

5 We love your table, Lord-
no place on earth so dear;
for there, in faith adored,
we find your presence near.

6 We love to sing below
of mercies freely given;
but O we long to know
the triumph-song of heaven.

7 Lord Jesus, give us grace
on earth to love you more,
in heaven to see your face,
and with your saints adore.

*William Bullock (1798-1874)
and Henry Williams Baker (1821-77)altd
Based on Psalm 26:8*

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And also with you

A Sentence of Scripture

Jesus said: 'Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age'

Matthew 28:20



Rossorry Weekly News

The weekly News Sheet is still being produced. It contains the text of the Sunday service, as we cannot have access to our Prayer Book and Hymnal. It will, also, contain useful information on Parish life and how we are trying to keep things ticking over.

It also contains a reminder of the Safety Protocol for attending Church.

CDs for Parishioners

CDs of prepared online services are being prepared and posted out to parishioners who live alone or unable to receive the online postings. These contain two services (Morning Prayer or Holy Communion) and a Children's video and a copy of The Rossorry Weekly News. These have been well received and are a source of solace for the parishioners who feel isolated and a bit cut off from our Parish life.



Parish Self-Help Volunteer Group

Our plans to set up a self-help group of volunteers to keep in touch with the elderly and house bound, maybe help with groceries or medication etc. have been curtailed by the change in 'lockdown' regulations. However a good number of volunteers came forward wishing to help out – so we

have been able to consult with the elderly/housebound and each volunteer has been allocated a number of parishioners who they keep in touch with, by telephone, in a befriending service.

This is going well – but if we have missed anyone - let Gerry know in the Parish Office (02866 329889) and they can be added in and allocated to a friendly volunteer.

Easter General Vestry

You may recall that the Easter General Vestry, usually held about a week or 10 days after Easter, was cancelled this year due to the ongoing restrictions. In line with guidance from the Archbishop, the Easter General Vestry for Rossorry Parish will take place in September in the Church (date TBC) This is a Triennial year – so as well as electing Churchwardens and Vestry members, we will also elect Parochial Nominators and Synod Members (and Supplementalists) . This is an important part of Church life and you are encouraged to attend and play your part in the governance of your Church.

New Commonwealth War Grave Headstone erected at Rossorry

A new Commonwealth War Grave Headstone has been erected at Rossorry Graveyard. It refers to Private William John (Jack) DEVLIN of the 4th Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

Jack never made it to war, having contracted Tuberculosis during his first year at his camp in Luden Camp, Bunrana, Co. Donegal. He was invalided out of the Army and died on 15th September 1917 aged 18. Due to the efforts of his step grand nephew, Stephen Crawford, his service was recognised by The War Graves Commission and a headstone erected in his memory on the Devlin family plot (close to the Stables). Thanks to Stephen for the potted history of 'Jack' reproduced below, which contains an interesting account of his life and genealogy.

William John DEVLIN (Jack), Private (28901)

**4th (Reserve) Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers
Died: 15th September 1917
Age: 18**

**Rossorry Church of Ireland graveyard
Enniskillen**

William John (Jack) Devlin was born in 1899 in 25, Abbey Street, Enniskillen.

His father was Samuel Johnston Devlin, a tailor, his mother was Annie Maria Devlin, nee Johnston, a charwoman. They were married in Enniskillen in 1898. Jack's siblings were Maggie Catherine born 1901, Annie Elizabeth born 1903, George Edward born 1908 and Samuel Johnston D.O.B unknown died at the age of three.

Jack's father died in 1908 at the age of 32. In 1911 his mother and siblings were living at 37 Queen Street Enniskillen while Jack had gone to live with his grandparents, William and Annie Johnston on their farm at Drumme, Enniskillen.

In 1914 Jack's mother re-married, to William Lucy of Derryscobe, Letterbreen. Together they had six children, half siblings to Jack. Billy Lucy (Letterbreen), Tony Lucy (Derryaghna), Wesley Lucy (Crownhall), Emily Crawford (Florencecourt), Nelly, Sally (Derryaghna).

Jack enlisted in the Inniskillings on 14th February 1916, aged 17. His attestation papers describes him as being 5 feet 6 inches tall, with fair complexion, blue eyes with fair hair and his occupation as a farm labourer. He was sent to the 4th Battalion (Extra Reserves) who were encamped at Clonmany Camp, Inishowen, Co. Donegal and later at Luden Camp in Bunrana, Co. Donegal. It is here at Luden, in early 1917, that Jack succumbed to Tuberculosis. On 31st May 1917 he was discharged from the army.



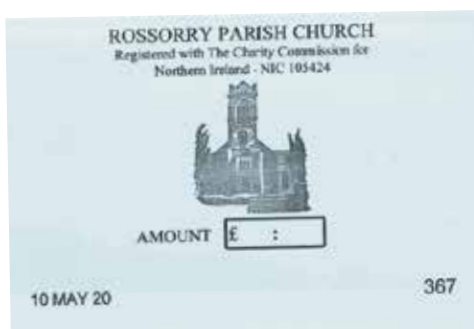
His Discharge Report states Cause of Discharge:-

'No longer physically fit, Tubercle of Lung'. The commanding officer wrote in his report; 'Not the result of, but aggravated by ordinary military service exposure during training. Minimum duration 12 months, so being transferred to a Sanatorium'. He was awarded a Silver War Badge (No.184130).

Jack died in hospital on 15th September 1917, aged 18. He was buried two days later on 17th September in the Devlin plot at Rossorry Church of Ireland graveyard. Jack is commemorated on the WW1 memorial plaque as J Devlin within the church. Jack's mother Annie died on 25th July 1943 and she was buried next to Jack to the right of the Devlin plot."

Freewill Offerings

Because we have not been permitted to hold Sunday services in church for some weeks, now, many of you have been asking how you can contribute your weekly collection envelopes and other donations.



We would like to let you know that we have devised a way of doing that.

You will be able to bring your envelopes or send them with a friend to the church door and two members of the Select Vestry will be there to receive them. We plan to have a system in place where you can drive up and drop off your donation and at the same time observe social distancing.

This will be on the last Saturday of each month from 10am to 12 noon.

(Next -29th August 2020)

Throughout the period of the Pandemic, the Parish continues to have ongoing costs and your contribution is vital in sustaining its work and ministry.

Alternatively, you can send in a cheque with a note of your envelope number and it can be lodged.

You may wish to consider setting up a Standing Order and you can do this online with your Bank if you have online banking. The details you need are attached below, for information.

Account name:- 'Rossorry Parochial Christian Stewardship'

ULSTER BANK Ltd.

Sort code 98 06 50

Account number 47986357

You may also drop envelopes off at the Parish Office letter box or consider a bank transfer—include the Reference " FREEWILL + your envelope number"—so we know who has sent it for recording purposes.

The Parish Office

The Office is still working, (9am-1pm, Monday to Friday) keeping the day to day machinery moving.

Please don't visit - but I will be delighted to chat on the 'phone, take emails or a note through the door or in the post, etc—if there is anything I can do to help.

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SERVICES for September 2020

The Rector continues to prepare and upload video Services for Sundays and short Reflections for the children.

Text of the services- you will find on our Website (rossorryparish.com) and a link to the recording of the Service.

Video of the services – you will find on our Facebook page (Rossorry Parish Church)

Please keep an eye on Social Media / Website for any changes to our scheduled Services

PARISH REGISTER

Bereavement

Over this past number of weeks we have lost three parishioners and the wife of a late parishioner (Richard Chambers)

We extend our sincere sympathies to their

families and assure them of our prayers at this difficult time.

■ **CHAMBERS**, Vera Caroline of Front Lodge, Castle Archdale, Irvinestown, died peacefully on 1st July 2020, a parishioner of Castle Archdale. Due to Covid restrictions no church service with interment in Rossorry Parish Churchyard in the family plot (CHAMBERS) of her late husband on Sunday 5th July. The Rector officiated.

■ **FYFFE**, Edward (Eddie), suddenly on 19th July 2020, of Silverdale Nursing Home, Castlederg, formerly of 8, Elliott Place, Enniskillen, husband of Doreen. Due to Covid restrictions, a service took place at W.T Morrison's Ballycassidy House on Wednesday, 22nd July 2020 at 12pm – followed by interment in Rossorry Parish

Churchyard.

■ **LITTLE**, Ross (Ronnie), (peacefully) on 31st July 2020 of 1 Ashwoods Road, Enniskillen, beloved husband of Rosalie at the South West Acute Hospital, Enniskillen. Due to Covid restrictions, a service took place at the family home on Sunday 2nd August 2020 at 2pm – followed by a restricted service in Rossorry Parish Church for close family members at 3pm, followed by interment in Rossorry Parish Churchyard.

■ **McCULLAGH**, Eileen Elizabeth, (nee Brown) (peacefully) on 7th August 2020 at Millcroft Nursing Home, Enniskillen, formerly of 'Rossmore,' Ballaghmore, Enniskillen, beloved wife of the late Robin McCullagh. Due to Covid restrictions, a service took place at the family home on

Sunday 9th August 2020 at 2pm followed by a restricted service in Rossorry Parish Church for close family members at 2.30pm, followed by interment in the family plot at Rossorry Parish Churchyard.

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Baptism

12th July 2020 - Sophie Elizabeth Hunter daughter of David and Jill Hunter, Tullyreagh Road, Tempo.

Funeral

24th July 2020 - Laura Jean Jones, Main Street, Tempo.

Our prayers and sympathy are extended to her husband Edwin, daughters Karen and Samantha, sons Roy and Oliver and all the family circle.

Annual General Vestries

Tuesday 15th September at 7.30 p.m. for Tempo.

Wednesday 16th September at 7.30 p.m. for Clabby.

Harvest Services

Tempo - Sunday 27th September at 11.30a.m.

Clabby - Sunday 4th October at 10.15a.m.

"Now"

Since practically March when we went into lockdown the phrase "NEW NORM" became the latest phrase of the time. As time does move on and we are now in the new norm, we are beginning to understand what it means. We are gradually learning what it involves for each of us in our daily lives at home, work, school, Church and just plain simple ordinary daily living. The Bible also speaks about a "new norm", but it is with regard to our relationship with God.

Jeremiah 31 v 31 Speaks of God making a new Covenant (promise, agreement) with the people of Israel and Judah. It will be different, a new one from the one He had made when they come out of Egypt. No longer will it be one of keeping regulations and rules but one of faith, "I will put my law in their minds and write on their hearts. I will be their God and they will be my people." In Ezekiel 36 v36, God says to the exiled people on their return to their homeland, "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh". God will carry out a heart transplant, they will receive new hearts, changed hearts. Their cold hard hearts will be removed and a new warm soft heart by God's spirit in their lives. This is a work of God by the Holy Spirit desires to carry out in all our lives. What sort of heart have we towards God, His Word, the eternal things of God and the Gospel? Are they at the centre (heart) of our lives or not? Matthew 9 v 16-17 Jesus speaks about how the old and new don't go together. New wine can't be put into old wine skins, if it happens the result is that the old wine skins burst. New wine in new wine skins. Jesus was not teaching about wine making rather about our lives. We can't claim to be Christian and then live the same lifestyle before

we became a Christian, a new life and a new lifestyle.

2nd Corinthians 5 says, "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, the old has gone, He new Has come." When we realise and admit we are sinners and believe only in Jesus Christ and his Sacrificial death on the cross can save us from punishment by God for our sins and then repent of them and trust Christ as our Saviour then they are forgiven by God and we become a new person. Just as Ezekiel said we get a new soft warm heart towards God, his word, the gospel and the things of God. We get a new love, joy, peace, a new focus and aim in our lives - Jesus, we don't desire or want the old life and lifestyle. It is like we are brand new or just like having got rid of the old car and got a new one.

Finally we can then look forward to the New Heaven and the new earth which Jesus will bring about on his return again. This old sad, suffering, sinful, sick world will be done away with, We will receive new glorious transformed, perfect bodies just like Jesus' body. God says (Rev 21 v 5) "I am making everything new".

Today for a moment forget about the new norm in the world around us and consider our lives. Are we a new creation or a person trusting in Christ as our Saviour and Lord for the forgiveness of our sins and for eternal life. Has our heart been changed from cold and hard to warm and soft by the work of the Holy Spirit and Word of God in our Lives? To-day are you ready and looking forward to the return of Christ, the New Heaven and new earth living there forever with Jesus?

Take a few minutes and read Ephesians 4 v 17-24, where Paul writing to the Church in Ephesus challenges about what the old and new life will look like, and imagine he is writing this to you.

Trory and Killadeas



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While it seems like both yesterday, and an eternity ago at the same time, it was with great delight and shouts of 'Alleluia' that St. Michael's, Trory, and Priory Church, Killadeas reopened their doors on Sunday 19th July to full seating capacity under current regulations. They reopened not only after the Covid-19 lockdown and closure, but with a new rector in position too, and Revd. Mark would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their warm welcome and making the move so easy.

Baptism

Priory were also delighted to welcome into our church family Logan Hunter Regan on 16th August, the first baptism in the parish under new social distancing regulations. It was yet another great reason to celebrate as a church family. We wish Logan and his parents Vicky and Robbie God's richest blessings.

Services

Services continue with our usual pattern during September. Sunday 10am in Priory and 11.30am in St. Michael's, plus a short, reflective midweek service on Wednesday



Baptism for the Regan family in the Priory Church, Killadeas.

at 7pm in St. Michael's. On the first Sunday of the month we celebrate Holy Communion. For those who still feel uneasy about coming into buildings with other people, Priory Sunday service is recorded live and uploaded onto Facebook directly after the service, and the Wednesday service from St. Michael's streamed live, also on Facebook.

Harvest services

With 'being out' of the buildings for so long, it's hard to believe, but Harvest-tide is almost upon us, and preparations for bringing in the sheaves have started. Like with everything else in the world, our Harvest services have had to be slightly altered this year. They will be Sunday and Wednesday, rather than the usual Friday and Sunday, (to accommodate the 72-hour coronavirus lag time between services.) Also, in line with new regulations, there will

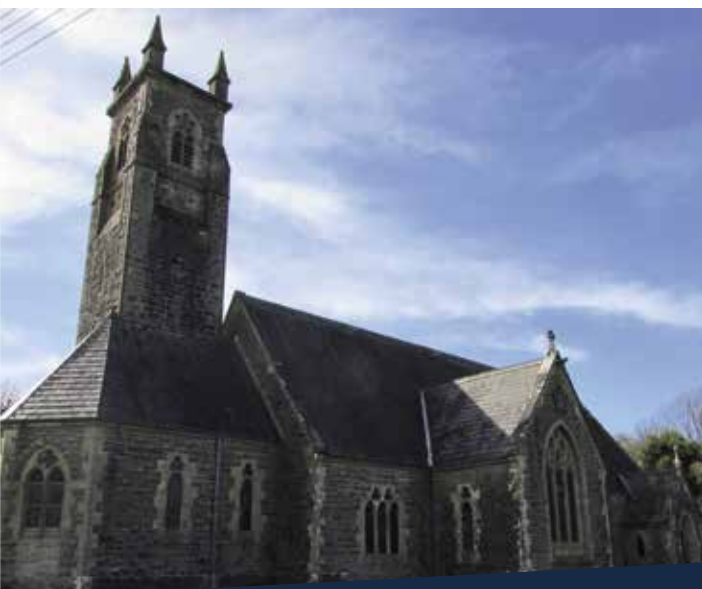
be no 'traditional' Harvest Supper. In place of it however, both churches will have a drive-in picnic and games at the rectory. Given Fermanagh autumnal weather is a mixed bag, there are outdoor game contingencies... car horns honk, wipers move and lights flash, and we shall say no more!!!

Priory Church Harvest Services

Sunday 27th September at 10am. A Family Harvest followed by the drive-in picnic at 1pm.
Wednesday 30th September at 7pm. A Traditional Harvest Service and Hymns.

Trory Harvest Services

Sunday 11th October at 11.30am. A Family Harvest followed directly by the drive-in picnic.
Wednesday 14th October at 7pm. Music and Readings for Harvest.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

September 2020

- Sunday 6th September – **Re-opening services for Tempo and Clabby parishes** in Clabby Church at 10.15am and in Tempo Church at 11.30 led by Canon Maurice Armstrong. Also available as a Dial-in and a podcast of the sermon only will be available on the Parishes Facebook.
- Sunday 6th September – **Garrison Group of Parishes Sunday services** continuing at 10am and 11.30am following the rota. Follow www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org or the Facebook page for Garrison Group of Parishes.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday service in Inishmaccsaint Parish Church** with first service at 11.30am taken by Revd Stephanie Woods. Everyone welcome and all COVID 19 guidelines will be followed.
- Sunday 6th September – **Kilskeery and Trillick Sunday services continuing online** on their Facebook page with Revd Philip Bryson.
- Sunday 6th September – **Magheracross Parish Church Sunday service** at 11am with Archdeacon Brian Harper.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday Service in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea** at 10.30 a.m. with Revd. Alan Capper.
- Sunday 6th September – **Monaghan Group of Parishes** with Chancellor Ian Berry at 10.30am in St Patrick's (and on Facebook Live) and at 12.15pm in Kilmore.
- Sunday 6th September – **In-church worship at Donagh and Tyholland Churches** led by Revd Margaret Pringle.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday service in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore** at 11am led by Revd Andrew Quill. Additional midweek service on Wednesdays at 8.30pm. Both services will be livestreamed on Facebook (uploaded later to YouTube).
- Sunday 6th September – **Morning Prayer in Drumkeeran Group of Parishes** at 10.00am in Templecarne and at 11.30am in Tubrid with Revd. Charles Eames.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday service in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen** for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity at 11.00am with Holy Communion led by Dean Kenneth Hall. Service is also livestreamed on St. Macartin's website.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday services in the Galloon Group of Parishes** with Morning Prayer at 9am in Drummully Parish Church; at 10.30am in Sallaghy Parish Church and at 12.00 noon in Galloon Parish Church led by Revd. Lorraine Capper.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday service in Rossorry Parish Church** at 10am led by Canon Ian Ellis. Edited service available on Facebook afterwards.
- Sunday 6th September – **Aghadrumsee Group of Parishes reopen** for in-church worship with Sunday service led by Captain David Hamilton.
- Sunday 6th September – **Drive-in services continue at Aghavea Parish Church** with Revd. Johnny McLoughlin.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday services in the Ballybay Group of Parishes** will take place in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney at 10am; St. Colman's Church, Clontibret

at 11.15am and Christ Church, Ballybay at 12.30pm conducted by the Revd Elaine Dunne.

- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday services from the Derryvullen North Group** at 10.15am in Castle Archdale (Holy Communion) and at 11.30am in Derryvullen North (Holy Communion) with Canon Paul Thompson.
- Sunday 6th September – **Reopening service in Garvary Parish Church** at 10.30am with service of Morning Prayer led by Mr. Roy Crowe and Dean Raymond Ferguson.
- Sunday 6th September – **Morning Prayer at St. Finbarr's Church, Carrickmacross** at 10.30am (also live on our parish Facebook page) and at Magheracloone at 12noon with Revd. Colin McConaghie.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday services in Devenish and Boho parishes** at 10.00am with Holy Communion in Boho Parish Church and at 11.30am with Holy Communion in Devenish Parish Church led by Revd Sampson Ajuka.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday morning service at 10am in Mullaghduin** and 11.30am in Cleenish with Canon Geoff Bridle with a weekly video streamed weekly from Cleenish Church website; <http://cleenishparish.weebly.com>.
- Sunday 6th September – **Morning Prayer in Clones Church** at 10.00am and at 11.30am in Newbliss with Revd Roy Taylor.
- Sunday 6th September – **Sunday service in Colaghty Parish Church** with Holy Communion at 11.30am conducted by Canon Alan Irwin.
- Tuesday 8th September – **Clogher Diocese Social Fund AGM** will take place at 10am. More details to follow.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday services for Tempo and Clabby parishes** in Clabby Church at 10.15am and in Tempo Church at 11.30am led by Canon Maurice Armstrong. Also available as a Dial-in and a podcast of the sermon only will be available on the Parishes Facebook.
- Sunday 13th September – **Garrison Group of Parishes Sunday services** continuing at 10am and 11.30am following the rota. Follow www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org or the Facebook page for Garrison Group of Parishes.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday service in Inishmaccsaint Parish Church** with Revd. Stephanie Woods at 11.30am.
- Sunday 13th September – **Kilskeery and Trillick Sunday Services continuing online** on their Facebook page with Revd Philip Bryson.
- Sunday 13th September – **Magheracross Parish Church Sunday service** at 11am with Archdeacon Brian Harper.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday service in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea** at 10.30am with Revd. Alan Capper.
- Sunday 13th September – **Monaghan Group of Parishes** with Chancellor Ian Berry at 10.30am in St Patrick's (and on Facebook Live) and at 12.15pm in Kilmore.
- Sunday 13th September – **In-church worship at Donagh and Tyholland Churches** led by Revd Margaret Pringle.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday service in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore** at 11am led

by Revd Andrew Quill. Additional midweek service on Wednesdays at 8.30pm. Both services will be livestreamed on Facebook (uploaded later to YouTube).

- Sunday 13th September – **Services in Drumkeeran Group of Parishes** with Holy Communion at 11.30am in Tubrid led by Revd Charles Eames and Harvest Thanksgiving at 7pm in Muckross with speaker; Revd Mark Gallagher.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday service in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen** for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity at 11.00am with Morning Prayer led by Dean Kenneth Hall. The service is also livestreamed
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday services in the Galloon Group of Parishes** with Morning Prayer at 9am in Drummully Parish Church; at 10.30 am in Sallaghy Parish Church with Baptism and at 12.00 noon in Galloon Parish Church with Baptism led by Revd Lorraine Capper.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday service in Rossorry Parish Church** at 10am led by Canon Ian Ellis. Service available on Facebook afterwards.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday services in Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt churches** led by Captain David Hamilton.
- Sunday 13th September – **Drive-in services continue at Aghavea Parish Church** with Revd Johnny McLoughlin
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday services in the Ballybay Group of Parishes** will take place in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney at 10am; St. Colman's Church, Clontibret at 11.15am and Christ Church, Ballybay at 12.30pm conducted by the Revd Elaine Dunne.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday services in the Derryvullen North Group of parishes** at 10.30am in Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer) and at 11.45am in Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer) with Canon Paul Thompson.
- Sunday 13th September – **Morning Prayer in Garvary Parish Church** at 12noon with Mr. Roy Crowe and Dean Raymond Ferguson.
- Sunday 13th September – **Holy Communion in St. Finbarr's Church, Carrickmacross** at 10.30am (also live on our parish Facebook page) and Holy Communion in Magheracloone at 12noon followed by Morning Prayer in Ardragh at 1.15pm with Revd. Colin McConaghie.
- Sunday 13th September – **Sunday services in Devenish and Boho parishes** at 10.00am with Morning Prayer in Boho Parish Church and at 11.30am with Morning Prayer in Devenish Parish Church led by Revd Sampson Ajuka.
- Sunday 13th September – **Morning Prayer in Clones Group of parishes** in Currin Church at 10.00am and in Killeevan Church at 11.30am with Revd Roy Taylor.
- Sunday 13th September – **Family Service at Colaghty Parish Church** at 11.30am with Canon Alan Irwin.
- Tuesday 15th September – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submissions** for the October edition.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday services**

for **Tempo and Clabby parishes** in Clabby Church at 10.15am and in Tempo Church at 11.30 led by Canon Maurice Armstrong. Also available as a Dial-in and a podcast of the sermon only will be available on the Parishes Facebook.

- Sunday 20th September – **Garrison Group of Parishes Sunday services** continuing at 10am and 11.30am following the rota. Follow www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org or the Facebook page for Garrison Group of Parishes.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday Service in Inishmaccsaint Parish Church** with Revd. Stephanie Woods at 11.30am.
- Sunday 20th September – **Kilskeery and Trillick Sunday services** continuing online on their Facebook page with Revd Philip Bryson.
- Sunday 20th September – **Magheracross Parish Church Sunday service** at 11am with Archdeacon Brian Harper.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday service in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea** with Revd. Alan Capper.
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- Sunday 20th September – **Services in Drumkeeran Group of Parishes** with Morning Prayer at 11.30am in Tubrid led by Revd Charles Eames and Harvest Thanksgiving at 7pm in Templecarne with speaker; Canon Paul Thompson.
- Sunday 20th September – **Morning Prayer in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen** for the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity at 11.00am with Dean Kenneth Hall. The service will also be livestreamed.
- Sunday 20th September – **Morning Prayer in the Galloon Group of Parishes** at 9am in Drummully Parish Church; at 10.30 am in Sallaghy Parish Church and at 3.00pm in Galloon Parish Church led by Revd. Lorraine Capper.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday service in Rossorry Parish Church** at 10am led by Canon Ian Ellis. Service available afterwards on Facebook.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday services in Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt** led by Captain David Hamilton.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday services in the Ballybay Group of Parishes** will take place in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney at 10am; St. Colman's Church, Clontibret at 11.15am and Christ Church, Ballybay at 12.30pm conducted by the Revd Elaine Dunne.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday services from the Derryvullen North Group of Parishes** at 10.15am in Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer) and at 11.30am in Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer) with Canon Paul Thompson.
- Sunday 20th September – **Morning Prayer**

from **Garvary Parish Church** at 10.30am with Mr. Roy Crowe and Dean Raymond Ferguson.

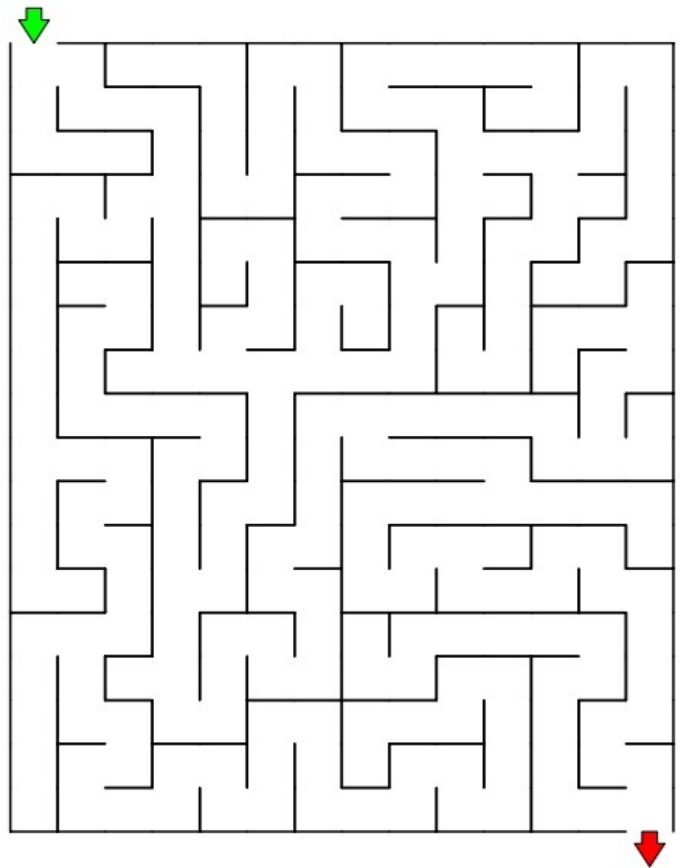
- Sunday 20th September – **Arise and Shine service in St. Finbarr's Church, Carrickmacross** at 10.30am (also live on our parish Facebook page) and Service of the Word in Magheraclone at 12noon with Revd. Colin McConaghie.
- Sunday 20th September – **Sunday services in Devenish and Boho Parishes** at 10.00am with Morning Prayer in Boho Parish Church and at 11.30am with Morning Prayer in Devenish Parish Church led by Revd. Sampson Ajuka.
- Sunday 20th September – **Morning Prayer in Clones Church** at 10.00am and in Newbliss Church at 11.30am with Revd Roy Taylor.
- Sunday 20th September – **Morning Prayer at Colaghty Parish Church** at 11.30am with Canon Alan Irwin.
- Wednesday 23rd September – **Ordination Service of Revd Abraham Storey OLM and Revd Colin Brownsmith OLM** as Priests in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.30pm.
- Sunday 27th September – **Sunday services for Tempo and Clabby parishes** in Clabby Church at 10.15am and in Tempo Church at 11.30am led by Canon Maurice Armstrong. Also available as a Dial-in and a podcast of the sermon only will be available on the Parishes Facebook.
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- Sunday 27th September – **Sunday service in Inishmaccsaint Parish Church** with Revd. Stephanie Woods at 11.30am.
- Sunday 27th September – **Kilskeery and Trillick Churches continuing online broadcasts** through their Facebook page with Revd. Philip Bryson.
- Sunday 27th September – **Magheracross Parish Church Sunday service** at 11am with Archdeacon Brian Harper.
- Sunday 27th September – **Sunday service in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea** with Revd. Alan Capper.
- Sunday 27th September – **Monaghan Group of Parishes** with Chancellor Ian Berry at 10.30am in St Patrick's (and on Facebook Live) and at 12.15pm in Kilmore.
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- Sunday 27th September – **Services in Drumkeeran Group of Parishes** with Holy Communion at 10.00am in Muckcross led by Revd. Charles Eames and Harvest Thanksgiving at 11.30am in Tubrid with speaker; Mrs Eileen Cutler (Diocesan Reader).
- Sunday 27th September – **Morning Prayer in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen** for

the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity at 11am with Dean Kenneth Hall. The service will also be livestreamed.

- Sunday 27th September – **Services in the Galloon Group of Parishes** at 9am in Drummully Parish Church; at 10.30 am in Sallaghy Parish (Harvest) and at 12.00 noon in Galloon Parish Church.led by Revd. Lorraine Capper.
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 - Sunday 27th September – **Morning Prayer in Garvary Parish Church** at 12noon with Mr. Roy Crowe and Dean Raymond Ferguson.
 - Sunday 27th September – **Open air Outdoor Harvest Festival Service** (To be confirmed) for Carrickmacross Group of Parishes with Revd Colin McConaghie.
 - Sunday 27th September – **Sunday services in Devenish and Boho Parishes** at 10.00am with Morning Prayer in Boho Parish Church and at 11.30am with Morning Prayer in Devenish Parish Church with Revd. Sampson Ajuka.
 - Sunday 27th September – **Morning Prayer in Clones Group of Parishes** in Currin Church at 10.00am and in Killeevan Church at 11.30am with Revd. Roy Taylor.
 - Sunday 27th September – **Morning Prayer at Colaghty Parish Church** at 11.30am with Canon Alan Irwin.
- ### October 2020
- Thursday 15th October – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submissions** for the November edition.
 - Tuesday 20th October – **Diocesan Council meeting** at 2pm in the Main Hall, St.Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen.
- ### November 2020
- Monday 9th November – **Talk on the Fisher Foundation with Kenny Fisher and music from The Silver Tones Choir** at 8.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, hosted by St. Macartin's Mothers' Union. Supper will be served. All are very welcome.
 - Sunday 15th November – **Clogher Diocesan Magazine deadline for submissions** for the December 2020/January 2021 edition
 - Thursday 26th November – **Provisional date for the Clogher Diocesan Synod in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen** (the Cathedral rather than the Hall) at 7pm. Details will be confirmed in due course.

CHILDREN'S SECTION

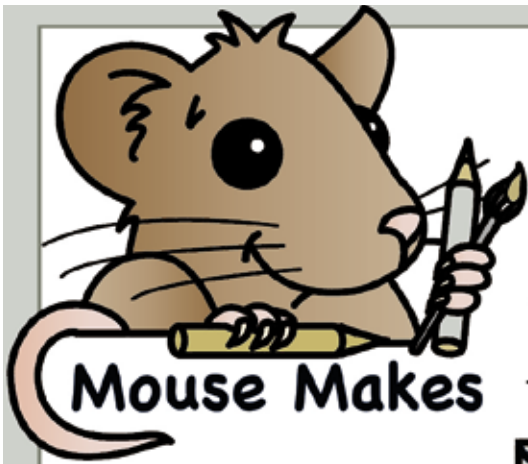
JESUS
The Gate of the sheep



"But did they plough the fields
and scatter at a safe distance?"




HARVEST



Mouse Makes

The **Bible** is a collection of **books** that took over 2,000 years to write! The books were written by many different people, all helped and inspired by God. The Bible has books about:

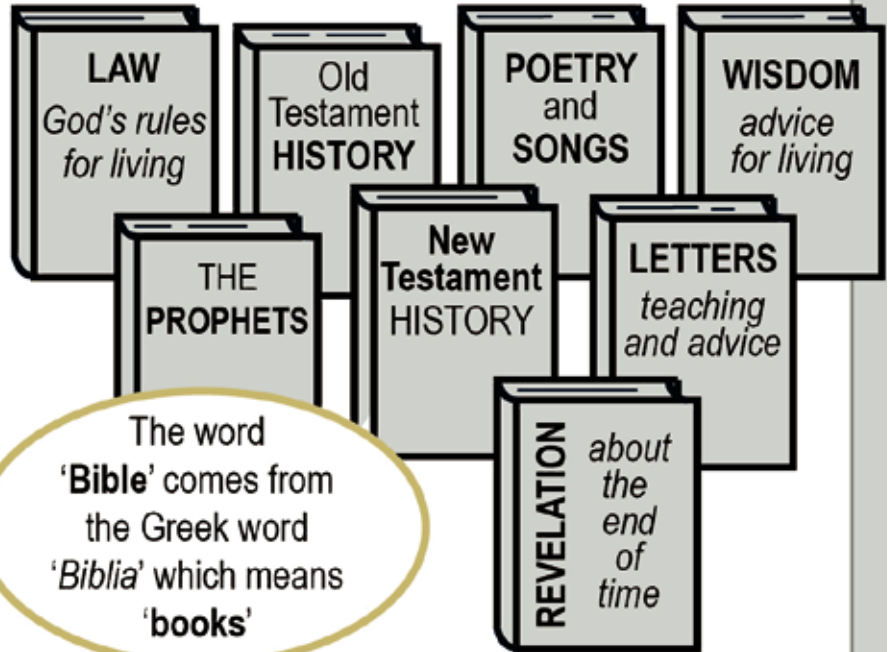
There are **66** books in the Bible. How many can you name?



BIBLE WORDS











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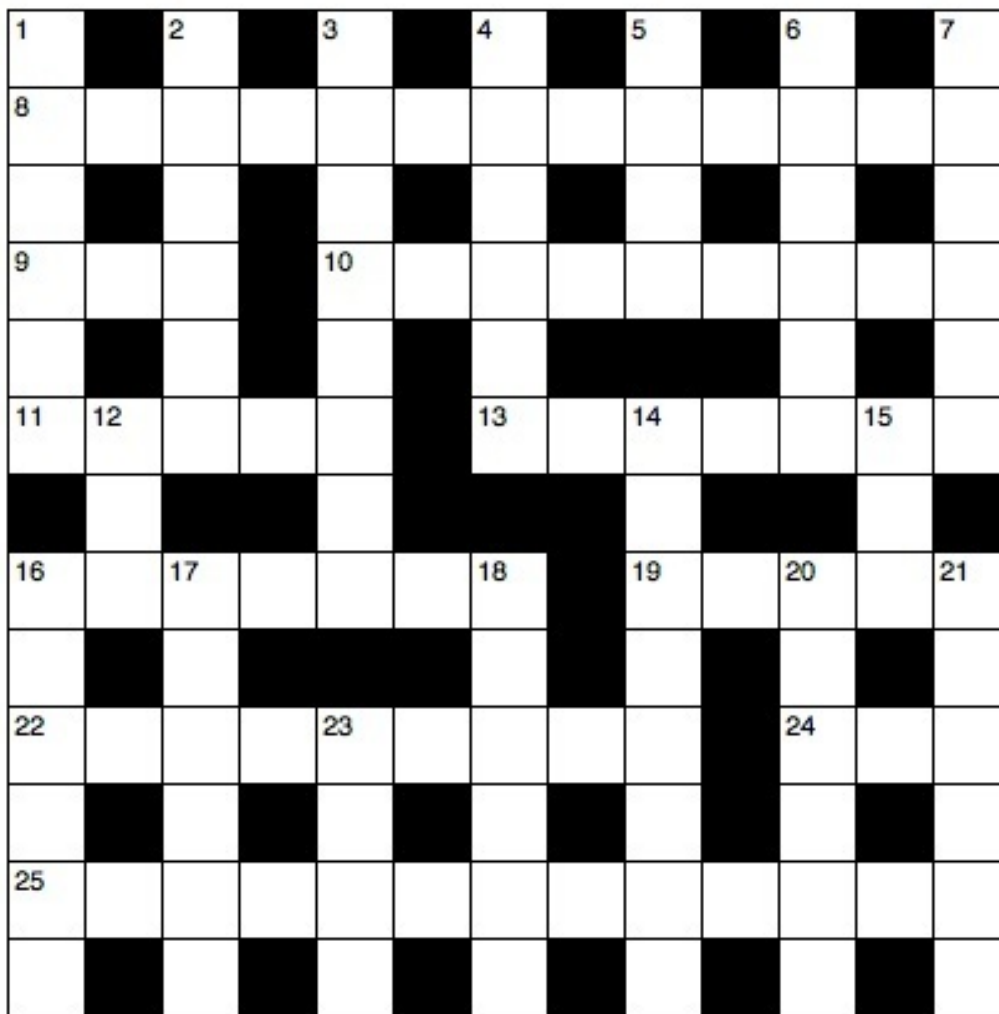
The word '**Bible**' comes from the Greek word '*Biblia*' which means '**books**'

God speaks to us today as we read the Bible. The Bible encourages us, corrects us and shows us how to live, it also describes itself as:

-  **Mirror**
James 1:23
-  **Food**
Hebrews 5:12-6:1
-  **Honey and Gold**
Psalm 19:10
-  **Light**
Psalm 119:105
-  **Rain**
Isaiah 55:10-12
-  **Seed**
Mark 4:14
-  **Hammer**
Jeremiah 23:29
-  **Fire**
Jeremiah 20:9
-  **Living Word**
Hebrews 4:12
-  **Sword**
Ephesians 6:17

...but most of all The Bible teaches us about **God** and how we can be friends with Him.

PUZZLE PAGES *for Adults*



ACROSS

8. Where the Ark of the Covenant was kept for 20 years (1 Samuel 7:1) (7,6)
 9. One of the parts of the body on which blood and oil were put in the ritual cleansing from infectious skin diseases (Leviticus 14:14–17) (3)
 10. Uncomfortable (3,2,4) 11 'Yet I have loved Jacob, but Esau I have — ' (Malachi 1:3) (5)
 13. Where Paul said farewell to the elders of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:17) (7)
 16. 'Jesus bent down and — to write on the ground with his finger' (John 8:6) (7)
 19. Prophet from Moresheth (Jeremiah 26:18) (5)
 22. Comes between Exodus and Numbers (9)
 24 and 2 Down. 'Then Elkanah went home to Ramah, but the boy ministered before the Lord under — the — ' (1 Samuel 2:11) (3,6)
 25. There was no room for them in the inn (Luke 2:7) (4,3,6)

DOWN

1. Rough drawing (2 Kings 16:10) (6)
 2. See 24 Across

3. Underground literature (including Christian books) circulated in the Soviet Union (8)
 4. Lo, mash (anag.) (6)
 5. The Bible's shortest verse: 'Jesus — ' (John 11:35) (4)
 6. 'Can a mother forget the baby at her — and have no compassion on the child she has borne?' (Isaiah 49:15) (6)
 7. Can be seen in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (6)
 12. 'Send me, therefore, a man... experienced in the — of engraving, to work in Judah and Jerusalem' (2 Chronicles 2:7) (3)
 14. Second city of Cyprus (8)
 15. United Nations Association (11,1)
 16. One of the women who first heard that Jesus had risen from the dead (Mark 16:1) (6)
 17. Braved (anag.) (6)
 18. — of Evangelism, outreach initiative in the 1990s (8)
 20. 'Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and — in their own sight' (Isaiah 5:21) (6)
 21. 'Neither — nor depth... will be able to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (6)
 23. What Jesus shed in 5 Down (4)

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DIOCESAN NEWS

Learning from our HERITAGE



Ethne McCord with family groupings taking part in the Heritage Project.

St. Salvator's Church in the Donagh Group of Parishes located in the Castle Leslie Estate in Glaslough, Co. Monaghan usually hosts two open days in August each year during National Heritage Week in the Republic of Ireland.

Last year, as well as an historical talk on the history of the church, the parish displayed a collection of old wedding photographs that had taken place in St. Salvator's down the years.

This year, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the parish has been unable to host their usual events and, instead, some of the Sunday School children have been interviewing their grandparents or older members of their families to record their early memories of church and school.

Some of the churches and schools attended have been closed over the years as the Church of Ireland population has declined along the border so it is therefore important that these memories are recorded for future generations.

In August 2021 St. Salvator's hopes to use these interviews during their two open days.

In the following article, young Alfie Stewart interviews his grandfather, William Singleton.

Hi, my name is Alfie Stewart, I am a member of Errigal Truagh Parish Church, (St Muadhan's), Mullanderg, Emyvale, Co. Monaghan and I attend Sunday School in St. Salvator's Church in Glaslough, Co. Monaghan.

I interviewed my Granda William Singleton on Thursday 2nd July 2020.

SCHOOL TIME

Granda was born on 5th July 1939 in Killybressil, Emyvale, Co. Monaghan.





Corlatallon School in approximately 1951/1952. Back Row (from left) Kenneth Walker, Willie Singleton (Granda), Tom Woods, Albert Hall, Mrs Atkinson (Teacher). Fourth row (from left), Bob Singleton, Tommy Singleton. Third row (from left) Cecil Welsh, Joyce Walker, Sammy Russell, unknown, unknown. Second row (from left), Willie Russell, Bobby Stewart?, Seamus McConnon, Pearl Coulter, Mavis Atkinson. Front row (from left), Kenneth Atkinson, unknown



Corlatallon School in 1954 Back Row (from left); Pearl Coulter, Mavis Atkinson, Mrs Atkinson (teacher), Willie Singleton(Granda), Cecil Welsh, Mavis Stuart. Middle Row (from left), Peggy Russell, Joan Stuart, Helena McMahon?, Gerard McConnon, Henry Wright, Jim Russell, Roy Coulter, Ken Atkinson Front Row (from left), Joyce Walker, Bobby Stuart?, Bob Singleton, Tommy Singleton, Davy Russell.

He attended Corlatallon School (Bog Lane), Emyvale, along with his two brothers. He started when he was six years old and left when he was 14.

School started at 9 o'clock and finished at 3 o'clock. Granda took his leather satchel along with his pencil and ruler and walked a mile to school, and the same home again with his brothers in every kind of weather. They would meet other children heading to school and they would all walk together. Corlatallon school was a one room school so all the classes were in the one classroom. It was a Church of Ireland school but catered for children of all religions. The teacher was Mrs Atkinson from Emyvale. She taught Granda from he started school until he finished.

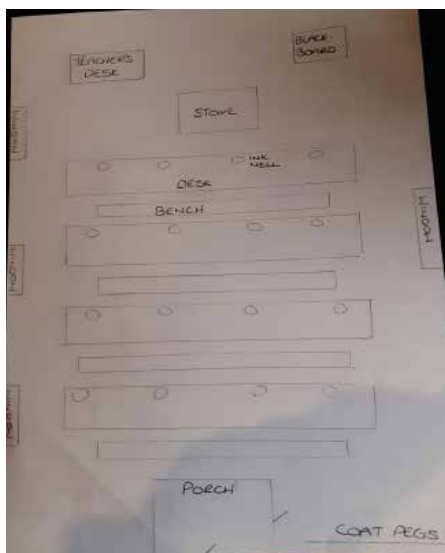
There were about 20 children at the school aged from six to 14.

In the classroom you had pegs at the door where you hung up your caps and coats. You then went and sat down at one of the long tables (four pupils at each table). The teacher's table was at the top of the classroom along with a blackboard which sat upon an easel. There were pegs on the easel to allow the blackboard to be moved up or down.

The heating was supplied by a stove at the top of the classroom. Coal and turf were burned to heat the room. These were kept in a shed outside.

All families donated money towards the purchase of coal and turf.

Lunch for Granda would have been bread and butter along with a drink of milk or cocoa.



Floor plan of school.

Many a day bottles of milk and cocoa were put on the stove to heat them up, but unfortunately on occasions you would hear a few bangs, the heat from the stove having cracked the bottles, so you could easily have been left with nothing to drink!! School began with a roll call to see who was present. English, Arithmetic, Irish, Geography, Irish History and R.E were all taught at the school.

A world map was also on the wall to help with Geography.

Playtime was normally playing tig and football. The yard at the school was small, but there was also a field beside the school where football took place; more a kick about than an actual game.

The school trip was a picnic to Emy Lake where if you were lucky enough to have a bike, you rode there otherwise you had to walk.

Granda did tell me a story about a child who sat on the handlebars of another child's bike to go to Emy Lake but unfortunately the child on the handlebars caught his foot on the front wheel of the bike and ended up flying off the handlebars, landing on the ground and ending up with a big bump on the head!!!

The school closed in 1963.

CHURCH

Granda attended Errigal Shanco Church, Emyvale, Co. Monaghan where his father's family belonged. They all walked to church as they did not own a car.

Errigal Shanco Church was built by the Singleton family of Fort Singleton, in 1836 as "a perpetual curacy out of Errigal Truagh".

The graveyard was consecrated in 1839.

The church service was at 3pm every Sunday with Sunday School starting at 2.30pm and ending in time for the service to start. Sunday school took place in the church.

Sunday School was taken by Mrs McCombe who was the wife of the minister, Canon Arthur Hill McCombe. She was also the organist.

Families who attended this church were Singleton, Breadon, Wright, three Hall families and two Mitchell families, approximately 30 people in total.

Granda was christened here around 1939/1940. His father (my great granda)



Shanco Church, Emyvale.

ERRIGAL SHANCO	
INCUMBENTS	
James Marshall	1903-28
Henry Rowland Dixon C-in-c	1931
John McKeever Gibson	1931-40
Ernest William Redmond C-in-c	1940-43
Arthur Edward Crawford C-in-c	1943-47
William James Dalrymple Williamson	
Craig C-in-c	1947-51
Arthur Hill McCombe	1951-60
John Beresford Dolmage Cotter	1960-67
John Arthur Knowles	1967-69
Arthur Maurice Broughton Mills	1970-76
also Errigal Portclare to 1933 and 1953-60	
w Errigal Truagh 1932-76	
w Donagh and Tyholland 1960-76	

List of Incumbents of Errigal Shanco.



Two of the families that attended Shanco Church (Singleton and Hall).



Granda's confirmation certificate.

was also christened here. After attending Sunday School, Granda was confirmed on 10th April 1953 in Clogher Cathedral by the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd. Richard Tyner. Up to 90 children were all confirmed that day in the Cathedral, coming from as far as Carrickmacross and Belleek. Families did not attend the confirmation like today, only the children to be confirmed. Jim Wright (Elvey and Glaslough), took Granda, Albert Hall, Robert and Willie Dunlop to the Cathedral in his car as he was one of the few people at that time who owned a car.

Granda took his first communion in Errigal Shanco on 24th May 1953. He joined the Select Vestry when he was 18 and was churchwarden a number of times. He was also treasurer. Heating of the church was by a furnace under the aisle. Electricity was installed a few years before the church closed. The minister lived in the glebe beside Errigal Truagh Parish Church. Canon McCombe was the last incumbent to live in the Glebe. The Glebe and gatehouse were sold in the 1970's. In 1932 Errigal Truagh and Errigal Shanco

united and then in 1960, Errigal Shanco and Errigal Truagh were amalgamated with Donagh (St. Salvator's, Glaslough), Tyholland Parish and Carrigans Church. Due to low numbers, Errigal Shanco closed in 1964/5. The graveyard was deconsecrated in 1973, no burials ever having taken place there. All burials took



Errigal Glebe.



Gatehouse to Errigal Glebe.

place in Errigal Truagh.

The church bell was sent to the Church of Ireland church in Fintona, Co Tyrone, Northern Ireland.

In 1976 the church and land was sold to the late William John Mitchell.

The last three weddings to take place in Errigal Shanco were:



Annie Hall and William Wright in 1944.



Violet Hall and Fred Thompson in 1949.



Sadie Mitchell and Sammy Little in 1962.

Unfortunately there is only the shell of the church left. These photos (below) were taken in the last few years.



Errigal Truagh Parish Church (St Muadhan's).

Granda and his family then moved to Errigal Truagh Parish Church. My great granny Margaret Singleton (nee Rennick), Granda's mother, originally belonged to this church before moving to Errigal Shanco when she married my great granda, Thomas Singleton.

ERRIGAL TRUAGH	
INCUMBENTS	
John McKeever Gibson	1936-40
Ernest William Bealmoed C-in-c	1940-43
Arthur Edward Crawford C-in-c	1943-47
William James Dalrymple Williamson Craig C-in-c	1947-51
Arthur Hill McCombe	1951-60
John Beverford Deolmuge Cotter	1960-67
John Arthur Kesowles	1967-80
Arthur Maurice Broughan M.A.	1970-78
Hugh Gollan Jamieson	1978-82
Robert Keenan Brooks	1983-91
Ian Francis Roddell Patterson	1992-97
Vicam	1997-2003
Anna Reynhold Marianne Witing	2003-04
William Henry Blair C-in-c	2004-06
also Errigal Shanco 1932-76	
w Donagh and Tyholland from 1960	

List of Incumbents of Errigal Truagh.

Margaret Pringle 2007-2013
Betty Thompson 2013-2018
Lorraine Capper 2018-2020

Errigal Truagh Parish Church (St. Muadhan's) was built in 1834 at a cost of £661. This was funded by a grant of £400 from the Board of the First Fruits and the remainder £261 raised by public subscription.

The present bell was installed in 1903 by the Revd Chancellor Hurst in memory of his late mother.

The entrance gate and piers were gifted by Matthew Anketell of Anketell Grove, Co Monaghan.



The stained glass window in the chancel was installed in 1902 by Rev. H.K Anketell in memory of his father Thomas.

The eagle shaped lectern and the chancel chairs were gifts from the parishioners and friends in memory of Maria, the wife of Revd J Wallace Taylor.

Before Great Granny Singleton moved to Errigal Shanco she was sexton of Errigal



This photo was taken a number of years ago



Truagh. She would arrive on a Saturday evening to clean the church and also to light the furnace so the church would be warm for the next morning's service. The furnace was under the aisle of the church and coal was used to keep it lit.

Sextons of Errigal Truagh

- 1880 Mrs Knox
- 1899 Mrs Sara Roberts
- 1912 William Roberts (son of Mrs Sara Roberts)
- 1917 R Gilkinson
- 1926 Miss Maggie Rennicks (My great granny)
- 1937 William Deane
- Robert (Bob) Feeney
- 1964 William Deane

There were two Sunday services, one in the morning and another one at 7pm, In the early years the church was lit by candles with oil lamps being installed in 1883 and electricity being installed in the 1960's

When Granda moved here the families in the church were Roberts, Warnock, Deane, Falls, Singleton, Hall (Killyfara), two Wright families and two Woods families. Organist



Parishioners of Errigal Truagh 1982. Back Row (from left); Jesse Hall, David Hall, Charlotte Woods, Willie Singleton (Granda), Joan Singleton, Margaret Singleton, Rev Hugh Jameson, Bob Singleton, Willie Wright, John Roberts, Jim Wright, Willie Hall. Second row (from left); Stephen Singleton, Emma Deane, Annie Wright, Edie Hall, Myrtle Hall, Jean Wright, Mrs Falls. Front Row (from left); Arlene Singleton (my mum), Chantelle Simpson, Edna Singleton, Derek Singleton.



Furnace and cover.

at that time was Gordon Wright, after which his sister Ethne took over and is the present organist. My Granda is now 80 years old and is Rector's churchwarden and honorary treasurer.

When I grow up I would like to be churchwarden too!

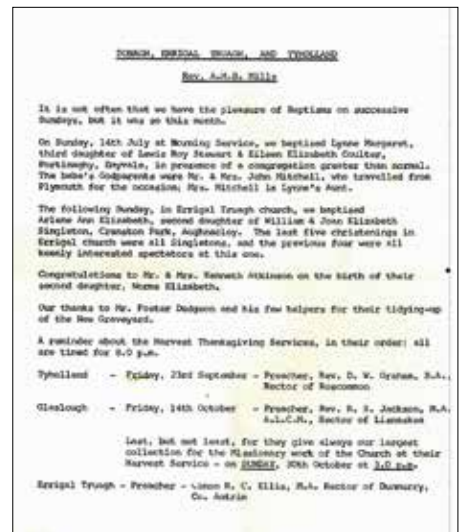
When my mum, auntie and uncle were born they were all christened in Errigal Truagh along with most of the Singleton cousins, in fact there were five christenings in a row over a few years and they were all Singletons!!

My mum and dad got married in Errigal Truagh, the last three weddings in the church having all been Singletons.

I was christened in Errigal Truagh in 2014, the first christening in a number of years and has also been the last christening to date.

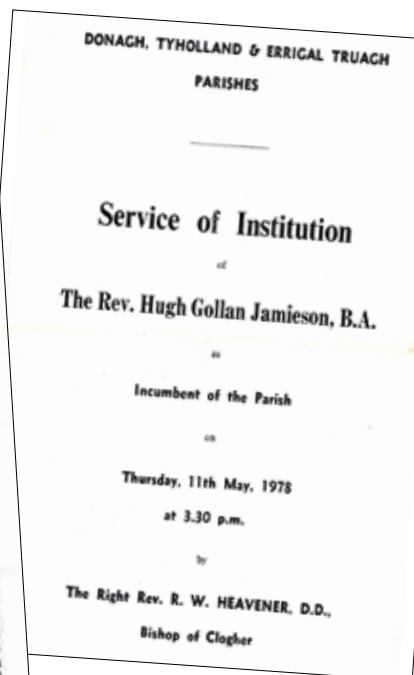
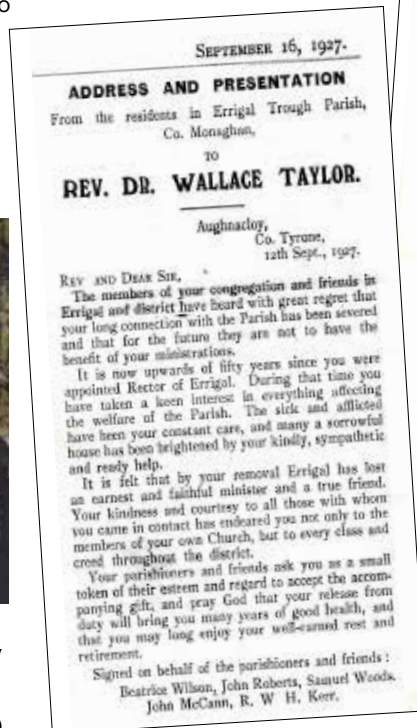
There is no Sunday school in Errigal Truagh and I am the only child in the congregation so I go to Sunday school in St Salvador's, Glaslough, Co Monaghan.

I have really enjoyed finding out



Newsletter from Rev Mills 1977

lots of new things from when Granda was a child.



Letter to the Rev Dr Wallace Taylor from the parishioners of Errigal Truagh and the Service of Institution of the Rev Hugh G Jamieson.

LATEST CLOGHER DIOCESAN RESPONSE GUIDANCE TO CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

Updated on 26th August

(UPDATED GUIDANCE IN RED)

Church Services

The Church of Ireland protocols for the reopening of places of worship are available at <https://www.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/Resources/ParishResources/COVID19/ReturntoChurchProtocols.pdf>

Additional information can be accessed at <https://www.ireland.anglican.org/parish-resources/631/returnto-inchurch-worship-protocols>

The reopening of our buildings and public gatherings for worship should only commence when this can be done safely, observing all the public health advice and guidance to reduce the risk of spreading Covid-19, when the clergy person and Select Vestry are sure that they can do so safely. The health and wellbeing of parishioners and of the whole community is paramount.

Social distancing, hand sanitisation, and respiratory hygiene will need to be guaranteed and practised within our buildings so that members of our parishes can feel safe. **Two-metre social distancing should continue for the foreseeable future.**

People are strongly recommended and encouraged to wear face coverings indoors at Church where possible, as per the Church Leaders statement, available at <https://www.ireland.anglican.org/news/9941/face-coverings-in-churches>

Those arranging services should make efforts to limit the length of time a service lasts, in order to accommodate those wearing face coverings.

Moving forward, churches can cautiously consider permitting those wearing face coverings and social distancing at least 2 metres whilst attending church services to participate in singing, provided it is done so at a quiet level. Those not participating in singing should be invited to meditate on the words. Wind instruments should not be played indoors, the decision whether to play a pipe organ should be based on a risk assessment along with adherence to cleaning guidance and social distancing. Music should not be played at volume levels that make normal conversations difficult.

Choir practices should be avoided unless essential, and if taking place public health and safeguarding requirements must be observed.

Where possible, parishes should attempt to continue offering online services to facilitate those who may find themselves unable to worship with others in corporate worship for the time being.

Harvest Thanksgiving services can take place, however keeping in mind that extensive cleaning is required where there are more than two services in a church within a 72 hour period, churches may wish to consider holding any additional Harvest Thanksgiving service, over and above the Sunday morning service, on a Wednesday or Thursday evening. Where parishes wish to permit decorating of the church for harvest, this should be undertaken only when hygiene and social distancing rules are observed. Items from harvest displays should not be passed on to individuals after the Harvest Thanksgiving service concludes.

Transmission of the corona virus within a church setting relates closely to community transmission. If the transmission rate is high in the community then the transmission rate will be high inside a church building etc. A large number of people who have the virus will be asymptomatic which means many of them are infectious but have no symptoms. They are probably unaware therefore that they are carriers of the virus.

The general principle is that the closer the physical contact then the greater the risk of transference. Cold

atmosphere and poor ventilation raise the risk so therefore warmer buildings with open windows and doors improve the situation. Contact with shared surfaces increases the risk of spread of the virus. Careful consideration therefore needs to be given to seating, common areas and toilet facilities.

At all times, churches must comply fully with all relevant current legislation in their respective jurisdiction, and follow the advice of health authorities, particularly in relation to social distancing, hand hygiene, and respiratory hygiene.

In the Republic of Ireland an assessment should be carried out for each premises to determine how many can attend within the requirements of social distancing. Where the size of the premises allows for a capacity of greater than 50 this may be permitted only where: social distancing guidelines are adhered to; the premises can be subdivided into distinct sections (cordoned or marked appropriately) of not more than 50 persons in each section; there is a minimum of 4m between sections; each section having its own entrance/exit route; there are separate arrangements for elements of the service involving close contact, e.g. the distribution of Holy Communion; there is strictly no movement of people between sections before, during or after the service; and, the premises is well-ventilated.

Account must also be taken regarding the risk of congregation by people outside before and after any services, having regard to outdoor overall limits on mass gatherings and arrangements for staggered exiting after ceremonies. The use of face coverings is strongly recommended for such indoor settings.

Families and those from the same household who live together, and travel together should therefore stay and sit together in church.

Buildings – use all accommodation and maximize distance. Utilise space. Therefore, Parish Halls and adjoining buildings can be used for overflow provided that the same hygiene and distancing protocols are observed.

Attendance List for tracing purposes - It would be helpful to the authorities if a register of attendance and contact details are kept for all church services and meetings. A contact, in tracing terms, is someone you have spent more than 15 minutes with in a 2-metre distance.

Cleaning - The virus can survive on hard surfaces for up to 72 hours. The virus doesn't like sunlight but prefers dark places with hard surfaces and poor ventilation. If a building is used again within the 72-hour period a thorough cleaning must take place using all the recommended products. There is no need for specialist cleaning unless there is an outbreak of the virus. The virus survives for shorter periods on soft furnishings, but they are harder to clean. The removal of cushions and soft seating is recommended. Hard surfaces are easier to clean.

Toilet facilities and risk of transmission - Good ventilation in toilet facilities along with the necessity of hand washing and the use of hand sanitizer is important.

Ideally five minutes should be left between individuals using the facilities. Hand dryers cause a higher risk of spread due to dispersion of the respiratory droplets. Roller towels or communal towels should be removed and replaced with disposable paper towels. Cleaning materials should be provided for each user of the facilities so that surfaces are cleaned before and after use.

Church meetings - It is acceptable for meetings to take place within church buildings provided all the guidance is observed.

Sunday School and Children's Organizations – Parishes are advised to postpone the commencement of Sunday School and Children's Organizations so that the impact of school openings can be assessed and guidance on Sunday Schools and Children's Organizations issued before October.

Shielding - Those who have been shielding are very vulnerable and are at greater risk of contracting the virus. Alternative ways to worship should be considered for those who have been shielding e.g. online.

Online Media – Clergy broadcasting services online are encouraged to continue doing so.

Forthcoming broadcasts for worshipping from home are available online at <http://www.clogher.anglican.org/Diary/>

Previous videos streamed online for worshipping from home are available at <http://www.clogher.anglican.org/Videos/>

Daily prayers - You may wish to consider signposting people to the online resources at <https://www.ireland.anglican.org/prayer-worship/book-of-common-prayer/2004-texts/texts> and to produce local booklets to offer as personal copies only (please do not pass these around).

Pastoral Care

Clergy, Lay Readers and Diocesan Pastoral Assistants – The health and well-being of parish and diocesan clergy together with support staff and volunteers is of paramount importance, both for their own protection and for those they minister to. Those with underlying health conditions and those that develop symptoms should adhere to government guidance concerning self-isolation and should inform a neighboring member of the clergy or supervising member of clergy of their availability / unavailability in order to enable the continuation of pastoral ministry in the parish.

Home Communion – Home Communion is permitted in accordance with the protocols issued for Holy Communion.

Visitation Protocols – Pastoral visiting can take place provided social distancing and hygiene protocols are adhered to, and the agreement has been sought in advance from the person being visited. It is advisable to limit home visits to one per day in order to avoid the risk of spreading the virus from house to house. The hospital chaplains are not permitted to carry out hospital visits unless expressly invited to do so by hospital staff. Clergy who are asked to visit parishioners in hospital or residential care should only do so if permitted by the hospital/residential facility and with the consent of the individual's family. Hygiene and physical distancing measures must be observed.

Self-isolated - For those who need to self-isolate, consider how people can be supported with phone calls and via social media, and help with the delivery of shopping and / or medication. It is very important that all church members involved in such support are very clear on and committed to adhering to the Government's isolation and general hygiene advice.

Weddings - In Northern Ireland it will be up to venues to determine their precise opening dates for ceremonies. Numbers attending indoor marriage ceremonies will be determined by the venue on a risk assessed basis, taking account of the individual circumstances of each and adhering to all relevant public health advice and guidance. Church weddings should take place in Church and no longer outdoors.

Funerals – In Northern Ireland funeral services can be conducted in a place of worship or in a funeral home. The size and circumstances of the venue will determine the maximum number that can attend the service safely whilst observing social distancing of at least two metres, wherever possible. It is recommended that face coverings are used for indoor services. Whilst the number of mourners at a funeral service will be determined by the size of the venue following risk assessment, a maximum of only 30 are permitted to gather for the committal at the graveside. Any mourner displaying symptoms of coronavirus should not attend a funeral as they pose a risk to others.

Mental Health and Hardship – Efforts should be made to support those who may be struggling with mental health issues and/or hardship. It will be important to take measures, such as regular phone communication, to help alleviate loneliness and despair.

Links to helpful pieces regarding mental health:

www.clogher.anglican.org/docs/copingwithchange

www.clogher.anglican.org/docs/worry

www.clogher.anglican.org/docs/fear

Parish Administration

Premises - Churches and Church Halls can be used for services, **parish and church based activities** and meetings provided Social Distancing and Hygiene guidance is adhered to. Those parishes which open their Church for private prayer and/or their car park for drive-in Church services can continue to do so, provided a risk assessment has been completed and that social distancing and hygiene regulations can be adhered to.

Graveyards - We must continue to observe Government Guidelines, encourage safe social distancing and that gates, if possible, are left open to avoid people having to use the handles of the gates to churchyards as they enter. Parishes may find the poster available at http://clogher.anglican.org/images_non_news_small/Graveyard%20Notice%20Corona%20Virus.jpg useful to display at the entrances to graveyards.

Easter Vestries – Triennial Easter Vestry meetings for 2020 should take place no later than 30th September 2020 provided all social distancing and hygiene guidance is observed and the usual requirement surrounding

notification of the Easter Vestry Meeting is observed. Easter Vestry Returns have been made available to parishes. Existing officers should remain in post until the parish Easter Vestry meeting takes place. **These can take place as planned despite the restrictions on the size of gatherings reintroduced.**

Easter Vestry Annual Returns - Easter Vestry Annual Returns can be completed once a meeting of the Easter Vestry has taken place and should be returned to the Diocesan Office no later than Friday 9th October 2020.

Parish Annual Accounts - Select Vestries are at liberty, if they wish, to have their 2019 annual accounts completed in the appropriate manner for the parish concerned, and have the accounts considered and hopefully approved by the Select Vestry, whilst ensuring observation of Government restrictions. Please note it is the Select Vestry that consider and approve the annual accounts, not the Easter Vestry - the outgoing Select Vestry presents the accounts to the Easter Vestry. Once accounts have been approved by the Select Vestry they can be submitted to the diocese and to the relevant charity regulator, taking care to ensure they fulfill any of the charity regulator requirements and deadlines in their respective jurisdiction.

Certain parishes in the Republic of Ireland are not yet registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority and therefore do not have to submit their accounts to the Charities Regulatory Authority, but should continue to submit their annual accounts to the Diocese when possible.

Charity Returns – The charities regulators in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland have both confirmed that organisations should follow government advice and that organisations will not be considered to be in contravention of the Act in this respect.

Further information is available at:

<https://www.charitycommissionni.org.uk/news/covid-19-coronavirus-information/>

<https://www.charitiesregulator.ie/en/information-for-charities/coronavirus-covid-19-and-charities>

Select Vestries – Select Vestry meetings can take place provided social distancing and hygiene guidance is adhered to.

Parish Organisations – All parish organisations should remain cancelled until further notice.

RCB Guidance

A range of guidance for churches is available online at

<https://www.ireland.anglican.org/resources/?query=&categories=120>

Diocesan Office

The Diocesan Office is closed until further notice. Mail will be received intermittently. Staff will be working remotely and can be contacted by email or by telephoning the **Diocesan Office – 02866347879:**

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Communications

Diocesan Magazine – The September of the Magazine will be made available in hardcopy. Digital versions of previous editions are available on the diocesan website at <http://www.clogher.anglican.org/Magazine/>

Information for the October edition of the diocesan magazine can be sent to editor@clogher.anglican.org up to 15th September.

Diocesan Synod

Clogher Diocesan Synod will take place, provisionally, in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen (the Cathedral rather than the Hall) on Thursday 26th November 2020 at 7pm. Details will be confirmed in due course.



Arrangements of vegetables and cereals will adorn churches at harvest festivals this autumn.

A Rector's harvest thanksgiving inspired from his own garden

Harvest is a time of thanksgiving, to give thanks for God's creation and for a bountiful crop whether it is the cereals in farmers' fields or the flowers, fruit and vegetables in our gardens.

This harvest season in our churches will be different from before as a result of restrictions on numbers who can attend. However most churches are planning harvest services either through in-church worship or online broadcasts.

One Rector in Clogher Diocese will be preaching on the theme of harvest with intimate knowledge of all it entails. Revd Mark Gallagher, Rector of Trory and Killadeas, has only been in his new parishes since June but has quickly established a vegetable garden at the Rectory.

He sets the scene for this year's harvest thanksgiving.

"It seems like no time from we ploughed the fields and scattered, and now we find ourselves bringing in the sheaves, as harvest tide fast approaches," he says.

"For most of us, we know when the seasons are, and as a rural congregation, in principle we know what is planted and harvested when, even if we don't often do it for



Revd Mark Gallagher harvesting salads and vegetables from his raised beds.

ourselves anymore.

"Perhaps you, like myself, took an extra keen interest in your garden this year. When we were in the throes of full lockdown, one of the things which a lot of people took solace and comfort from was nature, whether taking time to walk/exercise in it, or tending to our gardens more than we have in the past. As such, the time-tested dates

which the farming community, and ardent viewers of *Gardener's World* or *Beechgrove Garden*, now hold even more significance for us.

"Personally I have really enjoyed growing my own salad and veg in the raised beds at the rectory. While everything else was in chaos it was nice to see the seasons still came in order, plants grew, and the creation which God has given us the privilege of being stewards of, still showed the beauty and glory of the hands of it's creator.

"We could not worship in church buildings, but we still had the glorious majesty of God's creation, the cathedral of nature if you will, to marvel at and worship in.

"With all of that in mind, it does seem fitting this year we try and celebrate our Harvest festival with added fervour now that we are safely meeting together again," he said.

With no harvest suppers permitted as in previous years, Revd Mark is planning a drive-in picnic to the Rectory and instead of church services on the traditional Friday and Sunday, his churches are planning then on a Sunday and Wednesday to allow for the 72 hours of cleansing of the Covid-19 on hard surfaces.

NEW RECTOR INSTITUTED TO PARISHES OF GALLOON, SALLAGHY AND DRUMMULLY IN CLOGHER DIOCESE

The institution took place by Zoom on Thursday, 9th July of the Revd Lorraine Capper, as the new Rector of Galloon (Newtownbutler), Sallaghy and Drummully in Clogher Diocese.

Revd Capper, wife of Revd Alan Capper, Rector of Lisnaskea parish, had been part-time stipendiary minister of Donagh and Tyholland with Errigal Truagh in Co. Monaghan, also in Clogher Diocese.

The institution by Zoom was conducted by Archdeacon Brian Harper, Archbishop's Commissary and among those attending was the Provincial Registrar for the Province of Armagh, Canon Colin Moore and Chancellor Ian Berry, who presented Revd Capper for institution.

Also attending the institution was neighbouring minister, Captain David Hamilton from Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt as well as parish secretaries and other office-bearers from the parishes of Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully and some parishioners from the Donagh Group and family members.

The Bible readings were by Charles Crawford from Sallaghy Parish and Revd Alan Capper.

Revd Lorraine said she was looking forward to getting to know the parishioners from the three churches and working with them. Cherry Heaslip, from Galloon Parish, said they were delighted to welcome Revd Capper and looked forward to getting to know her.

Charles Crawford from Sallaghy Parish said they too welcomed Revd Capper and wished her God's blessing for her time with them.

Eileen Hall, Drummully Parish, welcomed Revd Capper as their leader.

From the outgoing parishes, Eithne McCord of St. Salvator's Church in Glaslough, said they were very grateful to Revd Lorraine for all she had done for them as she made great relationships with everyone from children to senior citizens. She also thanked her for her work with the community choir. Revd Lorraine was ordained 10 years ago and since then has served as Curate at St. Columba's Parish Church, Omagh, provided pastoral cover and led services in vacant parishes throughout Clogher Diocese as well taking on archival roles before being appointed part-time stipendiary minister in the Donagh Group of Parishes in Co.



Revd Lorraine Capper and her husband, Revd Alan Capper.

Monaghan over two years ago. Prior to her training for Church of Ireland Ministry, Revd Capper was involved in

teaching, managing an occupational health company and working as a librarian at Enniskillen Collegiate Grammar School.

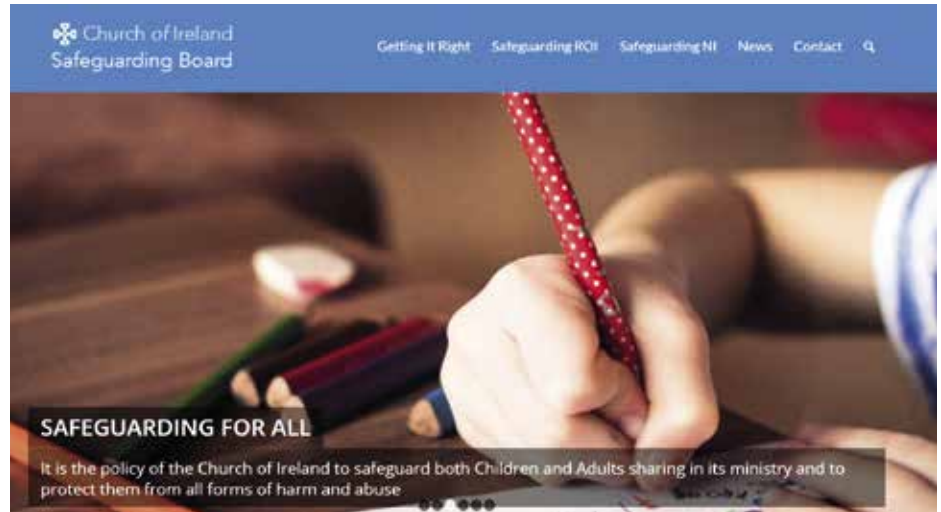


Revd Lorraine Capper, outside Galloon Parish Church, Newtownbutler.

Church of Ireland Safeguarding Board launches new website

The Safeguarding Board for the Church of Ireland has created a new-look website, which has been launched by Archbishops John McDowell and Michael Jackson. The website can be accessed directly at www.sg.ireland.anglican.org or through the main Church of Ireland website at www.ireland.anglican.org/safeguarding. Archbishop John remarked: 'I am delighted to officially launch the new Safeguarding website for the Church of Ireland. Safeguarding is a key priority of the Church and we are always looking for means to improve how we communicate this priority. It is our intention that this website will be widely used to help with the protection of adults at risk and children with whom parishes work.'

Archbishop Michael said: 'Safeguarding lies at the heart of our public and our private work as the Church of Ireland. Safeguarding builds trust, and trust builds confidence in who we are and what we do as the people of God and as the Church of today for others every bit as much as for ourselves. As we now try to find ways forward from the strict lockdown of Covid-19, Safeguarding is more important than ever. I welcome this resource and commend it to everyone with heartfelt thanks to those who have worked tirelessly on its content and its presentation.' The website covers policies and resources for working with both Adults at Risk and Children. There is a new section – 'Getting It Right' – with supporting information to help to ensure that your parish complies with Safeguarding policy, and additional resources for risk assessment and social media use. All policy information is now available on mobile-friendly web pages and relevant forms and resources can be easily downloaded and adapted for local use. A news section will also communicate the latest Safeguarding news and updates. Dr Peter Hamill, Secretary to the Safeguarding Board, commented: 'The site is more interactive and user-friendly than before. There are more resources available than before and we would welcome feedback on how the site can be improved further. As we all adapt to a new way of working, we will soon be launching a series of online training events and details will be posted on the website in the near future.' To celebrate the launch of the new website,



parishes and youth groups are invited to take part in a competition to create a 1-minute video on 'Why Safeguarding is Important'.

Videos should be submitted by 5pm on Friday, 2nd October. Details about this competition are posted on the Church of Ireland website and also on the Clogher Diocesan website.

Applications are welcome from across the Church of Ireland.

The website highlights the following key points which are especially important for our work in communications:

For Child Safeguarding and photography:

- Ensure that parental/guardian consent has been obtained in writing for the taking of and use of photographs and recorded images.
- No unsupervised access to children, including for photographic and recording purposes.
- Suitable clothing must be worn.
- Establish the type of image that appropriately represents the activity and the parish/diocese.
- Think carefully about any images you may wish to use in hardcopy, online or on social media.
- Never use the full name(s) of children along with the image(s).
- Only photographs or recorded images where consent has been given through the parish/diocese will be used for publicity purposes.

<https://safeguarding.ireland.anglican.org/ni-child-safeguarding-part-5/#9>
<https://safeguarding.ireland.anglican.org/roi-child-safeguarding-part-5/#10>

For Adult Safeguarding and photography:

- Do not photograph/video an adult, even by mobile phone, without the adult's valid consent.
- Ensure that any photographs/videos taken are appropriate.

<https://safeguarding.ireland.anglican.org/ni-adult-safeguarding-section-j>
<https://safeguarding.ireland.anglican.org/roi-adult-safeguarding-section-j>

A child is a person aged under 18 years of age. The definitions of an adult at risk in each jurisdiction are available here:

<https://safeguarding.ireland.anglican.org/ni-adult-safeguarding-section-j>
<https://safeguarding.ireland.anglican.org/roi-adult-safeguarding-section-d>

Advice on any aspect of safeguarding is available from our Safeguarding Officers, who may be contacted as follows:

Northern Ireland
Ms Margaret Yarr
028 9082 8860
cponi@ireland.anglican.org

Republic of Ireland
Mr Robert Dunne
01 4125 661
cpori@ireland.anglican.org

Bishops' Appeal supporting people of Beirut

Bishops' Appeal in the Church of Ireland is co-ordinating donations to be directed to those in need in Beirut following last week's massive explosion which killed 157 people, injured 5,000, damaged 50% of the buildings and left 300,000 people homeless.

This disaster comes when the whole country was already on its knees due to its worst financial crisis in decades and its struggles to contain a rapidly increasing coronavirus outbreak.

Added to this, Lebanon has taken in 1.5 million refugees since war erupted in neighbouring Syria in 2011. Syrian refugees make up 30% of the country's population, the highest per capita concentration of refugees in the world. Bishops' Appeal has long supported Christian Aid and Tearfund partners in Beirut, in their work with vulnerable communities, not least people living with disabilities, people who are refugees, people who have or are exposed to gender-based violence, and people in need of basic humanitarian assistance such as food and shelter.



Already in April of this year, Christian Aid partner Basmeh and Zeitooneh (Smile and Olive) reported that they had spoken to families who at that early stage (of lockdown) were already reporting having no food, not even bread in their homes. Basmeh and Zeitooneh now reports: "Now, the food crisis will deepen further. The grain stores in the port are completely destroyed. The port is the entry way for Lebanon's grain imports; they import 90% of their grain for the staple Lebanese bread." Bishops' Appeal has already funded the provision of emergency supplies and

increased food and hygiene parcels for people who were destitute because they lost their casual labour jobs during lockdown.

Now, as Christian Aid and Tearfund partners assess the damage and the needs, Bishops' Appeal extends the opportunity to all parishes and individuals who wish to contribute to these vital efforts to do so via Bishops' Appeal.

Donations can be made online or sent to Bishops' Appeal, Beirut Response, Church of Ireland House, Church Avenue, Rathmines, Dublin, D6.

Tearfund church partners in the Beirut ask for our continuous prayers, saying: "Eyes on the Lord, hand to the plough, with faith that He will guide us to safe shores." Bishops' Appeal is the Church of Ireland's World Aid and Development Programme. It was set up by the Bishops of the Church in response to the commands in the Bible to bring good news to the poor and relief to the suffering.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



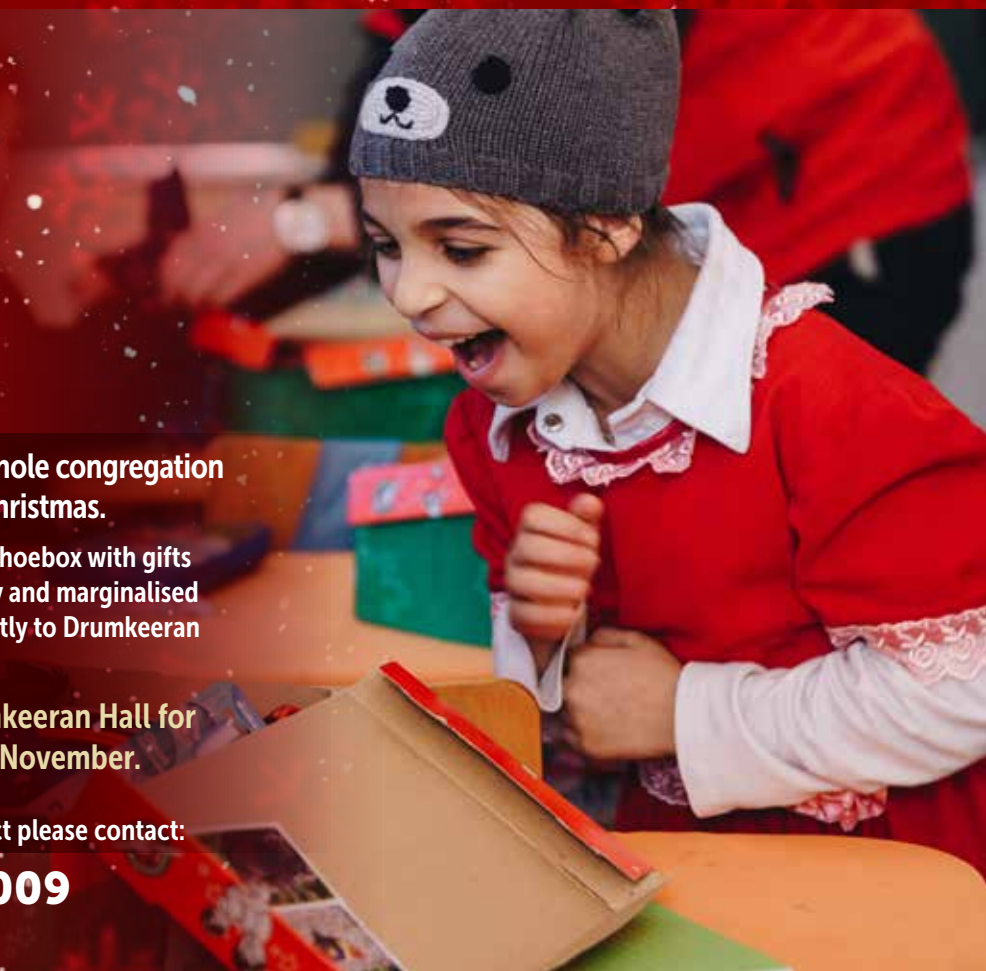
Your Sunday School, Mothers Union or the whole congregation can bring hope and change lives again this Christmas.

Through Operation Christmas Child you can fill a shoebox with gifts and the box will be sent to some of the most needy and marginalised children in the world. Boxes can be delivered directly to Drumkeeran Parish Hall by arrangement with Mrs Irene Boyd.

All shoeboxes should be delivered to Drumkeeran Hall for Irene Boyd during the week beginning 9th November.

If you would like further information on this project please contact:

Mrs Irene Boyd at 028 6863 1009



CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

FACE COVERINGS ARE BEING RECOMMENDED IN CHURCHES

The following statement has been issued by the Roman Catholic and Church of Ireland Primates of All Ireland, the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and the President of the Methodist Church in Ireland:

'At this time, both in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland, the governments have not formally made mandatory the wearing of face coverings at services of worship. This is, in part, due to the fact that as churches we are committed to maintaining two-metre physical distancing between household groups and strict adherence to all government guidance on hand hygiene, cleaning, ventilation etc. It, however, remains our responsibility to ensure that our services of worship are safe places for all who join with us. It has become increasingly clear that the wearing of face coverings, in conjunction with hand washing etc., is likely to reduce the spread of coronavirus, thus helping to protect others. Their use is therefore one way in which we can evidence protection for the most vulnerable, support for our health workers, and practical love for our neighbours. Following further recent consultations with public health authorities, we join with Christian church leaders all over this island in formally recommending and encouraging the use of face coverings at all services of worship, along with the



ongoing maintenance of two-metre physical distancing, from Sunday 30th August 2020, and earlier if practicable.

We understand that some people are exempted from the wearing of face coverings, as outlined in the two jurisdictions.

We also recognise that whilst it may not be appropriate for those who are leading from the front during worship, including preaching, to wear face coverings, they should at all times continue to maintain at least two-metre physical distancing from one another, and four-metre physical distancing from the front row of the congregation.'

The Most Revd Eamon Martin
Roman Catholic Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland

The Most Revd John McDowell
Church of Ireland Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland

The Rt Revd Dr David Bruce
Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

The Revd Dr Tom McKnight
President of the Methodist Church in Ireland

Advice on exemptions from the wearing of face coverings is available as follows:

For Northern Ireland congregations, use the link; <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-face-coverings>

For congregations in the Republic of Ireland use the link; <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/aac74c-guidance-on-safe-use-of-face-coverings/>

Looking after our heritage of church buildings

Treasure Ireland is a new project to support historic places of worship in Northern Ireland which will run for three years from 2020 to 2023.

A spokesperson stated; "If you are responsible for looking after a place of worship, our project will make it easier for you to look after your church or chapel buildings.

"We will offer grants for repairs and help and advice with maintenance to help keep your church or chapel in good condition and so avoid having to carry out expensive repairs.

"Northern Ireland has an amazingly rich heritage of church and chapel buildings. This includes 895 listed places of worship, with 45 churches and chapels listed as Grade A, buildings of the highest heritage significance. We want more people to

appreciate their architecture and history and Treasure Ireland will help put churches and chapels on the tourist map.

"Treasure Ireland will also provide a comprehensive range of training and mentoring to help you look after your place of worship. Training sessions will cover topics including how to write funding bids, building maintenance, heritage interpretation and tourism.

"A big thank you to the National Lottery Heritage Fund, the Pilgrim Trust and the Department of Communities who have helped to make Treasure Ireland possible.

"For further information, contact us at treasureireland@nationalchurchestrust.org"

NEWS FOR VESTRIES

Important deadlines for parish vestries

Parishes are reminded of the following deadlines:

■ **Friday 9th October 2020** – Deadline for all Easter Vestry Returns and declarations, together with Parish Financial Reports, to be submitted to the Diocesan Office.

■ **Saturday 31st October 2020** – Deadline for NI parishes to complete annual monitoring returns and submit relevant accompanying documents online to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (CCNI).

■ **Saturday 31st October 2020** – Deadline for ROI parishes who are currently registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority (CRA) to complete returns and submit relevant accompanying documents online to the CRA.

Updating trustee details with CCNI / CRA

Can all members of Select Vestries please note (and also remind your relevant Parish Personnel) that it is the responsibility of trustees to keep all information up to date with the CCNI (and for those parishes currently registered with the CRA) including any changes to trustees, contact details etc.

In order to change any details, the parish contact with the CCNI / CRA will need to log on to the CCNI / CRA website (with the log on details which they were given when first registered as a charity).

Free Training on Charities Governance Code in Republic of Ireland

The Charities Regulator is running free online training online for charity trustees in Ireland.

Charity trustees of small, volunteer-only charities are particularly encouraged to attend.

This training will support charity trustees to apply the six principles and meet the 32 core standards contained within the Charities Governance Code.

The training takes a total of four hours and comprises a webinar and an interactive online event.

The training sessions will take place during Autumn/Winter 2020.

For a list of dates and to book a place please follow this link;

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/o/charities-regulator-governance-code-30827783423>

The dates are 7, 12, 16, 17, 21, 26 and 28 September and 1, 5, 10 and 15 October.

Electoral College holds first meeting

The Episcopal Electoral College for the Diocese of Clogher held its first meeting on Wednesday, 2nd September, in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen, commencing with a Service of Holy Communion. The Archbishop of Armagh, The Most Revd John McDowell presided and chaired the meeting of the College. The preacher at the Eucharist was the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossorry, The Right Revd Michael Burrows.

Safeguarding training planned for autumn

These are very strange times we live in, but it is good to see our churches reopening again after being in lockdown for such a long time. The Diocesan Support Team have been meeting to look at delivering training in the autumn time and we are in the process of making tentative plans to provide training in the autumn time. As I write, a number of church halls are opening, and we hope to be able to deliver a range of training events in the autumn time in anticipation of church activities starting to resume in late September.

The following is an outline plan of the training that we hope to deliver in the autumn time.

PANEL MEMBER TRAINING IN CHILD SAFEGUARDING

There will be two panel member training events (one for NI and one for ROI). This training is for newly appointed panel members and for those who have not attended refresher training in the last three years.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING IN CHILD SAFEGUARDING

Six volunteer training events are planned, one event will be planned in each of the rural deanery areas. This training will be for Sunday School teachers and volunteer leaders working with children and young people.

ADULT SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

There will be two training sessions held (one for NI and one for ROI). This training will be for parishes leaders, staff and volunteers. All the above training will be on a first come first served basis as

the training events will be limited to 20 attendees.

Once I get a clearer picture regarding the availability of halls/rooms for training and provided there is no change in government policy regarding the use of halls, details of the training dates will be circulated to all parishes. Social distancing will be strictly adhered to during the training sessions.

PARISH PANEL EVALUATIONS

Last year the diocesan support team commenced a programme of parish panel evaluations across the diocese. It is our intention to carry out 11 parish panel evaluations each year however due to the pandemic we were only unable to complete three evaluations last year. This means we have fallen behind, and we would be keen to get caught up by carrying out 18 evaluations this year. This will place a considerable burden on our evaluators, and I would ask to all incumbents to assist our evaluators in arranging to meet with the parish panels in order that the evaluations can take place as soon as possible. I will be communicating with incumbents to advise them of the evaluation taking place and who the evaluators will be.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the Diocesan Support Team for the excellent work that they have done and for giving so freely of their time in carrying out this important work on behalf of the diocese.

Michael Skuce
Clogher Safeguarding



SPECIAL APPEAL LAUNCHED BY ARCHBISHOP OF WELBY IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has launched a special appeal, Together in Unity, in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The appeal was launched during the summer months with a video message to the bishops of the Anglican Communion during what would have been the Lambeth Conference.

In his message, Archbishop Justin encouraged Anglican dioceses and parishes to support one another during this difficult time.

Organised by the Anglican Communion Fund, an English charitable body, the Together in Unity initiative will raise support for Covid relief in areas of the

Communion hardest hit by the pandemic and demonstrate solidarity across the Communion.

People can find further details of the appeal, as well as resources for provinces and dioceses that wish to support it, on the Archbishop of Canterbury's website: archbishopofcanterbury.org/appeal Archbishop Welby said that the Covid-19 pandemic has affected communities throughout the world. Within the Anglican family, some communities are hurting more than others.

In many parts of the Church, communities are without basic health and sanitation facilities, lockdowns have caused severe financial hardship for daily wage earners

and hunger is spreading.

"As the household of faith, we are called by God to support one another. Please join us in doing so.

The Together in Unity Appeal is raising funds through the Anglican Communion Fund to address the needs of vulnerable communities across the Anglican Communion," statement said.

The Anglican Communion Fund has already allocated over £180,000 towards Covid needs across 21 provinces of the Communion, supporting the Church in its ministry, providing food relief to the vulnerable, communicating ways of staying safe from the virus, providing handwashing facilities and PPE.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bereavement Support Line set up in Republic of Ireland

As churches and places of worship in the Republic of Ireland begin to reopen and welcome back their communities, the Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line has announced a new support service for those who are bereaved.

A spokesperson explained; "Many people have experienced and will experience the death of someone they love during the COVID-19 pandemic. It may have been a COVID-related death or a death from other causes. People may also be finding a previous bereavement more difficult at this time. While we may be seeing reductions in the number of deaths connected to COVID-19, we know that people's pain and grief does not diminish as quickly.

"In the face of such loss and trauma, the Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line, in partnership with the HSE, has been launched to provide connection, comfort and support in these exceptional

times. COVID-19 restrictions have changed the traditional ways we mark our grief. For the moment, it is not possible to come together as we did traditionally, resulting in additional challenges for those who are bereaved.

The Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line is a national freephone service in the Republic of Ireland; 1800 80 70 77 which is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday.

IT'S AIMS ARE;

- We aim to provide a confidential space for people to speak about their experience or to ask questions relating to the death of someone during the COVID-19 pandemic or a previous bereavement that is more difficult at this time.
- We will listen to what a person says about what has happened.
- We will do our best to provide comfort and emotional support.

• We will provide any information that might help the caller, including information on practical supports.

• We will provide support for employers or professionals who want to inform the care their organisation can offer to bereaved colleagues.

WHO CAN CALL?

Any adult who has been impacted by bereavement during the COVID-19 pandemic can call. This includes people who:

- May have been recently bereaved, through COVID-19 or a different cause of death
- May be concerned about somebody else who has been bereaved
- May wish to call because a previous bereavement feels more difficult at this time
- May be a professional who wants to inform the care their organisation can offer to bereaved colleagues

POLICE WARNING ABOUT RECENT SCAMS

Police are warning the public to be vigilant after more than £80,000 was lost in a spate of scams reported in Northern Ireland last week.

Scammers employed a variety of means to swindle their victims. Some were cold-called at home by people claiming to be from an online retailer who were told they needed to make a payment. Others reported being threatened with arrest due to an outstanding fine or warrant.

One victim reported being swindled out of £40,000 in an online romance scam. Another victim was duped by someone claiming to be from a telecommunications company who told them they would receive a refund of £400. While they did receive the £400, unfortunately £15,000 was also taken from their account. Another victim who had bought items for their business online reported losing £11,000. Another report saw a victim lose £16,000 in an online financial scam. Other amounts reported as being lost range from £34 to £2,200.

Chief Superintendent Simon Walls said: 'As these reports show, there is no let-up from scammers who will do whatever they can to con people out of their hard-earned money. Scammers don't care who their victim is, they just want their money and will employ whatever tactic is



necessary.

'While some of the losses reported to us this week involved significant sums of money to much smaller sums, we understand that any amount of money lost to a scammer is a horrible experience for anyone.

'The threat of fraud, both online and offline, against the public is a constant focus for us and I want to take this opportunity to again appeal to people that on no account should anyone disclose their personal or financial details over the phone; always err on the side of caution.

'Scammers are creative and will do whatever they can to con people out of

money.

'It's also important that if you have older members of family, talk with them and tell them legitimate providers will never seek their personal details, such as banking information, over the phone. This is a really important conversation to have.

'Guarding your personal and banking details is essential. Never disclose them to any unauthorised person.'

Any resident of Northern Ireland who is concerned that they have been a victim of a scam either report the matter to Action Fraud via their website www.actionfraud.police.uk or by phoning 0300 123 2040. Police can be contacted on the non-emergency number 101 or you can submit a report online using the non-emergency reporting form via www.psni.police.uk/makeareport

The Church of Ireland is supporting the Scamwise NI campaign through the Church Leaders' Group. Information on preventing and reporting scams in the Republic is available at; www.garda.ie/en/crime/fraud For further advice and information, visit www.nidirect.gov.uk/scamwiseni or the Scamwise NI Facebook page @scamwiseni. Scamwise NI has recently issued some helpful videos which show how these type of scams can take place and the terrible impacts for the victims.

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For more information you can also visit our website: www.connectfermanagh.org



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Peace banners are presented to Enniskillen churches to mark VJ Day

Four peace banners, made by an Enniskillen community craft group known as Take Heart, have been made to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe and Japan in 1945. The four banners have been designed around the twin themes of peace and hope. These themes are as relevant in 2020 as they were in 1945 at the end of five long years of conflict.

The four individual banners are linked by a rainbow wave – indicative of the common landscape upon which the Christian tradition has been formed. The rainbow appears in the book of Genesis – a symbol of God’s covenant promise.

‘And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come; I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.”

In the Genesis story Noah released a dove from the ark and it returned to him with a freshly plucked olive leaf in its beak. The leaf is a symbol of new life and proof that the flood waters which had destroyed the earth had started to recede and that the land could once more be inhabited.

The doves on the banners are also symbolic



of the Holy Spirit. At the very start of Jesus’ public ministry John, the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him along the bank of the river Jordan where he was baptising with water. John proclaims; “Look, the lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” And John testified that he “saw the spirit

come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him.”

During the recent time of Covid19 pandemic the rainbow image has been widely used as a symbol of hope and support for those on the front line. This year we also remember with gratitude the commitment and bravery of those who fought during the second world war to secure peace and provide hope for future generations.

The banners were presented on Saturday, 15 August, VJ Day by the Lord Lieutenant, Viscount Brookeborough to the churches on the island of Enniskillen, St Macartin’s Cathedral, St Michael’s Church, Enniskillen Methodist Church and Enniskillen Presbyterian Church to share this message of hope and peace with future generations. The banner for St. Macartin’s Cathedral was received by Mr. Alan Devers.

The Take Heart craft group was formed in 2016 by members of the Enniskillen Presbyterian Church to provide a fellowship of crafters who aim to make hand crafted, gifts of encouragement. The name of the Take Heart group is inspired by words from the gospel of St John chapter 16, verse 33. “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”



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Covid-19 Confidence Mark for churches

The parishes of Trory and Killadeas are believed to be the first church community to be awarded Covid-19 Confidence Mark Stickers from Fermanagh and Omagh District Council.

These will be placed at the entrances to both churches.

The scheme has been operating for the hospitality and retail sectors but is now extended to churches.

Rector, Revd Mark Gallagher said the application process was based on a self assessment checklist showing proof of risk assessment and to show best practices of care, cleaning and distancing.

Any parish within the Fermanagh and Omagh Council area can get in touch with them about the assessment.

Tracey McCallaghan (Audience Development and Marketing Manager at Fermanagh & Omagh District Council) looks after the scheme.

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DOWN: 1, Sketch. 2, Priest. 3, Samizdat. 4, Shalom. 5, Wept. 6, Breast. 7, Embers. 12, Art. 14, Limassol. 15, UNA. 16, Salome. 17, Adverb. 18, Decade. 20, Clever. 21, Height. 23, Tear.

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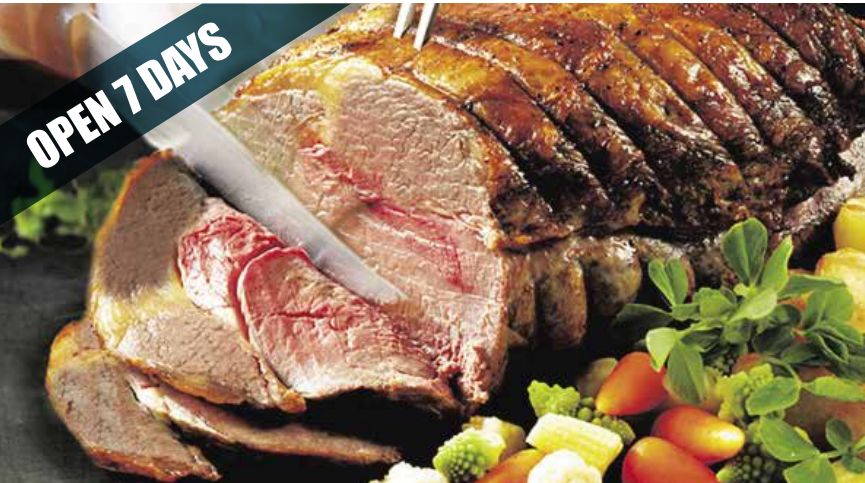
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