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June Clements of Cleenish Parish pours tea for Rosemary Forde, Cleenish Parish and Dessie Coalter, Mullaghduin Parish in a rehearsal for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Tea Party at Cleenish Rectory on Saturday, 4 June.

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## Funding available to mark Platinum Jubilee

A second round of Community and Wellbeing funding for events to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee has been launched by Fermanagh and Omagh District Council. Grants of up to £500 have already been successful in the first round by almost 50 community groups including churches and organisations. Applications for the second round close on 4 May.

The funding call and application link is on the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council website. Schools cannot apply for funding but Parent Teacher Associations can apply.

Already some church groups have availed of funding from the first round including Cleenish and Mullaghduin parishes who are organising an Afternoon Tea Party on Saturday, 4 June for the local community in the grounds of Cleenish Rectory and at the Cleenish Centre between 2pm-5pm. There will be children's activities and an ice cream van. Those attending can also view the renovations to the rectory.

The Platinum Jubilee weekend of 2-5 June will involve plenty of events in Enniskillen and around the Diocese. Please see the Clogher Diocese diary of events for full details; The Diocese of Clogher ([anglican.org](http://anglican.org)).



# A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



## *A Message from the Bishop*

### **Rogation**

In the Church's calendar, the Sunday before Ascension Thursday (26th May this year) is known as Rogation Sunday and the three days in between, are known as Rogation days. Rogation comes from the Latin word rogare which means "to ask". In earlier times, in England and other parts of Europe, farmers would ask the clergy to bless the crops. In some parishes the clergy and choir would process around the boundary of the parish praying for its protection in the coming year. This was known as 'beating the bounds'.

The impulse to ask in this season of prayer comes from our Lord Jesus – 'Ask and ye shall receive'. So, on Rogation Sunday we ask God for his good gifts and as a prompt to that we often read Psalm 67 which is also used at Harvest time – 'May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us'.

However, the Easter season also tell us to think beyond the gifts of food and food production to the wider needs of humankind. In the Gospel reading for Rogationtide we hear our Lord Jesus give the promise of his greatest gift– peace.

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27

### **So how do we find peace?**

How do parents find peace amid a demanding family life?

How does the working person find peace in a business and work environment often governed by targets and performance indicators?

How does the farmer find peace during times of great uncertainty around agriculture policies and the shifting sands of food production costs and supermarkets pressures?

How do we cope with the anxieties and costs of modern-day living?

How do the people of Ukraine find peace and the end to warfare?

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Jesus spoke these words just hours before his crucifixion, and before the lives of the disciples would be rocked to their very foundations. Jesus bequeaths to them and us his gift of peace. It is a peace beyond what the world can offer and is a common need of all humankind. Our hearts at this time, turn to urgent and persistent prayer for the people of Ukraine and for all who have power to bring about peace.

### **Healthy boundaries**

Going back to that old-fashioned idea of Rogation and beating the bounds or the boundaries of the parish. Perhaps we begin to find God's peace when we think about how we keep boundaries in our lives. Maintaining healthy boundaries to our spiritual, physical and emotional well-being is important and will help us live more fulfilling lives.



..the beauty of thy peace'

Living in peace with God is the best beginning – having a peaceful centre to our lives knowing the inner peace which the risen Christ can bring. Then we will discover the peace of living in harmony with others because the boundaries to the Christian life are porous – we interact with others as the living organism of the church.

### **Seeking the will of God**

Earnest prayer for God's peace will be fulfilled when we seek the will of God. Someone once said that this is like a woodworker trying to plane wood. It works best when moving the smoothing plane with the grain of the wood. In a similar way, finding God's peace will happen when we find the grain of his will. So by prayer, petition, and thanksgiving we seek to discover the will of God. And we are urged to do so without ceasing.

In the season of Rogation, we believe that God will hear and answer our prayers, not always in the way we would like; he is not deaf to our concerns and will answer. Sometimes surprising things can happen when we pray – God can work in unexpected ways and present new

possibilities. So, pray without ceasing and don't rule out the possibility that God can change things and more importantly can change us so that we can receive answers to our prayers.

### **General Synod 2022**

The month of May also brings the meeting of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland. This is the central legislative body for our church and comprises Bishops, clergy and laity. It will meet this year in the Assembly Buildings Belfast, from 4th -6th May. We seek God's blessing upon the Synod and pray for all who take part, that they may seek the will of God in their debates and decision making.

The collect for Rogation Sunday from the old prayer book.

*O Lord, from whom all good things do come.*

*Grant to us thy humble servants,*

*That by thy holy inspiration*

*we may think those things that be good,*

*and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same;*

*through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Amen*

**A Prayer for Ukraine suggested by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.**

*God of peace and justice,*

*we pray for the people of Ukraine today.*

*We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.*

*We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,*

*that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.*

*We pray for those with power over war or peace,*

*for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions.*

*Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,*

*that you would hold and protect them.*

*We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.*

*Amen*

May Almighty God answer our prayers at this season of Rogation, for peace and goodness in our lives, the church, and his world.

*Yours in Christ's service  
+ Ian Clogher*



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Clogh Bowling club taken at their final gathering for this season.

### Services

#### Sunday 1st May

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

#### Sunday 8th May

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

#### Sunday 15th May

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

#### Sunday 22nd May

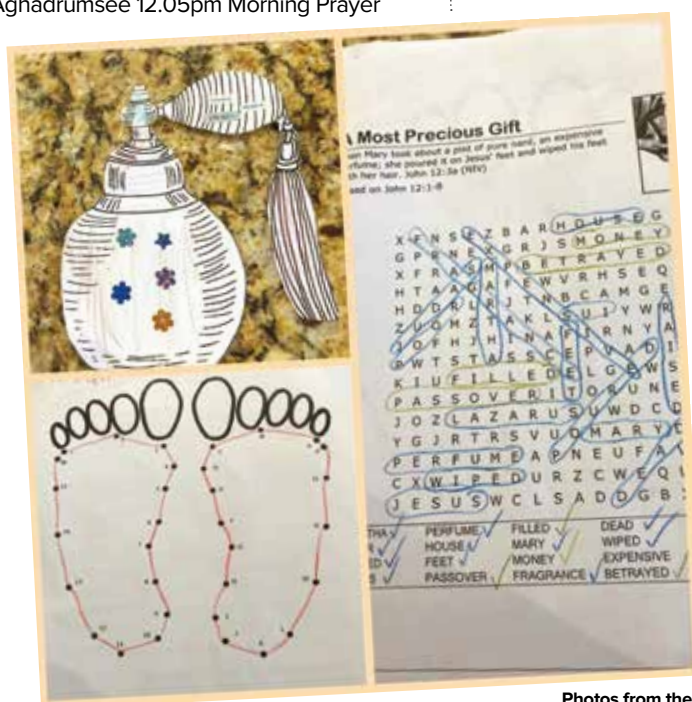
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Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer



Clogh Club President Hazel Doonan presenting the Club Shield to Esther Forster.



Walter Egerton presenting Robert Egerton with the Egerton Shield.



Photos from the Sunday School work.

### Sunday 29th May

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

### Easter Vestry Meetings

These took place at the end of April. More details in next month's edition.

### Clogh Bowling Club

On 6th April a Chinese or fish and chip takeaway was on the menu to mark the end of the bowling season. A big thank you to the many people who made it a good evening. Prizes were given out for the year, short as it was, Robert Egerton once again winning the Egerton Shield and Esther Forster, the Club Shield. The club was formed 25 years ago in 1997 with 25 members paying £25 to enable the purchase of bowling mats and equipment. We are hoping to get back to some sort of

normality when we meet again in September.

### Clogh Mothers' Union

They managed to get together for only three meetings this year. The first was the AGM on Monday 7th February. The second in March when guest speaker Mrs Margaret Mallen, Advanced Nurse Practitioner HSE Cavan, explained the warning signs of a number of medical conditions like sepsis, stroke and heart attack. Finally in April we had Mrs Sharon Elliott talking about and demonstrating Reflexology. Some restrictions have still been in place but it was pleasing to see a good number attend and we look forward to the new term being more relaxed in September. Before then though members are hoping



to attend the Mothers' Union Area Service in Killeevan Church on 6th May at 8.00pm when our Bishop will be the preacher.

## Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad



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### SERVICES

#### 1 May

9.30am Cooneen Holy Communion  
11.00am Colebrooke Holy Communion

#### 8 May

9.30am Cooneen Morning Prayer  
11.00am Colebrooke Morning Prayer

#### 15 May

10.30am Cooneen Family Service

#### 22 May

9.30am Cooneen Holy Communion  
11.00am Colebrooke Holy Communion

#### 29 May

10.30am Cooneen Divine Healing with Laying on of hands

#### 5 June

10.30am Colebrooke Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Service



Sarah Moorhead and John Hobson with Revd John McClenaghan after their wedding.

#### 12 June

10.30am Colebrooke Sunday School Closing and Queen's Jubilee Celebration barbecue.

### Changes to Service Timings

From Sunday 24th April, 2022, Cooneen's services will begin at 9.30am on the first, second and fourth Sundays.

Colebrooke services on those same Sundays will begin at 11.00am.

When the churches combine for Family Services, or other special occasions, the services will begin at 10.30am.

During the summer months the services will alternate as in past years but will begin at 10.30am each Sunday.

These changes will hopefully allow a greater number of parishioners to worship weekly in Cooneen and have been approved by both Select Vestries and the Bishop of Clogher.

### Mullaghfad Service

In light of the present circumstances, regretfully there will be no service in Mullaghfad in May. Decisions will be made at a later date in relation to services resuming in September.

### Colebrooke Friends' Service

This service will also be postponed to a later date.



Easter decorations in the churches.



## Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

To commemorate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee, there will be a combined service in Colebrooke at 10.30am on Sunday 5th June 2022.

On Sunday 12th June, 2022, we will have our Sunday School closing service, again in Colebrooke at 10.30am, following which we will walk through the Colebrooke estate, for a barbecue lunch (with Viscount Brookeborough's permission). For catering purposes, please let me know if you wish to attend.

## FROM THE REGISTERS

### Holy Matrimony

On Saturday 2nd April 2022, at St Ronan's, Colebrooke, Sarah Moorhead and John Hobson entered into the covenant of Holy Matrimony. Matron of Honour was Deborah Moorhead and Best Man was Neil Hobson. May God blessing be on Sarah and John as they begin a new journey in their life together.

### Christian Burial

■ On Saturday 2nd April 2022, at St Ronan's, Colebrooke, a service of thanksgiving for the life of Joseph Robinson was held. Our prayers and condolences are with Iris, Kenny, Wayne, Etta and everyone in Joe's family.

■ On Wednesday 13th April 2022, in St Ronan's, Colebrooke, a service of thanksgiving for the life of Shirley Fee was held. Our prayers and condolences are with Dickie, Stephen, David, Joan and each member of Shirley's family circle at this time.

## Organisations

Due to the continuing Covid-19 pandemic, our parish organisations will not be meeting. When things return to normal, they will operate as follows:-

**GFS** – Girls Friendly Society every Monday,

at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall for girls 3 years and upwards.

The Closing Service this year will be held on Monday 13th May 2019.

### Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Group meet every Tuesday from 7pm-9.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-14 years. The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.

Squirrels (4 - 6 years)

Beavers (6 – 8 years)

Cubs (8 – 11 years)

Scouts (11 – 14 years)

### Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meets on Thursday evenings at Colebrooke Parish Hall. New members of all ages are welcome to join in the new bowling season beginning in September.

## Mothers' Union

At the Lenten service, Geraldine Beattie and Gordon Deazley presented a moving and challenging talk about their mission trip to Uganda with the Fields of Life charity. The team from the diocese brought suitcases full of supplies for the many needy families which they helped and the finances provided were used to purchase materials to refurbish a girls' dormitory with the help of members of the team. The team was able to help with education, hygiene and health training and sharing the Christian message with the eager to learn children and adults. The pictures and stories reminded us here in the Clogher Diocese, that we live in luxury with all the basic needs for daily living readily available. Many expressed their surprise at how happy the children looked despite their lack of resources as they have few clothes, a one room home and limited food.

The parishes had collected items which the team could send to help people in Uganda. Light refreshments after the service allowed people to ask questions and enjoy

fellowship together.

The Mothers' Union members and friends are looking forward to their meal at Clogher Courthouse at the end of April.

The meeting on Wednesday 18 May is a Prayer Walk beginning at the parish hall at 8 pm. Come and bring a friend and wear walking shoes!!

## Colebrooke Parish Church Fundraising Quiz Sheets

The parish had undertaken some refurbishing of a storeroom in the parish hall at Colebrooke. A Jubilee Quiz sheet was prepared for the vestry to sell to raise money to cover some of the costs. The replies received resulted in the following winners. The select vestry members wish to express sincere thanks to all who contributed in any way to the success of the fundraising. The photographs show the cross generational entries, where some children had support from grannies in completing the quiz.



Irene Boyd with one of the Jubilee quiz winners.



Some of the younger quiz winners.



Thanks to all who submitted entries and sincere apologies for one error in question 19 where the middle answer should have said 'partridge casserole', not porridge casserole.'

This question was not marked in any entry

received.

First Prize - Jenny Willis.

Second Prizes - Sadie Clendenning and Jack Clendenning.

Third Prizes - Jessica and Chloe Willis, Lexi Carson, Luke Carson and Ena Morrow.

## Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno



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Children's activities in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblaney, on Good Friday.

### Holy Matrimony

Congratulations to Alexander Collie (son of the late Ian and Judith, Thornford) who married his best friend, Jacinta Johnston, on 4th March at a beautiful ceremony held in Seagrave Barns, Dunany, Co. Louth.



Alex Collie and his wife, Jacinta.



### Monthly Coffee Morning

The first of our monthly coffee mornings was held on Tuesday 12th April in Ballybay Parish Hall. It was a great success and it was lovely to welcome parishioners from our group of parishes, as well as local

people from Ballybay, to our recently renovated hall. Coffee mornings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month in Ballybay Parish Hall from 11 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. The second of these will be held on Tuesday 9th May. Come along and bring your friends – all welcome!





Symbols of the Lord's passion.

### Children's activities and service on Good Friday

It was great to see so many at our children's activities and service on Good Friday in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney. The children made some beautiful crafts, enjoyed some snacks and then participated in the service by reading the story of our Lord's crucifixion and bringing forth symbols to represent his passion and death. Many thanks to the children, the Sunday School teachers and all involved.

### Easter in Ballybay Group of Parishes

Easter's message of hope and renewal was especially poignant this year as we were able to gather together in our parish churches for Holy Week and Easter liturgies for the first time since 2019 following the Covid-19 pandemic-induced restrictions in 2020 and 2021 on communal in-person meetings. Our Holy Week liturgies were truly prayerful and reverent and our services on Easter Sunday were joyous! Many thanks to all those who helped make our services so special this year.



### Update from Donna Geary;

"We are currently preparing for the second outreach of the year. Volunteers will be arriving soon and then we will set sail back to Western Province, this time going to the Treaty villages and the Fly River where we will spend the next six weeks providing healthcare and engaging with the communities.

We have been anchored outside Port Moresby for the last two weeks, restocking our medical supplies and preparing for the outreach ahead. Prior to this we were in the Bamu for two weeks. It has been very busy on board and the next few months will be non-stop also with our upcoming outreaches.

#### Leading CE

On our two-week outreach in the Bamu, in Western Province, I led my first community engagement (CE) team, which, I'll be honest, was hard. My greatest difficulty was the language barrier, but I was blessed to have a team full of Papua New Guineans who were able to speak Tok Pisin which some of the people in these rural villages were able to understand. Over the two weeks, I even started picking up some of it myself and, although I can't speak it, I can understand parts of conversations.

Here are some of the statistics regarding what my CE team was able to achieve in those two weeks:

- 200 'Days for Girls' packs distributed
- 12 bible studies, speaking to 349 men and women
- 131 health promotion sessions to over 2000 people.

Not everything can be summed up in statistics, however. The benefits of being in a CE team is that we are able to walk around the village meeting lots of people and taking the time to have one to one conversations, learning about people's lives and sharing stories of our own lives.

Building relationships is such an important part of PNG culture, so it is great to be able to do this.

My favourite thing to do in the villages is to sit with young women and teach them about their worth and value in God and about their bodies. We were able to give out 'Days for Girls' packs which are from an amazing organisation which make reusable products. These ensure that young girls are able to stay in school and get their full education.

#### PHC clinics

Our day to day work involved going into the villages with a primary healthcare team (PHC) and, on days when they were busy (which was many days!), the CE team was also able to help within the clinics. As we were in the Bamu, there was a malaria outbreak and, over the two weeks, the PHC team treated over 800 cases of malaria. Many of the cases were young children and some were those whom the team had



Photos from Donna Geary's mission trip to Papua New Guinea.





treated back in November when we were last there, which was sad to see. The teams were also able to give over 1,800 routine childhood immunisations, give 150 women family planning services and provide general outpatient consultations, antenatal checkups, as well as Covid vaccines and testing to anyone who wanted them.

**A baby was born on the ship!**

At the very beginning of outreach a mother pulled up to the ship in a dinghy - she wasn't doing well and had already been in labour for several days. A few of our PHC team members spent the morning helping get the baby delivered safely. They were also able to give mum and baby all the medication they needed before they were then transported to the nearest health centre. The next week we were able to go to the village that mum and baby were from and see that they were doing very well (see photo).

**Praise - dental trailer**

In my last update I mentioned that the dental trailer was on its way to Papua New Guinea. Well I can now say that it made it!! It is now parked at the YWAM base in Port Moresby and I have been able to go by and see it. It's so exciting that it is finally here. One of the big prayer points the ship has had was for more maritime crew to be able to fully operate and sail the ship. Well God didn't just provide the crew we needed but went above and beyond and we now have a partnership with the Pacific Maritime Training College here in POM. This means that their students are able to get hands on experience on a ship while completing their course and we have the extra hands needed. They recently ran their "Certificate course in Safety of Life at Sea" and seven of our own crew members were able to join in this and get their certificates also.



Photos from Donna Geary's mission trip to Papua New Guinea.



**Prayer**

It has been a very busy few months without much of a break so I would really appreciate prayer for energy over the upcoming outreaches in order that I will be able to lead my team well.

Please also pray for the Treaty villages and those in the Fly River which we will be going into, that we will be able to provide care and education which will have a lasting impact. If you have any questions about what I'm up to, please reach out. It is always great to hear from you and to hear what is happening on the other side of the world. I am still looking for some monthly supporters to come alongside me. If you would like to consider donating to help support me financially in the work I do here, please see below for the details you will need.

*All the best, Donna*

**Supporting Donna and her work**

If you would like to support Donna and her

work, you might consider donating a regular sum of money on a monthly basis or a once off amount. If you would like to do this, you can email her at [donnainmissions@gmail.com](mailto:donnainmissions@gmail.com) and she will send you the relevant details to be able to support her in this way. The link to her GoFundMe page is <https://gofund.me/afbaa430>

**Email**

If you have an email address and would like to receive emails relating to our group of parishes, please speak to the Rector.

**Prayers**

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

In addition, please give thanks for family, friends and all in our community who have recovered from the Covid-19 virus or other serious illness.

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### SERVICES

#### Sunday 1st May

Morning Prayer St Finbarr's 10.30am

Morning Prayer Magheracloone 12noon

#### Wednesday 4th

NO Holy Communion St Finbarr's

#### Sunday 8th March

Mission Service with Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

Mission Service with Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon

Morning Prayer Ardragh 1.15pm

#### Wednesday 11th April

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am

#### Sunday 15th May

Farewell Service for Revd Colin in St Finbarr's 7pm – NO other services that day.

#### Wednesday 18th May

Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am T.B.C.

#### Sunday 22nd May

Arise and Shine St Finbarr's 10.30am

Service of the Word Magheracloone 12noon

#### Wednesday 25th March

Midweek Holy Communion St Finbarr's 10.30am T.B.C.

#### Sunday 29th May

United Service Ardragh T.B.C.

### Rev Colin appointed to Parish of Castleknock and Mulhuddart with Clonsilla

It was with extreme shock and deep sadness that we received the news, on Sunday 20th March, that Revd Colin has been appointed as Rector of Castleknock and Mulhuddart with Clonsilla in the Diocese of Dublin.



Lenten Soup and Service.

Revd Colin was instituted on 28th April 2017 and much has happened in five years. We have achieved a lot together and been through a lot together as a Group of Parishes. One highlight was our successful mission trip to Malawi in the summer of 2019 when 16 members of our church and local community built two houses with Habitat for Humanity. This was a first for our parish and also for the Carrickmacross area. Other stand out moments include our Christmas Tree Festival in 2017 which is still talked about in the community and our production of A Christmas Carol in St Finbarr's in 2019. We have a thriving Women's Group, Youth Group, Men's Group, Choir, Sunday School, prayer meetings and various Bible studies. We have had a number of Messy and Muddy church services. Prior to Covid we had two wonderful parish trips, to Glendalough in 2018 and a trip to the Titanic in Belfast in 2019.

Revd Colin also built strong ecumenical links in the community with our annual Ecumenical Carol Service which even continued online during the pandemic, and a number of outdoor services. We were privileged to host the annual Clogher Pentecost Service in Magheracloone church grounds in 2019 led by our then Bishop John and the Roman Catholic Bishop Larry Duffy who Revd Colin was friendly with from his time in St Joseph's, Carrickmacross.

Of course, Revd Colin also shared with us in moments of both joy and sorrow through weddings, baptisms, confirmations and sickness and funerals. Through all of these Revd Colin instilled a sense of family across our parishes and also brought the three parishes together through united

services and various events. His prayer for our Group of Parishes was that we would grow in faith, love, unity and number. Covid has surely been the most challenging time for any church, but Revd Colin led us with services on our Facebook page every Sunday, with Janice on camera, sound and congregation duties. We had many parishioners take part with pre-recorded bible verses, favourite hymns and much more. Revd Colin will also be missed by the local community which he has become a big part of. We have our charity partners Carrickmacross Food Bank, and our mission partners Habitat for Humanity. We had a number of community concerts in St Finbarr's, with our latest on St Patrick's Day this year by Barry Jay Hughes and Grainne Duffy to celebrate a "return to normality" and to thank the community for their togetherness during the pandemic. Revd Colin will be sorely missed in Carrickmacross, Magheracloone and Ardragh. We wish both Revd Colin and Janice all the best as they make the move to Dublin and wish them health and happiness for the future.

### Farewell Service and Institution

There will be a farewell service to mark Rev Colin's ministry in the Group of Parishes on Sunday 15th May at 7pm in St Finbarr's. At the end of the service a representative from each of the parishes will say a few words. This will be followed by a supper with parishioners having the opportunity to bid farewell to Revd Colin and Janice.

Revd Colin's institution to the Castleknock and Mulhuddart with Clonsilla will take



Gemma presents Caroline with a gift from our parishes on Mothering Sunday.



Jenny Williams from Habitat for Humanity Ireland.

place on Friday 20th May at 7.30pm in St Brigid's, Castleknock. All parishioners from the Carrickmacross Group are warmly invited to attend.

### Lent Soup and Services

Thank you to all who attended our weekly Soup and Worship Service's continue in St Finbarr's during Lent. It was great to join together each week around the table to eat together and celebrate the Eucharist. Thank you to all who prepared the delicious soup each week and thank you to Lorna, Michelle, Caroline and Ricky who each shared what faith means to them. Over €400 was raised for the Bishop's Appeal.

### Easter General Vestries

Easter General vestries were held in our three churches in April. At each meeting the parishes finances were presented by

our treasurers Caroline, Lorna and Westley and these were all approved. While there was always the need to be seeking ways to generate more funds, all three parishes had done remarkably well throughout the pandemic to keep on top of the finances. In his final Rector's address Revd Colin encouraged the parishes to keep going and to keep building on faith, unity, love and number. The parishes have made a real impact in the local community and Revd Colin was in no doubt the parishioners would continue to bring God's love to the area under the guidance of a new Rector.

The various offices of the vestries were elected with a number of new faces coming on board for the coming year. Revd Colin thanked the outgoing vestries for all their hard work and wished the new members God's blessing in their new roles.

### 'Jewel's' Women's Group

'Jewel's' our women's group, held their end of year service on Thursday 29th April in St Finbarr's. This was the last opportunity for Revd Colin to share with the group and he praised their wonderful range of activities and sense of togetherness that was a real blessing to the Group of Parishes. The women then went to the Shirley Arms Hotel for a meal together. Thank you to Caroline who organizes the monthly meetings.

### Mission Services

We plan to hold special mission services in both St Finbarr's and St Molua's, Magheraclone on Sunday 8th May. These will be an opportunity to hear from our Mission Partners Habitat for Humanity Ireland and we look forward to having Jenny Williams, Chief Executive of Habitat for Humanity Ireland, join with us to share more about their mission.

## Cleenish & Mullaghduin



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### As we spring into Summer...

As I write this, I am sitting with the sun streaming in through my window, basking in the glorious warmth of the rays. I am glad of the heat generated by the glass. I

have just hung out some washing on the line and came back in chilled to the bone with the sharpness of the still wintery wind. As the wintery April showers make way for the warmer and longer sunny days of May we are hopeful for the imminent arrival of balmy days of Summer ahead.

We are surrounded and reminded of the beauty of nature and God's creation all around us.

The garden flowers are firmly established in their beds getting ready to bloom and the trees are greening up nicely with buds bursting. The hawthorn and cherry trees are in full bloom. The new life promised in Spring makes way for the gloriousness of Summer. We can take full advantage as the days stretch out ahead of us with the lengthening evenings. But with Creation nothing can be taken for granted.

Lockdowns and furlough jolted us out of our everyday lives and into a new reality. Our world became narrowed and focused on only that of our immediate

surroundings. Our hectic, exhausting working lives were instead suddenly replaced by time sitting and walking in nature, silence and listening, really paying attention to what was going on around us. The chirping of the birds sounded louder when the constant noise of traffic and construction fell silent. In a time of fear and the unknown this felt vital, precious and life affirming. Life goes on.

The pandemic showed that we are hardwired for belonging and connection; belonging to family, community and the world we live in. It may have halted our lives, but it gave us the chance to ground ourselves in light and hope again. Covid-19 will remain with us as our lives return to some sort of normality. But as darkness once again gives way to light, we must keep in mind those things that sustained us and gave us the resilience required to make it through the fearful and death-filled days of the past two years. Until the recent outbreak of war in Ukraine, love had

helped quell the fear.

God tells us his love conquers fear and hate, but only if we consciously continue to believe in love, hope and compassion over fear. This is why we must continue to pause and reflect on what brings us joy and lightness. Within the beauty of God's creation both are present but only if we are open to receiving them by taking each day one moment at a time.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

**Revd Alison**

### General Easter Vestry Meetings

The General Easter Vestry for Mullaghduin Parish was held on 13th April in the Parish Hall. Revd Alison Irvine presided, and the following appointments were made:

Rector's Churchwarden: Mrs H E Carson;  
People's Churchwarden: Mr J D Coalter;  
Rector's Glebewarden: Mr T H Elliott;  
People's Glebewarden: Mr J S Moffatt.  
Select Vestry: Mrs C V Nixon, Mrs A Wilson, and Messrs D W T Benson, G W Carson, J Clements, M Coalter, J Gamble, T G Gallagher, A S G Humphreys, G R Lucy, G McCutcheon and R A Watterson.  
Mr R Gibson was appointed as Honorary Secretary, Mrs E Clements as Assistant Secretary and Mrs C V Nixon as Honorary Treasurer.

The General Easter Vestry for Cleenish Parish was cancelled with a new date scheduled for Tuesday 3rd May.

### Mothers' Union

On 15th March, Members met in Cleenish Parish Church for a Service conducted by Revd Alison. We then moved to the Church Hall where Revd Alison conducted the Election of Officers for the next Triennium. Plans were made for our Easter Celebration for all our Sunday School children and toddlers at Mullaghduin Parish Hall on Easter Tuesday at 2.00 pm. We look forward to attending the MU Area Service in Kiltyclogher Church on Friday, 13th May.

### Confirmation Service: Cleenish Parish

A Confirmation Service has been arranged for Sunday 8th May 2022 in Cleenish Parish Church, whereby our two Confirmation candidates, Grace and Sarah will take their vows. This will be a combined service for both Cleenish and Mullaghduin (No Morning Service in Mullaghduin Church) at 11.00 am. We look forward to the Bishop of Clogher being with us for this service.

### Renovation Works to Cleenish Rectory

Cleenish and Mullaghduin Select Vestries



A spring planter.

met, jointly, on a number of occasions and after much deliberation, took the decision to carry out a renovation scheme to the Rectory. The cost will be divided equally between the two parishes. Upon the completion of the renovations, the parish vacancy will be advertised. Vestry members and some parishioners from both parishes have already volunteered to make necessary preparations to aid the work of an electrician, plumber and plasterers. Work on the building is progressing nicely.

A joint fundraising event took place on Saturday 16th April with a Cake Sale on the Diamond, Enniskillen. Thanks are extended to all those who baked and

provided a wide range of cakes, biscuits, bread, traybakes and jams for sale and to all those who helped our two co-ordinators Janet and Heather for this venture.

### Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

County Fermanagh celebrates The Queen's Platinum Jubilee from 2nd to 5th June 2022. Already a number of events are planned for the county with the main events in Enniskillen. Details of events can be found in the local media and on the Facebook page – "County Fermanagh Celebrates The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2nd-5th June 2022".

On Saturday 4th June – from 2pm to 5pm - both parishes will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with an Afternoon Tea/ Garden Party Celebration in the grounds of the Rectory and the Cleenish Centre. It is planned to have activities for children and all age groups. Afternoon tea and refreshments will be served outdoors (weather depending). This event will also be an opportunity for parishioners and visitors to view the renovation works in the Rectory. A Commemorative Oak Tree will be planted in the grassed area of the Church Car Park at Cleenish Church to serve as a reminder of the Platinum Jubilee but also as part of the Queen's Green Canopy "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee". This event will give everyone an opportunity to socialise in a safe environment, to come together and reunite people who have not been confident about meeting up during the past two years. Both parishes are thankful for the award of £500 from Fermanagh Omagh District Council under its grant



The cake sale to raise funds for the rectory repairs.

programme "Community Wellbeing" which supports this event.

### Bereavement

**SYMPATHY:** We express sympathy with John Ryan and his family circle following the death of his brother Gordon on 23rd March. We also sympathise with Geordie Farrell whose sister, Mrs Emily Given died on 14th April.

### Bellanaleck Community Group

There was a good attendance at the normal monthly meeting held on

Wednesday 23rd March. The main topic for discussion was a letter sent out from MBA Planning proposing the development of 64 semi-detached and 18 detached houses on vacant land to the eastern side of Waterhen Lane. The development would be served by two vehicular accesses on Waterhen Lane. Following a detailed discussion several points were made in opposition to the scale of the development.

A detailed email was received by the Secretary from the local Regional Manager, Waterways Ireland, outlining the various

public bodies who are responsible for the area of the Car Park and Slipway at the end of Waterhen Lane.

A reminder for those strolling around the area of the Community Garden that this is the season to have a careful look at the bird and bat boxes sited along its boundaries and the insects and butterflies who frequent the Garden.

The next meeting of the Group will be held on Wednesday 25th May. New members welcome, contact Owen Wilson (Sec) 66349602 or Sharon Elliott on Facebook.

## Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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### Services

#### 1 May

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

#### 6 May

Killeevan 8.00pm: Mothers' Union Area Service  
(Preacher – Bishop Ian; followed by refreshments in the church hall)

#### 8 May

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

#### 15 May

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

#### 22 May

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

#### 29 May

Currin 11.00am: Joint Group

### Holy Communion

St. Tighernach's Day Celebration – 4 April 2022

The Parish of St. Tighernach celebrated the life of "The Clones Saint" on Monday 4 April 2022 at 7.00pm. This was an ecumenical service, with music provided



Taking part in the St Tighernach's Day event in Clones.

by the Clontibret Pipe Band and Bishop Ian as the preacher. The service was followed by a torch-lit procession to the round tower graveyard and refreshments in the Cassandra Hand Centre. If you missed the service, you can still see a video of it at <https://www.facebook.com/ClonesCommunityForum/>

### Annual General Vestry meetings

These have now all been completed, and the thanks of our whole community go to those who have been elected for service over the coming year in the different churches of our Group.

### Baptism

We were delighted to welcome into the Church family baby Benjamin Rusk, son of Adam and Arlene, who was baptised in Clones on Easter Sunday. We pray that the Lord will bless him and his family richly as they walk onwards in faith.

### Easter Sunday

Our Joint Group Holy Communion was a very special service

on Easter Sunday. Not only did we have the privilege of baptising Benjamin Rusk, but also the children of our four Sunday Schools combined to lead us in an 'Easter Egg Drama' that helped us focus on the resurrection of Jesus. It was simply uplifting as our whole community celebrated Easter with great joy together.

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union will be holding its Annual Area Service in Killeevan Church on Friday 6 May at 8.00pm. Bishop Ian will be the preacher, and the service will be followed by a tea organised by the members of our own Killeevan Branch of the Mothers' Union. All are welcome.



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### May

- 1st** Holy Communion 11.30am
- 8th** Family service 11.30am
- 8th** Praise service 7.00pm
- 15th** Morning Prayer 11.30am
- 22nd** Morning Prayer 11.30am
- 29th** Morning Prayer 11.30am

### June

- 5th** Platinum Jubilee service 11.30am
- 12th** Family service 11.30am
- 19th** Confirmation service 11.30am
- 19th** Orange anniversary service 7.00pm
- 26th** Morning Prayer 11.30am

### Christian Baptism

20th March 2022 - Joy Ruth Kilfedder,  
daughter of Ross and Heather

### Christian Wedding

2nd April 2022 - William Irvine and Rachel  
Funston

As you read these notes, the temptation  
may be to say that's Easter over, but  
it's not over. The resurrection of Jesus  
from the dead opened to all who believe



Flowers on Mothering Sunday.

in Him, the hope of eternal life. Christ  
conquered sin and death, He gained the  
victory and God's offer of salvation is still  
available to all who hear and receive the  
same. However, keep this in mind as Paul  
made it clear, 'Now is the accepted time,  
tomorrow may be too late'.

It was nice to be able to present flowers  
to all the ladies in attendance on  
Mothering Sunday, and to give thanks to  
God for the role that mothers have  
on our lives. The rector asked us  
to think of the joys and sorrows  
that we might have or caused our  
parents, and to reflect on how  
or what we do brings joy and  
sorrow to God. When we neglect  
being a living, active part of His  
universal church, and of meeting  
in fellowship, it grieves the heart  
of God. Let us seek to be a joy  
to the Lord in all we do and say,  
meeting together to worship  
and bring glory to His name.

"Therefore, whether you eat or  
drink, or whatever you do, do all  
to the glory of God." 1 Cor. 10: 31

### Farm, Fellowship, & Faith

We can only say that it was good to  
be there on the night and hear Martin  
Peters share with us, about his work  
as a paramedic with Northern Ireland  
Ambulance Service, and of His faith in  
the Lord Jesus. An attentive audience  
had many questions on the nature of the  
work. Our thanks to Gertie and Robert for  
the tea on the night. The occasion was an  
opportunity to meet and to share with one  
another again and the fellowship around  
the tea that followed bore testimony to  
the importance of such events.

### Taste and See

This outreach event at the rectory in  
conjunction with 'Passion for Life UK' and  
other churches within Fermanagh during  
the week 3rd – 10th April was a blessed  
time for all. The culmination of events and  
activities throughout the week, was to  
God's glory, not our own, and we leave for  
Him who gives the growth, who brings all  
things to fruition in His timing. Our thanks  
to all involved throughout the week, the  
various churches, speakers, etc. those  
who provided food. Our thanks to Heather  
for the coffee trailer, Lack lodge for tables



At the Farm Faith and Fellowship meeting.



The Faith Mission.



Photos from the launch of David Keys' book, "Duty Bound."



and chairs, gazebos and the PSNI, Faith Mission for the book stall, and for the Faith Mission lorry in Irvinestown and venues throughout the week. to everyone who came along, and helped out in anyway, we trust that everyone was blessed in ways that God alone knows for us all.

### Easter Vestry

The Easter Vestry took place in the parish hall where the Hon. Treasurers presented the accounts, and the election of the Select Vestry took place. There were some changes, with Joe Keys as Rector's Churchwarden and William Irvine as People's Glebewarden. Sincere thanks to those who previously served in these roles for all they did and to all in the vestry for the active part they take in the life and witness of the church on behalf of us all.

### Duty Bound

The book launch on Friday 8th April in the

Cathedral Hall Enniskillen for local author David Keys was a successful night with a large crowd in attendance. The historical USC platoon give a display and a tribute marked the sacrifice of those who give their lives in the defence of others. David Scott was the key speaker who was directly connected with one of those detailed in the book. Albert Hughes and Violet Johnston launched the book.

### Parish Auction

Saturday 7th May at 12.00noon is the date for the parish auction after an absence due to the closures around the pandemic. The auction will include the usual items on offer, from box lots to the larger ticket items. A cake sale will also DV be available with usual refreshments. Hall set up is on Thursday 5th at 7.30pm and items can be dropped on between 8 – 9pm and again on Friday between 12 noon and 7.00pm.

### Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Sunday 4th June 2022 – DV - Platinum Jubilee service celebrating Her majesty's 70 years reign as Queen of these British Isles, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Commonwealth and other realms, defender of the faith, and patron. Preparation for the service is ongoing, as we seek over that weekend to pay tribute to Her majesty for her faith and service as our Queen.

### Looking forward – Dates for the diary

Sunday 19th June 2022 11.30am – Confirmation service

Updates on the resumption of church groups and other activities will be noted on the weekly notices in church and posted on the parish Facebook when appropriate.

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### Services

#### 8th May

10.30am Derryvullen North (informal Morning Prayer)  
11.45am Castle Archdale (informal Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism)

#### 15th May

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

#### 22nd May

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

#### 29th May

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

#### 5th June

10.15am Castle Archdale (Holy Communion)  
11.30am Derryvullen North (Holy Communion)

### Shoppers' Service

This will be held in the Parish Centre, Irvinestown on Wednesday 11th May at 11.00am. This is a mid-week informal gathering for Holy Communion. The praise will be led by Richard McGonigle on guitar.

### Palm Sunday

#### – the blessing of the Palms

On Palm Sunday at St Patrick's Church, Castle Archdale we celebrated this important day in the church year surrounded by lovely decorations for the occasion and our thanks to all involved in this). The Scripture reader was Sophie Armstrong and following the blessing of the palms, all adults and children were presented with a palm cross by Annie Johnston. The praise was led by Gwenan Lyttle at the organ. Thank you everyone.



### Palm Sunday at St Tighernach's Church,

**Derryvullen North** - the praise for this important day was led by Rachel Giles (keyboard) and David McDowell (guitar). The song "Colours of day" was sung by Marion Faris, Iris Robinson and Carol Clarke, accompanied by David McDowell. The Scripture reader was Margaret Humes. Alana Giles, in her role as junior churchwarden, had organised a group of the children to distribute the palm crosses to everyone following the blessing of the palms and it was great to see all the young folk take part in the way. Thank you everyone.

### Bowling Club

The Club held their AGM, chaired by the Rector, on Tuesday 5th April in the Parish Hall, Derryvullen North and we reflected on a successful re-start to bowling. Over the period of restriction several members, very sadly, had passed away and some others were no longer able to join in the sport but over the months of activity we were very pleased to welcome several new members. On the average club night there would have been about 20 attending.

The following were elected as office bearers in the Club;

Captain: N Hunter; Vice Captain: L Finlayson  
Treasurer: P Carleton; Assistant Treasurer: D Irvine

Secretary: Gray

There was also an enjoyable time of tea and a light supper to round off the evening. The Club members and friends plan to bring the year to a sociable close with a dinner at the Tullanna on the Green, Lisnarick.

### Community Action

At the time of writing it is planned that there will defibrillator training held in Derryvullen North Hall on Wednesday 20th April at 7.00pm. This is open to parishioners, leaders of parish groups and members of the other churches and wider community within the Irvinestown/Lisnarick area.

### Confirmation

The Bishop has kindly agreed to administer the Rite of Confirmation for Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale on Sunday 25th September 2022. The Service, along with the First Communion of the candidates, will take place in St Tighernach's Church, Derryvullen North at 11.00am. This is for young people who are currently in Year 9 or 10 at school. Please contact the Rector for a registration form and for details of the preparation sessions.

### Boys' Brigade

The BB has now finished for the season - thank you to Captain Joe, to the Officers,



Photos from the Boys Brigade.



A pictorial display from Palm Sunday.



**Cadet Corporal Christopher Hunter in London and in the House of Lords.**

Junior Leaders, Boys and their parents. It is great to the enjoyment and commitment that is evident each week in all the sections and also to see boys developing their skills and abilities through the range of activities. While we could not hold the usual display evening, the Anchor Boys had invited family members along to their final evening on 31st March and everyone enjoyed some refreshments together. There was also a special event on 21st March for the Juniors and Anchors.

This was a craft session with Tanya Trimble of Jumping CLAY. There was lots of fun for everyone and there was a little informal competition - the winning Anchor Boy was Jack and the winning Junior was Nathan. It was also great to have several of the Company Section who very willingly help with the Anchors and Juniors and they all entered into the event too - William and Bailey were the winners for their group. Thank you to all of these Junior Leaders for all the time they give to helping in the BB. While the BB will resume in September, the boys will be gathering for the local Lady of the Lake Festival later in the summer.

### Mothers' Union

Our Mothers' Union Branch (Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale) met on the evening of 23rd March, in the Parish Centre, Irvinestown. Everyone was welcomed by Dr Margaret, Enrolling Member and then the members enjoyed a good catch up chat over a "bring your flask" supper. This was followed by an auction of packaged mystery items which was presided over by Paula Moore.

As she received bids, Paula also entertained everyone by trying to guess what was in each parcel! As well as raising money, part of which will go to the Leprosy Mission, we

all had an enjoyable time too. It was great to see everyone back again!

### Cdt Cpl Christopher Hunter

In the previous edition of the diocesan magazine we reported that Derryvullen North parishioner Christopher Hunter had the honour of being selected to represent the Army Cadet Force at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Late HRH Prince Philip the Duke of Edinburgh. That Service has now taken place and Christopher also had the honour of being asked to attend the House of Lords by Viscount Brookeborough, KG, KStJ after the Duke of Edinburgh's Memorial Services. Viscount Brookeborough was kind enough to guide Christopher around the Palace



**At the Mothers' Union meeting.**

Of Westminster, allowing him to sit in on topical debates in both the Lords and Commons, guide him around the Palace and invite him to afternoon tea in the Peers Restaurant. A truly memorable experience - congratulations to Christopher on being selected for this occasion.

### Lisnarick - Castle Archdale path

We congratulate the Lisnarick Community Development Association and also all concerned in the work that has been carried out to establish the wonderful footpath leading from Lisnarick directly into the Castle Archdale forest park.

This is a great addition to the facilities in our community and everyone involved deserves praise indeed. It is now possible to walk to either Old Castle Archdale or the "new" Forest Park without having to go along the main road.

### From the registers:

#### Christian Burial

John Desmond "Dessie" McCubbin, 18th March 2022 (Castle Archdale).  
Sarah Jane "Sadie" McKenzie, 9th April 2022 (Derryvullen North).

*"O Lord, support us all the day long,  
until the shades lengthen,  
and the evening comes,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
the fever of life is over  
and our work done.  
Then, Lord, in your mercy, grant us safe  
lodging,  
a holy rest, and peace at the last;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."  
(From the Book of Common Prayer)*

## Derryvullen South and Garvary

Vacant:

The Revd John Woods, Acting Rural Dean is in charge and is providing emergency pastoral cover along with Dean Raymond Ferguson.

### Services

#### Sunday, 1st May

10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary  
12 noon Derryvullen South

#### Sunday, 8th May

10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South  
12 noon Garvary

#### Sunday, 15th May

10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary  
12 noon Morning Prayer, Derryvullen South

#### Sunday, 22 May

10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South  
12 noon Morning Prayer Garvary

#### Sunday, 29 May

10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary  
12 noon Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

### Appointment

Clogher Diocese have announced that our parishes of Garvary and Derryvullen are to be amalgamated with Tempo and Clabby and Revd Canon Maurice Armstrong, who is currently Rector of Tempo and Clabby is also to be Rector of Derryvullen South and



Canon William Johnston and Mrs Johnston with Churchwardens, Kathleen Kettles and Robert Boles.

Garvary. The parishioners welcome this news as we have been vacant for quite a while.

### Prayers

Once again please remember in your prayers those of our parishioners who are ill at home, in hospital or those who are receiving treatment. Please also remember the Ukrainian people whose country has been invaded by Russia.

### Mothers' Union

*Thank you God for Mothers;  
Thank you God for their care and concern;  
Thank you God for the joys they have shared with us;  
Thank you God for the pain they have borne for us;  
Thank you God for for all they have given us;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*  
Posies of flowers were given out on

Mothers Sunday in Garvary Parish Church and Derryvullen South.

### Derryvullen South

We are extremely grateful to Dr Johnston, not only for conducting two of our mid-week Lenten services in Derryvullen South Parish Church, but also for coming out on his birthday. Those attending were invited to celebrate the occasion with a cup of tea and a slice of birthday cake after the service.



Posies given out by the Mothers' Union in Garvary

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### Services for May

#### Sunday 1st

10.00 am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 8th

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 15th

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 22nd

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 29th

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

### Burial

20th March 2022 George Frederick

Little, 3 Faugher Road, Crawfords Hill, Springfield, Enniskillen. The service in Devenish Parish Church was conducted by Revd Sampson Ajuka. Burial was in the adjoining Graveyard.

George was a very active member of Boho Parish and will be deeply missed both by parishioners and the wider community. We extend our deepest sympathy to George's wife Eileen and sons James, David and Nigel and the wider family circle.

### Mother's Day Service

There was a very good attendance of both parents and children at the Mothers' Day Service. Devenish Sunday School sang two pieces, 'Jesus' love is very wonderful' and 'I've got that joy, joy, joy, joy'. The Readings and Prayers were read by the children. A Mothers' Day card was given to all the ladies in the church.

### Good Friday Service

The Good Friday Service was held in



Devenish Parish Church. The service was conducted by Revd Sampson Ajuka. The Passion Reading was read by Stuart Brooker, Kay McKeown, Florence Eames, Dorothea Kells and Trevor Smith. Dorothy Scott was Prayer Reader and the organist was Love Ajuka.

### Mothers' Union

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 12th April in the Reade Hall, Monea. Georgina Whittaker, our Branch Leader, opened the meeting with a bible reading and prayers. A short meeting followed during which Georgina passed on sympathy to three of our members, Carole

Whittaker, Eileen Little and Kay McKeown who had recently been bereaved. Georgina then invited Revd. Sampson Ajuka to take the Chair. Prior to the election of Officers and Committee Revd. Sampson said that Georgina had asked to stand down as Branch Leader. He thanked her for her leadership and dedication over the past seven years. This sentiment was echoed by those present. The following Officers and Committee were elected: -  
Branch Leader: Pearl Bell  
Secretary: Carole Whittaker  
Treasurer: Kay McKeown



Committee: Lorraine Ferguson, Vivienne Ferguson, Sandra Harron, Georgina Whittaker  
Georgina passed on her thanks to the Revd Sampson Ajuka and the outgoing Officers and Committee for their dedication, support, and help during her time in office to ensure that meetings and events ran smoothly. She wished Pearl every success in her role as Branch Leader.

## Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh

Chancellor **Ian Berry** is in charge.

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

### Services for May

#### Sunday 1st

Donagh 10.30am (H.C.)  
Tyholland 12.00 (H.C.)

#### Sunday 8th

Donagh 10.30am (M.P.)  
Errigal Truagh 12.00 (H.C.)

#### Sunday 15th

Donagh 10.30am (M.P.)  
Tyholland 12.00 (M.P.)

#### Sunday 22th

Donagh 10.30am (M.P.)  
Errigal Truagh 12.00 (M.P.)

#### Sunday 29th

Donagh 10.30am. (M.P.)  
Joint Service

### Mothers' Day

During Sunday School, the children planted seeds and, after church,



Taking part in the Mothers' Day service.



presented all the ladies with a seed pot. The Junior Choir sang "Don't forget to tell your mum you love her" and "God bless my Family". (please see photos).

### Palm Sunday

On Palm Sunday the Sunday School children paraded through the village of Glaslough waving their palms. They then processed up the aisle to the hymn "Ride on, ride on in Majesty" and laid their palms on the altar. Other hymns included "Hosanna,



Hosanna” and “From Heaven you came Helpless babe” while the Junior Choir sang “When I think about the cross”. Each family received a Palm Cross along with a leaflet entitled; “What the Easter Story means to me” kindly provided by Mrs Hilda Arnold. (Please see photos)

**Bereavement**

Our sincere sympathy to Mr Wilfie Garland on the recent death of his brother Cyril.

**Prayer for the bereaved**

Grant, O Lord to all who are bereaved the spirit of faith and courage, that they may have the strength to meet the days to come with steadfastness and patience; not sorrowing as those without hope, but in thankful remembrance of your great goodness, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.



**Mothers’ Union**

The Donagh MU ladies joined Tyholland ICA for a very enjoyable flower arranging demonstration on Thursday 7th April. The MU outing this year will be to The Marketplace Theatre, Armagh to see “The Sound of Music”. Please contact Mrs Dorothy Keith for tickets.

**Dates for your diary**

- Thursday 16th June - Service of Introduction for Revd Tim Irvine at 7.30pm in Donagh Parish Church.
- Sunday 2nd July - Children’s Day.
- Sunday, 9th October - Bishop Ian Ellis will dedicate the building works in Donagh Parish Church (D.V.) at the annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 3pm.



Taking part in the Palm Sunday procession in Glaslough.



## Dromore



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### Miracle of the River Kwai

Ernest Gordon's autobiography called "Miracle on the River Kwai" tells an extraordinary tale of survival in the Japanese prison camps during the Second World War.

*Stories began to circulate around the camp, stories of self-sacrifice, heroism, faith and love. It was the custom among the Argyll's for every man to have a "mucker" ~ that is, a pal or friend with whom he shared or "mucked in" everything he had. An Argyll called Angus had a mucker who became very ill. It seemed pretty certain to everyone that he was going to die. That is, to everyone but Angus. When someone stole his mucker's blanket Angus gave him his own. Every mealtime Angus would draw his ration only to give them to his friend. Perhaps you can guess the end of the story. The mucker got better. But Angus collapsed and died caused by starvation and exhaustion. All for his friend. "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends". The story of Angus's sacrifice spread through the camp firing the imagination of everyone. He had given a shining example of the way we ought to live.*

Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians, chapter 5: <sup>14</sup> For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. <sup>15</sup> And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

Now that we are the other side of Easter the story of Christ's sacrifice for us should compel us to cause a bigger stir in our world than Angus caused in the camp, remembering that Jesus died for us so that we would no longer live for ourselves but for him. This is what it means to be a Christian. Our lives our not our own! Paul



Donations being received for the Ukraine Appeal.

tells us in 1 Corinthians 6:19-20:

<sup>19</sup> Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup> you were bought at a price. Therefore honour God with your bodies.

Anything that involves us simply living for ourselves and doing what we want to do is not Christianity! Over the next few weeks we will be looking at the Scriptures to learn more about what it means to be a Christian.

### SERVICES

#### 1st May

11.00am – Morning Service (preacher: Ken Dobbin)

*(Children go straight to the hall for Sunday School)*

#### 8th May

11.00am – Family Service, 'What does it mean to be a Christian', Acts 11:19-26

#### 15th May

11.00am – Morning Service, HC 2, 'Christian - Open to the Spirit', Acts 13:1-5

*(Children go straight to the hall for Sunday School)*

#### 22nd May

11.00am – Family Service, 'Christian - Generosity, Acts 4:31-37

8.00pm – Praise & Ministry Service

#### 29th May

11.00am – Morning Service, HC 2, 'Christian - Corporate Prayer', Acts 4:23-31.

*(Children go straight to the hall for Sunday School)*

### Ukraine Appeal

A big thank you to all who gave towards the Ukraine Appeal. The photo shows the large amount of clothes and food that were collected over the three weekends in March. Barnabas Fund were overwhelmed with the response from across the UK to the extent that they no



Donations being loaded onto a lorry in Belfast and onward travel to Swindon and the Ukraine.

longer need clothes and blankets to be donated. They still continue to need food and nappies.

### Sunday School and Family Services

Once a fortnight children will go straight to Sunday School in the Church Hall, while everyone else meets in the Church for our normal Services, which continue to be streamed live on Facebook from 10.50am with the Service starting at 11am. These Services will normally be around 45 minutes in length. In the weeks in between we will have Family Services, which will be around 35-40 minutes in length. The Crèche Room will also have the service on the screen (for parents with young children if you feel that they are unsettled in the Church).

### GFS and CLB

GFS and CLB have had great fun together over the past term as well as learning more about God. The children even learned how to say the Lord's Prayer in Makaton, which we hope to incorporate in one of our services over the next couple of months. GFS and CLB will continue after the summer holidays and we would like to thank the parents for their support



Fun at the GFS and CLB night.

in bringing the children along.

### 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/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwj585CXIqOq6W6h7_2AiYg/)

- Subscribe to our YouTube Channel [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwj585CXIqOq6W6h7\\_2AiYg/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwj585CXIqOq6W6h7_2AiYg/)
- Watch uploaded Services on YouTube on a smart TV, uploaded usually on Sunday afternoon (All-age Service).
- Follow us on Twitter @HTDromore.
- Get a recording of the service on CD or DVD every week



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I am sure that we are all surprised at the speed the year is passing and when you read these words we will be in the month of May and hopefully enjoying warmer temperatures than there were as I wrote these words just prior to Easter.

I was with my fellow clergy from our rural deanery earlier and during our conversations I recalled something that a speaker at one of our clerical conferences a few years ago shared and which have stuck with me.

The speaker was a former Archbishop of Canterbury and he told us that one of the duties that go with that post is a regular meeting with the Queen. After the first

occasion he met the Queen he was being driven to his next appointment and was starting to prepare himself for whatever came next. He said that he stopped and thought *you have just met the Queen – enjoy the moment*. He sat back and savoured an experience that none of us are ever likely to share.

I mention that because I believe that the reason time seems to fly past is that we are always looking forward rather than allowing ourselves to enjoy the moment. As we continue to emerge from the past two years and more I think that is a lesson we can and indeed should learn – to savour life and to enjoy the moment. The life of the group of parishes continues, we have enjoyed the season of Easter and look forward to two special services in May.

Firstly we will dedicate a plaque in Tubrid which is in memory of those who served in the Ulster Special Constabulary Tubrid Sub District Platoon and in particular Canon Stack (former rector of the church and Special Constable).

A week later we will have a joint service of confirmation at which 12 of our young people will be confirmed by our Bishop. I hope that there is a good attendance at both these services.

### Women Together

There was a fair attendance at the April meeting when the speaker was Fiona McGlue from Cancer Focus. The

May meeting will be a flower arranging demonstration by Mrs Oonagh Acheson.

### Collection

We decided to provide an opportunity for parishioners to make a donation to help those affected by the war in Ukraine. I was absolutely delighted when we counted the donations and £920 has been forwarded to Samaritans Purse to support their work providing humanitarian support there.

On a different note I would like to thank those who donated to my fundraiser *March the Month* for research regarding Prostrate Cancer. To date I have raised almost £700.

### Thanks

I wanted to put on record the thanks of Tubrid parish to a number of people for their work over a number of years.

A number of ladies had stated that they were going to stand down from their duties as Sunday School teachers in the summer of 2020. As we know they were able to do so a little earlier than that due to Covid and we are grateful that Sunday School has resumed and continues both in Tubrid and in Templecarne.

I would like to thank Valerie Kerrigan who was a Sunday School teacher for 15 years, Jill Magee and Alison Vennard who both taught Sunday School for eight years. It goes without saying that without people giving of their time we would not be able

to provide Sunday School so our deepest thanks to these three ladies.

I would also like to thank Stephanie Thompson and Elizabeth McElwaine who were the Freewill Offering Recorders for nine and eight years respectively. Again without their efforts we would have a safe full of envelopes and no cash in the bank so their efforts are also greatly appreciated.

I would like to say just one more thing which I verbalised in Tubrid on Palm Sunday. I have always said that I fully understand that everyone is different and that we all have different opinions as we

continue to emerge from the pandemic. There are still some who have not made the step of returning to church and we miss you. While restrictions have been eased we continue to exercise common sense which is needed at all times. If there is something in particular that is causing you to hesitate and it is something that we can do something about please let me know. It would be great to have you back.

## Diary

### Sunday 1 May 2022

Morning Prayer 10.00 Templecarne,  
Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

### Sunday 1 May 2022

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### Sunday 8 May 2022

Holy Communion 10.00 Muckcross,  
Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

### Sunday 8 May 2022

Service of Dedication for USC plaque 3.30

### Sunday 15 May 2022

Joint Confirmation Service at Tubrid 11.00

### Sunday 22 May 2022

Morning Prayer 10.00 Muckcross, Morning  
Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

### Sunday 29 May 2022

Morning Prayer 10.00 Templecarne,  
Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

## Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

Pastoral Cover:

Mr Walter Pringle, assisted by Canon  
Charles McCollum.

Revd Lorraine Capper is in charge.

## Dartrey and Rockcorry Mothering Sunday

This was duly observed on the fourth Sunday in Lent in Dartrey Church. The Sunday School children under the direction of their teachers, presented bunches of flowers to the congregation, a gesture which was much appreciated. Mrs. Phair also added some lovely touches with extra floral arrangements in the church.

### General Easter Vestry

Following two years of having the Easter Vestries postponed to later in the year due to the virus we were glad to return to normal this year. We wish the members, elected en bloc, well in all their deliberations.

### Dartrey Church

Dartrey Church is in need of repairs to the roof among other things. We await a report from the architects. Built in 1729 as a result of the generosity of Richard Dawson it is our only remaining connection with the Dawson Estate.

### Ukraine

Did we ever think that yet again the world would witness such atrocities and sadness coupled with immense bravery and generosity? We are witnessing the

very best and the very worst of humanity. As we lament the war in Ukraine we offer our heartfelt prayers for all whose lives have been turned upside down. The Bishops' Appeal has sent €20,000 from its emergency funds to assist with the humanitarian response to the current crisis. We pray for all who are caught up in this terrible situation. We remember in our own prayers, too, all the sick and unwell among us.

### Rockcorry School

Well done to four of our senior room pupils, James B, Lucinda, James F and Ruby. They came in third place in the Lisburn Table Tennis Doubles Tournament. The children also recently took part in Engineering Week. In the senior room the pupils built catapults and completed a series of tests. Great fun and a challenge was enjoyed by all.

## Aughnamullen

### Easter Vestry

Our thanks to Revd Lorraine Capper for conducting our Annual Easter Vestry.

### Choral Festival

Sunday 8th May at 4pm we are holding a Choral Festival in Christ Church Aughnamullen and all are welcome.

### Coffee Morning

Saturday 21st May we are holding a coffee morning at the schoolhouse 11am - 1pm. All are welcome.

## Aghabog

As the current covid restrictions have now eased the Bowling Club had decided to finish off playing the competitions which were on hold from March 2020. The finals were played off on Thursday 14th April, the evening finished off with supper and presentation of prizes and our thanks to all who helped in any way. The Pairs competition was won by Noel and Daniel and runner up Maurice and Lee. The League singles won by Lee with Noel as runner up, Knockout singles won by Lee and runner up Andrew. Each year we play for a charity and the Fred Norris Memorial cup was won and presented to the winner Daniel and runner up was Gary. Congratulations to all the winners and we look forward to a new start again in September.

### Thanks

Our thanks to all who attended the Easter Vestry meeting and to the Revd Lorraine Capper for conducting same. After the meeting, refreshments were served and we serenaded with bagpipe music by Andrew. An upbeat end to the Easter vestry. Our thanks to Andrew for this.

### Treasurer Hunt and Barbecue

This will be held at Drumman Hall on Saturday 14th May beginning at 5.30pm and the last walkers out at 7pm.





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### MAY SERVICES

#### Sunday 1st May: The Third Sunday of Easter

9.00am - Holy Communion  
 11.00am - Holy Communion

#### Thursday 5th May

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 8th May: The Fourth Sunday of Easter



The Palm Sunday procession.

9.00am – Holy Communion  
 11.00am - Morning Prayer & Holy Baptism  
 3.00pm – RUC GC Centenary Celebration Service

#### Thursday 12th May

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 15th May: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9.00am - Holy Communion  
 11.00am – Holy Communion  
 7.00pm – Service for the Official Reopening

#### Thursday 19th May

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Saturday 21st May

11.30pm – St Lucia Day Service

#### Sunday 22nd May: The Sixth Sunday of Easter (Rogation Sunday)

9.00am - Holy Communion  
 11.00am - Morning Prayer

#### Thursday 26th May: Ascension Day

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 29th May: The Seventh Sunday of Easter

9.00am – Holy Communion  
 11.00am - Morning Prayer

### Holy Baptism

10th April - Alexandra Poppy Joy Deller

### Christian Burial

- 18th March - Robert Douglas (Dougie) Hughes, 14 Tullyavey Road, Ballinamallard.
- 22nd March - Elizabeth Ann (Lizzy) Weir, 6 Queen's Park, Lisbellaw.
- 3rd April - Peter Richard Thomas Mayes, Monalla Road, Ballinamallard.

### Palm Sunday

Tom the donkey was led by his owner Matthew Hall followed by parishioners and members of the wider community who processed to Church with the clergy on Sunday 10th April waving palm branches to mark the beginning of Holy Week and to commemorate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.

### Cathedral Restoration

The final phase of the cathedral restoration project has now been reached. After the work on the roof and stonework was completed, redecoration was carried out. This was a complex procedure in



The interior of the church following redecoration.



The Pot Lamps and Shelves.



The Baptistry.



The newly floored Regimental Chapel.



The flagged and gravel path

such a high building. Scaffolding was required so that any internal plasterwork requiring attention could be repaired, and to allow the painters access to all the surfaces. Responsibility for the scaffolding, which took the greater part of two weeks to erect, was undertaken by Mr Harold Graham, and the painting contract was carried out by Ross Scott of Castlederg. The colours chosen were slaked white



The path to the Garden of Remembrance.

for the ceiling and stock white for the walls, with the pillars and other structural members being a shade of mushroom. The east and chancel walls have been painted in a distinctive shade of red. Parishioners are delighted with the new colour scheme. The redecoration process was specified and supervised by Mr Chris McCollum, McCollum Conservation, specialists in the restoration of historic buildings. Other enhancement works undertaken in association with the redecoration included the choir stalls and baptistry. An additional shelf to match the original oak shelving was added to the choir stalls. Lamps, which were custom made, were then fitted on top of the top shelves. These improvements have brought great benefits to the choristers. Improvements have also been carried out to the baptistry. First of all greater space was created by the removal of the last row of pews. This has enabled the font, in use from 1666, to be moved out

slightly from the wall which creates space for the clergy and baptismal parties. A shelf has also been fitted which supports a lit candle and brings added life to this important part of the cathedral. Finally, the words in gold and black lettering: 'I am the light of the world', (John 8:12) have been added. The Regimental Chapel has been fitted with a new oak floor. The dividing screen which limited the chapel's seating capacity has been relocated. The chapel can now seat 70 people. The final phase of the scheme of improvement for the cathedral was the enhancement of access leading to the graveyard and Garden of Remembrance. The limestone chips which covered the walkway round the cathedral have been removed and replaced with attractive gravel. The approach to the path at both front and back of the cathedral has been flagged with natural sandstone. New signage will be erected giving information on the Cole vault and on the



The Cole Vault entrance – Dougie Irvine, Ivan Hume, Ernie Vance and Raymond Woods clearing ivy.



Andrew Rogers and Willie Holmes cleaning the flat headstones.



Some of the creations from the Mothers' Union.



area of the graveyard where the graves are unmarked. A major effort has also gone into exposing the flat headstones so that they are more legible. The final item of improvement was the construction of a gravelled pathway leading to the Garden of Remembrance.

### Cathedral Official Reopening

The Official Reopening of St Macartin's Cathedral after complete reroofing, repainting and extensive improvements will take place on Sunday 15th May 2022 at 7.00pm. All are welcome to attend.

### Sunday Lights and Café

After two years of holding activities exclusively online, Sunday Lights and Café began meeting in person at the beginning of Lent. Sincere thanks are due to Sophie Richmond for producing and uploading sessions onto Google Drive during the lockdowns. Sunday Lights is open to anyone in P1-4 and Sunday Café welcomes children in P5-Year 8. In person meetings started back on the First Sunday in Lent for the 6 weeks prior to Easter. Each Sunday, the children leave for their own activities after the Sunday School Prayer and the singing of a family hymn. Sincere thanks are also due to the leaders who help supervise these sessions and make this vital ministry possible. The first Family Service was held on Sunday 27th March (The Fourth Sunday in Lent: Mothering Sunday), and the second Family Service will be held on Sunday 10th April (Palm Sunday). Sunday Lights and Café will then break until the end of September. The recommencement of in person meetings has put good foundations in place for starting back in force after the summer break.

### Messy Church

As a result of the restrictions on gathering, Messy Church sessions have also been

held online over the past couple of years, with families collecting activity packs from the Cathedral Hall. Sincere thanks are due to Gwyneth Blair, Laura Richmond, and Sophie Richmond for their challenging work in planning and preparing sessions. The online sessions provided an important point of contact for young families. The first in person session of the programme took place on Maundy Thursday with the children exploring the meaning and significance of the Passover. Sincere thanks are due to the people of Leslie's Bakery for their generosity in supplying our Messy Church with hot cross buns!

### Confirmation and Xplore

On the 27th April, 24 young people will make their Confirmation. The candidates have contributed so thoughtfully and well to the classes on Monday evenings, and have enjoyed exploring the part they might play within the life and mission of the Church. They will take part in leading the Service on the Monday in Holy Week. Our youth group, Xplore, is open to all Confirmation candidates and others in Years 9-12. The new programme begins with a trip to an activity centre in Belfast on Saturday 7th May – a trip which has been met with a great deal of excitement and enthusiasm from the Confirmation candidates. This trip will help create a strong bond between the young people, and should act as a good foundation from which to relaunch our youth group.

### Pilgrim

Following on from the very high take up of the Pilgrim Lenten Books – 40 days of Reflections on The Creeds by Stephen Croft – we will be starting a new Pilgrim Course in the Autumn looking at 'What is the faith of the Church?' The faith of the Church is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the words of the Apostles'

Creed. We would like to promote 'Pilgrim' as a teaching and discipleship resource. Interestingly, almost 100 copies of the Pilgrim readings were taken during Lent! Pilgrim aims to help the local church create a place where people can explore the Christian faith together and see how it can be lived out each day. Pilgrim takes a different approach to other Christian programmes. It approaches the great issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers!

We need to live out the vision of St Macartin's Cathedral: at the heart of the Community – Strengthening Commitment, Outreach, Worship and Christian Love.

### Adult Confirmation

Any adults, who are not already confirmed, and would like to be confirmed please contact the clergy or the Parish Office and a member of the Clergy will be in touch.

A service to confirm adults will take place in St Macartin's Cathedral on Ascension Thursday (26th May) at 7.30pm. Adults throughout the Diocese are welcome to be confirmed at this service – please contact the clergy for details.

### Mothers' Union

There was a good turn out of Mothers' Union members for the Church service on Monday of Holy Week. A short meeting followed where Jenifer confirmed some dates for the diary: Overseas Mission money has to be in by 10th May. The outing is to the Kilyhevlin Hotel on Tuesday 10th May meeting at 6.30pm. The Area Service is in Kiltyclogher (Garrison) at 8.00pm on Friday 13th May. Final details will be discussed at the meeting on 10th May. Photographed are some of the knitting and needlework produced by our members throughout the year for



The presentation at Knitwits to Mavis Fleming.

the neonatal ward of the SWAH and local Nursing Homes.

### Knitwits Knitting Group

The Knitwits Knitting group recently held an afternoon tea party in the cathedral hall on Saturday 2nd April, to mark the end of their winter activities and announce the winners of the Knitwits Challenge – knitting competition. Three challenges were set this year: (1) a pair of socks (2) a head or neck accessory eg hat, scarf, cowl etc (3) a blanket. The categories were judged by Tracy Whitehead of Ewemomma Hand Dyed yarns and her daughter, Rachel. A very high standard



A prize is presented to Liz Robertson.

of knitting presented quite a challenge for the judges, but three winners were identified: Socks - Mavis Fleming, Head or neck accessories - Liz Robertson, Blankets - Jean Ternan.

The Knitwits raised £400 and gave donations of £200 each to two local charities: Friends of Marie Curie and Cancer Connect NI.

The Knitwits Knitting group meets in the cathedral hall on Saturday afternoons in winter from 3.00 – 5.00pm between the end of September and the end of March.

### Bowling Club

Bowls will recommence in September.



Claire Homes presenting the prize to Jean Ternan.

Evening Bowls will begin on Wednesday 14 September at 7.30pm and Morning Bowls will on Wednesday 21 September at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome for fun and friendship.

### Prayer:

Heavenly Father, by water and the Holy Spirit you give your faithful people new life: Guide and strengthen us by that same Spirit that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

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*The steadfast love  
of the Lord never ceases;  
His mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
Great is Your faithfulness.  
Lamentations 3*

### Worship on Sundays

**9.30am** - Worship at Kiltermon Church 11am;  
Worship at St John's Church

**7pm** - Breathe - Quiet Prayer and Worship:  
Parish Hall, First Sunday

**7pm** - Third Sunday Fellowship Evenings  
Parish Hall: May, September, November.

**7pm** - Evening Prayer as announced  
Sunday School during term time: online and  
in-person as announced

**11am** - Wednesday Prayers at home

### The Bishops' Appeal for Ukraine

Bishops' Appeal is partnering with Habitat for Humanity Ireland and Christian Aid and encouraging parishes across the island to contribute to this response. In Lent monetary donations



marked 'Bishops Appeal' have been left with the parish.

### Golden Days

Sometimes when the sun comes out, in golden rays, you should just go out and enjoy it. There's something of that happening at the moment.

I could mention the unexpected array of gold-linked birds that have appeared recently in the yard. It started with a dowdy looking bag of sunflower hearts which was a substitute in the grocery delivery. They lay in the cupboard for weeks until no other seeds were left, and I put them in the feeder, expecting to add them to the brown bin in a week or two. The birds had other ideas

The next morning I was startled with a flight of gold finches and yellow siskins which had appeared at the feeder. I found a small chair, sat on the other side of the glass and watched. Four gold finches, 10 siskins, three robins, a wren, a dunnock, two

chaffinch, and three greenfinch all visited in 30 minutes that morning. What had brought the golden moment? The correct feeding it seems.

And another moment of gold on Good Friday morning. Hardly awake, I made my way downstairs, only to see a flutter outside the hall window. And yes, another golden moment which always stops me in my tracks; the sight of the island's smallest bird, a Goldcrest. I only see one about every three years or so, usually here. And for a few moments, an unexpected thrill and delight to see something I hadn't worked for, or done anything to cause, but was simply a gift on this special day.

We're having other golden moments, if we can call them that; things which happen that remind you that there is a good, a harvest to be gathered, a sunshine in which to stand and enjoy. One might be the great attendance at the Good Friday Brunch, postponed across two years, until today. (at the time of writing). Or the privilege of hosting the clergy Quiet Morning at Kiltermon, and to hear all of the good will and encouragement there is towards us, and towards the work carried out there. Better still, perhaps were the words that day of the bishop, as he made us think again of the servant-king, and the call Jesus makes on all of us, especially those called to serve in ministry.

And a moment in which I trust we will all be able to stand in the sunlight and savour, is planned for Easter morning. God willing, the bishop will be with us in order to present Ronnie Roberston with the Maundy monies he has been given by Her Majesty, The Queen. Nowadays these monies are gifted to those who have given exceptional Christian service to their community. It echoes the example of Jesus on Maundy Thursday, in showing us how to serve, by washing the feet of the other. There are so many ways we might find to do that in modern life, but the parish recognise the great work of servanthood which Ronnie has undertaken for us and for others across many years.

The Parish want also to recognise this and intend to present him with a frame of photographs for himself, and one for the parish hall to be located near to where he has his tea break. There will be a gift for him, as well as tea and coffee served, and a celebration cake.

Golden days indeed, and times to be enjoyed.

*Precentor Hanlon.*

## Honoured Indeed

The parish were greatly honoured to be asked to host the Clergy Quiet Morning at Kiltermon Church on Maundy Thursday. The



**Clergy gather for the Quiet Day in Kiltermon Church on Maundy Thursday.**

Bishop spoke about servanthood, and gave a challenging address about the nature of Jesus' service to others and how we are to model ourselves on Him. The clergy were glad to gather again for the first time since October, when we gathered at the clergy conference in Dunfanaghy. We welcomed new members and said farewell to Revd Colin McConaghy who moves to Dublin in May. Later we were hosted to a lovely lunch in the Valley Hotel, in Fivemiletown. Kiltermon has recently benefitted from an extension, with a new Vestry, kitchen a toilet and car parking. All present remarked at how well presented it is, and accessible off the main Belfast to Enniskillen road. Many of the parish's organisations now use the facilities there. And we have been glad in recent months to also welcome the Christian Guidelines organisation who use the building to deliver the marriage preparation course for the district.

## Growth + Fellowship

In 2021 the focus for the teaching on Sundays was Discipleship.

This year, we hope to think about and experience Growth.

A wise someone wrote that 'as gardeners we only strive to create the ideal conditions whereby growth might happen. But we don't do any growing.' How true this is in Christian life.

St Paul wrote about this to the Christian in Corinth, saying,

**'I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.**

**So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything,**

**but only God who gives the growth.**

*1 Corinthians 3*

## Fellowship Evenings

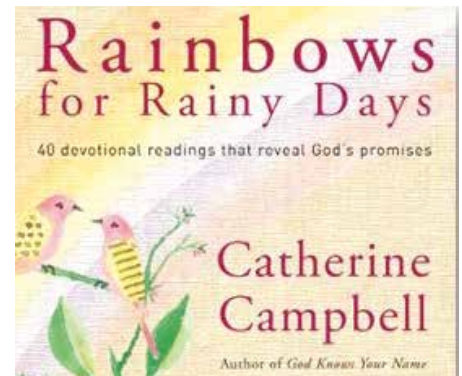
These will take place in the Parish Hall on 20 March, 15 May, 18 September and 20 November.

What a great evening of fellowship and encouragement we shared in March. Frances Boyd was the guest speaker on Ruth, Chapter 3. It was great to see a great turn out of the

parish, especially those who had been students at Fivemiletown College, where Frances taught RE. She was detailed and challenging and has been invited back to finish the story of Ruth on Sunday 15th May. You will be made welcome.

## The Ministry Of Healing

They have very kindly agreed to host us in Belfast at their lovely premises called '162', for a Quiet Day on Monday 9 May. Book through Office: 8952 2422. Depart Fivemiletown at 9.15am, and back home at 5pm.



## Autumn Brunch with Catherine Campbell

Last Spring 84 women took a copy of Catherine Campbell's book, Broken Works Best. In July, 48 clicked on-line to hear her speak. And in January we fitted in a late evening zoom call with Catherine, who is happy to come to Fivemiletown in October, to speak at a Parish Brunch. By then hopefully, her new book entitled 'God Isn't Finished With You Yet,' will be published; the third attempt to do so during lock down. Catherine was very encouraged by the amount of prayer and planning that went into her last connection with us in 2021;

so too this season we must pray for God to work during this time. Meanwhile you might consider reading one of her other titles, including: Journey With Me, When We Can't God Can, Broken Works Best, God Knows Your Name. Brunch with Catherine Campbell on Saturday 23 October, God willing.



## Palm Sunday Service and Good Friday Brunch Kids' Club

Having missed the Good Friday brunch in 2020 and 2021, this year 52 kids registered for this well-established Sunday School led event. Simple was the order of the day, with songs and a talk about Holy Week in St John's, Easter craft and Bible verse from Jumping Clay, and chips and a crème egg on the way home.

There was a lot of help available, and parents all seemed very pleased at the return of this event. Thank you to everyone who planned, helped and took part. Thank you also to Alastair McFarland from Scripture Union who spoke to over 30 families at the Sunday School service on Palm Sunday, and to David Atwell, William Morrow, Canons Rutter and Robinson, Rev'd McLoughlin and Bishop Ellis who all helped with the Holy Week services.

## Knit, Pray, Love

This year we are working towards the Thank You for the Seasons Project; a floral display for the new extension at Kiltermon Church, using handknit and crocheted flowers and foliage, measuring 2 ft x 4 ft approximately, a seasonal tapestry of 3-D flowers. A request for hand stitched flowers and foliage was extended to everyone in the parish. We are very thankful to have received many beautiful hand stitched floral elements for this project but a lot more are still needed. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Margaret Cowan, Betty Warrington or Michele Magee.



## Holy Baptism From Easter Sunday

Holy Baptism will return to its usual place on Sundays from Easter, to allow the congregation able to be present. Baptisms were temporarily moved to Wednesdays as a consideration during the Covid-19 restrictions.

## Hospital Visiting

Pastoral visiting to hospitals is now permitted in most situations, with some planning ahead. If you or a family member are in hospital and would like a pastoral phone call, please contact the Rector. The Chaplaincy system



is still not operating in all hospitals, and information is therefore not being sent on to parishes.

## Midweek Intercession and Prayer For Healing

This takes place many times each month. A group of 13 people receive the requests for prayer each week and are committed to praying at least each Wednesday. And each second month we gather with others for a service of Holy Communion when all the names prayed for since we last met are prayed for again. Leave a name for prayer with the office or with Precentor Hanlon or William Morrow.



## Breathe

This is a quieter time in the parish's worshipping life. Meeting from 7pm on the first Sunday across eight months of the year, Breathe is a time set aside to gather around a piece of scripture, to pray and reflect supported by music and silence. Join us next from 7pm on Sunday 1 May, Parish Hall. Precentor Hanlon

## Thank You!

A large amount of grocery items have been gifted by the Sunday School families and parishioners to the appeal during Lent. These items will go to the Enniskillen Food Bank, hosted by the Enniskillen Vineyard



**Did you Know? Where does the word 'parish' come from?**  
Early Christians organized themselves into economic communities called parishes, a word derived from the Greek *paroikia*, which meant 'neighbour' but also 'sojourner' or 'pilgrim.'

Church. The project was linked With Mums and Tots and Sunday School.

## Previously Loved Shop this Summer

Our previous Previously Loved shops have been well received: from School Uniform giveaways, baby clothes, toys and equipment, and the Big Potato Drop. This year there are plans to have a pop-up Shop in July for previously loved School Uniforms.

## Scripture Inspired Cards

Packs of these lovely cards are available from Beverley Weir or the parish office. Priced at £7.50 for 6, each pack has 6 different watercolour illustrations. These cards were gifted to the parish and will realise £1000 profit when the last packs are sold for the project at Kiltermon.

## Special Parish Events to Mark the Platinum Jubilee

The Parish are planning to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a special service, parish BBQ and tree planting on Sunday June 5th June. Join us for the 11am service in St John's when we plan to give thanks to God for the seventy years in which Queen Elizabeth 11 has served the nation and Commonwealth. We hope to reflect on her faith in God, and the inspiration it gives her.



## Senior Adults' Jubilee Meal

This takes place on Wednesday, 25 May from 12 noon to 3pm in Fivemiletown Parish Hall. Join us for lunch as we celebrate The Queen's Jubilee. Afternoon entertainment is planned. Booking is essential due to spacing between seats (Limited Seating). Book only through the parish office on Wednesdays or Fridays 89452 2422.

## Church Flowers

St John's  
May 8, 15 - M Alexander  
22, 29 - T Coulter  
Kiltermon  
May Offers please

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*“Therefore, I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.” Luke 7:47*

### It is all About God’s Love

Her story is heartrending. In the Bible’s account, this woman in Luke 7 was described as “a sinner.” Many believe that she was a prostitute. When she came to Jesus, He did not chase her away, humiliate her, or condemn her for her sins. He knew how guilt had been eating her up on the inside and had compassion for her.

As she neared Jesus, she began weeping. Then, she washed His feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, and anointed them with the precious ointment that would have cost her an entire year’s wages. Without hesitation, she lavished it on Jesus’ feet and worshiped Him.

In response, Jesus said that those who know and believe how abundantly God truly loves and has forgiven them will end up loving God very much. Simply put, those who have been forgiven much, love much. Those who have been forgiven little, love little. That’s why the emphasis of the new covenant is not about your love for God; it is about God’s love for you.

Do you see that your love for God in the new covenant is birthed out of a genuine and authentic relationship with Him? It is not a grovelling display that is birthed out of the fear of punishment or religious obligation. Under grace, we are able to love God because He first loved us. That is why people under grace become the holiest people you will ever meet. Their holiness flows out of their love relationship with Jesus! They have



Sunday School Children in Galloon spelling out "Mothering Sunday" with a poem.

experienced His unconditional love in an intimate and personal way that transforms them. They just want to live lives that glorify and honour the name of Jesus. Friend, we have all been forgiven much, but many don’t know and don’t believe this. Give up on trying to overcome your own failings, mistakes, addictions, and bondages, imagining that God requires this of you before you can come before Him.

When you fail, come to Jesus with boldness and confidence as this woman did. Feel free to weep in His sweet presence and simply worship Him. Pour out everything that is on your heart to Him. Don’t worry, He will not heap more guilt and condemnation upon you. He will remind you of the cross and say, “Your sins are already forgiven. I have already paid the price for your sins at Calvary. Rest in My forgiveness and love for you.”

### Services in May 2022

#### Sunday 1st May 2022 - The Third Sunday of Easter

9.00 am: Drummully Parish Church: A Celebration of Holy Communion

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

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: A Celebration of Holy Communion  
**Sunday 8th May 2022 - The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am: Drummully Parish Church: Morning Prayer

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish church: Morning Prayer

**Sunday 15th May 2022 - The Fifth Sunday of Easter (Rogation Sunday)**

9.00am: Drummully Parish Church: Morning Prayer

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish church: Morning Prayer

**Sunday 22nd May 2022\* - The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am: Drummully Parish Church: Family Service

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Family Service - Children’s Day

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Family Service - Children’s Day





Sandra Moncrieff and Jennifer Smith distribute flowers and bookmarks in Sallaghy.

\*All parishioners are asked to bring their teddy bear with them to this family service!

**Sunday 29th May 2022 - The Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension Day)**

10.30am: Galloon Parish Church: Group Service. Confirmation Service with Bishop Ian Ellis.

**Confirmation**

We look forward to Bishop Ian Ellis coming to join with us on Sunday 29th May for a Service of Confirmation with Holy Communion. We pray for all our candidates: Ben, Beth, Chelsey, Chennai, Emma, Hannah, Laura and Tommie.

**Mothering Sunday**

All three churches this year were able to celebrate Mothering Sunday with a



Linda Kelly with her beautiful homemade cupcakes and Petula Stephens with flowers for the ladies in Drummully.

Family Service. In Drummully gifts of lovely homemade cupcakes made by Linda Kelly were a much appreciated treat. Flowers were also given out to each lady kindly purchased by Petula Stephens. In Sallaghy Jennifer Kettles (Sunday school Superintendent) and Sandra Moncrieff (Sunday school Teacher) distributed flowers to each lady. The Sunday school children sang "Thank you Lord for this Fine Day." Each child also told us what their mummy helped them with. Despite being so young we had a huge array of answers- my mummy helps me with my breakfast; my mummy helps me with my homework...In Galloon the middle class of the Sunday school read a poem "Mothering Sunday." Scripture readings were led by a mother and daughter Christina and Kayla Bell. Flowers

were distributed by the junior class to each lady. These flowers had been kindly donated by Elite Landscapes (Aubrey and Anne McAlister, who belong to Galloon Parish).

**From the Registers**

**Burials**

Mrs Maud Phair, Camphill Park, Newtonbutler called home 14th March 2022.

We express our condolences to: the Phair family on the passing of Maud; the Sey, Rickey and Johnston families on the passing of John Sey; to the Kennedy family on the passing of Walter Jordan; to the Hutchinson family on the passing of Isobel Bell. To all who have been recently bereaved we extend our deepest condolences.

*"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. They are blessed indeed says the Spirit, for they rest from their labours."*  
Revelation 14:13

**Dates for Your Diary**

**Drummully Parish Coffee Morning and Car-boot Sale**

We are delighted to be able to hold once again a coffee morning and car boot sale at Drummully Parish Church on Saturday 11th June 2022. Gates for stall holders open from 8am. Proceeds in aid of Drummully Parish Church

**Dedication of new banner**

Royal Black Preceptory Lisnaskea District 2 Area Service and Dedication of new banner in Sallaghy Parish Church Sunday 15th May at 3pm. Members to assemble at the Church Hall at 2.30pm.

**Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher**



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**Church Services Diary**

**Sunday 08/05/22**

Kiltyclogher 10am, Belleek 11.30am, both HC

**Sunday 15/05/22**

Garrison 10am, Slavin 11.30am, MP & Family Service

**Sunday 22/05/22**

Kiltyclogher 10am, Belleek 11.30am, both MP

**Sunday 29/05/22**

Slavin Group (5th Sunday) Service of MP at 11.30am

**Sunday 5th June**

Garrison 10am, Slavin 11.30am, both HC

**Our new Rector and her family**

Rev Rebecca, her husband Brendan and their three sons, Noah, Isaac and Moses

have now made their home with us in Garrison Rectory. They have quickly settled in and are out and about getting to know us and the countryside

**From Rev. Rebecca:**

I write this during Holy Week, my first full week in the parish. It has been, so far, a pretty good week! We've been welcomed by many, and we're hoping, over the coming weeks, to have ample opportunity to meet the people we haven't managed to talk to yet. It hardly worth pointing out that Easter is a busy time for clergy. Particularly so for our family right now, as it also coincides with unpacking, unboxing, and managing an ever-mounting list of admin related to moving across an international border (have we declared our cars to customs? Arranged an MOT? Registered for a GP?)





Rev. Maureen was presented with a gift from Belleek Parish on her last Sunday covering services in Belleek Church.



Presentations are made to Canon William Johnston and his wife, Sylvia.

You get the picture.

It's meant to be a spiritual time, a time to pause and meditate on Christ's dying for us. In fact, like Christmas, it can so quickly become a time of hectic rushing,

where the deeper message is lost in chocolate eggs, cooking, decorating the house, and so on.

In the middle of this commotion, Easter Saturday stands like a hiatus. The altar is

stripped, the church is empty, the stone is rolled across the entrance. After the last supper, the betrayal, the trial, the crucifixion, time seems to stand still and we rest in that place between crucifixion



The Rectory clean up.



and resurrection. We observe, as the disciples did, a sabbath.

And yet as we think on Jesus, his death, his body in the tomb, there's an underlying tension. We're waiting, watching, for the resurrection. We know there's more to come.

I know many in our parish have lost loved ones over the years. Bereavement places you within that same tension – somewhere between hope and doubt, mourning what has been lost but holding onto the promise of what is to come. We look towards our own resurrection and that of those we love, even as we live in the shadow of the darkened tomb. We are in a hiatus ourselves, the 'now' and 'not yet' of God's kingdom. We see the goodness of God in our world, but also the chaos and destruction that have been with us since the fall. We know there is more to come, and so, like the disciples on Easter Saturday, we pray and we keep watch.

I don't know what you are grappling with at the minute, but hold on to this truth – whatever you're going through, whatever your struggles, pray and keep watch. Just as on that Easter Saturday, God's victory

is waiting for you at the other side of this.

### **Mothers' Union Area Service**

For the first time in our group, we as a branch, are looking forward to hosting the MU area service for our district. This is an event we are looking forward to very much and we are excited to welcome visiting MU members, for any of you reading this, we are delighted to welcome you along. The service takes place on Friday 13th May in Kiltyclogher Parish Church at 8pm with supper to follow. The Guest speaker will be Mrs Irene Boyd, the outgoing MU President.

### **Prayers**

Our thoughts and prayers are with anyone our group of parishes who have been unwell in hospital or at home in recent weeks.

### **Thanks for the preparations for the Institution**

On Saturday 26th March a big clean up took place inside and outside the Rectory in preparation for the arrival of Revd. Rebecca, Brendan and family. A sincere thanks to all who came along to help.

Thanks to the Rural Dean, Canon Irwin for all his attention to detail in the preparations for the Institution service.

### **Presentations**

On Sunday 20th March, in Garrison Parish Church, Joy Graham, Church Secretary, expressed thanks from the congregation for Canon Johnston's dedicated service and ministry over the last year during the vacancy.

Charlotte Elliott presented Canon Billy Johnston with a token of thanks, on his final Sunday in Garrison Parish Church before the New Rector arrived. Adrian Elliott, Churchwarden presented a hamper to Mrs Johnston.

A presentation was also made to Canon William Johnston by Tom Ovens, People's churchwarden, on his last Sunday in Slavin on 20th March.

On March 27th in Kiltyclogher Church a presentation was made by the Churchwardens Edward Stevenson and Gordon Carson to Canon Johnston and his wife Sylvia on the Canon's last Sunday of covering the vacancy. Libby and Thomas Allingham helped to hand over the gifts.



Revd Rebecca Guildea with the churchwardens from the group.

Enjoying the tea in the Gillaroo Centre, Garrison, following the institution of Revd Rebecca Guildea.





Revd Rebecca Guildea with Doreen Earls and Revd Maureen Desborough.



The Guildea family.

On Sunday 27th March in Belleek Parish Canon Billy Johnston was presented with a gift by William and Jonathan Pye. James Pye paid tribute to Canon Billy's dedication to the parishes during the vacancy and for the way he worked with everyone. He also spoke of his wife, Sylvia's help in attending all the service with her husband. Sylvia was presented with flowers. Canon Billy expressed his appreciation of how he had been treated in the Group and

said he had enjoyed his time. Rachel Love, Rector's Churchwarden is also in the photos.

### Institution Service on Thursday 7th April

The Institution of Rev. Rebecca Guildea was held in Garrison Parish Church on Thursday 7th April in Garrison Parish Church conducted by The Bishop of Clogher, The Right Revd Dr Ian Ellis. There was a large congregation present

for this auspicious occasion. The guest preacher was Revd Rebecca's last Rector, The Revd Chancellor David Mungavin, Rector of Greystones, Diocese of Glendalough. The service was introduced by the Rural dean, Canon Alan Irwin. The organist was Mrs Joy Graham. The hymns were: Great is thy faithfulness, When peace like a river, And Can it be and Lord for the years. The main readings were read by Mrs Dorothy Barlow, MU Branch leader and Mr William Allingham, a member of Kiltyclogher congregation. The commission readings were read by Henry Gregg, Robin Boyd, Ryan Graham, Audrey Ovens and Rachel Love.

After the service, welcome speeches were given by Bishop Ellis, Pauline Carson from Kiltyclogher church, Robert Ovens from Slavin church, James Pye from Belleek parish and Eddie Graham from Garrison church. Revd Rebecca stated how much she is looking forward to meeting her new parishioners in the coming weeks.

Tea was served afterwards in the Gillaroo Centre in Garrison.

### Keep up to date

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on [www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org](http://www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org). The web manager is Jenna Earls.

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



Churchwardens of Kiltyclogher church; Edward Stevenson and Gordon Carson making presentations to Canon Billy Johnston and his wife Sylvia. Libby and Thomas Allingham helped to hand over the gifts.

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Some of the GFS work in the parish.



## GFS

The GFS have been working hard this year learning about bird watching, hospitality and housekeeping, the Lord's Prayer, craft and how to protect this fragile earth by reusing, reducing and recycling – see accompanying photographs.

## Sympathy

The parish extends its sincere sympathy to the family and friends of the late John Sides formerly of Omagh and the late Ivan Millar, formerly of Enniskillen.



## Kilskeery and Trillick



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### Just Pray

I grant you that prayer can be a challenge. Sometimes it is finding the time to pray that can be an issue but it can also be not knowing what to say, especially if you feel under pressure to pray in a group of people, some of whom seem to be more fluent than you are. But just because I find it difficult should I not then pray? Jesus, in Matthew 6 spoke of prayer in such a way that it seems that it was expected that his followers would pray. He didn't refer to it as an optional extra, if you really want to, if you need something really, really badly then have a go! It was expected of everyone who was his disciple. We live relatively comfortable lives, even in the midst of rising costs. We find a place, a routine, a comfortable way of doing life that fits us and we take root. When challenges come our way, we anchor down and hold fast to where we are until the storm or challenge passes. This can be the case with prayer too. We can live out our consumerism within the walls of the church building and religiously outside of those walls too. We have people who are trained and paid for, serve us, even in prayer, so we don't have to do it ourselves. Others lead us in prayer, pray for our needs and the needs of the world and we slap on our AMEN at the end, and it's our prayer too, without ever having to speak anything out. And then there is the scary make-it-up-as-you-pray-prayer, when you have to think and speak and talk to God yourself without a prayerbook in hand. Surely, we can't be that far away from understanding that a relationship with the Lord God is strongly founded in prayer. Surely, we can't truly believe that if we don't pray that that God will still sovereignly answer our unspoken prayers and bring blessing while holding back the powers of darkness. Surely, we can't be naïve enough to think that we can exist as a Christian, as



a disciple of Jesus, without talking to him, without praying? Surely, we can't imagine that if Jesus were amongst us, that he wouldn't be telling us to pray and get over our pride and fear and lack of courage and just do it – just get on with it, and stumble over our words and get mixed up and get it wrong and be embarrassed at times. Jesus himself taught his disciples that they didn't have because they didn't ask. How much have we missed out on – has the world missed out on because God's people have not been praying and asking? I think we'd be shocked! Maybe, or not maybe at all, it is time that God's people who claim to know and love him, get to grips with prayer and just pray. And our faith will increase, and our families will be blessed, and our churches encouraged, our land and government divinely influenced and maybe a rumour or two of a miracle or two and the Spirit of God being poured out as the Lord God would be pleased to grant His people times of refreshing in the presence of the Lord.



### Quiz Night

At the beginning of April, Christ Church, Trillick organised a Quiz Night for all the family in Trillick Orange hall. We were greatly encouraged by great attendance and much fun was had by all, especially those who won the spot prizes and came first in the quiz. A big thank you to all from the parish who helped organise and make the night happen. We already have bookings for our next one.

### Messy Easter

Our Messy Easter event happened on Saturday 9th April in Kilskeery Youth Hall. It was great to see the children come along

and enjoy the crafts and Easter Egg Hunt and a short presentation of the Easter story. Thanks to those families who made it along and to those who made it happen.



### Storm Breaker

As Lent has reached it's end so has our Lenten Course The Storm Breaker. It was great to meet each Wednesday evening and consider how we might anchor ourselves in the Lord as we journey through life with it's up's and down's and storms. He is our anchor and our firm foundation and when we build our lives on the Lord Jesus Christ and the rains come tumbling down, our faith in him will keep us grounded.

### Youth Group

Our new Youth Group has started on Sunday evenings. We recently enjoyed our invitation to join-up for a Youth Service in Ballinamallard where the guest speaker was Simon Henry, the National Youth Officer for the Church of Ireland. A big thank you to Naomi for her kind invitation and we look forward to future contact.

### Senior Citizens' Group

The Senior Citizen Group continues to meet on Tuesday afternoons and provides a much needed and appreciated opportunity for people to meet and chat and enjoy a cup of something together. After long months of isolation and separation it is great that restrictions now allow for this gathering and fellowship to happen each week.

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union met in April joining together for our Maundy Thursday Communion Service before having business

time afterwards. It is encouraging to see a strong core of committed women coming along each month and playing such an active part.

### Bowling Club

Kilskeery Bowling Club is up and going again with the opportunity to meet on Friday evenings in Kilskeery Youth Hall. It is a great chance to meet up and whether you're competitive or just interested in the fun side of the game, to have a go.

### 150th Anniversary

In May of 2022, Christ Church Parish, Trillick will be celebrating its 150-year anniversary. The celebrations will take place over the weekend of 27th – 29th May and will include a CAR TREASURE HUNT on Friday evening at 7:30pm; A VICTORIAN TEA PARTY on Saturday afternoon from 2:00 – 5:00pm; and a SERVICE OF CELEBRATION on Sunday evening at 7:00pm. It is hoped that past and present parish members, as well as those who have any kind of parish connection might find their way to this service, as well as the other events and help



of remember and celebrate 150 years of worship, work and witness in the community and beyond.

### Weekly Times

**Sunday Services:** Christ Church, Trillick - 10:30am & Kilskeery – 11:45am

**Senior Citizen's Group:** Tuesdays at 2:00 – 3:00pm

**Confirmation Class:** Wednesdays at 6:30 – 7:30pm

**Midweek Fellowship Group:** Wednesdays at 8:00 – 9:00pm

**Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 9:00am

**Bowling Club:** Fridays at 7:30pm

**Youth Group:** Alternate Sundays at 5:30 – 7:00pm

## Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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There has been much joy in the Parish in recent weeks with two weddings and two Holy Baptisms taking place and we want to offer our prayers and congratulations to the two happy couples, Lee and Stephanie and Phil and Linda. It was wonderful to have baby David James (to be known as James) baptised on 20 March and baby Finnley Thomas baptised on 3 April. To have such happy occasions as we emerge from two years of the pandemic has given all of us within the Parish a tremendous lift and reminded us of God's faithfulness. As a Parish we are looking forward to a further two baptisms in May and we look forward to reporting on these in future editions of



Revd William hosting a meeting for Sunday School and Bridge teachers.

the Diocesan magazine. Whilst on the subject of happy and special occasions, some of our parishioners have celebrated significant birthdays in recent weeks and it was a great pleasure of mine to join the Wednesday Club who arranged a wonderful afternoon of celebration. I also recently received a very warm welcome at our Mothers' Union meeting and this gave me the opportunity to share a little of my background and journey of

faith, particularly in relation to overseas mission work with the abandoned street boys of Peru and a short-term mission placement in Northern Zambia through CMSI. It was a great joy to recently host a meeting in the rectory with our Sunday School and Bridge teachers as we set about taking initial steps to recommence Sunday School and Bridge for our children and young people at some point after Easter and before the Summer holidays



Celebrating the baptisms of baby James and baby Finley Thomas.



DV. As a Parish we have been much encouraged by the numbers returning to regular Sunday worship, and this pattern was also encouragingly reflected during our mid-week Lenten and Holy Week services, and I thank the parishioners for their faithfulness. Thank you to those parishioners who took a little CMSI mission box during the season of Lent. It

would be most appreciated if these could be returned on Easter Day or within two weeks of Easter Day please, in order to have them returned to CMSI.

**Services**

**Sunday 1st May**

Holy Communion, Lisbellaw Parish at 11.00 am

Holy Communion, Coolbuck at 3.00 pm

**Sunday 8th May**

Service of the Word with Holy Baptism, Lisbellaw Parish at 11.00 am

**Sunday 15th May**

Holy Communion, Lisbellaw Parish at 9.45 am

Service of the Word with Holy Baptism, Lisbellaw Parish at 11.00 am

**Sunday 22nd May**

Morning Prayer, Lisbellaw Parish at 11.00 am

Evening Prayer, Coolbuck at 3.00 pm

**Sunday 29th May**

Morning Prayer, Lisbellaw Parish at 11.00 am



Phil and Linda celebrating their marriage.



Lee and Stephanie after their wedding.

**Thirty years of magazine distribution**

Many Lisbellaw and Coolbuck parishioners enjoy reading this magazine



Betty McElroy who has been distributing magazines for 30 years.

each month, and catching up, not just on what's been happening in Lisbellaw, but in parishes right across the diocese. That the magazines are made available for us in the church porch month by month, is



Revd William with some of the members of the Wednesday Club.



Receiving flowers on Mothering Sunday.



thanks in no small measure to the quiet work behind the scenes of Mrs Betty McElroy. Since 1992, just prior to the sudden death of Chancellor St Leger, Betty has, not just ensured that the ordering, collection of money and the receipt and labelling of magazines has taken place, she has also

often taken personal responsibility for the delivery of them, particularly to the elderly and housebound during the COVID lockdowns. Reminiscing recently about her 30 years in this role, Betty shared a black and white copy of the magazine published in October 1986. At that time the magazine,

which cost 35 pence, had very few photographs but the type of content covered appears to be similar to what's written today! Betty's work over all these years has been hugely appreciated by parishioners and we warmly thank her for continuing in this role.

## Lisnaskea



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### SERVICES FOR MAY

**SUNDAY 1st**  
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion  
**SUNDAY 8th**  
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
**SUNDAY 15th**  
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
**SUNDAY 22nd**  
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
(Collection for sponsored children)

**SUNDAY 29th**  
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

**Burial**  
**Wednesday 6th April**  
Walter Henry Beattie Jordan, Castlebalfour Road, Lisnaskea.  
Sincere condolences go to the Jordan family circle at this difficult time and to all who have been recently bereaved.

**Facing a New World - TODAY**  
The world that we live in today has changed. Over the past few years we have been faced with Brexit, COVID - 19 and now a WAR in the Ukraine started by one of the world powers, Russia.  
Is it safe to travel? Will we get there, where ever "there" is, safely and in one piece

without any delays? Will we contract any illness while we fly in an enclosed space for a number of hours? And when we get there, will there be an aeroplane available for us to travel home in, on time?  
Then there are the fuel costs, heating bills, the rising cost of living since we decided to leave Europe by way of Brexit!  
When and how will it all end...?  
And yet...Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever!  
In some ways - nothing has changed. God is still the same.  
He is still faithful and true.  
His promises have not changed.  
He still loves us and always will.  
How we cope with TODAY depends greatly on what we choose to focus on.  
Wise words from the book of Proverbs: "For





as a man thinks in his heart, so is he”  
What we think about has a huge impact on who we are, according to the Bible. What we think on. What we allow our thoughts to focus on, has an impact on our wellbeing.

When we think and focus on all the BAD, it can so easily lead to stress, depression, concern and leave us in a state which is not very good.

In a similar way, when we think and focus on what is GOOD and godly, it lifts our spirits and enables us to feel good about ourselves and life in general.

The apostle Paul told the Philippians to meditate on these things:

“whatever things are true,  
whatever things are noble,  
whatever things are just,  
whatever things are pure,  
whatever things are lovely,  
whatever things are of good report,

if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy - meditate on these things.”

Also, if you consider it this way, we can not change the world or even local events by how we think about them. But what we can change is OURSELVES.

So the choice is simple and easy. Let’s choose to do what Paul says and think on these good and godly things: whatever is true, noble, just, pure, lovely...

### Covid Restrictions

Most of these restrictions have now been relaxed in church with masks and social distancing no longer compulsory. However we would still encourage everyone to do what they feel comfortable with and please do not attend church if you feel unwell or if anyone in your house has tested positive for Covid.

On the Sundays we celebrate Holy Communion, individual cups will still be

used for the foreseeable future.

### Organist

Although we have not as yet been successful in finding anyone to fill this position full-time we are extremely grateful to the four ladies who help out Sunday by Sunday. If there is anyone else who would like to come forward please contact Revd. Capper or Linda in the parish office.

### Parish Walk

A fundraising walk for the parish is being organised for Saturday 18th June leaving Trinity Hall at 2.00 p.m. This will be approximately three miles and everyone will return to the hall where refreshments will be served.

Adults £10 and families £20.

Please keep this date in mind, come along and bring your friends.

## Magheracross



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### Easter Vestry

At our Easter Vestry held in April, our Easter Vestry for 2022/23 was constituted. Two new churchwardens were appointed. These are Charles Loane (Rector’s Warden) and Linda Hamilton (People’s Warden). The glebewardens continue in post and are Roly Hurst (Rector’s) and Wilfie Crawford (People’s). Also elected were Liane Armstrong (hon. Treas.), Richard Coalter, Ernie Fisher, Harold Graham, Julie Hetherington, Warren Kerr, Richard McBride, Jenny McCrea, Howard McMorris, Joan Quinn-Vaughan, Henry Robinson and May Sweeney.

The Rector thanked the outgoing wardens (Richard Coalter and Julie Hetherington) for their dedication during the pandemic and also thanked Kenny Armstrong, Gordon Lee and Sammy Nixon for their



Meeting Jenny the donkey at Magheracross Church on Palm Sunday.

years of service. In particular, Sammy Nixon has been a member of the Select Vestry for 52 years and made a very valuable contribution of time, commitment and wisdom to the parish.

### Barnabas Cup – June 23rd 6:30pm

After two years of suspension, the Barnabas Cup football tournament is returning to Fisher Park. This is a 7-a-side tournament for all 16+ participants and the teams can represent any parish or church of any denomination. It has been recently dominated by Castlederg Parish who will be returning to defend their title. Your church can enquire or enter via the Barnabas Cup Facebook page or by emailing magheracross@gmail.com. All you need is a team, a modest entry fee, a competitive spirit and a sense of humour.



Archdeacon Brian Harper with Jenny the donkey on Palm Sunday.

There is a returnable cup and medals for the victors and runners up along with considerable kudos.

### Jenny the Donkey

We were delighted that Jenny was able to put in an appearance after our family Service on Palm Sunday and that she gave her permission to be photographed. Victor and Ben Beatty were her minders as she posed with parishioners at the church gate.

### Mothers' Union

20 Mothers' Union members were present at our meeting on 7th April. Norma Scott welcomed everyone, especially the speaker for the evening, Mrs Joan Nelson. We sang the hymn 'When I Survey The Wondrous Cross' accompanied by Rita Stuart on the piano. Ann Fleming read the bible reading and Valerie McMorris led the prayers.

Joan gave a short talk about faith then entertained us with stories about how she spent her time during lockdown - doing embroidery, tapestry cushions, knitting blankets and cross stitch. She showed us the different articles she had created over the period. She certainly was a gifted and busy lady. She then showed us some of her collections of decorative eggs and finished off with a quiz. Every



Victor Beatty (left) with Jenny the donkey and the new churchwardens, Charles Loane and Linda Hamilton.

member was gifted with a package containing a small hand crafted cross and a poem entitled 'Hang it on the Cross'. May Sweeney thanked Joan for coming to speak to us and presented her with a small gift. Norma reminded members of the Area Service in Kiltyclogher, Garrison on 13th May.

### The Jubilee

As part Of the Jubilee celebrations in the village, our morning worship at 11am on June 2nd will be united with Ballinamallard Church at the Severfield Car Park followed by a barbecue lunch prepared by Ballinamallard Scouts and Mothers' Union. (There will be no 9.30am service).

## Magheraculmoney



During the Rector's absence, **Revd Abraham Storey** (pictured left) is providing service and pastoral cover and the Rural Dean, Canon Alan Irwin, is in charge.

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### EASTER SERVICES

We had services on Maundy Thursday reflecting on the preparation of Jesus before his crucifixion. On Good Friday we reflected on the suffering of our Lord Jesus Christ as he went to the cross to pay for our sins.

This year we were very grateful for the opportunity to be able to gather together again at Muckross Quay for our Easter Dawn Service. We worshipped our risen Lord in darkness as the morning light began to break through. This year Father Frank McManus read the reading from Luke 24:1-12 followed by an Easter reflection from Revd Abraham Storey. Alan Crawford read the poem 'The Morning that Death was Killed' by Steven Turner and Peter Booth finished off with the prayers. We were delighted to see the whole community gathering for worship on this magical and uplifting morning which really sets the atmosphere for the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A magnificent breakfast of bacon/sausage baps and tea/coffee was provided by Sandra Bogle to support the Ranger Guides Poacher Jamboree International 2022.

We continued celebrating Jesus Christ's resurrection at our 11.00am service led by Revd Abraham Storey. Singing The Day of Resurrection, Lord is Risen and Thine be the Glory with a short time of reflection after listening to some of the Star sister's

Easter Hallelujah before we all joined together for Holy Communion.

#### SUNDAY

Worship Gathering: 11.00am (weekly)  
Children's Church (age 4+) to P7 (weekly, off 1st and 29th May, finishes 26th June 2022).

#### MONDAY

Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Ranger Guides at The Fountain Centre (dates/times as per leaders).

#### WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Prayer - 10.00 - 11.00am at Ardess Parish Centre (weekly) Beavers, Cubs and Scouts at The Fountain Centre (see 1st Magheraculmoney Scouts Facebook page for dates and times).

#### THURSDAY

Confirmation Classes (Year 13+, age 13/14 and over) - 7.00pm at Ardess Parish Centre.

#### FRIDAY

Day of Prayer and Worship Hour (once a month, date to be advised).

## Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



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***'The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, Peace be with you. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord'. John 20:19,20***

As we continue our journey through Eastertide it is wonderful to see the joy of that first Easter morning being lived out in our Churches once again. The pandemic has done significant damage to our confidence in meeting together, but that damage is not irreparable. As the days and weeks go on, as the weather warms and our weariness lifts, we are all given fresh confidence to step outside once again without fear. Jesus' words remind us that regardless of the turbulence we face, He will always come amongst us, He will grant us His peace, and our hearts will be glad once again. As we work together to rebuild Church life, we feel afresh the joy of Christ, the hope of Easter re-ignited once again, and anticipation of fresh opportunities to shine the light of Christ for all to see.

It has been wonderful to see our Mothers' Union meeting again. We held a special service on Mothering Sunday in which both our Sunday school and our Mothers' Union took part. This allowed us to showcase the wonderful work that



Mothers' Union members.

Mothers' Union does, both further afield and close to home. On 13th May 2022 we look forward to hosting the Area Service in Maguiresbridge, to welcoming local branches, and to enjoying tea afterwards. Most of our groups are back up and running again, and we are benefitting so much from being able to come together, to take time with one another and to truly treasure that which was lost for so long. Confirmation classes continue on Friday nights, with our young people responding well to the 'Believe' resource produced by the Church of Ireland Youth Department.

### Easter services

Easter allowed us to come together as a parish in a variety of ways. Our mid-week Lenten services were well attended as we examined 'The Habits of Lent', and I thank you all for your support in this. On Wednesday 6th April 2022 we held a Service of Easter Holy Communion in the hall for all parishioners who would be unable to attend on Easter day. This was well attended and enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to our wonderful ladies for providing tea and treats after the service.

### Fun Night

On Monday 11th April 2022 we held an

'Easter Fun Night' in the hall for all primary school aged children. We had almost 30 in attendance and we had great fun as we learned more about the message of Easter. Thanks to our fantastic Sunday school leaders for helping and to our families for supporting this event.



The fun night for the young people.



Celebrating the work of the Mothers' Union.



### Easter Vestry

Our Easter General Vestry meeting for Maguiresbridge was held on Tuesday 29th March 2022. I want to say a sincere word of thanks to all who have helped and supported the Church over the last year. Your hard work and dedication makes a significant difference to the activity of the Church within the community, and not least, to the sharing of the Gospel. A special word of thanks to our Churchwardens who conduct their duties with such faithfulness, and to our Secretary, Treasurer, and all who serve with such commitment.

### School Award

Special congratulations to Maguiresbridge Primary School and all of its' brilliant staff for being awarded the accolade of being "Best Primary School in Co Fermanagh" at an awards ceremony by Families First at the Titanic Belfast

on Saturday 9th April 2022. A wonderful achievement and great recognition of the hard work and dedication of the staff.

### Holy Week

As I write these notes, we are preparing for Holy Week services on Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

### In the coming weeks:

Easter General Vestry meeting for Derrybrusk on Tuesday 26th April 2022 at 7.30pm.

We are looking forward to having two teams competing at the Inter-Church Football Tournament at Fisher Park on Thursday 5th May 2022. Thanks to Alan and Rodney for organising this.

We also look forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a weekend of events planned in early June.



## Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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### Services

#### 8th May Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:30am St Patrick's (and on Facebook live)

12:15pm Ballinode

#### 15th May Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:30am St Patrick's (and on Facebook live)

12:15pm Kilmore

#### 22nd May Sixth Sunday of Easter

10:30am St Patrick's (and on Facebook live)

12:15pm Ballinode

#### 29th May Seventh Sunday of Easter

10:30am St Patrick's (and on Facebook live)

### Christian Burial

It was with shock and sadness that we learned of the death of Cyril Garland.



His funeral service was held on St. Patrick's Church on Wednesday, 30th March conducted by the rector followed by burial in Ballyalbany Presbyterian Church graveyard. We express prayerful sympathy to all the Garland family circle on their sad loss.

### Holy Baptism

On Palm Sunday (10th April) Theo Moorehead, son of Michelle and Mohammed was baptised. We welcome Theo into our church family and pray God's blessing on him, his family and all those who will have care of him in the future.

### Sunday School

We are planning to restart Sunday School

from Sunday 1st May and look forward to this further step as we make our way out of the pandemic.

### Easter General Vestries

These are being held on Monday 25th April - St Patrick's, Tuesday 26th April - Kilmore and Wednesday 27th April - Ballinode.

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union held their second meeting since restarting on 5th April. Members enjoyed being able to meet together again. One of our members shared stories from their family history highlighting the importance of memory and story. The area service is being held in Killeevan Parish church on 6th May at 8pm.

### Ladies Group

This group will hold their AGM on Tuesday 10th May at 8pm.

### Holy Week and Easter

It was very good to be able to meet in person with the other congregations in the town for our Holy Week Services. This was something we had not been able to do for the past two years. We met each evening in Monaghan Methodist Church including joining for a communion service on Maundy Thursday. We were able to come together again at 7am on Easter Day at Monaghan Collegiate School for a time of worship and then for breakfast together.

## Rossorry

Vacant

Rev'd John Wood, Acting Rural Dean is in charge.

Rev'd Colin Brownsmith is taking services during the vacancy.

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Rev'd Alison Irvine, Diocesan Curate will be providing pastoral cover in the parish

*These notes, below, are prepared by Gerry in the Parish Office on behalf of the Parish. If there are any items you would like me to cover, or photographs of parish events, please let me know before the submission date which is the 15th of the preceding month.*

### Spring

#### Rekindling your Faith

There are times we lose our way, disheartened to the point that we lose our faith in God. Things may not go as planned or our prayers may not have been answered right away. But, may this Bible verse for Spring assure you that although God delays, he never forgets. He has better things for you according to His Will.

The season of Spring brings hope. Let this be a start of rekindling your faith in the Lord Almighty. It is the time to renew your faith and acknowledge His presence. Trust in Him, and you will prosper. Recognise Him again and wait for His light to shine upon you. Let us believe in His blessings—both visible and invisible. Follow His words, be righteous and



loving, and do good deeds to others. Let Him lead you to the right way. That's the essence of Spring.

*"Let us acknowledge the Lord; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."*  
Hosea 6:3

### Easter General Vestry

The Easter General Vestry is being held on Tuesday, 3rd May 2022 at 8pm (having been re-arranged from 28th April), in Rossorry Church for the purpose of electing churchwardens, glebewardens and Select Vestry members, for the current year, and further to transact such business as is within their cognizance, connected with the management and sustentation of the Parish. All parishioners are welcome to attend, hear the reports and elect to the posts for 2022. The details of the election will appear in next month's issue.

### Rossorry Mothers' Union

This year we were once again able to erect and decorate our Easter Tree in Church, kindly organised and managed by Rossorry Mothers' Union. Their theme for this year was 'Transformation now'

and we were able to see the Easter Tree transformed with your verses, prayers or dedications. Parishioners were able to pick up a label in church or at the parish office, add their information to it and return to the parish office or Church for inclusion on the Tree.

Any donations received will go towards the Bishops Appeal Ukraine Appeal. The MU branch held their annual meeting in March and gifts of potted flowers were distributed to members for Easter.

### Holy Week and Easter at ROSSORRY

#### Palm Sunday

On Sunday 10th April, Rev'd Colin Brownsmith held a Service of Morning Prayer with the Liturgy of the Palms. He preached on the important moments in the life of Christ in the city and Temple of Jerusalem and the significance of his being in the Holy City. He referred to the Gospel of Luke and its links to the words of the Prophets in predicting how Christ's final triumphal journey with the colt and the palm leaves would unfold. Each member of the congregation was presented with a Palm Cross to take home, as a reminder of the sacrifice and the salvation which the Crucifixion brought us, as believers.





A special communion service was held in the parish hall for those unable to attend regular services.



### Communion in the Hall

For the first time in two years, the Easter Communion in the Hall (for those who are, otherwise, unable to attend regular Services), was able to take place. Not as well attended, as in better times, but a start to some sort of normality in our church life. Revd. Colin Brownsmith celebrated the Eucharist and members of the Rossorry Mothers' Union kindly provided a delicious afternoon tea.

### Good Friday

On Good Friday, we held a Service of Readings and Hymns for Good Friday, based on the Royal School of Church Music service, 'The Cross of Christ'. We read the Passion from the Gospel of St. Matthew, interspersed with hymns of the Passion, led by Revd. Denise Acheson.

### Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday a Service of the Eucharist was held with Canon Peter Wilson, kindly, celebrating.

### Update on the Parish Vacancy

As you will probably be aware, now, the Vacancy was advertised at the end of February for a new Rector at Rossorry. We eagerly await the outcome of their deliberations and pray for wisdom and clarity in their work to find a new Rector for Rossorry.

### Parish Development Project

Good news! After a prolonged planning process involving the Heritage Service, agreement has been reached and full Planning Permission for the Stables

development has now been granted. Permission for the development of The Parish Hall was granted a few months ago.

### 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

As you probably know, by now, the Church is open again, subject to the rules on social distancing and wearing of masks (which are now advisory). As we have returned to open seating, the Church will once again hold about 240 people, safely, within these rules.

As confidence grows, numbers at Church are rising slowly and we look forward to getting most, if not all of our Parishioners back in the near future.

There is one Sunday service each week at 10am in Church.

As we have returned to "normal" – the services will no longer be recorded.

### PARISH HALL

In response to this the changing situation, the Select Vestry has approved the reopening of the Hall with appropriate safeguards in place and will continue to review arrangements within the Church.

- Comprehensive Risk Assessments have been prepared and actioned.
- Parish Organisations and Users have been appraised of the preparations and the duties that they will require to undertake to keep all safe.
- The Hall has been thoroughly cleaned and sanitised for use in line with the Risk Assessments (with thanks to Leslie, Lorraine and Joy).

So far, a number of the Organisations have indicated that they will resume activities (subject to all requirements of the Risk Assessments and current PHA safety requirements).

- Sunday School—from 19th September.
- Rossorry Bowling Club—from 20th September.
- Rossorry Scouts—from end of September.
- Mother & Baby exercise class started in November.
- Rossorry Wednesday Club—date to be delayed for a couple of months.



Members of the Scouts group with their haul of litter.



Cub Scouts at Claddagh Glenn.

■ Pilates Class began on Fri. 15th October – 11am to 12 noon.

■ Clubbercise Ladies Exercise Class began on 17th February @7.30pm  
Other Organisations and users are not yet ready to resume and that is fine and in keeping with the Archbishop's advice. Leaders will be in touch with their groups with details, as necessary. We will continue to update this subject in the Weekly News Sheet., as required.

### Scouts Canoe Litter Pick

Since the Scouts resumed in January, they have been very busy with meetings and a programme of events. A town challenge quiz in Enniskillen Castle, pancakes, a Scout hike up Benaughlin, preparing equipment and training for forthcoming camps, archery on Castle Island and a canoe litter pick on Lough Erne!  
On Tuesday 12th April 22, the Scouts took part in a canoe litter pick, organised by Blue, Green, Yonder Activity Hub to collect litter from Lough Erne and the shore. As you can see they were very successful



Scouts on their canoe litter pick.

with a haul of litter including two shopping trolleys!

Well done to the Scouts and their leaders for another great outing and a worthy lesson for them in civic responsibilities.

### Cub Scouts

The Cubs have been busy as well! Since they started back in January, they have been preparing for their hobby badges, cooking chocolate bananas, walking and map reading at Castlecoole, holding an archery contest and making Easter crafts. Then on the weekend of the 9th/ 10th April, the Cubs went off to Camp at Claddagh Glen. They had a ball, outdoors on an Easter Egg Hunt, walking and exploring the forest, roasting marshmallows around the campfire and chilling out indoors. Many thanks to the kids for taking part and to their leaders for a wonderful and character building opportunity.

### Parish Website (rossorryparish.com)

The website is still up and running and will

contain the Rossorry Weekly News.

### Rossorry Weekly News

The weekly News Sheet is still being produced. It contains the text of the Sunday service for use in the Church 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.

### 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 – so we have been able to consult with the elderly/ housebound and each volunteer has been allocated a few Parishioners who they keep in touch with, by telephone, in a befriending service.



Cub Scouts relax in the Claddagh Glen Centre.

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.

## Freewill Offerings

### FREEWILL GIVING

Even though Services have resumed at Church many of you may not be able or ready to attend but you may still contribute your weekly collection envelopes and other donations. If you are not ready yet to come to Church - send your envelopes (now on Green envelopes for 2022)— with a friend, post them to the Office or drop them through the letterbox at the Office. If these don't work for you—please ring Gerry at the office (02866 329889) and another arrangement can be made.

Throughout the period of the Pandemic, the Parish continued to have ongoing costs and your contribution is vital in sustaining its work and ministry. If you wish, you may set up a Standing Order with your Bank or Building Society to deal with this matter. If you have online banking, you can do this without even visiting your Bank. Contact the Office for details.

## The PARISH OFFICE

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

Visits are ok -but be careful -but I will be delighted to chat on the 'phone, take emails or a note or envelopes through the door or in the post, etc—if there is anything I can do to help.  
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## Arrangments for the Parish during the Vacancy

- The Rural Dean (Rev. John Woods –who can be contacted at 02882 840863), will be in charge of the Parish during the vacancy.

- PASTORAL COVER (Weddings, Christenings and Funerals)  
From 8th February, the Revd Alison Irvine, Diocesan Curate,( Mob. 07977595266) or email:- revalisonirvine@gmail.com ) will be providing pastoral cover in the parish, with the Revd Colin Brownsmith, OLM, From 13th March, Revd. Colin will be conducting all services in the parish, and the Revd John Woods, Acting Rural Dean, will continue to chair meetings of the Vestry.”

The Parish Office will continue to operate for advice or assistance (02866 329889) and for receiving Freewill Envelopes etc.

## SERVICES for APRIL 2022

In Church and online.

### Sunday 1st May

10.00am – Holy Communion

### Sunday 8th May

10.00am – Morning Prayer

### Sunday 15th May

10.00am – Morning Prayer

### Sunday 22nd May

10.00am – Morning Prayer

### Sunday 29th May

10.00am – Morning Prayer

- Rev. Colin Brownsmith and Diocesan Readers will deliver Services
- Pastoral Care (Christenings, Funerals and Weddings) will be conducted by Revd. Colin Brownsmith (and Revd. Alison Irvine, when Revd. Brownsmith is not available)
- Text of the services - you will find on our website, (rossorryparish.com)

## PARISH REGISTER

### Bereavements

- FLEMING, Martha (Maisie), (nee Johnston), who passed away on 12th March 2022 at Hospital, formerly of Derrin Road, Enniskillen. Her funeral took place at Ballycassidy Funeral Home at 1.30pm on Monday, 14th March 2022, followed by interment at Rossorry Parish Churchyard in the family plot. Revd. Alison Irvine officiated.

- DOOGAN, Robert James, who passed away on 18th March 2022 at Enniskillen and formerly of Glencunny, Sligo Road, Enniskillen. His Funeral Service took place at 2.00pm. on Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at Rossorry Parish Church, followed by interment at Rossorry Parish Churchyard. Revd. Alison Irvine officiated.

- MILLAR, Ivan Caldwell, who passed away at The South-West Acute Hospital, formerly of Meadowbank Nursing Home and previously Rigg Road, Lurgandarragh Big, Enniskillen. His Funeral Service took place at 1.00pm on Wednesday 30th March 2022 at Rossorry Parish Church, followed by interment at Rossorry Parish Churchyard in the family plot. Revd. Colin Brownsmith officiated.

*Sincerest sympathy from the Parish to the families and friends of our esteemed Parishioners.*

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## Mother's Day Services

Thank you to all the ladies and young people who took part in the services in both Churches through the readings, prayers and poems relevant to the special occasion to our organists Ryan Crawford and Ashleigh McDonald.

## Baptism

10 April 2022; Olivia Margaret West, daughter of Drew and Nicola West, Tiralton Road, Tempo.

## Funeral

7 April 2022; James (Jim) Boyd, Edenmore Heights, Tempo.

Our prayers and sympathy are extended to Jim's brother, Billy and wife Shirley and

niece Irene and all the family circle.

## Appointment

By now it is well published news of my appointment as Rector of the new grouping of Derrvullen South, Clabby, Garvary and Tempo. As a family we are looking forward to moving into the New Rectory a short distance from Derrvullen South Parish Church and getting to know the parishioners of the two New Churches under my charge.

The new grouping will mean change for us all, and a time of adjustment to everyone. To many people this may seem a daunting challenge, which in many ways it is. But I didn't agree to this new responsibility without much prayer and thought, but totally





Thank you to the ladies from Tempo Parish Church who provided the decorations and floral displays for Tempo Parish Church for Easter Sunday.

Thank you to the Leaders and young people from 1st Clabby and Tempo Scout Group for providing some decorations for Clabby Church for Holy Week and Easter. Also to Mr and Mrs Ian McCutcheon for providing the flowers in memory of Mrs Tanya Armstrong.

aware that I am not sufficient in the task ahead in my own strength, but only through the presence, guidance and strength God supplies through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We can only achieve much for God and His Kingdom in the future by prayer and teamwork together. Whilst we are four separate Parishes we are united not just by sharing one Rector, but more importantly recognising that we are one in the body of Christ with him as our head. (1st Corinthians 12 v 12-16)

The teaching of Jesus and the Early Church was based around the Phrase "One another", love, prayer and encourage being among the key words mentioned several times in the teaching of Jesus and the New Testament letters. As we all look forward to a new future and fresh start I trust these verses will be uppermost in our minds. Maurice Armstrong.

**Tempo Car Boot Sale, Cake and Coffee morning**

Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraising event for Tempo Parish Church, those who organised the event, the people who came with their full car boots, provided cakes etc. for the stall and attended or helped on the day. Everyone's support and teamwork is much appreciated. The total raised was £1400. Again thank you to everyone.

**Clabby Church Fundraising**

The Select Vestry have organised another family walk on Saturday 21st May leaving Clabby Parish Church Hall at 11.00a.m. Proceeds towards Church funds. Everyone welcome.

**Together**

Being together brings a sense of joy, happiness, excitement, thrill, anticipation, oneness, such as we experience at happy family gatherings, being at an event such as a football match. During Covid restrictions that was largely lost and a sense of isolation, feeling vulnerable, lonely, and sad were some of the feelings we all experienced. This was especially true when the family members could not visit a loved one who was in hospital, when they were dying or when a death took place during the severe covid restrictions that were in place for the wake or funeral. The only community sense of togetherness were people standing alongside the road. Zoom became the word for meetings which brought about a substitute for gatherings for meetings for work, business and Church meetings and fellowship.

The Bible is full of reference to being together. When God created Adam and Eve he created marriage the first small community, from that developed the family, the Nation of Israel. When Jesus began his meeting he called and chose first 12 then 70 disciples at least.

When Jesus died we read "the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of Jesus" (John 20 v 19). We know from the gospels and Paul's letter 1st Corinthians is that Jesus made several Resurrection appearances. Before he ascended he was together with the disciples and gave them the great commission (Matthew 28 v 19-20). He told them to stay in Jerusalem and wait for the Holy Spirit to come". "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak

about. For John baptised you with water, but in few days you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit". On the day of Pentecost we read "When the day of Pentecost came they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like a blowing of violent wind came from Heaven and filled the whole house". Acts 4 v 42-47 paints a clear picture of unity of believers. "All the believers were together and had everything in common" (Acts 4 v 44)

During Covid we lost to a large extent that togetherness as we couldn't meet to worship God on Sundays. The process of coming together has been very slow especially amongst our young families. It has had its efforts on Church life in many other ways not least financially.

At the heart of teaching of Jesus and throughout the early Church the emphasis has been on being together, being one, being united to Christ. Paul in 1st Corinthians 12 gives us the image of the body with each interdependent part. Throughout the letters of the New Testament we read of "One another", stemming from Jesus. "Love one another (John 15) Romans 12 v 10 Galatians 6 v 2, 1 Thessalonians 4 V 18, James 5 v 16. Finally Hebrews 10 v 25 we read "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another and all the more as we see the day approaching.

*Wishing Everyone God's blessing for a happy and restful Easter.*

## Trory and Killadeas



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### Mothers' Union

There will be no meeting of the Trory and Killadeas branch during May. Members will instead be attending the area service on Friday 13th at 8pm in Kiltyclogher.

### Holy Strollers

The Holy Strollers continue to meet on Mondays at 7pm. As the evenings lengthen and we come into the (hopefully) better weather of the summer months the venues and routes for the walks are now wider ranging. If you would like to join us, please speak to one of the members to be added to the WhatsApp group, so as you will know where to park/meet as well as when. As summer arrives, it is also hoped we will do a couple of day trips with walks further afield... some even beyond the bounds of Fermanagh!

### Chamber Choir West Concert

Priory are delighted to welcome back Chamber Choir West on Sunday 8th May for a concert of choral delights. The concert begins at 7.30pm sharp, and there is a suggested donation for entry of £10 per



One of the services.

person. Please do come along to what promises to be a wonderful evening of spectacular music. Chamber Choir West are long standing intimate friends of Killadeas, and the surrounding area. Priory was the venue for their first ever concert, and since lockdown restriction eased, Priory Church and Ballycassidy Hall have been the rehearsal venues for CCW. (Oh, and Revd. Mark sings in the tenor section.)

### Youth Service

On a trial basis Ballycassidy Hall will act as the venue for a monthly youth service for our parishes. These will be at 8pm on the second Sunday of June (12th), July (10th), August (14th) and September (11th). These services will be very informal, led by young people within our parishes, music will be provided by a praise band, talks will come from guest speakers, and light refreshments will be served at the end. Although this service is youth led, and aimed at the young people in our parishes, please do not think it is exclusively for them. Whatever your age, please come along and support the services, and our young members of the congregations as they use this space to grow and mature in their faith.

### Choral Evensong

Also on a trial basis, starting in June, and continuing over the summer, Priory Church Killadeas will have a service of Choral

Evensong at 8pm on the 4th Sunday of the month. The initial dates of these services will be June 26th, July 24th, August 28th, September 25th.

One of the real treasures of Anglican worship is Choral Evensong. Even if you are not a singer, please come along. As a member of the congregation at Choral Evensong, your worship is through reflecting, ruminating, and to allow God to speak in a still small voice of calm. The focus is on stillness, and time for personal reflection on scripture, rather than the teaching, exposition and application from a sermon. If what you desire from church



Having refreshments following the Dawn service.



The baptism for the Bell family.



Having refreshments on Easter morning.

is a calm place for personal reflection and prayer, to enjoy some glorious music, and to allow the scriptures to speak to you directly, it is likely this is a form of worship you will love.

## Ascension Day Holy Communion

We will celebrate Ascension Day (26th May) with a short service of Holy Communion in St. Michael's, Trory at 7pm.

## From The Registers

**Holy Baptism** - Caleb-John Cassidy Bell on 17th April 2022.

**Christian Burial** - Herbert 'Herbie' Morris on 11th April 2022.

## An Easter out of Lockdown (finally!)

Although now incumbent for two years, this Easter was the first one Revd. Mark has spent in the parishes where Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday were allowed to happen as usual, without Covid restrictions. It was encouraging to see both congregations coming together and supporting each other for Lent in Trory, and Holy Week in Killadeas. Numbers attending the Holy Week and Lent midweek services in person, as well as those who tuned in from home were truly exceptional.

It was also a delight to be able to hold our usual dawn service on the shores of Lower Lough Erne on Easter Sunday again this year, and to be able to share in a breakfast of bacon baps in brioche buns, washed down with coffee afterwards. Absence makes the heart grow fonder, and this was definitely missed during the lockdown years.

Finally, it was great to see our families out in force again on Easter Sunday, engaging with the Easter Holy Communion Services and Easter Egg Hunts in both parishes. After a Lent, Holy Week and Easter Sunday filled with such great attendance, passion and desire for worship, and enthusiasm for what God has in store for us going forward, let's keep the momentum going as we continue through the Easter season.



Children enjoying the Easter egg hunt.



## Easter General Vestries

A Meeting of the Easter General Vestry of St. Michael's parish Trory was held on Wednesday 20th April at 7pm in Ballycassidy Hall.

A Meeting of the Easter General Vestry of Priory Church Killadeas was held on Thursday 21st April at 7pm in Priory Church Hall.

A report of both meetings will be included in the notes next month.

## Dates for your diary

### Sunday 1st May (The Third Sunday of Easter)

- 10am Parish Holy Communion in Priory Church, Killadeas
- 11.30am Parish Holy Communion in St. Michael's, Trory

### Sunday 8th May (The Fourth Sunday of Easter)

- 10am Morning Prayer in Priory Church, Killadeas
- 11.30am Morning Prayer in St. Michael's, Trory
- 7.30pm Chamber Choir West Spring Concert in Priory Church, Killadeas

### Friday 13th May

- 8pm MU Area Service Kiltyclogher

### Sunday 15th May (The Fifth Sunday of Easter)

- Morning Prayer in Priory Church, Killadeas with Carpark Cuppa

- 11.30am Morning Prayer in St. Michael's, Trory with Carpark Cuppa

### Sunday 22nd May (The Sixth Sunday of Easter)

- 10am All Age Service of the Word in Priory Church, Killadeas
- 11.30am All Age Service of the Word in St. Michael's, Trory

### Thursday 26th May (Ascension Day)

- 7pm Holy Communion in St. Michael's, Trory

### Sunday 29th May (The Sunday After the Ascension)

- Morning Prayer in Priory Church, Killadeas
- 11.30am Morning Prayer in St. Michael's, Trory



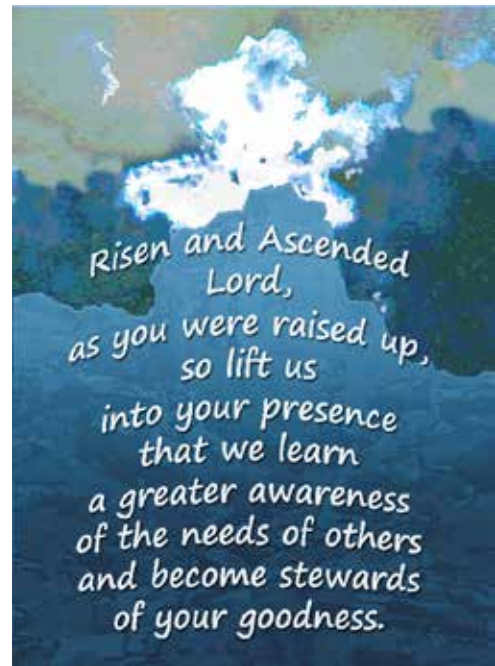
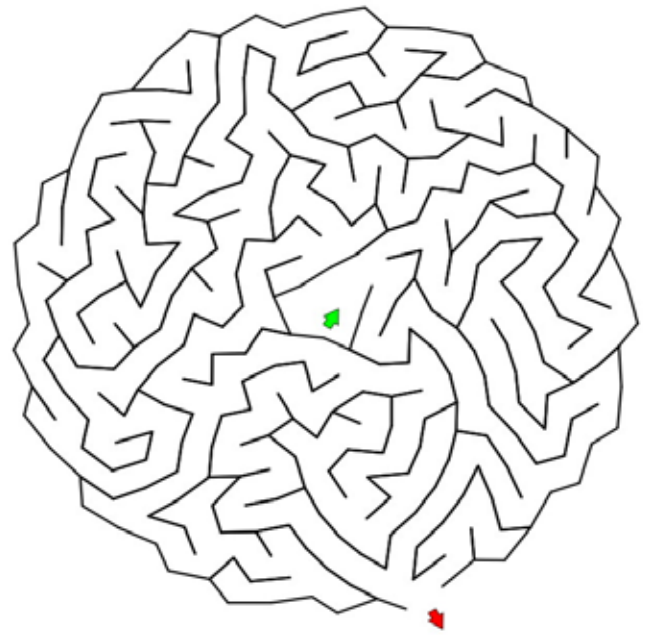
One of the special services held.



Taking part in the Easter dawn service on the shores of Lower Lough Erne.



# CHILDREN'S SECTION



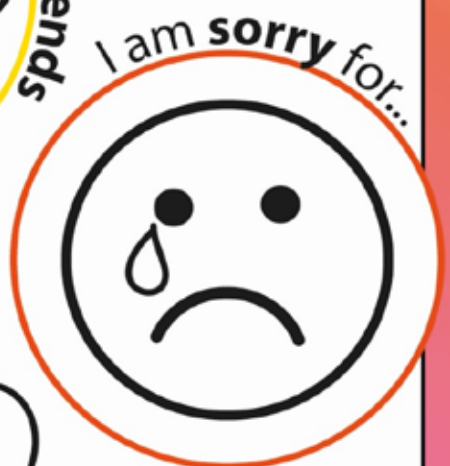


# Mouse Makes

"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love endures forever"  
Psalm 136:1



"Never stop praying."  
1 Thessalonians 5:17



"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."  
Philippians 4:6

Jesus said,  
"This, then, is how you should pray:

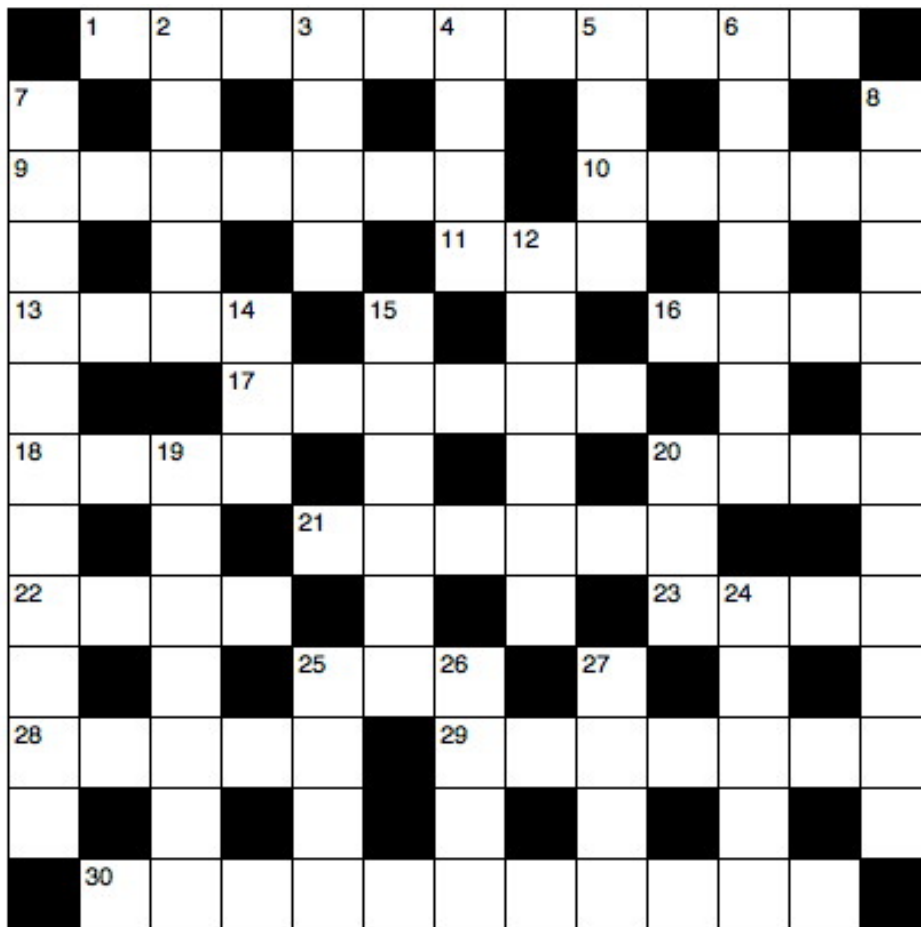
Our \_\_\_\_\_  
in \_\_\_\_\_  
hallowed be your \_\_\_\_\_  
your \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ come,  
your \_\_\_\_\_ be done, on \_\_\_\_\_ as it is in \_\_\_\_\_.  
Give us this day our daily \_\_\_\_\_.  
And \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ us our \_\_\_\_\_,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And \_\_\_\_\_ us not into temptation, but \_\_\_\_\_ us from the \_\_\_\_\_ one."

Read Matthew 6:9-13 to fill in the words.

# PUZZLE PAGES *for Adults*



## ACROSS

- 1 Overpowered (Deuteronomy 11:4) (11)
- 9 'The — are mantled with corn' (Psalm 65:13) (7)
- 10 'Each man—a sword to his side' (Exodus32:27) (5)
- 11 On the death of Jesus the curtain in the temple was torn from—to bottom (Matthew 27:51) (3)
- 13 Stagger(Isaiah 28:7) (4)
- 16 'Anyone,then,who knows the good he ought—and doesn't do it, sins' (James 4:17) (2,2)
- 17 Stir up or provoke (Acts13:50)(6)
- 18 Burden (Luke11:46) (4)
- 20 'As far as the east is from the—,so far has he removed our transgressions from us' (Psalm 103:12) (4)
- 21 Sign (Luke23:38) (6)
- 22 'After that,Jesus poured water into a basin and began to—his disciples' feet' (John 13:5) (4)
- 23 The nature of the seven ears of corn which swallowed up the good ears in Pharaoh's dream (Genesis 41:23) (4)
- 25 Has (anag.) (3)
- 28 'This is the account of Shem,Ham and Japheth,—sons' (Genesis 10:1) (5)
- 29 'I will...make them drunk,so that they...sleep for—and— awake' (Jeremiah 51:39) (4,3)
- 30 Paul said of him,'he often refreshes me and is not ashamed of my chains' (2 Timothy 1:16) (11)

## DOWN

- 2 Worth (Matthew 13:46) (5)
- 3 'A bruised — he will not break' (Matthew 12:20) (4)
- 4 'Suddenly a great company of the heavenly — appeared with the angel' (Luke 2:13) (4)
- 5 Slip (anag.) (4)
- 6 'Take an awl and push it through his — — into the door, and he will become your servant for life' (Deuteronomy 15:17) (3,4)
- 7 Bountiful (2 Corinthians 8:2) (11)
- 8 ' Therefore, as we have — , let us do good to all people' (Galatians 6:10) (11)
- 12 Acquire( 2Timothy2:10) (6)
- 14 Container cover (Numbers19:15) (3)
- 15 'He...became obedient to death,even death on—!' ( Philippians 2:8) (1,5)
- 19 Refrain (1Peter2:11) (7)
- 20 'She began to—his feet with her tears' (Luke7:38) (3)
- 24 One who worships Brahma, Vishnu or Shiva (5)
- 25 'Give to everyone who—you' (Luke6:30) (4)
- 26 'I lift up my eyes to the hills;where does my—come from?' (Psalm 121:1) (4)
- 27 One of those whom the Lord said would be taken from Jerusalem and Judah as judgment on them (Isaiah 3:2) (4)

■ Crossword Puzzle answers on page 63

# MOTHERS' UNION



*Newborns benefit from wonderful knitting project*

We are blessed in Clogher Diocesan Mothers' Union to have members and parishioners who contribute to the knitting project. Some prefer to knit and others to sew.

They lovingly made garments for neo natal as well as teddies, incubator cosies, fiddle muffs, blankets and angel gowns.



# DIOCESAN NEWS



Revd Rebecca Guildea, the new Rector of the Garrison Group of Parishes with Revd Chancellor David Mungavin, Rector of Greystones, who was the preacher and the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis.

## New Rector is welcomed to group of border parishes

The Grouped Parishes of Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher in Clogher Diocese welcomed their new Rector, the Revd Rebecca Guildea, at the Service of Institution held on Thursday evening, 7th April.

The service was led by the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis, in Garrison Parish Church where representatives from the four parishes gathered.

The service which was broadcast live via the internet included the hymns, "Great is thy faithfulness," "When peace, like a river, attendeth my way," "And can it be that I should gain" and "Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided." The organist was Mrs Joy Graham.

The readings were by Mrs Dorothy Barlow, a member of Garrison Parish and Branch Leader of the Mothers' Union



Bishop Ian Ellis with Revd. Rebecca Guildea during the Institution.





Dorothy Barlow.



William Allingham.



Revd Chancellor David Mungavin.

and Mr. William Allingham, a member of Kiltyclogher Parish.

The sermon was given by the Revd Chancellor David Mungavin, Rector of Greystones in the Diocese of Glendalough, where Revd Guildea had served her curacy.

The Act of Institution by the Bishop of Clogher, also included Archdeacon Brian Harper, Revd John McClenaghan as Diocesan Registrar and Canon Alan Irwin as Rural Dean.

Following the service, a number of short speeches were made in the church, introduced by the Rural Dean, Canon Alan Irwin welcoming Revd Rebecca.

A supper was served in the Gillaroo Centre for everyone attending the service.

Revd Rebecca is originally from Oxford and studied theology at King's College in London after which she completed the MTh programme at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute.

She was ordained deacon in 2016 and served her deacon intern year at Zion



Revd Rebecca Guildea speaking during the service

church, Rathgar in the Diocese of Dublin and Glendalough. She was ordained priest/presbyter in 2017 and served her curacy at St. Patrick's Church, Greystones, also in the Diocese of Dublin and Glendalough before her appointment to Clogher Diocese.

Revd Rebecca and her husband, Brendan, have three children; Noah (9), Isaac (2) and Moses (6 months).



Canon Alan Irwin, Rural Dean.



Parishioners from the Group enjoying a tea reception following the Service of Institution.





Bishop Ian Ellis presenting the Maundy Money to Ronnie Robertson on Easter Sunday.



Ronnie Robertson receiving his Maundy Money from Bishop Ian Ellis and a montage of photographs of his work in the graveyard from Precentor Kyle Hanlon.

## MAUNDY MONEY PRESENTED TO RECIPIENTS IN CLOGHER DIOCESE

Two people from Clogher Diocese have received Maundy money, after they were nominated for their contributions to their church and community.

The historic Royal Maundy Service was held on Maundy Thursday in St. George's Chapel, Windsor. Her Majesty, The Queen was unable to attend and instead she was represented by Prince Charles and Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall.

Ronnie Robertson, from Fivemiletown was nominated for his work at St. John's Parish Church, Fivemiletown, where he has followed the tradition of the Robertson family over the last 120 years as a gravedigger. Ronnie has carried the responsibility as Sexton and gravedigger for more than 40 years and is still actively involved. He also provides gravedigging for St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, at Aughtentaine as well as Cavanaleck Presbyterian Church.

Ronnie is widely regarded across the Fivemiletown district.

Unfortunately Ronnie was unable to travel to Windsor for the presentation of Maundy Money and instead received it from the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis on Easter Sunday.

The second recipient from within Clogher Diocese nominated by the Bishop of Clogher was Betty Abercrombie, an active



Betty Abercrombie.

member of Darling Street Methodist Church in Enniskillen.

Betty has served the Methodist church and other churches for many years. She regularly plays the organ in Enniskillen Methodist Church.

After growing up in the Springfield and Bellanaleck areas, Betty worked for many

years in Ballymena where she played the organ and trained the choir for over 20 years. On her return to Fermanagh she has retained her church music interest by continuing to play at services. Betty has been involved in numerous organisations within the Methodist church and has also been a member of Fermanagh Churches Forum.

She is regarded as someone who is always available to help and who gives without seeking recognition. Betty travelled to Windsor with some family members to attend the service and reception at Windsor Castle on Maundy Thursday.

This year, 96 men and 96 women to represent the age of the Monarch, received Maundy Money which commemorates Jesus washing the feet of the Apostles at the Last Supper.

Each recipient of Maundy Money was presented with two small leather purses, one red and one white, one containing a small amount of ordinary coinage which symbolises the Sovereign's gift for food and clothing and the second purse containing Maundy coins up to the value of the Sovereign's age.

The service dates back to 600AD and the coins have kept in the same form since the 1600's.

# New Group of Parishes to be established in Clogher Diocese

A new parish grouping has been announced in Clogher Diocese. The amalgamation of Derryvullen South and Garvary with Tempo and Clabby has been approved by Diocesan Council and ratified by the Representative Church Body Executive.

The Revd Canon Maurice Armstrong, Rector of Tempo and Clabby, is also to be Rector of Derryvullen South and Garvary, having been nominated at a Board of Nomination on Thursday.

Canon Armstrong will oversee a team of ordained and lay ministry in the new group. He will be instituted to his new parishes of Derryvullen South and Garvary on Friday, 27 May at a service in Garvary Parish Church.

The Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis offered his best wishes to Canon Armstrong and the new group of parishes as they embark together on a new era of ministry in the four parishes of Derryvullen South, Clabby, Garvary and Tempo.

Bishop Ellis said: "I am very pleased with the appointment of Canon Maurice Armstrong as Rector of Derryvullen South and Garvary and welcome him as incumbent of the newly amalgamated four-parish group comprising Derryvullen South, Clabby, Garvary and Tempo. Canon Maurice is well known to us in Clogher Diocese where he has been rector of his current group for the past 21 years. His experience, pastoral care and organisational skills will be soon recognised by his new parishioners, and I wish him God's blessing as he begins this new chapter of his ministry'.

Canon Armstrong, looking forward to taking charge of the new group said; "I am looking forward to the new and fresh challenges of being Rector of this new grouping of Parishes and getting to know the Parishioners of Derryvullen South and Garvary. As a family we are looking forward to moving into a comfortable new Rectory in Derryvullen South Parish.

Please pray for us as we prepare to move house and for the future and as we move out of Covid, as we rebuilt church life and adapt to the challenges and changes that the amalgamation brings. As the writer to the Hebrews writes 'Let us fix our eyes on Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.'

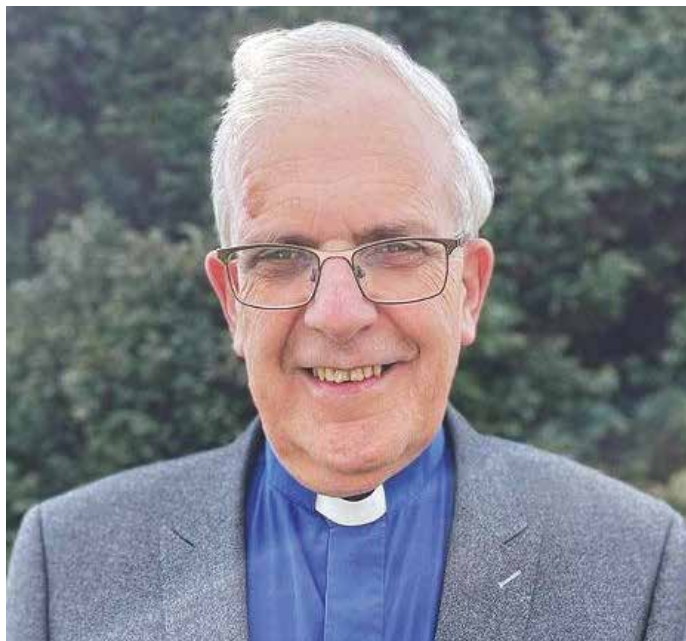
Canon Armstrong grew up on the family farm at Drumrush near Kesh and attended Drumkeeran Parish Church where he was involved in youth organisations.

Following his education, he graduated in 1984 from the University of Ulster, Jordanstown with BA (Hons) in history and Politics and after studying at the Church of Ireland Theological College, Dublin he was ordained in 1987 serving his curacy in St. Mark's Parish, Portadown. He was Rector of Sixmilecross and Carrickmore followed by Rector of St. Matthew's, Richhill before being appointed Rector of Tempo and Clabby parishes in 2001.

Canon Armstrong has served on various diocesan committees over the years.

## SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Gillian Taylor, the new Safeguarding Officer for NI is to deliver panel training for panel members from Northern Ireland parishes in Clogher Diocese. The training will take place on Tuesday 10th May 2022 at 7.30pm in Lisbellaw Parish Centre. Clergy and parish representatives should forward the names and their parishes of those wanting to attend to Michael Skuce, Safeguarding Officer. Numbers are restricted and it will be on a first come first served basis. The date of the training has taken account of only changes to panel membership after the Easter AGM's have been held. Please note that panel members need to attend refresher training every three years and new panel members need to attend this training.



Canon Maurice Armstrong.

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# CHURCH OF IRELAND NEWS

## Great response to Bishops' Appeal for Ukraine

The Church of Ireland's Bishops' Appeal for World Aid and Development has released a further 40,000 Euros and £35,000 to Christian Aid and Habitat for Humanity in support of humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and the surrounding countries. This brings the total released so far to 50,000 Euros and £43,300. Donations continue to pour in, and Bishops' Appeal therefore anticipates releasing more funds shortly after Easter. Financial support is being utilised as soon as it is received and even in anticipation of being received, such is the need.

Partner agencies continue to focus on people who have been displaced within Ukraine and who have become refugees in Romania, Hungary, Slovakia and Poland. They are providing both temporary shelters and longer-term accommodation, food, money and vouchers, help with travel, and medical supplies, and are responding to more specific needs as they arise.

So far, 10 million people have fled their homes; 3.5 million fleeing to other countries and a further 6.5 million displaced in Ukraine itself. This makes up nearly one quarter of the country's population.

Bishop Ferran Glenfield, Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh and Chair of the Bishops' Appeal Advisory Committee, says: "Irish people north and south are known for being big hearted. The plight of the Ukrainian people has touched many hearts, which is reflected in the



Hungarian Interchurch Aid distributes drinking water and other supplies to people in Lviv, western Ukraine.

generous response to the Ukraine Appeal across the Church of Ireland." A selection of short videos provided by Habitat for Humanity, ACT Alliance, and the Anglican Diocese in Europe from their responses to the crisis is available on the Church of Ireland YouTube channel at this link: <https://bit.ly/3udFNfw>

Readers can find out more about Habitat for Humanity's response in Eastern Europe at [www.habitatni.co.uk/ukraine](http://www.habitatni.co.uk/ukraine) and [www.habitatireland.ie/ukraine](http://www.habitatireland.ie/ukraine) and the work of Christian Aid's partners in the ACT Alliance at [www.actalliance.org/news](http://www.actalliance.org/news)

## General Synod to get underway in Belfast

The Church of Ireland General Synod's 2022 meeting will take place from Wednesday, 4th May, to Friday, 6th May, in Assembly Buildings, Belfast.

This venue will facilitate the first in-person meeting of General Synod since 2019 when it met in Derry/Londonderry.

The Assembly Buildings can accommodate up to 1150 people and offer a modern conference centre in a prime location in Belfast.

The General Synod consists of a House of Bishops with 11 members and a House of Representatives, which currently has a membership of 648; 216 clerical members and 432 lay members who are elected by the diocesan synods and who hold office for a three-year period.

The primary purpose of the Synod is to enact legislation for the

whole Church of Ireland. Less formal proposals are submitted as motions which, if approved, become resolutions. The Synod also receives reports from various committees and boards, which are debated by the members.

The General Synod opens on Wednesday, 4th May at 12noon following a service in St. Anne's Cathedral, Belfast when the preacher will be Bishop George Davison.

More information on the 2022 General Synod, including details for media accreditation, will be made available nearer to the time of the meeting at <https://synod.ireland.anglican.org/2022>

The 2023 General Synod is scheduled to take place in the Croke Park Conference Centre, Dublin, from 11th to 13th May 2023.

# COMMUNITY NEWS



David Keys, author of the book at the launch night.

## 'DUTY BOUND' IS PUBLISHED AT SPECIAL EVENT IN CATHEDRAL HALL

After many years of diligent research and compilation, David Keys from Colaghty Parish, Lack, saw his latest book project brought to fruition with the launch of "Duty Bound" which details information on the Special Constabulary/Ulster Special Constabulary (UFC), commonly called 'The B-Specials'.

The book was launched at a public event in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen.

David says he was inspired to write 'Duty Bound' after he was shown what he described as a treasure trove of archival material relating to the B-Specials.

"I have previously written quite a lot on World War I men of North Fermanagh, covering the areas of Kesh, Lack, Irvinestown, Ballinamallard, Pettigo and Belleek," he said. He also put together exhibitions of memorabilia on World War 1. He said Albert Hughes, who was the last Sub District Commandant of Irvinestown Sub District at the standdown in 1970, produced what he said was valuable archive material relating to the B-Specials, back to the 1920s.

"I thought this was a good opportunity to record this to share with the general public," he added. David also received material



Some of the memorabilia on display.

from Roy Palmer, whose father was the Adjutant of the UFC up until 1963. He had an immense amount of personal material that Captain Palmer had amassed over the years and retained. That was shared with me, and I was able to use that to build up my story," he said.

From these two sources, David began putting his book together. Part of the book describes the period from 1920-1922 which he said had been scantily researched previously. The 1920 to 1922 chapter covers the B-Specials who lost their lives in Fermanagh and in the surrounding counties. "I have also included the one RIC Sergeant who was killed in Tempo, and the four Fermanagh-born RIC who were killed during that time in other counties," David explained. With the book, David has tried his best to fill

in the gaps from when the B-Specials were established in 1920 until their disbandment. "I tried to fill in all the locations that they operated from, across the county, and there were 33 distinct different locations. Within those 33 districts, again using the information I was provided with, I was able to fill in quite a few of the names of the leadership in the districts," he said.

He also used the B-Specials book written by former The Impartial Reporter editor, the late Mervyn Dane.

"Mervyn's book was a great source of information for me. I made extensive use of that book, and it was very helpful to me," added David.

The book was launched by Albert Hughes and Violet Johnston and the guest speaker at the launch was David Scott, the Outreach Officer for the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland, who is a relative of one of the B-Specials who was killed in Co. Fermanagh, James McInness.

The book, designed by Corinna Power from Bluebell Art and Design and printed by Ecclesville Printing Services, is available to purchase from David Keys priced at £20. David can be contacted at; 028 68631015 or email; sdakeys@btinternet.com



Jessica Mwedzi (36) with the youngest of her six children.  
Credit: David Brazier/Christian Aid.



Jessica Mwedzi (36) with her husband Phaneel Rutsito (47) and four of their children. Jessica's husband is unwell and she is the sole breadwinner for the family.  
Credit: David Brazier/Christian Aid.

# FACING HARDSHIP IN ZIMBABWE

## Christian Aid Week appeal – 15-21 May

Climate change has brought drought, hunger and hardship to Zimbabwe, something married mother-of-six Jessica knows all too well.

“We have gone to bed on an empty stomach many times. My children crave a good meal, but I can’t provide. It is so painful to see your children in that situation,” Jessica says.

Jessica’s family are heavily dependent on growing crops to eat, as well as to sell to earn a living but drought has meant there has not been a good harvest in recent years.

“One year, we had no rain. The scorching sun burnt my crops just as they were about to bloom. It was so painful and disheartening,” said Jessica.

Jessica’s husband is unable to work because he is chronically ill and she is the sole breadwinner for their six children. She also looks after her father-in-law and brother-in-law who are both unable to work because of mental illness. Once when things became desperate, Jessica asked her neighbours for food but she came home emptyhanded because they had nothing to share.

Like you, Jessica only wants to provide for her family. Can you be the kind neighbour she needs?

Jessica knows what it’s like to be hungry. Hungry for food. Hungry to earn a decent living. Hungry to provide a more hopeful



Jessica Mwedzi (36) battles drought in Zimbabwe. Her husband is unwell, so she is the sole breadwinner for her six children. Credit: David Brazier/Christian Aid.

future for her family.

Your gift could help Jessica grow drought-resistant crops. You could help her set up water taps on her farm and learn how to grow food in the harsh climate. She’ll turn her dry, dusty land into a garden of hope.

In the months to come, your gift will help her turn seeds into fresh food like tomatoes, beans and cucumbers to sell and feed her family. And she’ll know she’s not alone because she’ll feel the warmth and kindness of a neighbour like you.

Jessica’s love for her family gives her courage to stand strong against the threat of drought. “My children give me the power to go ahead. I pray they have a better future.”

- £5/€6 could buy water taps for a community garden
- £30/€36 could buy drought-resistant seeds for 20 farmers like Jessica to grow food
- £60/€72 could train 50 women farmers to adapt and grow food in the changing climate
- £200/€238 could provide materials so a farmer can build a storeroom and preserve food for their family
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## Creation care in action

Creation Care was the subject at a one-day conference hosted recently by the Church of Ireland Church and Society Commission at Dromantine Conference Centre, near Newry, Co. Down.

Revd. Canon Andrew Orr, one of the organisers, and Chairperson of Eco-Congregation Ireland, welcomed all those attending, cited two reasons for the Conference; firstly, creation care is one timely way of following Christ's mission, 'through whom all things are made', (John 1:2) and secondly, the latest United Nations International Panel on Climate Change Report states that, while technically it is still possible to maintain global temperature rise to the 1.5 – 2 degree celsius safe limit for a liveable planet, that window of opportunity is closing fast. A number of bishops along with Archbishop John McDowell attended.

Dr Ruth Valerio, Director of Global Advocacy and Influencing at Tearfund, gave a workshop outlining how projects to care for creation can transform churches and communities in many good ways. Examples include a church in Brighton using parish land for a vegetable garden, another in Tanzania without electricity set up a photovoltaic power supply and a church in Portadown planted one acre of parish land with a mixture of sunflowers, linseed and flax to provide food and a habitat for birds as well as generating income from sales of cut sunflowers. Profits will be used to install PV solar panels on the south facing church roof.

### CROSSWORD ANSWERS from page 54

**ACROSS:** 1, Overwhelmed. 9, Valleys. 10, Strap. 11, Top. 13, Reel. 16, To do. 17, Incite. 18, Load. 20, West. 21, Notice. 22, Wash. 23, Thin. 25, Ash. 28, Noah's. 29, Ever not. 30, Onesiphorus.

**DOWN:** 2, Value. 3, Reed. 4, Host. 5, Lisp. 6, Ear lobe. 7, Overflowing. 8, Opportunity. 12, Obtain. 14, Lid. 15, A cross. 19, Abstain. 20, Wet. 24, Hindu. 25, Asks. 26, Help. 27, Hero.

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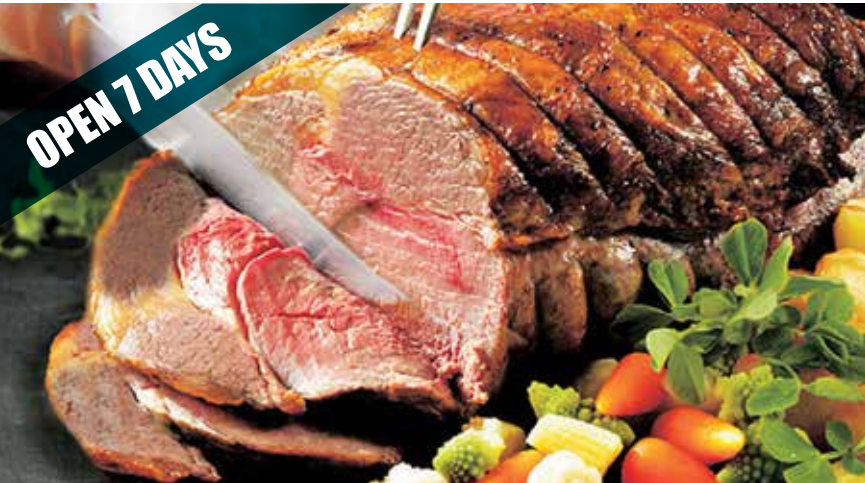
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