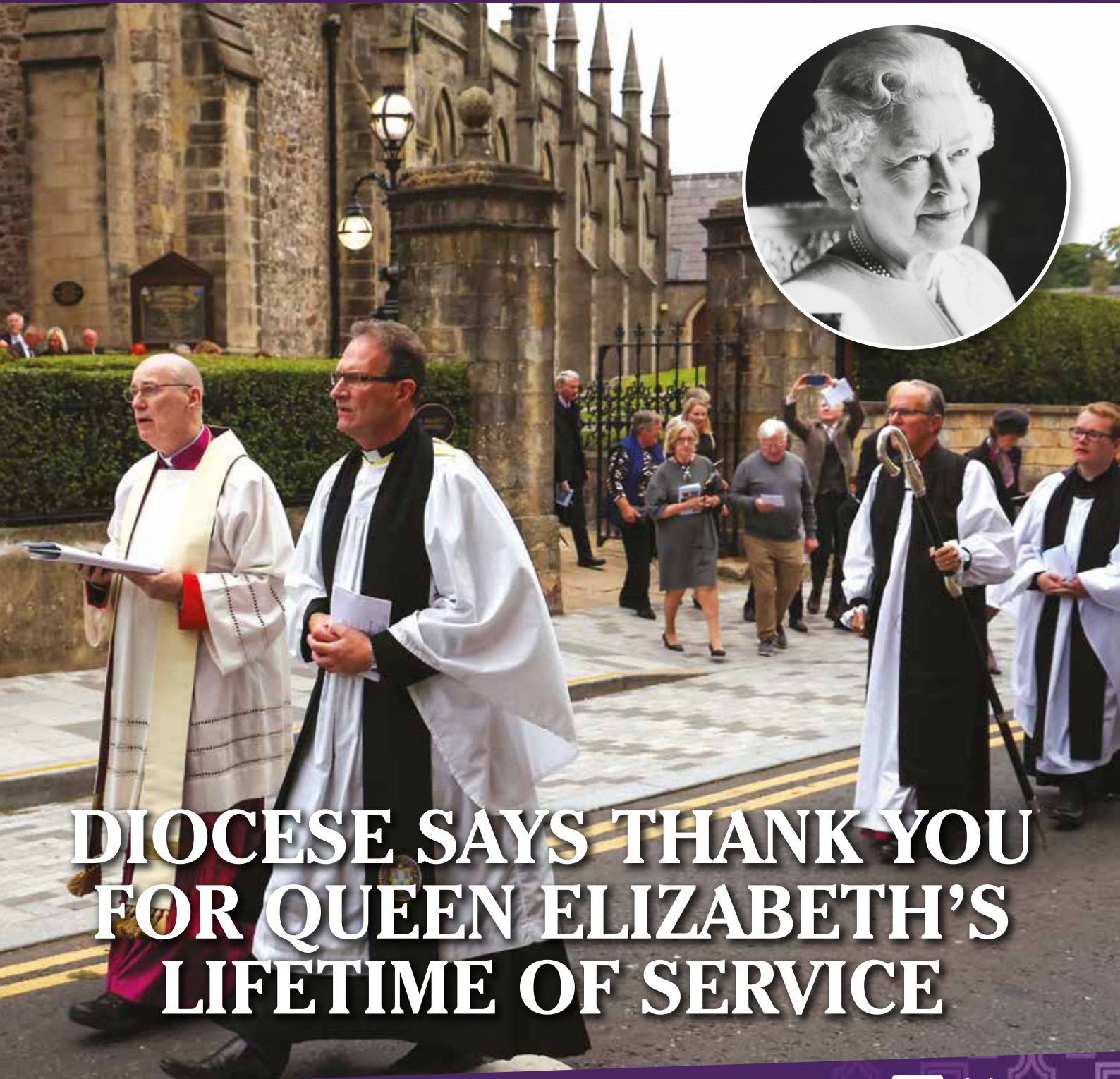




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Clergy and parishioners walk from St. Macartin's Cathedral to St. Michael's Church during the Service of Prayer and Reflection for HM Queen Elizabeth II. Photo by John McVitty

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# A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP



## **Sermon for a Service of Prayer and Reflection on the eve of the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II in St Macartin's Cathedral Church, Enniskillen 18th September 2022**

We gather this evening in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen for this community service of prayer and reflection on the life of our late monarch Queen Elizabeth. Since her death last Thursday, a great sadness has intervened in our common life, and we feel that the pattern of our lives has been shaken. Many people have spoken about the constancy of her reign and how the still centre of national life has been disturbed and how a remarkable chapter of the life of this nation has ended. That feeling has been shared widely across these islands and across the world.

Her death has touched our world because she was probably the most famous person in our world today. Thousands of people have been impelled to travel to mark her passing with floral gifts and make visits to Balmoral, Edinburgh, and London. Many of those who were interviewed spoke of a 'personal grief' having felt they knew the Queen without ever having spoken to her because of the warmth with which she carried out her duties.

We have been transfixed by the TV coverage of various aspects of the preparation for her funeral, the journey of her remains from Balmoral to Edinburgh, the arrival in London, the resting in state, in preparation for

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**Bishop Ian Ellis gives the Blessing at the end of the Service of Prayer and Reflection for Queen Elizabeth II.**

tomorrow's funeral. We have seen the deep respect with which she was held by people, the quiet dignity shown by the many bowed heads. There have been exquisite services of remembrance, with beautiful music, deeply moving moments and fitting tributes by the Royal family, clergy and politicians and those who met her personally.

Much has also been said about her personal qualities, her clear yet quiet un-showy faith, her sense of the role thrust upon her as a young woman and her distinctive and unique service. On this eve of her funeral, we are together as a community with the late Queen in our minds, to gather our thoughts, to fill our hearts with thankfulness and to join in prayer.

In many ways we are doing what families do upon the death of a loved one, come together in God's house, to pray, to reflect, to find common strength, to share memories, to value the love shared, to prepare hearts for a difficult day ahead. Tonight, we recall that at the core of this time of mourning a Family is grieving the loss of a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. This is hugely private loss as well as a national loss.

What families often do in times of grief is to talk together and remember how

the deceased person has touched our lives and the qualities we admired. In the case of Queen Elizabeth, those who had met her at engagements and state visits have commented on: her gracious personality, her dazzling smile, her Hanoverian blue eyes, her deep interest in people, her strength and wisdom. Above all that unfailing sense of selfless service which has marked her reign.

In June here in Fermanagh we, as many parts of the UK and Commonwealth, marked her Platinum Jubilee with many celebratory events. Most memorable was the service here in St Macartin's followed by the beacon lighting in the churchyard and at the Castle. It was a time of great rejoicing, and I had the privilege of speaking at that service and we focussed on that profound sense of duty and service. And I reflected that this might be traced to a pattern of life learned from the Catechism – a duty towards God and a duty towards thy neighbour.

Families at times like these also tend to pass around photos of the deceased in happier times and reflect on the occasions they shared as family, and what they meant to all.

There must be millions of photographs of the Queen, taken in times of joy and times of sorry, each marking a moment in her long and fulfilling life.

However, for us those photos taken during her visits to Ireland, have had an importance beyond measure.

Photos taken during her visit to Dublin in 2011 when she visited sites of significance for Irish nationalism in Dublin. And most importantly when she delivered a widely praised speech in Dublin Castle on the relations between the two countries reflecting that 'With the benefit of historical hindsight we can all see things which we would wish had been done differently or not at all'.

Her words, calling for forbearance and conciliation and the loosening of the knots of history, were picked up by many and deeply appreciated.

How can we ever forget the photos taken to mark her historic 2012 visit to this town at a service to mark the 60th anniversary of her reign? Those remarkable images taken by the world's media as she famously walked across Church Street to meet members of St Michael's Church, and the wonderful painting commissioned to commemorate the moment. She led the way in promoting reconciliation and breaking down barriers to friendship and working together.

In a few moments, tonight Dean Hall and Monsignor O Reilly will lead us and once again we will have opportunity to follow the footsteps of Her Majesty by



**“Queen Elizabeth has left us with an example of how to live well with our neighbours. We might ask ourselves are we truly following this command to love our neighbour as ourselves and to be inspired by the example that Queen Elizabeth has modelled in her life?”**

THE RT REVD DR IAN ELLIS

crossing Church Street to be welcomed into the community of St Michaels for the second part of this service. It is something which only we can do tonight, and we do it with gladness in her memory. It is something very dear to our hearts and is a unique memory for us here in Enniskillen of the late Queen.

However, Queen Elizabeth has left us with not just photographs of that day but an example of how to live well with our neighbours. We might ask

ourselves as we complete this service of remembrance and this walk, are we truly following this command to love our neighbour as ourselves and to be inspired by the example that Queen Elizabeth has modelled in her life? Are we walking a life of reconciliation and taking every opportunity to build new relationships across our communities?

I have been wondering this week what is it that makes Queen Elizabeth stand above all the other famous people in our society, the politicians and statesmen and women? I think it is because she represents a set of spiritual qualities. Politicians deal with the affairs of the moment, administering the shifting challenges of our times. The Queen points us to eternal qualities such as constancy, faith, grace, fidelity, dedication and service. She bequeaths to us a spiritual inheritance.

Tonight, in common with all who gather on this eve of the funeral of Queen Elizabeth, we close this hour of prayer by commending the Queen into the hands of Almighty God, we pray for her dear family, and we seek for them courage and faith to meet the days ahead with steadfast trust in the Saviour whom she believed guided and held her life. And we pray for the future of our county and country that we might be built into the kingdom of our Saviour Jesus Christ.”



The choir of St. Macartin's Cathedral leading the procession at the start of the Service of Prayer and Reflection.

# PARISH NOTES

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### Services

#### Sunday 2nd October

Drumsnatt 9.30am Holy Communion

Clogh 10.45am Holy Communion

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Holy Communion

#### Sunday 9th October

Drumsnatt 9.30am Morning Prayer

Clogh 10.45am Morning Prayer

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 16th October

Drumsnatt 3.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving

Clogh 10.45am Morning Prayer

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 23rd October

Drumsnatt 9.30am Morning Prayer

Clogh 10.45am Morning Prayer

Aghadrumsee 12.05pm Morning Prayer



Some of the children who took part in the Summer Bible Club run for us by Jonathan Graham and team from Glo.

### Harvest Thanksgiving

We extend our thanks to all who helped to make our Harvest Services in Aghadrumsee and Clogh so successful, in particular our special preachers, those who provided the music, our children and those who decorated our churches so beautifully. We look forward to Sunday 16th October at 3.00 pm when we welcome our Bishop, the Rt Revd Dr. Ian Ellis to Drumsnatt Harvest. The service will include a thanksgiving for the repaired wall and pathway..

### Congratulations

We offer our congratulations to Jonathan Graham on his recent appointment.

### Mothers' Union

Clogh Mothers' Union held their dinner in Clogh Hall at the end of August. Provided by Caroline Niblock and team, it was certainly enjoyed by all including their guests Captain David Hamilton and Dean Raymond Ferguson. Thanks to Florence Graham for organizing it and for the quiz after. The new season will start with Holy Communion Service in the Church on Monday 3rd October at 8.00pm.



Members and guests at Clogh Mothers' Union Dinner.



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#### OCTOBER

##### Sunday 2nd October

11.00am Colebrooke HC  
3.00pm Cooneen Harvest

##### Sunday 9th October

9.30am Cooneen MP  
11.00am Colebrooke MP

##### Sunday 16th October

10.30am Colebrooke Family Service  
3.00pm Mullaghfad Remembrance Service

##### Sunday 23rd October

9.30am Cooneen Morning Prayer  
11.00am Colebrooke Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 30th October

9.30am Cooneen Morning Prayer  
11.00am Colebrooke Morning Prayer

#### NOVEMBER

##### Sunday 6th November

9.30am Cooneen Holy Communion  
11.00am Colebrooke Holy Communion

##### Sunday 13th November

11.00am Colebrooke Remembrance Service

### From The Registers

#### Christian Baptism

On Sunday 11th September 2022, Chloe O'Malley, daughter of Jonathan and Diane, was baptized into the Christian faith in St Ronan's, Colebrooke. We pray for God's blessing on this little one and her family for the years ahead.

### Mullaghfad Services

On Sunday 16th October, 2022, at 3.00pm we intend to hold our annual Service of Remembrance with Fivemiletown and Lisburn RBL in attendance. This will be the first service in Mullaghfad since the beginning of Covid, and we are looking forward to having fellowship together again. Weather permitting, we intend to once again hold a Carol Service in Mullaghfad on Sunday 4th December 2022 at 3.00pm. All are welcome, and, as in previous years, the collection received will go to charity.

### Auction

Colebrooke parish intend to hold an auction in the church hall on Saturday 8th October 2022, beginning at 2.00pm.

### Parish Organisations

At present the parish organisations are beginning to return to normal times of meeting. As they are able to resume, they will be held as follows:

#### GFS

Girls Friendly Society will meet every Monday, at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall for girls 3 years and upwards, and new members will be made very welcome, taking part in games, cookery, craft, bible study and especially having lots of fun.

#### Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

When the Scouts recommence they will be meeting every Tuesday from 7pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-11 years, and to 9.15pm for Scouts, 11 – 14 years.

The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.

Squirrels (4 - 6 years)

Beavers (6 – 8 years)

Cubs (8 – 11 years)

Scouts (11 – 14 years)

#### Bowling Club

The Bowling Club has now resumed and meets in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 7.45pm.

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

#### Mothers' Union

There was much anticipation for the outing



Mothers' Union members enjoying their cruise on Lough Erne.



on 3 September as no outings were possible for the past two years. Despite worrying weather forecasts the trip went ahead. Prayers were answered for a calm and mainly dry cruise on Lough Erne. Captain Chris took us around the waterways which wind through Enniskillen and tour guide Brian, related interesting facts and history of the area. We then proceeded past Devenish Island and into the wider lough where we viewed the local wildlife including coots, herons, ducks and swans with their new brood of cygnets. Brian and David served tea and coffee while Valerie and Irene distributed the shortbread and biscuits. The 30 ladies enjoyed an interesting and memorable cruise.



Three more friends joined the party for a tasty evening meal at Rusks Restaurant, Fivemiletown. The Mothers' Union acknowledge the grant support received from South-West Age Partnership. The meeting planned for 14 September was postponed as a mark of respect on the sad death of Her Majesty, The Queen, who was

the patron of Mothers' Union. The Visitors' Night is on 19 October, when Clodagh Dunlop will share her remarkable story of recovering from 'Locked in Syndrome.' This story is recorded in her book, 'Return to Duty.' Come and bring your friends to Colebrooke Parish Hall for 8 pm on 19 October.

## Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno



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St. Maeldoid's Sunday School at their summer outing to GR8 in Castleblaney.

### Holy Baptism

Kathleen Louise Akionla Gray was baptised on Sunday 18th September in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblaney. We pray that the Lord may always guide and protect Kathleen's family and godparents as they care for her.

### Harvest Festivals 2022

A Harvest Festival Service will take place in each of our parish churches at 3.30p.m. as follows:

St. Maeldoid's, Castleblaney – Sunday 2nd October (Preacher: Very Revd. Gregory Dunstan, former Dean of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh).

St. Colman's, Clontibret – Sunday 9th October (Preacher: Capt. David Hamilton, Church Army Officer).

Christ Church, Ballybay – Sunday 16th October (Preacher: Revd. Dr. Gerard Clinton, First Ballybay, Second Ballybay, Rockcorry and Drumkeen Presbyterian congregations).

### Sunday School

Sunday School resumed in St. Colman's Church, Clontibret, on Sunday 18th September and in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblaney, and Christ Church, Ballybay, on Sunday 25th September. We thank all of the Sunday School teachers, Martha, Lynn, MJ, Alison, John, Andrea, Sharon, Julie and Tara, for all their hard work and dedication.

### Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union resumed after the summer break on Wednesday 14th September when an opening service was held in St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblaney. Julie Crawford is the new branch leader and thanks were expressed to her for taking on this role in succession to Ethel Coulter who was branch leader from 1997 until her untimely passing in May 2021. During the service of Holy Communion, Ethel was

remembered in prayer. Thanksgiving was also offered for the Queen, as Patron of the Mothers' Union, and her dedication and commitment to her role was recalled. She served as a longstanding reminder that we should live up to our own values, practice our faith and live each day as a celebration of all that is.

Members enjoyed some refreshments after the service and planned forthcoming meetings.

### Class of 2022

Congratulations to all those who received the results of their Leaving Certificate last month, including Chantelle Tate and Emily Dickson of Clontibret Parish. We wish them well as they head off to college - Chantelle to Ballyhaise to complete a four-year full-time degree course and Emily to Portobello Institute, Dublin, to complete a three-year



full-time degree course. Well done girls!

### 40th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Deborah and Adam Tate of Clontibret Parish who celebrated 40 years of wedded bliss in September. We wish them many more years of good health and happiness!

### Aerial photo of St. Colman's Church, Clontibret

Thanks to a chance encounter with a photographer, we have been given a number of aerial photos of St. Colman's Church, which we greatly appreciate.

### Donation to Ukraine

Following the "Songs of Praise" service at St. Colman's Church, Clontibret, on 14th August, a cheque for €460.50 was given to "Bishops' Appeal" for the Ukrainian crisis. We continue to pray for all those suffering as a result of the war there. The essential items previously sent to Ukraine by parishioners were very gratefully received.

### Youth Club

The next meeting of the Parish Youth Club will be held on Saturday 15th October from 7 p.m. – 8.15 p.m. The venue will be confirmed nearer the date. All children of primary school age are welcome.



### Coffee Mornings in Ballybay

Our coffee mornings in Ballybay Parish Hall on the second Tuesday of each month from 11 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. are proving to be very popular with parishioners and people from the Ballybay area. Forthcoming dates include Tuesday 11th October and Tuesday 8th November – please feel free to come along and bring your friends. All welcome!

### Supporting Donna

Donna Geary, a parishioner of St. Colman's Church, Clontibret, is continuing her missionary work in Papua New Guinea. If you wish to support her, you can set up a recurring monthly donation or a one off donation through the following link (make sure to include the name "Donna Geary" in the additional comments box): <https://ywamships.org/donate/medical-ship/> You can also donate through PayPal using the following link: <https://www.paypal.me/donnageary1533>

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### Prayers

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



Donna Geary, who is currently undertaking missionary work in Papua New Guinea.



An aerial photo of St. Colman's Church, Clontibret.

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At the time of writing these notes for the Diocesan Magazine, we have been stopped short in our daily lives with the sudden passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Each one of us will have our own memories of a gracious, dignified, and dedicated lady whose motto “I Serve” was also the motto of her father, King George VI and her grandfather, King George V. In the month of April 2022, the author of these notes whilst on a visit to Edinburgh, visited St Giles Cathedral. Little did we think, then, that St Giles would play such a role in Her Majesty’s final journey from Balmoral to London. On the evening of Her Majesty’s passing, the bells in Cleenish and Mullaghduin were set to toll and the Rev Alison led

both services on the morning of Sunday 11th September with special prayers and liturgy.

As the peoples of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland mourn the passing of our beloved Queen, we offer up the following prayer:

*God of love,  
We thank you for the life of The Queen,  
for her service to our nation,  
and for her faith in you.  
Be close to all of us who mourn,  
that we may we find comfort and hope in  
your love,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

### Creation, Humans, and the Spirit

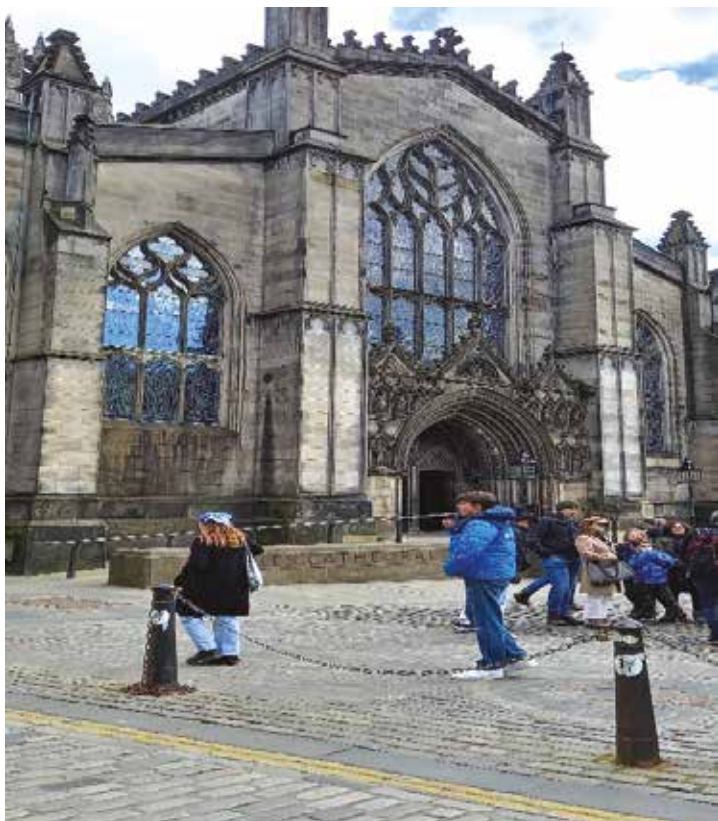
The season of Autumn is well upon us now as you read this. Harvest Thanksgiving Services are in full swing. Within our liturgy we are blessed with a richness of resources provided for our use as we thank and praise our Creator for his steadfastness and goodness. I love the hymns we sing during Harvest, but I feel they do sometimes overshadow the original source of many, the Psalms. Before there were any hymns, we sang psalms. Not that long ago memorising the psalms was the best way of gaining easy access to scripture. It is my hope that psalms will once again have been sung in Cleenish and Mullaghduin Parishes this Harvest to our bountiful and generous Creator.

According to Paul, Christians, of all people, should be sensitive to the groans of creation and respond with prayer and action. In Romans 8:18-30 he provides a beautiful insight into the intricate relationship between humans, creation, and the Holy Spirit, where creation itself is eagerly longing for humans to become true children of God.

Almost every day now we hear on the news that our global environmental crisis is getting worse. Climate change gets most of the attention, and there is no doubt that it is a very serious problem. The carbon dioxide concentration in our atmosphere is increasing year on year, and that is a major factor in driving the ever-increasing global temperature.

This is reflected in the severity and frequency of global weather events as experienced in Pakistan last month. And it is going to get worse. At the same time, we are losing animal and plant species to extinction at an alarming rate. Not to mention soil degradation, nitrogen pollution, ocean acidification, land use change and a host of others that rarely make it to the news.

In the years since I first learnt about the hole in the Ozone layer, Greenhouse Gases, and recycling, at school in the 1980’s, things have got a lot worse. Change must happen. We all remember the pre-pandemic school strikes led by Greta Thunberg. However, with the Global crisis in energy supply caused by the war in Ukraine, the pre-pandemic agreements



St Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh.



The Holy Table is the central focus, surrounded by four large pillars, creating a space of unity and inclusion.



made in Glasgow November 2019 at COP26 seem to have been overtaken by these recent Global events. We are stewards of the earth, and we have responsibility to care for it. Scripture is clear that all God's creation, not just mankind, brings him joy. Eco-Congregation Ireland is an initiative of the Irish Inter Church Meeting. Their website addresses the vastly increased interest shown by churches throughout Ireland. Eco-Congregation Ireland seeks to encourage parishes to take steps in four areas to become more environmentally aware and eco-friendly: Practical, Spiritual, Community and Global. Resources can be found on their website: [www.ecocongregationireland.com](http://www.ecocongregationireland.com) Let us pray this Harvest Time in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. (Rom 8:21)  
**Rev. Alison**

### Harvest Services

Mullaghduin Church – Friday 30th September at 8.00pm and Sunday 2nd October at 11.00am. (Combined service for Mullaghduin and Cleenish)  
Cleenish Church – Friday 14th October at 8.00pm and Sunday 16th October at 11.00am. (Combined service for Mullaghduin and Cleenish)

### Dates for the Calendar...!

Saturday 8th October – Concert with Belfast Ukulele Jam, Belfast in Cleenish Parish Hall. The Band is an informal and friendly group who meet regularly for a jamming session and play a wide range of music, most styles, and genres. Tickets (£10) are available from members of Cleenish Select Vestry. Everyone is welcome.  
Sunday 16th October at 4.00pm in Mullaghduin Parish Church – a Memorial Service for the late Emily Gallagher.  
Saturday 29th October - Cleenish Parish Auction, Cleenish Parish Hall, Bellanaleck. (Further details to be announced)  
Saturday 26th November at 2.00pm –



Mullaghduin Parish plan to hold an auction in the Parish Hall at Letterbreen. **KEEP FREE!** Mullaghduin Parish – A Barbecue is planned for Friday 23rd June 2023. Please mark this date on your calendar!

### Cleenish Parish Barbecue

A wonderful evening was had on the evening of Friday 26th August for the Cleenish Barbecue. We were blessed with a beautiful evening as friends from near and far came together for a barbecue at the Cleenish Rectory. Many were able to view the work progress in the renovation and redecoration of the Rectory. This was the first social occasion as we progress through post-Covid. Grateful thanks are expressed to all those who worked behind the scenes – those who provided salads etc, those who assisted our chef, William Stinson, those who worked in setting up tables and chairs and those who helped in the important role of clearing up afterwards! The proceeds of this event were for the Rectory Repairs Fund.

### Mothers' Union

Our October meeting will be held on Tuesday 18th at 8.00 pm in Mullaghduin Parish Hall. Members are reminded to bring non-perishable food items to Church during our Harvest weekends,

and these will then be taken to Enniskillen Food Bank for distribution.

### Don't forget.....

A Knit and Natter group will meet at Letterbreen Methodist Church hall on Tuesday mornings from 10.30am to 12.30pm, starting on 13th September. Everyone is welcome to come along for fun, fellowship and Tea / Coffee and biscuits.

### Sympathy with....

We express sympathy to Ivy Humphreys and her family circle following the death of her sister, Valerie Balfour on 22nd August.

### Bellanaleck Community Group

Congratulations to the members of Cleenish Select Vestry and their helpers, for organising and running a very successful Barbecue on Friday evening 26th August. The large crowds present were more than expected on a pleasant favourable weather evening. Once again, our thanks are due to the maintenance team and contractors from FODC for keeping the grass cut, especially within the Community Garden. However, towards the end of the summer period, long briars tend to fall over along the Loughshore Path, this can be dangerous during the darker evenings when a walker could be caught at eye level. It is requested that our Volunteers carry a set of secateurs and snip off the briar when passing. We thank Almighty God, for the most favourable weather during August, when our farming community saved extra supplies of hay and silage. It was also a period when members of the public took advantage of the facilities at the end of Waterhen Lane, especially the MUGA, and along the lough shore, and River Erne. Should any parishioner in Cleenish require assistance within the public domain in the Village area, contact Owen Wilson (Sec) 66349602, or Sharon Elliott on Facebook.

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### Errigal Portclare Baptism

On Sunday 24th July there was a large gathering of family, friends and church parishioners at the baptism of Elyse Chloe Robinson in St Mary's Errigal Portclare Church. Elyse is the daughter of Adrian and Christine Robinson. Dean Raymond Ferguson conducted the Baptismal Service and Caroline Gervis played the music. Elyse was warmly welcomed into the family of the church. Congratulations to her parents for bringing Elyse to Holy Baptism and may God protect her with love as she grows up.



Baptism for the Robinson family.

## Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss



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### Services

#### 2 October

Clones 11.00am: Clones and Newbliss Joint Harvest Festival Service (Guest Preacher: Mr. Keith Browne; Guest Organist: Ms. Audrey Doogan)

#### 9 October

Killeevan 11.00am: Harvest Festival Service

Currin 3.30pm: Harvest Festival Service (The guest preacher at both these services will be Revd. Peter Wilson, and the Mullaghboy Accordion Band will be guest artists at the afternoon service in Currin)

#### 16 October

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

Currin 10.00am: Morning Prayer  
Killeevan 11.30am: Morning Prayer  
**30 October**  
Clones 11.00am: Joint Group Morning Worship

### Harvest Festivals

Please note that there have been some changes to the timings of our harvest festival services since the publication of the previous edition of the Parish Notes. The details above are now the final version.

### Group Forest Walk for Harvest in Hilton Park

On Saturday 8 October at 3.00pm we will be having a Forest Walk in Hilton Park, to which all our Group parishioners are warmly invited. This walk will take us through the heritage woodlands and designated wildlife estate at Hilton Park. On the way we will be able to see 200 year old oaks, redwoods, weeping beech, and young native woodland plantations. Hilton is also home to red squirrels, pine marten, deer and woodpeckers. All in all, it is a real treat in store for our harvest weekend, and our thanks go to Fred Madden and his whole family for their generous invitation.

### Congratulations

We offer our warm congratulations to Andrew and Leanne Hall who were married on 25 August in Lisnaskea. Andrew is a life-long member of Killeevan Parish and former Glebewarden, and we wish him and Leanne every blessing as they begin their new life together,

wherever it may take them.

### Condolences

We offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Margaret Henderson, who was for many years a faithful and much loved parishioner of St Tighernach's, Clones. A private funeral was held at her home on 5 September, and she will be sorely missed by all who knew her. We also offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of May Dunn (née Crampton), whose funeral was held in Killeevan Church on 13 September. May was the beloved wife of John Dunn of Newbliss Parish, as well as a devoted mother, (great) grandmother, and friend to many. She was a person of faith who will be greatly missed by family and friends alike.

### Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union postponed its meeting on Thursday 15 September as a mark of respect after the death of MU patron, Queen Elizabeth II. However, the meeting went ahead in the Killeevan School House on 22 September, when the Rector led Evening Prayer before a discussion and the customary delicious refreshments. Details of the next meeting will be announced in church in due course.

### Meet our Group's longest serving organist: Mrs. May Leech

Music warms the heart and lifts the soul, and this Group owes a huge debt to the three talented organists who exercise



May Leech who has retired from organist in Clones.

their ministry of music in our churches. We treasure them all – but after 34 years of devoted service our longest serving organist, May Leech in Clones, has decided to retire. As she returns from the organ loft to the pews, here is just a little of her history.

May is a 'local girl', born in Newbliss in 1934. Her father was the local blacksmith as well as being a fine musician and Sunday School teacher. As she grew up, May attended church with her parents each Sunday – and, as a young girl, her first experience of playing the organ was to accompany just one hymn in Sunday services under the watchful eye of the then organist (Mrs Doogan) after lessons from Miss McGee.

At the age of 17, May left Newbliss to live and work in Belfast. She then emigrated with her family to England when she was just 20. It was in England that she married the love of her life, Jervis, who followed her from Clones – and together they had

four children, the eldest two of whom were born in England ... and the youngest two in Ireland, after her return to her husband's family farm near Clones at the age of 28.

Alongside her work on the farm and raising a family, May looks back with real satisfaction on a rich and varied career. During her life she has looked after children in Belfast, begun training as a nurse in Enniskillen, worked in Marks and Spencer's in Leamington Spa, and spent many years working as a highly respected relief teacher in the Clones area. Whatever she did, though, May never forgot her love of music. She joined the Clones Choir (singing alto) immediately after coming back to Ireland, and when organist Dorothy McMahon left for Lisburn in 1988 May filled the vacancy. The rest is history!

For the past 34 years May has played the organ in Clones with skill and dedication – helping the people to sing God's praises

and leading our excellent choir ... as well as being a good friend and musical advisor to a number of different Rectors. She also spent 20 years travelling straight on from Sunday services in Clones to play the organ in Newtownbutler Church too ... and after being invited to follow her from Clones to Newbliss on his first Sunday in the Group four years ago, the current Rector can testify from experience that May is the fastest driver in her 80s he has ever met! He can also testify that she is one of the most supportive, helpful, hospitable (and yes, glamorous!) organists with whom he has had the privilege to serve.

As May retires, we will miss her at the organ. Yet she goes with our thanks and blessing – and we know she will be busy with her crosswords, jigsaws, thrillers, and many (great-) grandchildren! We also look forward to standing alongside her in the congregation as together we sing a new song to the Lord.

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Celebrating the life of Queen Elizabeth II.



The Rector signing the book of condolence.

## Services

### OCTOBER

**2nd** - Holy Communion 11.30am

**7th** - Harvest Service 8.00pm

**9th** - Family Harvest 11.30am

**9th** - Evening Harvest 7.00pm

**16th** - Morning Prayer 11.30am

**23rd** - Morning Prayer 11.30am

**30th** - Morning Prayer 11.30am

### NOVEMBER

**6th** - Holy Communion 11.30am

**13th** - Remembrance Sunday 11.30am

**20th** - Morning Prayer 11.30am

**27th** - Morning Prayer 11.30am

## Christian Baptism

William James Niall Ewing, son of Niall and Danielle, Queensland.

## In remembrance of HM Queen Elizabeth II

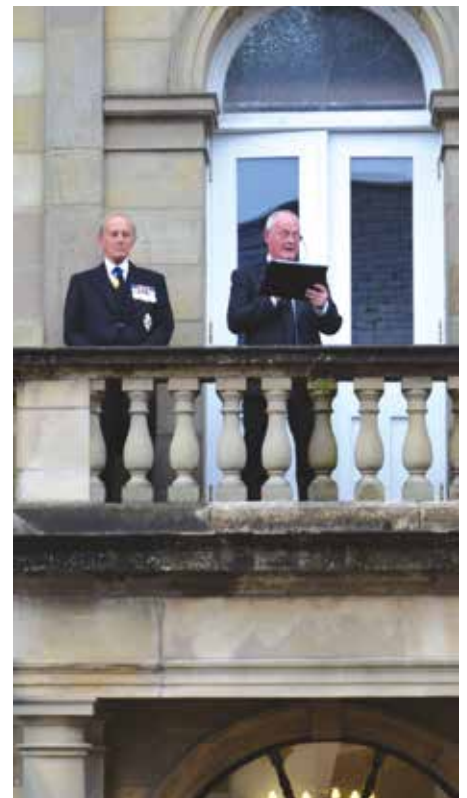
As the news broke of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, many of us felt that immediate sense of loss of one who was a constant in all our lives. Her devotion to duty, and service, to her people, has never faltered throughout her long reign. Her words often at times of crisis, but annually in her Christmas message to the nation and commonwealth was intermingled with her expression of faith in Christ, and of His words being a source of comfort and guidance throughout her life. It is for us all as it was for Elizabeth our faithful Queen to have a living faith in a living Saviour, Jesus Christ the King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Back in June of this year, we celebrated her 70 years on the throne, a time of jubilation for our nation, to which we thank God, by whose grace she reigned over us. *"His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the*

*joy of thy lord."* Matthew 25: 23

As the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland mourn the Queen, there are those whose mocking voices, whose key aim is to cause offence and hurt, celebrate Her passing. I wonder how they would feel, though it appears they lack emotions, if this was their mother, grandmother, and someone else mocked their passing. Jesus said, *"He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her."* John 8: 7 we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Sadly, the moral and biblical values espoused by Queen Elizabeth II, by like mind Christians throughout the world are not embraced by everyone.

The events we are able to witness on our TV screens, listen to on radio, or view on social media enables us to connect with what is happening elsewhere. Some of what we hear and see may seem strange as we mourn The Queen's passing and at the same time welcome the proclamation of a new King, Charles III. God save the King. That transition, the historical significance that the continuity of the monarchy remains unbroken. History unfolds before our eyes, of which we are a part, remembering with love and thanksgiving the passing of our faithful Queen Elizabeth II, and pledging allegiance to King Charles III. While some in the political arena, whose past and present still glorifies acts of terrorism, now in their roles, must recognise and welcome Charles III as king of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and pass on the condolences of the people here. It is our hope, and our prayer that such is not merely tokenism but a step forward. Paul's words in Romans 13 are worth reading and commending to heart, lest we believe what we do, we do on our own authority and not of God.



The Proclamation of King Charles III at Enniskillen Townhall.

## Accession proclamation

Some of our parishioners attended the ascension proclamation at the townhall in Enniskillen on what was an inclement afternoon. A tradition that the news of a new monarch is made known throughout the kingdom. Being present for an historical moment was filled with mixed emotions.

There are many questions around church, worship, re-engagement with church, volunteering in church activities, starting up the various groups within church life. Do we or do we not? Maybe there is an argument for doing things better and not just for the sake of being seen to be

doing something. Are we allowing the secular to lure us away from being a part of Christ's church? Of being an integral part of the life and worship of the church where we are at and the church universal. The mission of the church is to go and make disciples of all nations. I pray we are all able to take and play our part within the life and witness of Christ's church, wherever we are at present.

## Harvest

As we will gather for the harvest weekend, 7th - 9th October, to give thanks to God for the abundance of His goodness, the fruits of His creation in and out of season, let us raise our voices in endless praise to God who knows our need even before we ask it. We are delighted to welcome the Rev John Beacom from Ballinamallard Methodist church as our guest preacher on the Friday evening. Sunday morning

will be the family harvest, followed on Sunday evening with a harvest praise. A light supper will be served after the Friday and Sunday evening services in the church hall.

## Young @ Heart

Some of the members have enjoyed a short break in the 'city of the Seven Towers' Ballymena. A welcome opportunity for members to meet in fellowship as they begin a new programme of events during the autumn months.

## Women's Fellowship

The first of the meetings will be on Monday 3rd October at 8.00pm, with speaker Glen Miller. Glen will share his experiences of delivering emergency provisions from Claudy to Ukraine, as the country lives through war and its people

face the continuous hardships as a result of the same. The next meeting on 7th November will welcome speaker, Ethel McClelland on the Smiles Foundation. Please put the dates in your diary, and plan to come along to share in fellowship. Updates on church groups and other activities will be noted on the weekly notices in church and posted on the parish Facebook when appropriate.

## Service of Prayer and Reflection

As a parish, we came together to celebrate and remember the life and service to our country of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with a service on Fri 16th Sept. The national anthem, God Save our Gracious King during the service to recognise our support for the new King Charles III. The Book of Condolence was available for signing at the end of the service.

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## Services

### Sunday 9th October (All Age informal Morning Prayer)

10.30am Derryvullen North  
11.45am Castle Archdale

### Sunday 16th October

10.15am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer)  
11.30am Derryvullen North (Harvest Thanksgiving)  
7.00pm Derryvullen North (Harvest Thanksgiving)

### 23rd October

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

### 30th October Bible Sunday

10.15am Castle Archdale (Morning Prayer)



11.30am Derryvullen North (Morning Prayer)

### 6th November

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

## Harvest Thanksgiving

**Castle Archdale:** on this magazine's publication day Sunday 2nd October it will be Harvest Thanksgiving in Castle Archdale in both morning and evening. At the 7.00pm evening Service the guest preacher will be our good neighbour the Revd Mark Gallagher, rector of Killadeas and Trory, there will be special musical

items by Don Swain and friends and there will be supper following the Service. At each Service items will be received for the local Food Bank (ARC Centre).

**Derryvullen North:** The Harvest Services will be held on Sunday 16th Oct, 11.30am (All Age celebration) and 7.00pm when the guest preacher will be the Rev Matthew Topley who is the curate of Drumglass Parish (Dungannon). As well as being the curate of Drumglass he is also the Rector's nephew! There will be supper served followed the evening Service. At each Service the choir will sing special anthems and items will be received for the local Food Bank (ARC Centre).



### Remembering her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth

On Sunday morning 18th September we had our monthly All-Age informal Morning Prayer and Castle Archdale and Derryvullen North following the recent death of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. It was good to have available a book of Condolences marking which was arranged by our good friend Mervyn Byers.

In the afternoon of that same Sunday there was a special service to remember the life, reign and faith of Queen Elizabeth – this was with members of the Royal Black Institution, Parishioners and friends. In origin this was to have been the Enniskillen District annual Service and Parade for the Royal Black Institution but as a mark of respect the parade was cancelled. The praise was led by Organist Florence Barrett and the Choir, there was a solo by Paddy Miskimmin accompanied by Rachel Giles and the Reader was Robbie Pearson.

### A new group begins – the Knit, Crochet & Craft Club

This new group was launched on Thursday 8th Sept, in the Parish Centre (Derryvullen North) at 7pm. It is open to anyone who either can or would like to learn to knit and crochet. If someone could share their skill or craft with others that would be great. For more information you can contact either Laura McDowell or Edna Ferguson or just come along on a Thursday evening at 7.00pm. We are very grateful to and thank Laura and Edna for this project. People are also welcome to just come along and chat! If you wish you can bring along your own needles or crochet hook suitable for Double Knitting or Chunky.



Mervyn Byers with the Book of Condolence of Queen Elizabeth.

### Home knitters

Not everyone who enjoys knitting will be able to attend our new Knit, Crochet & Craft Club in the Parish Centre and so there will also be other aspect of the Club - the Home Knitters. Alison Forbes of South West Age Partnership will be launching the Winter Woolly Campaign and is looking for local knitters to knit lap blankets, hats, scarves, gloves or socks to donate. These items will be distributed to older people to help them cope better in the winter. The Mission to Seafarers and some refugee support groups also are able to make good use of such items too. There are patterns available in

Derryvullen North Church porch or contact Laura McDowell or Edna Ferguson.

### Bowling Club

The Bowling Club has now restarted and it has been great to welcome new members. The members enjoy the sport but also enjoy the chat and the friendship too. If you want to have a go do come along to Derryvullen North Hall on a Tuesday evening at 8.00pm.

### Shoppers' Service

The monthly Shoppers' Service will take place in Derryvullen North Parish Centre on Wednesday 12th October and this will be followed by chat time with a cuppa. It



Home knitters.



was great to be back after the summer break for the Service in September – we had a full hall with plenty of chat and an enjoyable cuppa afterwards.

### Children's Ministry – Sunday School

By the time of publication the children's ministry will have resumed in both of our parishes – Castle Archdale and Derryvullen North. We are very grateful for all the work and commitment that the leaders give to the Sunday Schools as it is so important for the well being of the children and the future life and witness of the Church.

### Confirmation 2022

The Confirmation Service and first Holy Communion will have (DV) taken place by the time this publication goes to print and there will be a full report in the next edition. There are 15 candidates – three from Castle Archdale and twelve from Derryvullen North. This builds on the teaching and formation provided by the Sunday School leaders over the past years and now the Rector has been rounding this off with a series of classes in the Derryvullen North Parish Centre on Friday evenings.

### Boys' Brigade (BB)

Boys' Brigade is back for the 2022-23 season and Thursday 15th Sept 7-8pm was registration night!

BB is a great group to support and nurture boys through a wide range of activities - new members will be very welcome. We also greatly appreciate all the work that the leaders of each section put into what they do. For more information contact Captain Joe Graham. If you do not have his contact details you can message me at this page with your details and I will let him know.

You can also find more information at this link <https://boys-brigade.org.uk/northern-ireland/>

### Singing and the Choir

Derryvullen North Choir members lead the singing each week but now the regular practices have resumed on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 8.00pm. It was great to welcome several new members over the past few months and anyone who enjoys singing would be very welcome – just speak to organist Florence or the Rector.

We would also welcome people, in both parishes, who would be willing to sing either on their own or with someone else

at our informal Second Sunday Services. Over the past year it has been great to see about nine individuals or groups who have been willing to give this a go. Our worship has been blessed through all of this.

### Weekly notice sheet

As we move to a full pattern of activities in our parishes we will be moving the Church Notice Sheet from being a monthly production back to the customary weekly one. We are very grateful to Violet Duncan for preparing and producing this - her dedicated work is much appreciated. Groups and individuals who have parish or community matters (regular or occasional) for the Sheet are asked to contact Violet.

### From the registers:

#### CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

James (Jim) Robinson, 30th August 2022 (Derryvullen North)

*"May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church living and departed in the Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom. 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, 2nd October

10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary

12 Noon Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

#### Sunday 9th October

10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

12 Noon Morning Prayer Garvary

#### Sunday 16th October

10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary

12 Noon Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

#### Sunday 23rd October

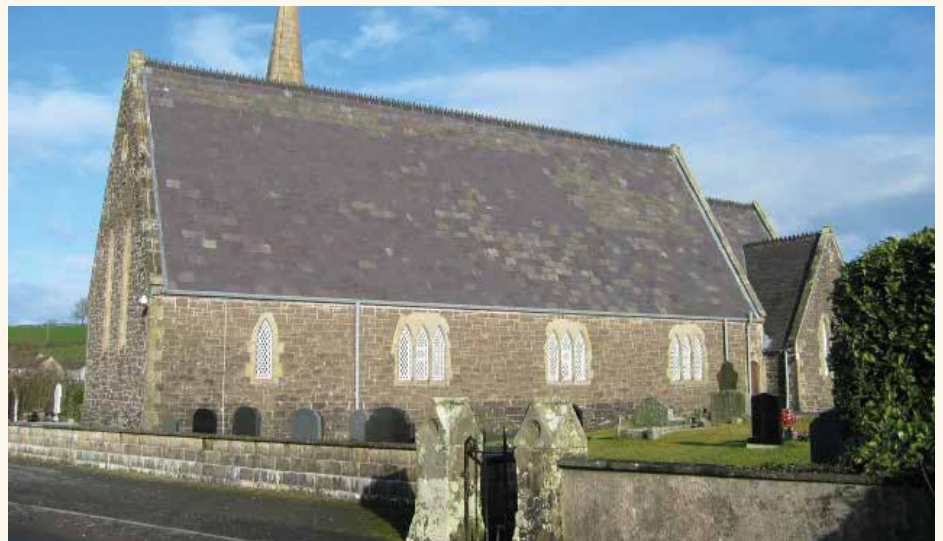
10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South

12 noon Morning Prayer Garvary

### Garvary

#### Harvest

The Harvest Thanksgiving services are



being held in Garvary on Sunday, 9th October at 12 noon and again in the evening at 7pm.

#### Bowls

The members of the bowling club in Garvary have decided to begin a new season following a long break because of Covid-19 restrictions. New members are welcome. The Club meets in the Church Hall each Wednesday at 8pm.

#### Fundraising

Two events were organised recently to

raise funds for the church. Ann Rowley organised a charity table in Tesco which raised £92.55 and Hilda Lucy had organised a collection of used clothing for Cash for Clobber which raised £216. Our thanks to both ladies for their efforts.

#### Prayers

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

## Devenish & Boho



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### Services

#### Sunday 2nd October

10.00am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 9th October

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 16th October

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am, Morning Prayer Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 23rd October

10.00am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church

#### Sunday 30th October

10.00am Morning Prayer Boho Parish Church

11.30am Morning Prayer Devenish Parish Church

### Burial

9th September 2022 Wesley Scott, Levally, Enniskillen. The service in Devenish Parish Church was conducted by Revd. Sampson Ajuka, the readings were read by Sara Ternan, Kenneth Wilson and Jonathan Fallis. A family tribute was given by Scott Fallis and Canon Derek Kerr gave the address. Wesley was buried in Devenish Parish Graveyard.

Wesley's sudden death has shocked the Parish and wider community. Wesley has contributed much to Devenish Parish being a very active member of Select Vestry and the auctioneer at our annual auction and aale. Wesley was never afraid to express his views but he was a man that



got things done. He played a major part in the decision to build the new Rectory. He was heavily involved in organising the Remembrance Day services and he was the prime mover in the erection of plaques in Devenish Parish to UDR and RUC personnel who were killed during the Troubles. He restored the Southern arch in the graveyard in memory of his wife Violet. Wesley will be sorely missed by all in the parish and the wider community. A great servant to the Parish.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Wesley's brother John, sister Lorna, nephews and nieces. and the wider family circle.

### Sympathy

Both Parishes wish to extend our deepest sympathy to King Charles III and the Royal family on the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

### Marriage

Tuesday 16th August 2022 in Devenish Parish Church, Mark McIlveen and Zoe Thompson. We offer our congratulations and best wishes to Mark and Zoe for their married life together.

### Baptisms

■ Saturday 20th August 2022 Thomas William Scott Fallis, son of Jonathan and Erica Fallis. We wish God's blessing on Thomas and his parents Jonathan and Erica.

■ Sunday 28th August 2022 Charlotte Emma Cathcart, daughter of Luke and Emma Cathcart. We wish God's blessing on Charlotte and her parents Luke and Emma.

■ Sunday 28th August 2022 Charles Patrick, son of Jack Patrick and Shannen

Timlin. We wish God's blessing on Charles and his parents Jack and Shannen..

### Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Boho Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Services on Friday 30th September and Sunday 2nd October.

Devenish Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Services on Friday 7th October and Sunday 9th October.

### 50th Anniversary Remembrance

On Sunday 21st August 2022 an Act of Remembrance was held at the grave of Alfred Johnston in Devenish Parish churchyard. Later in the afternoon an Act of Remembrance was held in Rossorry Parish Graveyard at the grave of James Eames. This was followed by a Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving in Rossorry Parish church conducted by Revd Charles Eames.

### Mothers' Union

On Wednesday 14th September, a Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Her Majesty the Queen was held in Devenish Parish Church at 8 pm. Members stood for the National Anthem and observed a minute's silence prior to the commencement of the service which was led by the Revd. Sampson Ajuka. Pearl Bell, Branch Leader, paid a moving tribute to our wonderful Queen and our patron, who was also a much-loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Two candles were lit by Vivienne Ferguson and Kay McKeown as a mark of respect to Her Majesty the Queen for her life and legacy. The organist was Gill Spence.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th October at 8 pm. Our

guest speaker will be Detective Constable Clodagh Dunlop. Anyone who would like to hear Clodagh's remarkable road to recovery from locked in syndrome to returning to duty will be very welcome.

### Devenish Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

On Saturday 30th July we had a very successful evening to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Canon Derek Kerr

presented a great exhibition of royal memorabilia and gave two very interesting talks on the history of the Royal Family which concluded with a spiritual message. Church Hill Silver Band played a number of musical selections. The Select Vestry wishes to thank Canon Derek Kerr, Church Hill Silver Band, Fermanagh and Omagh District Council, all who helped in providing refreshments and everyone who attended.

**Donacavey and Barr**



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Donacavey: 11:30am Morning Prayer.  
**Sunday, 30th October**  
Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer.  
Donacavey: 11:30am Morning Prayer.

### Baptism

We welcomed Tilly Anne Woods on Sunday 2nd September at a service of baptism in Donacavey. Tilly has a wonderful family of older brothers to grow up with and already she has them wrapped around her finger. We pray that Tilly will grow up in the church and come to know the wonder of salvation that comes through Jesus Christ.



### GFS

The Girls Friendly Society (GFS) is recommencing for the incoming year with meetings every Thursday night from 6:45pm to 7:45pm. Our first meeting took place on Thursday 19th September. Leaders are a bit like finding hen's teeth, so we are very grateful to those who have come forward to continue this valuable work with the young people.

time since games have been played so a bit of practice will be necessary. This is always a fun evening and a great way to catch up with friends. A cup of tea is served and this is always very welcome. Come along and give it a go.

### Services

#### Sunday, 2nd October

Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer.  
Donacavey: 11:30am Morning Prayer,

#### Sunday, 9th October

Barr: 10.00am  
Donacavey: 11:30am Children's Harvest;  
7:30pm Harvest Service

#### Monday 10th

8:00pm Harvest Service with tea afterwards.

#### Sunday, 16th October

Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer.  
Donacavey: 11:30am Morning Prayer.

#### Sunday, 23rd October

Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer.

### BB

Boy's Brigade is also beginning a new term. This is held in the Presbyterian hall and some of our parishioners are leaders in that organisation. The various groups meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays and new boys are very welcome.

### Sunday school

Sunday school has restarted for the new term and it is great to see the children back at Sunday school again. We thank the dedication of the teachers, Alan, Lucy and Clare for giving of their time, energy and talent to teach the children. Please continue to uphold them and the children in your prayers.

### Bowls

Indoor bowls has got up and running again and new members will be very welcome. It seems like it has been a long

### Outside work

Lots of work has been undertaken at the



The field beside the church in Fintona.



side of Donacavey church over recent months. A large plot of trees has been removed and the ground cleared and levelled. Most of the timber was sold to Balcas and will be used for planks, posts and other timber products. Almost 30 tonnes of the hardwood has been sold and will be used for wood burning stoves, and around 200 tonne of branches have been shredded and reprocessed into chippings that will be used to generate electricity. Nothing has gone to waste and even the stumps of the trees were used for filling on a building site. Parishioners and local people can just remember it being planted many years ago and also games being played on the tennis court that had long since been overgrown. All this work has created a great interest and of course speculation as to what will be built on the now cleared land. We have plans in place to extend the graveyard in the future and to replant sections of the plot. We are very grateful to all those contractors who had an input into this project, R J Woodland Services, Rodney Noble for shredding the branches, David Burke for the digger work and Tom McDermott for ploughing and reseeding. Thanks also to the subcommittee who kept a watchful eye on things (George, Derek and David). Thanks also to the Community Fund for their generous grant towards the work on this project.

### Church Meal

We had a very enjoyable in the hall



The cemetery.

on Friday the 9th September. This is proving to be an informal way for the congregation to meet and have fellowship together. We met during the time for mourning for Queen Elizabeth and although it was overshadowed by a real sense of grief and loss it was

good to share those feelings with others during a time of reflection and prayer. A special service took place on Sunday in Barr and Donacavey to remember with thankfulness the life of Her Majesty. Her death will undoubtedly be the catalyst for considerable change in the coming years.



Enjoying the parish meal.



## Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh



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### Services

#### Sunday 2nd October The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am St Salvator's, Glaslough A Celebration of The Holy Communion with Sermon

3pm St Muadain's, Errigal Truagh Festival Evensong with Harvest Thanksgiving, Sermon and Harvest Supper

#### Sunday 9th October The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am St Salvator's, Glaslough - Order 1 Celebration of The Holy Communion

3.00pm St Salvator's, Glaslough - A Festival of Harvest Thanksgiving Evening Prayer for use on Sunday with Dedication of the Sunday School Room by Bishop Ian Ellis with Sermon and Harvest Supper

#### Sunday 16th October The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am St Salvator's, Glaslough - Morning Prayer with Sermon

12 noon St Sillian's, Tyholland - A Celebration of The Holy Communion with Sermon

#### Sunday 23rd October The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am St Salvator's, Glaslough - All Age Family Service Morning Prayer for use on Sunday led by Revd Tim with the help of children from our Sunday School

12 noon St Muadain's, Errigal Truagh - A Celebration of The Holy Communion with Sermon

#### Sunday 30th October The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am St Salvator's, Glaslough - Group Service of Morning Prayer for use on Sunday with Sermon

#### Sunday 6th November The Twenty First Sunday after Trinity

10.30am St Salvator's, Glaslough - A Celebration of The Holy Communion with Sermon



Heritage Week in Glaslough.

12 noon St Sillian's, Tyholland - A Celebration of The Holy Communion with Sermon

7pm St Salvator's, Glaslough - All Saints' Evensong with remembrance of our loved ones departed. During this service there will be time to light a candle in remembrance of those whom we love but see no longer and are now at rest and the names of those whom we are remembering will be read out while the bell is tolled.

### Heritage Week

We were delighted to be able to reopen two of our churches during Heritage week following the disruptions that accompanied the various lockdowns over the past two years.

In St Salvator's Revd Tim spoke about the architecture of the village, the church and their various stages of development since the first Manor House was first built on the site prior to the arrival of Bishop John Leslie and his family. Revd Tim then gave a brief biography of Bishop John, "the fighting Bishop", detailing his exploits in

defence of the monarchy and his sustained resistance against the numerically superior forces of Cromwell. It was Bishop John's support of the monarch that resulted in his translation to Clogher Diocese and the gift from Parliament of £2000 that enabled him to purchase the land which was to become the Leslie Estate and it was here that he refounded the parish church where worship according to the Book of Common Prayer (which Cromwell had proscribed during the Commonwealth and Protectorate) continues to this day.

Mr Diane Kendrick-Wright brought us up to date with her memories of the excitement surrounding Sir Paul McCartney's wedding in 2002 and the speculations and secrecy surrounding the events which were exposed when Sir Jack accidentally let the cat out of the bag when he made an offhand comment to some reporters at the gate, not realising that the cameras were rolling! Diane entertained the audience with descriptions of the opulence and extravagance of the floral displays and recollections of the guests and the somewhat nonplussed response of the



locals who were much more interested in the Irish team's progress in the Football World Cup in Japan. We also got to hear about the delight caused to two nuns and their class of teenage girls when they happened across the 25-year old Mick Jagger while on their school trip to Castle Leslie in 1966. Of course, no history of St Salvator's would be complete without reference to the much-loved Sir Jack Leslie and it was with his memorial plaque, installed ante mortem and filled in post mortem that we concluded our history of St Salvator's.

We are very fortunate to have a number of budding young historians in our parish, among them Master Alfie Stewart who interviewed his grandfather Mr William Singleton for a school History and Heritage project. Mr Singleton has an excellent memory and his grandson proved an adept listener and chronicler of his grandfather's memories of his school and church life and especially of the life and times of the long closed Errigal Shanco Church. Alfie was assisted in the telling of his grandfather's recollections by his mother Mrs Arlene Stewart because summer days are very long and tiring for energetic young historians, especially when their lectures don't begin until near bedtime and they have been busy at camp all day. Mr Singleton recalled his home life, school life and church life. We were fascinated to see the pictures of the old Glebe House and the smiling young faces of so many of our now most eminent parishioners in short trousers as they crouched in-front of their beaming teacher, whom, we noted, Mr Singleton had his arm around! We were reminded of a very different pace of life when cars were a rarity and confirmations weren't the big family events that they are now, with Mr Singleton and five of his contemporaries being taken off to Clogher Cathedral by one of the few parishioners who owned a car.

Mrs Ethne McCord had assembled a collection of photos of her own family through the years and these stimulated much excitement as different members of the audience were able to fill in the gaps in the recollection of who was who in each of the photos. One of the loveliest of the photos was of the parishioners of St Muadain's, Errigal Truagh from 1982. Many of those in the photo have long since gone to God, but the front row was of special interest as it featured a very young Mrs Stewart (nee Singleton) and two of her siblings who were also in the audience on the evening of their nephew Alfie's lecture. The Singleton name looms large in the history of both Errigal Shanco and Errigal Truagh and their presence is still strong



At the Service for the Blessing of Schoolbags.

in the parish today where Mr Singleton continues on the Select Vestry which he first joined 65 years ago, and Revd Tim was greatly heartened to hear that one of Alfie's ambitions is to follow in his granda's footsteps and be Rector's Churchwarden. On the evidence of his thorough research and excellent lecture, I'm sure he will be a shoe in!

On the last Sunday of the Summer Holidays the children came to church with their bright new Schoolbags and pencil cases for the Blessing of the Schoolbags. Revd Tim showed the congregation a candle and reminded the children of how Jesus calls each of us to bring the light of his love into all that we do, so that we can bring Christ's light of kindness, forgiveness, friendship and inclusion into the lives of everyone we know and meet. Next, Revd Tim showed us a copy of the Bible and told the children how their parent's and all who love them want them to hear wise words so that they may grow to be wise too and that in the Bible we find many wise words and stories that help us to understand how much God loves each one of us and how God wants us to grow in wisdom and love

in all that we say and think and do. Finally Revd Tim showed us a lunchbox (although he told us that it wasn't his actual lunchbox as that one was too big to get into the car!) and reminded us that our lunch boxes are filled with food that is lovingly prepared for us so that we can be fed and sustained and have the energy to grow and learn, but also it reminds us of how we need the love and care of others and how others need our love and care to ensure that they grow strong too.

### Enthronement

On Thursday 8th September on the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Bishop Ian was finally enthroned at Clogher Cathedral. The Service was prefaced by the sad news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II, for whom a minute's silence was observed and Dean Kenny Hall led the congregation in prayers for the Royal Family and King Charles III before the national anthem was played. However, the Enthronement Service was a joyous occasion for Bishop Ian and the Diocese and our parish contributed to the festivities as Mrs Ethne McCord's merry



Baptism for the Walker family.



The Landers family at the baptism service.

band of roving minstrels (also known as the Parish Choir) went to swell the numbers in the choir gallery and they were rewarded for their singing by being treated to a magnificent concluding voluntary by organist Mr Glenn Moore, whose finger work on the manual dazzled the eye and bewitched the ear.

## Baptism

We recently celebrated two Baptisms in St Salvator's. On Sunday 14th August Oliver Mark Landers, son of Mark Landers

and Lynda Berry was baptised, and on Saturday 3rd September Cecelia James Walker, daughter of Meagan Kendrick and James Walker joined Oliver as the latest member of members of Christ's Church to be baptised in St Salvator's. It is always a joy to celebrate baptisms and these two occasions were truly joyful with parents, grandparents, siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends all coming together to witness Oliver and Cecelia making their first giant step into life's wonderful journey of faith in Christ.

## Sympathy

On a sadder note, we offer our condolences to the Ryan family on the death of Michael's mother, grandmother to Timothy and Katherine and mother-in-law to Gwen. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

## November magazine

As the magazine notes are sent mid-month, it will be the November issue before we report on the Blessing of the Animals and the various Harvest Thanksgivings.

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## Queen Elizabeth II

*Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way, the truth and the life. Keep me from wandering from your ways. Help me to trust you, the truth, and to be filled with your life. May your Holy Spirit teach me to live the right way, to be truthful, and to be filled with your life, living to please you. Amen.*

This was one of the prayers that Queen Elizabeth prayed before her Coronation. Later in her own words she said, "...I must seek by God's grace to be a true and faithful witness unto the Lord." It's clear from this that she was living to please the Lord. In her Christmas message in 2002 she said:

*"I know just how much I rely on my own faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God...I draw strength from the message of hope in the Christian gospel."*

"To take the long view" meant that she had her eyes on eternal things and on the knowledge that she would either go to

be with Christ or meet him when he came again (if she was still alive). She once told her chaplain, *"How I wish that the Lord would come in my lifetime!"* When the chaplain asked her why, she replied with quivering lips and her whole countenance lighted up with deep emotion: *"I should so love to lay my crown at His feet."* For each of us who like Queen Elizabeth and others who have lived their lives for Jesus, longing for his appearing, Paul tells us there is a crown (2 Tim 4:8) *Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.*

## Prayer Spaces

Prayer Spaces provide an opportunity to draw aside, take time out and meet with God. They are dedicated space where people can go to pray and seek God, to intercede and petition. Jesus withdrew to pray (Mt 14:13; Lk 5:12-16; Jn 6:14-16), not at the expense of serving the Father but in order to be more effective in that. The key is not about the physical spaces, but about making space for relationship with God who from the beginning of time, longs to be with His people and connect with them. We know that God is everywhere and we can meet with God anywhere and everywhere, but a Prayer Space with information as well as activities

to help people focus on God and issues in the world, together with time set aside, can have a real impact on someone's prayer life.

Over the Harvest weekend (Friday 30th Sept – Sunday 2nd Oct) the Church and the hall will be set up as prayer spaces to help reflect on various aspects of Harvest, including thanksgiving as well as on the Bible Society and Barnabas Aid. The Church will be open on Friday from 8pm (beginning with our first Harvest Service) until 10.30pm, on Saturday from 10am to 10pm and then on Sunday from 7.30pm – 10.30pm (beginning with our final Harvest Service).

## Keeping up to date

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

- Like our page 'Holy Trinity Dromore' on Facebook
- Watch our Live Streamed Services <https://www.facebook.com/holytrinitydromore/live/>
- Subscribe to our YouTube Channel [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwj585CXlqOq6W6h7\\_2AiYg/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwj585CXlqOq6W6h7_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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As I write my thoughts for the October Magazine we are coming to terms with the passing of Queen Elizabeth II who was a constant in all of our lives and it is fair to say that most of us have never known another monarch.

As we mourn her passing we also celebrate the accession of our new King, Charles III and wish him many years as our Sovereign.

I want to say that we should give thanks for Queen Elizabeth II's long life of service which was celebrated in June and I am sure that the Jubilee Celebrations reminded the queen and her family of their place in the affections of our nation. We also give thanks for her life of faith and the example that she gave us in that regard.

As a nation we mourn her passing while trusting that she has received her heavenly reward.

I would ask you to pray for King Charles III and the Royal Family at this time of sadness for them.

Over the past weeks we have had a



number of special events in the life of our churches.

### Special birthday

On Sunday 4 September we marked a special birthday in the life of David Johnston who currently holds the position of People's Churchwarden in Templecarne.

David has held a number of other positions over the years and continues to keep a watchful eye on the church and graveyard. I would think that there is hardly a day that David and Hilda are not at the church at least once and if anything needs to be done it is done without any fuss.

David turned 80 at the beginning of September and was presented with a picture of the church at the service in Templecarne with his wife, brother Billy (Revd Dr Johnston) and his wife and family in attendance. Catherine Fitzpatrick (Rector's Churchwarden) paid tribute to



Presentations to mark David Johnston's special birthday.







David's life of service to the church. I have included some pictures of this event.

### Harvests

On the same date we had the first of our Harvest Services at Dernasesk. The preacher was Revd Lindsey Farrell and a musical interlude was provided by the Morrison family accompanied on the side drum by Darryl Boyd. Our thanks to those who decorated the hall, those who provided the tea and to Winston Loane for providing the music for the hymns.

On Sunday 11 September we had a Family Service in Tubrid to mark the beginning of the Sunday School year followed by a barbecue. A good day was had by all despite the inclement weather.

We had our Harvest Service in Muckcross on the evening of Sunday 11 September where I was the preacher and the music was provided by Joan Quinn-Vaughan. I have included some photographs of the two harvests with my notes.

We look forward to our remaining Harvest Services in Templecarne and Tubrid over the next two Sundays.

### Diary

#### Sunday 2 October

Morning Prayer 10.00 Templecarne, Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

#### Sunday 2 October

Dernasesk 7pm

#### Sunday 9 October

Holy Communion 10.00 Muckcross,

Holy Communion 11.30 Tubrid

#### Sunday 16 October

Holy Communion 10.00 Templecarne, Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

#### Sunday 23 October

Morning Prayer 10.00 Muckcross,

Morning Prayer 11.30 Tubrid

#### Sunday 30 October

Service of the Word 10.00 Templecarne, Service of the Word 11.30

Tubrid



Photographs from the harvest services in Dernasesk and Muckcross.



## Ematrix with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

Service and Pastoral Cover:  
**Revd Margaret Pringle NSM and Mr. Walter Pringle, DPA and Diocesan Reader.**

**Revd Tim Irvine** is in charge.

### Aughnamullen

We were saddened at the death of Queen Elizabeth II and our prayers and thoughts are with the King Charles III and the rest of the family.

### Aghabog Bereavement

Our deepest condolence to all who have been bereaved recently in the parish, especially to the Steenson Family on the passing of their sister Anne Fisher, Castlecaulfield. Our prayers and thoughts to her husband Bob and family circle.

### Harvest

Our annual harvest service will be held on Sunday 9th October at 8pm. All are welcome.

### Bowling Club

Our bowling club has now resumed their activities in the parish hall on a Wednesday night and new members are welcome.

### Rockcorry and Dartrey Harvest Services

Harvest Thanksgiving services are in full

swing and afford us an opportunity to thank God for all the blessings of the harvest. By all accounts, weather conditions this year have resulted in bountiful results.

Yellow the bracken,  
Golden the sheaves,  
Rosy the apples,  
Crimson the leaves.  
Mist on the hillside,  
Clouds grey and white,  
Autumn "Good Morning",  
Summer "Good Night".

Don't forget Rockcorry Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday, 2nd October, at 8 p.m. Special preacher will be Dean Raymond Ferguson.

### Vestry Meeting

Rockcorry/Dartrey Select Vestry meeting has been arranged for Wednesday, 5th October at 8pm in the Sexton's House. This meeting will be chaired by Revd. Tim Irvine, recently appointed Bishop's Curate of Donagh Group. We warmly welcome him to Clogher Diocese.

### Personal

We remember in our prayers all who are unwell at home, in hospitals and nursing homes and we also have in our thoughts and prayers those who care for them and those who are bereaved.

### Rockcorry N.S.

Rockcorry N.S. pupils and staff are happy to be back in a nice school routine. We would like to welcome the new junior infant pupils Bobby and Nicholas and our new fifth class pupil Ryan.

This year Rockcorry Childcare are using our spare classroom for some of their preschool children. It's lovely to see them at the school also and we welcome them warmly.

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It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday 8th September, and we pray for King Charles III – both as he mourns the death of his mother and settles into the hugely demanding role of being our King. Over this past month, we have heard – time and time again – of Her Late Majesty's faith: the witness she bore to her faith, and the actions that sprung from her faith – her love of her country, her devotion to duty, and her desire for reconciliation.

The reign of the Queen was not a performance, but rather the character of one who lived up to the oaths she took. While so much of her life was dominated by protocol and civil duties, we recognise that she set something quite different before us. For 70 years, through turbulence and change, she has sustained the qualities we admire, and remained the person we respect. She promised at her Coronation to devote her life to principle, not power; to law, to justice, to mercy, and to faith. She kept her promise; she ran the race. It was sustained and it was





demanding. It could be truly said in those words of St Paul to Timothy: 'I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.'

Can the same be said of us concerning our faith? At baptism, we became a member of Christ and a child of God, with a promise to continue on the Christian journey and a prayer that we may bear witness to the Christian Life by a life of service to others. Queen Elizabeth certainly kept the faith and bore witness to the Christ by a life of service to other. We should follow her example. She always endeavoured to look at the world with the eyes of Christ.

During this Harvest Season as we look around us, it is my prayer that we will see through new eyes each day the ways God has blessed us and never take God or those blessings for granted. This year, as we celebrate the Harvest Thanksgiving, may we each see God for who he really is and see ourselves for who we really are. People who have been blessed beyond measure need to give thanks to the Giver of all good gifts, and give a little more to those in need. We often don't realise how blessed we are - and hence how thankful we ought to be - until what we have is threatened to be taken away.

With rising prices of almost everything, including food and heating bills, we as a church need to reach out to those in need. We have already started that process by recycling School Uniforms, opening our Cathedral Halls on Tuesdays to allow parishioners to save on heating bills, and holding Supper at Six to provide a substantial meal. Another way to help would be to provide some food for Enniskillen Food Bank, as well as contribute to our Harvest Appeal.

During this Harvest Season, may we take time to reflect and to enjoy all that God has given us. Harvest Thanksgiving means nothing until you give back to God the gratitude due to him; we need to offer thanks by singing to and about him, praying to him, giving all that we have to him – including our talents, abilities, possessions, opportunities, and most importantly our presence in his Church. We need to commit ourselves to be his faithful disciples, and never take God for granted; for such was the pattern set by Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

- *Very Revd Kenny Hall*

### October Services

#### Sunday 2nd October The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am – Holy Communion  
11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Thursday 6th October

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 9th October The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am – Holy Communion  
11.00am – Harvest Service – Rt Revd Patrick Rooke

7.00pm – A Festival of Hymns and Readings for Harvest

#### Thursday 13th October

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 16th October The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am – Holy Communion  
11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Thursday 20th October

11.00am – Holy Communion  
4.00pm – Messy Church in The Cathedral Hall

#### Sunday 23rd October The Fifth Sunday before Advent

9.00am – Holy Communion

11.00am – Morning Prayer (Family Service – Giving Thanks For Those Who Care For Us)

#### Thursday 27th October

11.00am – Holy Communion

#### Sunday 30th October The Fourth Sunday before Advent

9.00am – Holy Communion  
11.00am – Morning Prayer

### Parochial Registers

#### Burial of Ashes in the Garden of Remembrance

26th September - Margaret Helen Thomas, 'Swansreach', 36 Algeo Drive, Enniskillen.

#### Marriage

3rd September - Rosanna Caroline Graham and Thomas Joe Sodzawiczny.

### Harvest Services

Our annual Harvest Thanksgiving, in which we give thanks to God for his generous provision, will be held on Sunday 9th October at the usual time of 11.00am. The special guest preacher at this service will be the Rt Revd Patrick Rooke. Bishop Patrick recently retired as the Bishop of Tuam, Killala, and Achonry in the West of Ireland. At 7.00pm on the same day, we will have another opportunity to thank God for his promise that "as long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night shall not cease." Much like the annual Festival of Lessons and Carols for Christmas, this service will give us an opportunity to reflect on inspiring hymns and readings but with a Harvest theme. Refreshments, as well as apple tarts with fresh cream, will be served in the Cathedral Hall following the service. All are warmly welcome to attend both services.

### Harvest Appeal 2022

Jesus said; 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.' (Luke 10:2) In Christian service there is no resting, God has work enough for everyone. Don't just sit back and watch others work—look for ways to help. Help practically, prayerfully and financially.

Harvest Time is an opportunity to pause and think of all the goodness God provides for us in our daily living. Many things that are readily at our hands are taken for granted in this day and age, without a thought given to the provider, not to mention the number of things we accumulate or waste.

Here is an opportunity to give thanks to God in appreciation of His goodness



Scott is pictured with Nathan Clyde, Churchwarden; The Dean; The Curate, Revd Chris West and Richard Cochrane, Churchwarden.



The Revd Nick McKee is pictured extreme right with the Dean and two other former Portora Royal School oldboys, The Revd Brian McConkey and The Revd Michael Hutchinson.

to you. Please contribute what you can financially afford and bring it to church, as you make that extra effort to come to God's House to give thanks for His goodness and loving kindness.

### Enniskillen Food Bank

We want to make sure that no one in our local community goes hungry, but we need your help to make this happen. Last year, the local foodbank distributed 3,290 food parcels; this year, we have already seen a major increase in need. The foodbank relies on the support of the local community for food donations, and this is where you can help: might you consider donating to the foodbank as part of your Harvest offering? You can bring along food items - cereals, soup, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, custard/ rice pudding, baked beans, tinned spaghetti, Dolmio type sauces/tinned tomatoes, UHT milk, juices, tinned meat and fish, pasta, rice, noodles, biscuits, tea, coffee, and snacks – to any of our Harvest Thanksgiving Services, and we will pass your donations on. Your gift of food can make a real difference.

'FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER' – 2nd Corinthians Ch 9 verse 7

Each year a great deal of work and effort is invested in decorating the cathedral so beautifully and colourfully for the Harvest Thanksgiving and yet these decorations are only seen briefly by those attending the services. The Cathedral is open daily for visitors, so please come along and view the Harvest decorations. Everyone is welcome to visit and to attend any of the services.

### Presentation to Scott Elliott

Vocation Sunday (4th September) carried with it mixed emotions, as it marked Scott Elliott's final Sunday before commencing training for ordination in the Church of

Ireland Theological Institute, Dublin. On the one hand, we are excited to see what God has in store for the next stage in Scott's life and ministry. On the other hand, we are sad to see Scott leave and will miss his presence with us in the Cathedral at our regular services. Scott was the special guest preacher at the service. During the sermon, he emphasised that the word "vocation" carries the sense of "being called" and stressed that "everyone has a calling" as "we are all united with the mission of the Church" in Baptism. He spoke of his own sense of calling to priestly ministry. In the prayers, the Curate Assistant prayed that Scott's sense of calling would be renewed as he begins training for ordination. At the end of the service, the Dean used words from a Robert Frost poem to describe life as a journey with many roads which we must travel along, and with many alternative paths which we must choose between; he offered Scott his well wishes

as he took "the road less travelled". The Rector's Churchwarden, Nathan Clyde, presented Scott with a cheque on behalf of the people of the Cathedral as a token of our appreciation of his ministry. Please continue to keep Scott in your prayers in the weeks and months ahead.

### King Charles III and the Queen Consort visit Northern Ireland

The Dean and Monsignor Peter O'Reilly were invited to be present at Hillsborough Castle on Tuesday 13th September when the new monarch, King Charles III and Queen Consort Camilla, visited. They were privileged to be among a group of approximately 60 people, including the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and Stormont party leaders. A message of condolence was led by the Speaker of the Northern Ireland Assembly, Alex Maskey. Those in attendance then had an opportunity to meet the Royal couple at a reception.





Dean Kenneth Hall and Monsignor Peter O'Reilly at Hillsborough Castle.

Sam Morrow, The Honorary Secretary of the Select Vestry, was also honoured to be invited to attend the service of reflection in St Anne's Cathedral in the afternoon where the King and Queen Consort met leaders of all the major faiths in N. Ireland.

### Messy Church Sunday Lights and Café

Sunday Lights and Café, at which we use interactive and creative forms of learning to help the children learn about the Christian faith (telling Bible stories, discussion, songs, games, and crafts) will return from Sunday 2nd October onwards. The children will leave during the 11.00am service after the singing of a family hymn for their own activities and will attend and take part in monthly Family Services. Sunday Lights is open to anyone in P1-4, and Sunday Café welcomes children in P5-Year 8.

### Family Services

The key to understanding these services is thinking about them as "family time" (the family of the Church), not as time for the children with the adults present. It is an all-age time - all are welcome to attend these services! On Sunday 23rd October - the Sunday following St Luke's Day (18th October) - we will be holding a special service for families, giving thanks for those who care for us, as - according to the New Testament - Luke was a doctor who accompanied St Paul on some of his missionary journeys. The special guest preacher for the service will be the Rev'd Nick McKee.

### Guest Preacher at the Family Service on 23rd October

The Revd Nick McKee tells us a little about himself: I was born the youngest of five children to John and Grace McKee. I went



to Jones Memorial Primary School and then Portora Royal School where Stephen Nixon was one of my contemporaries. At school I was rubbish at rugby but not bad at rowing. My Fermanagh childhood has given me a deep love of the outdoors and I regularly drag my family up mountains and across lakes. After school I went to Nottingham to study engineering and then spent a decade in the oil and chemical industry before entering training for ordination. The call to ordained ministry had come much earlier, shortly after I'd stopped wanting to be a lorry driver aged about seven, but I was a bit slow on the uptake. While still working in industry I found my way into the Church of England in Brussels and from there I entered training for ordination in Cambridge. Cambridge was followed by a curacy in south Manchester and an incumbency in Bolton, just north west of Manchester. After a decade of parish ministry I moved to my current role as Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Blackburn.

I'm married to Jo, who is also ordained and is the vicar of a parish in north Manchester, and we have one daughter called Hannah who is an A Level student. With two clergy for parents, Hannah has to be one of the most understanding teenagers on God's good earth. The Revd Nick McKee is pictured at the top of Page 28, extreme right with the Dean and two other former Portora Royal School Oldboys, The Revd Brian McConkey and The Revd Michael Hutchinson.

### Xplore

Xplore is a relaxed group for young people in Years 9-12. We want the young people of St Macartin's Cathedral to know that they are valued, and have a safe space to ask questions about life and faith. We ask our young people to keep the evening of Friday 21st October free for our Xplore outing: bowling, pizza, and ice-cream will feature. Watch out for more information in Pew News soon!

## Family Fun Morning

A Family Fun Morning, open to all young families, will be held in the Cathedral Hall on Saturday 8th October from 10am-12noon. Activities for children, as well as refreshments for parents and guardians, will be available. All will be made very welcome!

## Pilgrim

We are holding a Pilgrim Course that explores the Christian faith in greater depth through the Creeds. The course is inclusive and open to all, whether you are exploring the Christian faith for the first time or simply want to grow in your understanding of what you believe. Sessions will be held in the Cathedral Hall on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, with the next session being held on 11th October at 7.30pm. A warm welcome awaits you, and refreshments will be served at each session. We look forward to journeying with you.

## Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union meeting which was planned for Monday 12th September was

cancelled as a mark of respect following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The next meeting is on Monday 10th October when a talk on 'Beekeeping' is planned. New members are very welcome!

## Tuesday Club

Members will meet again on 25th October. New members are welcome to join regular participants for an afternoon of good fun, food and fellowship. The Tuesday Club meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 2.00pm in the Cathedral Hall.

## Tuesday drop-in

Every Tuesday afternoon from 2.00 to 6.00pm, the Hilliard Room in the Cathedral Hall will be open, where people can chat, study, read the newspaper, knit, and drink tea and coffee, saving money by reducing energy usage in our homes. You are welcome to make use of the tea and coffee making facilities in the adjacent kitchen. On the last Tuesday of each month, the Tuesday Club meet in the Hilliard Room at 2.00pm, and you would

be welcome to join them.

## Supper at Six Thursday 27th October

'Supper at Six' is a monthly meal in the Cathedral Hall, which is open for all. Parishioners are welcome to make an anonymous voluntary contribution but are under no obligation to do so. To book your place, please fill in the slip on the information flyer available in the pews and Cathedral porch and return by 20th October. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

## Cathedral Prayer

O Lord God, whose glory the heavens are telling in joyous and ceaseless praise: bless the worship and work of our cathedral church dedicated to your servant Macartin, that, through the ministry of those who serve and worship here, the same glory might be seen at the centre of our diocesan life, to the praise and honour of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Fivemiletown (including Kiltermon)



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## Harvest Thanksgiving Services Friday 7th October

8pm - Service at Kiltermon: Preacher: Revd Jonny McLoughlin.

## Sunday 9th October

11am - All Age Service at St John's.

## Sunday 9th October

7pm - Service at St John's; Preacher: Revd Lindsey Farrell.

## Parish Auction

This takes place on Saturday, 15th October in St. John's Hall with viewing from 11am and auction from 12noon.

## Brunch with Catherine Campbell

Saturday, 22nd October at 10.30am: Brunch with Guest Speaker and Author, Catherine Campbell. Speaking on her new book: 'God Isn't Finished With You Yet.' Booking for brunch and book available from Parish Office: 8952 2422.

## Growth + Fellowship

In 2021 the focus for the teaching on Sundays was Discipleship. This year, we have been thinking about 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

3rd Sunday Fellowship Evenings at 7pm.  
On 20th November in St John's with John Rutter, Dollingstown.

## Quiet Morning

This is planned with the Fellowship OF Contemplative Prayer from 9.45am – 1pm on Saturday 19th November, at St John's. Witness: Nuala Dudley, Donegal. Join us for the quiet time of contemplation and fellowship later in the Autumn. Coffee and Lunch served. Book with Rector, parish office or Raymond Fox.

## Launch Of Parish Christmas Cards

Plans are afoot to launch a new series of cards in time for Christmas. Beverley Weir produced a great series of water colour sketches for the card series when we renovated Kiltermon. This time, she is working on a new range for us in time for the festive season. Monies raised will be shared equally between a bursary for children and young people to learn about famous Anglican writers, poets and hymn writers such as CS Lewis and the hymn writer Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander, (author of All Things Bright And Beautiful, There is a Green Hill Far Away and Once in Royal David's City.) and parish funds.

## Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully



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### In the Hands of a Loving God

In Jeremiah 18:1-4, God opened Jeremiah's spiritual eyes to see how we are in the hands of a loving God. Jeremiah got an understanding of what happens to a person or situation when that person or situation is placed in the hands of a loving God. The New Living Translation of Jeremiah 18 verse 4 of says "But the jar he was making did not turn out as he had hoped, so he crushed it into a lump of clay again and started over". When you are in the hands of a loving God, He gives you opportunities to start all over again; He makes it possible for you to experience a new beginning. I believe God invites all of us to His New Beginning. His New Beginning in our lives so that we work together to make the world a better place. God is no ordinary potter. This was what God wanted Jeremiah to understand that was why He sent Jeremiah to the



The Mothers' Union members.

potter's house. We understand from verse 4 that while the pot was in the hands of the potter, it was marred, it got spoilt, it didn't turn out well. Here are two possible responses someone who isn't a potter would have had to this situation:

1. The potter may not have had the patience to start all over again or to continue working with that same pot. Starting over requires a lot of patience. God as a potter is able to start over with the same marred, spoilt pot because He is no ordinary potter. We are clay in the hands of a patient and loving God.
2. The potter may have thrown the pot away or discarded it.

When items in our homes or offices get spoilt, damaged, broken or rotten, what do we do with those items? We throw them away, put them aside, dump or abandon them somewhere in our store or shed. As far as we are concerned, they are no longer desirable and useful. But when you are in the hands of a loving and merciful God as the prophet Jeremiah saw, no matter how spiritually rotten, spoilt, damaged or broken you are,



God will not throw you away, He will not abandon you. The potter still had use for the marred pot; He still continued working on it. We are all a work in progress and God never gives up on us.

### Harvest Services

- Drummully Harvest Service: Sunday 2nd October at 7pm.
- Sallaghy Harvest Service: Sunday 9th October at 10.30am
- Galloon Harvest Service: Sunday 16th October at 12 noon.
- Derryadd Harvest Service: Sunday 30th October at 3.00pm.

This year the theme for each Harvest Service is "Tractors". We look forward to having those who have tractors travel to church in their tractor! Rev Lorraine also invites the congregations to get creative with works of art and models of tractors or even to write a poem.





Enjoying a visit to Clogher Cathedral



Grace playing the organ in St. Macartan's Cathedral.

Decorating for each harvest service will take place on the Saturday before the Harvest Thanksgiving Service.

### Services in October 2022

#### Sunday 2nd October 2022 - The Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

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

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

7.00pm: Drummully Parish Church : Harvest Service

#### Sunday 9th October 2022 - The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

9.00am: Drummully Parish Church : Morning Prayer

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Harvest Service

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 16th October 2022 - The Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity

9.00am: Drummully Parish Church: Family Service

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Family Service

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Harvest Service with Guest Organist, Stuart Nelson

#### Sunday 23rd October 2022 - The Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity

9.00am: Drummully Parish Church : Morning Prayer

10.30am: Sallaghy Parish Church: Morning Prayer

12.00 noon: Galloon Parish Church: Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 30th October 2022 - The Twentieth Sunday After Trinity

10.30am: Drummully Parish Church : Group Service

3.00pm: Derryadd: Harvest Service

### Fundraising Events

**Drummully Car-boot Sale and Coffee Morning.** Although the weather started off damp it certainly did not dampen the spirits of the parishioners of Drummully who worked so hard as a team to raise







The Craft Fair and Car Boot Sale.



funds to support the parish.

**Sallaghy Craft Fair** - again it was a wet day. Yet despite the wet weather crafters came and displayed their produce. The Mothers' Union provided teas and beautiful home-made treats which raised funds for Overseas Missions. Much thanks to Mrs Sandra Moncrieff who organised this event.

**Galloon Auction** - The third fund-raising event, Again it was a very wet day. We had, however, a great day at the auction as we welcomed people to buy a great variety of produce. Our auctioneers Mr William Little and Mr Richard Bell kept us all in good humour with their wit and banter. Thanks to all who worked so hard to make this a very enjoyable event.

### A Better Way

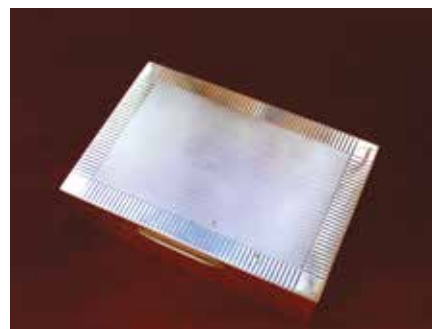
Sunday 4th September in Drummully Parish we remember the tragic death of William Trotter on the 50th Anniversary of his death. Rev Lorraine said "We cannot change the past but through the power of the resurrection and the forgiveness of Jesus, we have the power to change the future in light of this terrible tragedy. There is the story of a small boy who lost

his father. Stunned and confused by it all, as the people came streaming into his house to extend their condolences, he climbed a tree and tried to sort it all out. In that moment he said, "Tomorrow will be a better day." Perplexed and grieving, he tried to look beyond his present pain to a better future. There is a tomorrow for us too in all of this. The pain and loss will be there but so will God's plan for us in our future. We have a life yet to be lived. There are people who need our presence, our love and our forgiveness. There are those who need us to serve them and minister to them in this time of

need. Tomorrow will be a better day if we chose Christ's way of love and peace. It is our individual choices which will make this world a better place.

### Dedication of Silverware

Sunday 4th September Rev Lorraine was delighted to dedicate a beautiful piece of art-deco silverware in memory of our much esteemed Mothers' Union member, Mrs Letitia (Tish) Gardiner who passed away last year. Tish was very fond of Mothers' Union and was committed to attending meetings. Mrs Beulah Whittendale, the current Branch Leader,



The silver breadbox.



spoke of the many fond memories that she had of Tish. Prayers were led by Mrs Heather Kettle, Mrs Valerie Crawford and Mrs Mabel Clingan. Mrs Noreen Little and Mrs Elizabeth Johnston read the Scriptures. The offering was taken up by Mrs Jenny Little and Mrs Margaret Wiggins. After dedicating the beautiful silver bread-box, Rev Lorraine used it to celebrate Holy Communion. A welcome cup of tea was served after the service by the allies from the Mothers' Union.

### A New Branch Leader

Rev Lorraine was delighted to announce that Mrs Petula Stephens has kindly accepted her appointment to be Branch Leader for Drummully and Galloon Mothers' Union. Rev Lorraine in welcoming Petula to her new role wished her every blessing in it.

### Mothers' Union Outing

The ladies from Galloon and Drummully visited Clogher Cathedral to view the "Knitted Cathedral". We were given a very interesting talk as to the production of such master-piece by Hilary. Rev Lorraine also held a short service in the Cathedral to commission Mrs Petula Stephens to her new office as Branch Leader. All members replied whole-heartedly that they would



The Gardiner family with Revd Lorraine and Mrs Beulah Whittendale.

support Petula in her role. Rev Lorraine gave a short address on Psalm 139 quoting that God had "knit" us all together in our mother's womb. The service ended with Grace Rickey giving us a beautiful organ recital. We finished off our evening at Corrick House with a scrumptious meal.

### Dates for your Diary

Christmas Craft Fair: Saturday 19th November from 11am to 4pm in Newtownbutler Parish Hall. We look forward to being able to gather again for our Christmas Craft Fair. Crafters contact Sonia on 07756445481 for more details.

## Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher



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### Church Services Diary

#### OCTOBER

#### Sunday 2nd October

Garrison 10am (Harvest), Slavin 11.30am, both HC



#### Sunday 9th October

Belleek 11.30am, HC. Harvest Thanksgiving in Kiltyclogher at 7pm.

#### Sunday 16th October

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

#### Sunday 23rd October

Kiltyclogher 10am, Belleek 11.30am, both MP

#### Sunday 30th October

Group Service at 11.30am in Kiltyclogher-see below



Scenes from the parish barbecue.



**NOVEMBER**

**Sunday 6th November**

Garrison 10am, Slavin 11.30am, both HC  
 Sunday 13/11/22- Belleek 11.30am HC.  
 Garrison: Remembrance Service 5pm

**HARVEST SERVICES  
 in the Group**

**Sunday 9th October**

Kiltyclogher Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 7pm with a special production from the Silvertones Choir. Supper to follow after the service.

**Weekly Diary**

Wednesdays - Parish Prayer, 9.30am  
 Belleek Church  
 Thursdays- Youth Group, 6pm, at the Rectory, for kids aged 8-13

**Parish Visiting**

Should you, or anyone you know like a visit, please contact Revd. Rebecca.

**From Rev. Rebecca:**

**NOTES FROM THE RECTORY:**

A turn in the seasons is upon us, and

at the same time a change of season nationally. The air outside grows cold, we recalibrate, packing away the flip-flops and summer shorts for next year, assessing whether we have enough jumpers, casting a weather-eye over the log pile.

And here, in September, we also take stock as a nation. A monarch is dead – the longest-reigning monarch, in fact, of the United Kingdom. Her death seems to bring a close to a chapter of our history, and now we are recalibrating.

It's an unsettling time. As we leave behind one chapter in our national history, we are still adjusting to this new chapter. We're not sure what the future will bring. Indeed, everything is tinged with uncertainty. We have a new King, and a new Prime Minister. We have an ongoing cost-of-living crisis. We have inflation, and talk of a recession. Moreover, we have just come through a 10-year period of particular turbulence: a recession, the Arab spring and ensuing conflict in the Middle East, an increasingly unstable weather climate, a

pandemic, and most recently the war in Ukraine. In light of the past decade, the future seems particularly unpredictable. There is one constant, however, in this future - God. God is good, all the time. We can have hope for the future because we trust that God can work all things for the good of those who love him. Not everything that happens is good, but God can work all things to the good. It befits us to ask in this new season not 'what will happen' but 'what is God doing?' and 'How is God working?' and 'How can we keep in step with the movement of the Spirit?' For the Queen, faith was a constant in unstable times. And while we can look back with a balmy eye over her reign, she endured many challenges and trials. Through it all, she was a model of uncomplaining grace. If we have learnt one lesson from her life, it must be the power of an enduring relationship with Jesus Christ.

**Parish Barbecue**

I am beyond words at the response we received to our parish barbecue.



Scenes from the parish barbecue.



It's truly humbling to see the servant-hearted dedication of our parishioners in response to a call to action. Everyone served, supported, or gave where they could. It was a beautiful thing to see our parish working together, and those in the community gathering in solidarity, even on the rainiest of days. We were delighted to have raised £2000, and were able to donate £1000 to the work of Tearfund. Lauren Agnew, Tearfund's campaigns and operations manager, joined us on Sunday 11th September to receive a cheque for the same. She also shared with us about Tearfund's global work, driven by a conviction that poverty is not God's plan. Thank you so much, everyone, for making this happen.

### Group service with Light Party

Halloween can be a confusing time of the year for Christians. We celebrate a God of love and light. As parents, it's hard to justify dressing our children up as monsters, skeletons and zombies in a celebration of darkness and death. In order that our kids can celebrate without being drawn into the more questionable side of Halloween, we're hosting a Light Party on Sunday October 30th, during

the group service. Kids can dress up in 'light' costumes, like superheroes or animals, and take part in traditional Halloween games like apple-bobbing or cherry-in-the-flour. Our service will focus on Jesus, the light of the world, who came to destroy darkness and death forever. Please invite your friends and neighbours to this special service. The "adult" part of this service will be a service of Wholeness and Healing. The Congregation are invited to come forward to the front of the church for laying on of hands and anointing with oil.

### The Running Rector

I am so pleased to announce that we have already met our goal of £400 towards Belleek School Prayer Garden. In fact, with cash and pledges from parishioners, we will have substantially exceeded our fundraising total. I will keep you updated as this project progresses – so far I am five runs in to a 40 run commitment! But with the money raised we will be able to begin this project in the near future. Thank you everybody for your support!

**God bless,  
Revd. Rebecca**

### Congratulations

Baby Zach born on 29th August to Alan and Shelina Ovens in Luton. Congratulations to John and Elizabeth Ovens (Slavin) on a new baby grandson.

### Garrison Family Services

Following the family service in Garrison on the 3rd Sunday in each month there will be a cup of tea in Garrison church hall. Give Revd Rebecca a shout if you are happy to help. Everyone welcome to join us at these services.

### Thanks for work in Garrison Church Grounds

Numerous men in Garrison parish have given up valuable voluntary time for some essential repairs and maintenance. We are very grateful to Stephen Irwin, assisted by his brother Stuart for erecting a supporting handrail in the graveyard and repairing the hall fascia board among various other tasks. Thanks also to Neville and Adrian Elliott for their extensive work taming the shrubbery in the graveyard and cutting the extensive lawns at the Rectory. Thanks also to Eddie, Jonathan and Leslie Graham along with other helpers in the maintenance of the grass in



Scenes from the parish barbecue.

Garrison graveyard.

**Prayers**

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

**Christian Burial**

On Thursday 8th September the service

of thanksgiving for the life of George McBride took place in Slavin Parish Church. The service was conducted by the Rector, Revd Rebecca Guildea. Burial took place at the family plot in Slavin Churchyard.

Our thoughts and prayers are with George's wife, Edith and their daughter Geri in New Zealand and sons: Roderick,

Douglas, Stephen, and George and their partners, grandchildren, great grandchildren and all the family circle.

**Heating in the Rectory**

Work has commenced on the installation of the new wood burning heating system in the Rectory.

Good progress is being made and



thanks to the men from the Rectory committee for their help in the preparation work. Donations of firewood/turf would be much appreciated for the winter.

### 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.



A cheque for Tearfund is handed over.

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### Her Majesty The Queen

Queen Elizabeth II's death brought great sorrow to the parishioners of Inishmacsaint Parish Church. A service of thanksgiving and remembrance was held on the Sunday following her death. One of our youngest parishioners, Miss Lucy Muldoon, wrote this poem in her memory and read it during the service.

#### Queen Elizabeth II by Lucy Muldoon

*Your time in earth has ended  
But a new life has just begun  
You're back home with your Phillip  
Now and forever more*

*In 1936 you figured you'd be Queen  
Since 1953 what a difference you have  
been  
You showed us that Royals  
Can do hard work too  
And that people can do anything  
No matter the gender or age*



*You've worked hard for your country,  
Worked hard until the end  
You showed a faith in Christ  
That cannot be explained  
You made it clear that you believed  
God put you here  
Thank you for showing us that you should  
not be ashamed*

*You've proved women can do anything  
No matter how great or small  
You worked so hard all your life,  
So people could benefit from it all*

*A lady who's loved horses for the longest  
time  
A lady who trained as a mechanic  
And fixed her broken down car  
A lady who made history,  
By entering a Catholic Church  
Showed us there should never be a  
difference,  
No matter what religion*

*So we've had to say good bye*

*To our Queen of 70 years  
The Queen who always stayed strong  
whatever challenge she faced  
The strong, courageous and bold Queen  
Who reminded us of the Bible  
Queen Elizabeth the Second  
Who will never be forgotten*

*Fly high in your new kingdom*

### Pantomime

'The Two Sons' pantomime will take place in Derrygonnelly Orange Hall on 17th, 18th, and 19th November 2022. Adult tickets are £10 each and children under 12 years old are £5 each. Tickets can be booked by phoning 07984121395. Please come and support the talented folk of Inishmacsaint Parish Church. All welcome – this pantomime is open to everyone near and far.

### Burial Register

24th August 2022  
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Main Street, Derrygonnelly.

## Kilskeery and Trillick



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### Constant

It was expected sometime, but what a shock now that it has happened. Queen Elizabeth II has died at the grand age of 96 years old, in Balmoral in Scotland. Many people have spoken about unexpected emotions arising, feeling a real sadness at the Queen's death, an unexplained sense that something is missing now. For many that missing something, or more someone, was unexpectedly more connected to them than they thought.

For most of us she had always been there, if somewhat in the background of our lives. She was on the coins and banknotes we carried with us and spent and she accompanied the letters that we sent. Comments since the Queen died on Thursday 8th September, have touched on the idea of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and even the world not being the same without her. She was a motherly figurehead who spoke with thoughtful and considered words of wisdom and comfort at Christmas time and stepped forward to reassure at times of national need, pointing her listeners to her God.

Across the nation people gathered at various points of pilgrimage and mourning to sympathise and to connect and be part of the story. It is hard to think that, in all likelihood, "God save the Queen" will not be sung in our lifetime again. Today, although only a couple of words have changed, there is a new song, a new anthem, to a new monarch, to a king. But it'll take a bit of getting used to.

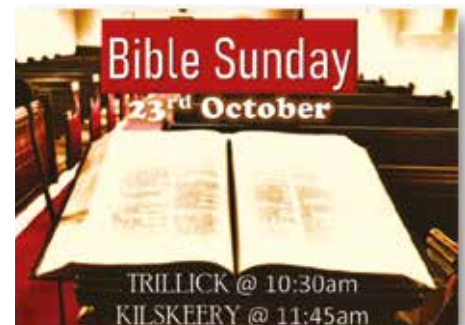
We could speak at length about all that she did and all that she meant to the people of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Commonwealth of nations, but one word that arguably has been used most since her death to describe the Queen – has been constant. She has been a constant. In a world that chases after change, isn't it interesting that the main aspect of the queen's reign that was pointed out was its constancy? That she was a constant. That she had for so many always been there! Is it just possible that these comments and the death of Queen Elizabeth highlight a deeper need that people have, not for the new and fast paced, or the latest trending ideas or for new for the sake of being new, but also for something that lasts, that is enduring, that is solid and dependable. Is our nation recognising (subtly and subconsciously) that tradition, that constancy and consistency, that endurance and faithfulness and reliability are good things and in fact things that bring us security, a firm social foundation, things that let us know where we are and that unite us? But if the Queen was a constant for others, who was a constant for the Queen? Queen Elizabeth is quoted to have said, "Faith, family and friendship have been not only a constant for me but a source of personal comfort and reassurance." The Queen may have been a constant for so many across the United Kingdom but her faith in God alongside her family and friendships had been her constant. Maybe we recognise something of the goodness of God in the Queen's long reign that was prayed for every time the national anthem was sung; and maybe the constancy that we notice and value in her long life was due to where the Queen, herself found her constancy. Psalm 61 tells us this, "When my heart is overwhelmed; lead me to the rock that is higher than I." The Queen seemed to have discovered that even with all of her authority and power and wealth there was yet another who was higher than her. There was someone who would always be there for her, someone who would not



be fleeting or temporal but someone who was steadfast and dependable and even more constant than she was. Perhaps her constancy was because of His constancy and that she had anchored herself in Him. As we reflect upon the death of Queen Elizabeth II, may we recognise in her wealth of good attributes, and especially in the fact that for many she had always been there, that there is another to whom the Queen fixed her gaze, whom she depended upon, and to whom she pointed her nation, the Lord Jesus Christ, her Saviour, the One and Only Saviour of the world. As mourning continues, let us remember a life well lived and a life that had been given over to Jesus; a life that pointed others to that same Jesus and a life that has now been called home. She has run the race, kept the faith, proclaimed Christ crucified, and now has entered into the light and health and fulness of His glory.

### Programme Times

- Sunday Services: Christ Church, Trillick - 10:30am and Kilskeery – 11:45am.
- Girls' Brigade: Mondays 6:30 – 8:00pm.
- Mothers' Union: 3rd Monday of each month.
- Senior Citizen's Group: Tuesdays at 2:00 – 3:00pm.
- Confirmation Class: alternate Sundays from 5:30 – 6:30pm.
- Midweek Fellowship Group: Thursdays at 8:00 – 9:00pm.
- Prayer Meeting: Thursdays at 9:00am.
- Bowling Club: Fridays at 8:00pm.
- Youth Group/Confirmation Class: Alternate Sundays at 5:30 – 6:30pm.



## Lisbellaw with Coolbuck



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### Queen Elizabeth II

As I write these notes, we are all trying to come to terms with the immense loss at the passing on 8 September of our much-loved monarch of 70 years - whose Platinum Jubilee we celebrated and enjoyed so much just in June. Queen Elizabeth II – we will never see her likes again. Each of us will have special memories and recollections of our late Queen, but for me it will be her wonderful smile, the twinkle in her eye and her deep Christian faith – which she was unequivocal about – that I will miss most, not to mention The Queen’s Christmas Message – broadcast to the Nation at 3.00pm each Christmas Day. It will be strange this year. (Please see the beautiful photograph of our late Queen taken by our esteemed parishioner Frances Boyd – when Her Majesty visited Enniskillen in June 2011 with her late husband, Prince Philip; and the flowers in Coolbuck Church - to mark The Queen’s passing - at Evening Prayer on 11 September.) Our



Marking the death of Queen Elizabeth and right; Billy and Iris Lindsay with their card from HM The Queen to mark their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

prayers must now turn to King Charles III and the rest of the Royal family in their hour of grief - that they would be sustained in the days, weeks, and months to come by Almighty God. May our beloved late Queen Elizabeth II rest in peace and rise in glory. Long live the King!

### Diamond Wedding Anniversary

Against this backdrop of understandable grief and sadness there is always hope



and joy and we thank God for that. In recent days and weeks, we have had occasion to celebrate wonderful



Special flowers to decorate the church.





Pictured with Churchwardens Ronnie Stubbs and Robert Dane and with organist Lynda Lindsay and Parish Reader Isobel Stewart are Canon Eric McGirr who led two services of Morning Prayer in August and his wife Sheila.

milestones and happy occasions with some of our parishioners. Billy and Iris Lindsay celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary - having been married in Lisbellaw Parish Church on 5th August 1962 and were proud to receive a beautiful card from our Queen – a short time before her passing. This card will have even greater significance for Billy and Iris, and we wish this wonderful couple many more happy years of marriage.

### Thanks

As I enjoyed a little summer leave in August, I was grateful to Canon Eric McGirr for kindly leading two services of Morning Prayer in August. It was great for the Parish to be able to welcome Canon McGirr and his wife Sheila. And about thanks – we were blessed to have Ruth Young, and Avril Crawford play the organ at three services over the summer months whilst our esteemed organist, Lynda

Lindsay enjoyed a well-earned holiday. Thank you, Ruth, Avril, and Lynda.

### Holy Baptism

The 11 September 2022 was a day of great joy and blessing for the Irvine family – when mum Kathryn and dad Gary brought their beautiful baby daughter Alexandra Rose to Lisbellaw Parish Church to be baptized.

We ask God's continuing blessing to be upon the immediate and wider family which includes Jamie-Leigh, James, and Abbey.

### Birthday Wishes!

One of our much-loved parishioners Mrs Rene Elliott celebrated the tremendous milestone of her 95th Birthday on 15 September. I enjoyed a most wonderful visit with Rene just the day before (on the 14th ) - and my spirits were well lifted themselves having been in dear Rene's company. Many happy returns Rene!!



Avril Crawford with Revd William and Isobel Stewart.

### Sunday School/Bridge/Confirmation

After the summer break – it was uplifting to see our children and young people return to Sunday School and Bridge on 11 September. All children and young people of the Parish are most welcome to attend. It was also pleasing to have 13 of our young people (with the possibility of one or two more) attend Confirmation Class which started on 12 September. A Confirmation Service is scheduled with Bishop Ian to take place on Thursday 10 November 2022 at 7pm in Lisbellaw Parish Church (DV). We remember all our children and young people in our prayers.

### Special Hymns Evening

Finally, a date for your diary – The Parish Church of Lisbellaw with Coolbuck presents 'A Celebration of Hymns' with Lynda Lindsay and Guests. The evening will also include a reflection on Remembrance and will take place at



Mrs Rene Elliott enjoying the Clogher Diocesan Magazine.



The Irvine family at the baptism service.

the Ardhowen Theatre Enniskillen on Saturday 12 November at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £12, and proceeds will support Air Ambulance and the Parish Church. Every Blessing!

## Services

### Sunday 2 October

11am Holy Communion Lisbellaw  
3pm Holy Communion Coolbuck

### Wednesday 5 October

1030am Holy Communion Lisbellaw

### Friday 7 October

8pm Harvest Service Lisbellaw

### Sunday 9 October

11am Children and Youth Harvest Service Lisbellaw  
3pm Evening Prayer Coolbuck  
7pm Harvest Service Lisbellaw

### Wednesday 12 October

1030am Holy Communion Lisbellaw

### Sunday 16 October

945am Holy Communion Lisbellaw  
11am Morning Prayer Lisbellaw  
3pm Evening Prayer Coolbuck

### Wednesday 19 October

1030am Holy Communion Lisbellaw

### Sunday 23 October

11am Morning Prayer Lisbellaw  
3pm Evening Prayer Coolbuck

### Wednesday 26 October

1030am Holy Communion Lisbellaw

### Sunday 30 October

11am Morning Prayer Lisbellaw  
3pm Evening Prayer Coolbuck



## Lisnaskea



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## Services For October

### SUNDAY 2nd

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion

### FRIDAY 7th

8.00 p.m. Harvest Thanksgiving  
Preacher: Dean Raymond Ferguson

### SUNDAY 9th

10.30 a.m. Harvest Thanksgiving

### SUNDAY 16th

10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

### SUNDAY 23rd

10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
Collection for sponsored children

### SUNDAY 30th

10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

## Marriage

Thursday 25th August  
Andrew Hall, Glenbrook, Newbliss and



**Andrew Hall and Lorraine Wilson following their marriage.**

Leanne Wilson, Drumbadbeg, Lisnaskea.  
Many congratulations to the happy couple.

## Burial

Saturday 3rd September

Luke Norman Alan McDonald, Gola Road,  
Lisnaskea.

We extend our deepest heartfelt sympathy  
to the McDonald family circle at this very  
difficult time.

## Queen

It was with great sadness that the nation  
learnt of the passing of Her Majesty Queen  
Elizabeth. She was truly an inspiration to us  
all and carried out her duties to the country  
always smiling, always wise and always fair.  
She was a remarkable human being and  
will be very sadly missed, most especially  
by her close family but also by the world as  
a whole. We send our sincere sympathies

to all who mourn her and especially King  
Charles who must now follow in those huge  
footsteps. We wish him and The Queen  
Consort Camilla a long, happy and healthy  
reign.

## Children's Church

This will resume on Sunday 2nd October  
in Trinity Hall and will run on the First and  
Third Sunday of each month from 11.45 a.m.  
– 12.30 p.m. All children of primary school  
age and up to Confirmation age are very  
welcome to attend.

## Concert

As these notes are being prepared, plans  
are being made for an evening of Gospel  
and Country music in our church on  
Thursday 24th November.  
More details will follow so please keep this  
date free.

## Magheracross



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Harvest has come upon us very quickly with the important focus in September on the death of Queen Elizabeth. In Magheracross, we either cancelled or postponed many of our scheduled events. We are grateful to all those who very willingly helped us through the period of mourning. We were able to toll the bell, sign a book of condolence in the Archdale Hall and recall the day that the Queen visited Ballinamallard. Our Harvest celebrations will take place over the weekend of 7th-9th October when the church will be decorated appropriately. We will have traditional Harvest Thanksgiving services on Friday evening at 8pm and Sunday evening at 7pm. On Sunday (9th) we will have our usual service of Holy Communion at 9.30am followed by our Family Harvest at 11am. As an added exciting and unpredictable addition to our Thanksgiving, we have a special "dogs welcome" service at 3.00pm. This will last about a half hour and



**Do I look like I want to go to Church on Sunday afternoon?**



**Flag flying at half mast.**

will be followed by a brief walk to one of our grassy areas for tea/coffee from the horse box.

### Mothers' Union

Magheracross Mothers' Union met in the Parish Room on Thursday 1st September for our opening service and short meeting for the new season. Archdeacon Brian Harper conducted the service, Rita Stewart played the organ and Joy Quinn read the lesson. After the service we all enjoyed a cup of tea. Branch Leader Norma Scott then conducted a business meeting. Sympathy was passed to Valda Beatty on the recent death of her husband. Sympathy was also passed to Lily Robinson on the death of her son and we all remembered the late



**Henry Robinson being interviewed by Julian Fowler during the tolling of the bell following the death of Queen Elizabeth.**

Helen Humphries who has always been a friend and supporter of our Mothers' Union.

Best wishes were sent to Noreen Elliott who recently had a fall.

Norma asked members to record their name on a list if they were willing to be part of the funeral catering team. There was also an appeal for help with the refreshments at Mums & Tots.

Rita Stewart, secretary, read the minutes and Joy Quinn, treasurer, gave a financial report .

Our next meeting is on 6th October when Henry Robinson will speak on The History of Ballinamallard.

A committee meeting is to be arranged soon.

### Parent and Toddlers Group

This group has been out of action for a few years due to an absence of volunteers and then COVID. However, we now hope to reopen to all on Tuesday October 4th at 10am under the management of Ruth and Tamara Guy.



**Some of our youth group caving at Marble Arch during their activity week.**

## 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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### Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

On Sunday 11th September, we had a Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving for the life of Queen Elizabeth II. Reverend Abraham Storey said that the death of Queen stirred many deep emotions across these islands and around the world. For most of us, this is an end of an era. As the world's longest Head of State, the Queen's mere presence brought a sense of stability and her absence in our culture will leave a gap for quite some time to come. Annual highlights that many look forward to seeing the Queen in attendance or taking part are now a thing of the past (Queen's Christmas Speech, Maundy Thursday ceremony and attendance at the Royal Variety show etc). Adjustments, that most of us will never have seen in our lifetime, will be made - her image on the coin, the change to the national anthem and even our own Book of Common Prayer. However, we are not to forget in all of this that it is not just us as a nation that has lost a beloved Queen but that the Royal Family have lost a member of their family - their mother, grandmother and great grandmother. As we would pray for the comfort of all those who mourn, it is only right that we also offer prayers for the Queen's family.

Rev Abraham's sermon was on the parable of the lost sheep and that those that have left the safety of the flock are no longer in fellowship, well cared for or protected by the shepherd but frightened, lonely and vulnerable, with the recent pandemic adding to this problem. The Pharisees and Teachers of the law couldn't understand why Jesus would

want to spend his time with sinners, outcasts and tax collectors. Quite simply, it is because he loved them. He had come to serve everyone and we are also to serve and to love others through our thoughts, prayers, words and actions. Queen Elizabeth said in 2013 that 'The Christmas message shows us that this love is for everyone. There is no one beyond its reach.' We are to be most concerned for those who are not in the 'flock' and have a heartfelt restlessness for them to know the Lord Jesus Christ (St Augustine said 'You made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they rest with you').

### Auction

On 15th October 2022, we will be holding our church auction.

You can contact the following if you wish for items to be collected:

Alan Crawford 07968 189 563  
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Bob McCurry 07979 860 681

For pledges, please contact:

Tanya McKeever 07971 049 032 or  
Sonia Liggett 07824 368 661.

The auction will be held from 12.00 noon at Ardess Parish Centre at 22 Ardess Road (opposite the church), Ardess, Kesh, and we welcome everyone to attend.

### Regular Events

#### SUNDAYS

Worship Gathering: 11.00am (every Sunday)

Children's Church (age 4+):

#### MONDAYS

Magheraculmoney Rainbows, Brownies, Guides & Rangers @ The Fountain Centre

#### TUESDAYS

Friends in the Afternoon 2.00pm (fortnightly) @ AP Centre: 11th October Rev Abraham Storey's Trip to Israel; 8th November Flower arranging; 6th December Christmas Communion.

#### WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday Prayer (weekly): 10.00am - 11.00am @ Ardess Parish Centre  
Magheraculmoney Beavers, Cubs & Scouts @ The Fountain Centre

#### THURSDAYS

Ardess In-Stitches 8.00pm @ Ardess Parish Centre - 6th, 13th & 27th Oct; 3rd, 10th, 24th & 31st Nov; 1st Dec  
Mothers Union: 8.00pm @ Ardess Parish Centre - 20th Oct & 17th Nov

### Dates For Your Diary

#### AUCTION

Saturday 15th October 2022 from 12.00noon

#### HARVEST

Friday 21st October 2022

8.00pm with Rev Colin Brownsmith

Sunday 23rd October 2022  
11.00am

### Baptism

■ 28/08/22 Bradley Dawson Graham son of David Graham and Denise Reid  
Bradley was christened by Rev Abraham Storey (photo 1).

### Weddings

■ 01/09/22 Jonathan Scott (Omagh), and Charlotte Wilson (Kesh)

(wedding by Canon Alan McGirr)

■ 03/09/22 Kevin Eves (Kesh) and Lindsay Keys (Kesh)

(wedding by Canon Eric McGirr)

### Funerals

■ 20/08/22 Elizabeth Vera Beacom (known as Vera) (91 years old) of Fortview Park, Kesh

■ 23/08/22 Henry George Greene (87 years old) of Crevenish Road, Kesh

■ 24/08/22 Alexina (known as Ina) McClaughy of Crevenish Road, Kesh



Revd Abraham at the baptism service for baby Bradley.

## Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk



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### What a difference a day makes!

As I write these notes our new King is arriving at Hillsborough Castle with the Queen Consort on his first trip to Northern Ireland as our sovereign. These are deep and unsettling times as we prepare to bid farewell to our late Queen Elizabeth II. The news of her passing came as a great shock to us all on the evening of Thursday 8th September 2022. And the advancement of media and communications has allowed us to watch almost every moment of our late Queen's journey from her death at Balmoral estate, down to Edinburgh, and then on to London. This carefully choreographed procession continues to be undertaken with skill, precision and expertise, allowing us as a nation to conduct a period of mourning, and indeed a funeral itself, that is fitting for a monarch that has been so faithful, both to country and to God. As a national family we mourn her loss deeply, but as the family of God we give thanks for her life, her dedication to duty and her devotion to God, as we prepare to hand her back to Him. Although we grieve with the nation, we should also rejoice that this faithful servant has completed her call and her journey as she returns home to God. And as we prepare to bid farewell



to her, we should do so with a willing and a thankful heart which sees the blessing that God has given us in our late Queen, but which also sees our duty to now return her to Him. In this season of change, as we welcome a new Prime Minister, and a new monarch, we should continue to give thanks for their desire to serve so willingly and so actively. King Charles III, amongst his many other titles, now also becomes the head of the Church of England and the Defender of the Faith. We must uphold him in constant prayer as he embraces these roles and commits to serve with the same vigour as his late mother. As the family of God, we opened the Church for a period of quiet reflection and prayer on the evening following the death of our late Queen. On Sunday 18th September 2022, on the eve of our late sovereign's funeral, we will hold a service of Thanksgiving in both Churches. As we continue through this period of mourning, as we look ahead to the funeral of our late Queen in just under a week's time, and as we look beyond that day, we, the Rector, Select Vestries and parishioners of the grouped parishes of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk extend to his Majesty King Charles III, and all members of the Royal family, our sincere sympathy on the death



of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. God save the King.

### Mothers' Union

The leaders of both Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk branches of Mothers' Union, and all of their members, extend their sincere sympathy to his Majesty King Charles III and the Royal family on the death of our late Queen Elizabeth II. This short statement was issued on behalf of Mothers' Union by Mary Sumner House:  
*We join the world in mourning the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. First and foremost a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her majesty served our nation and the Commonwealth for 70 years with grace, dignity and unwavering commitment. Our thoughts and prayers are with the royal family at this time of national and personal grief. She was a passionate supporter and patron of Mothers' Union for 70 years.*



Ashley Charles with Sandra Kettle at the Mothers' Union meeting.



A cheque presentation.



New Youth Group for older teens meeting in Christ Church hall on a fortnightly basis beginning on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022 at 8-9 pm. All young people in Year 11-14 very welcome! Chill, chat, food and faith – give it a try!



New Youth Fellowship meeting in Church Church hall on a fortnightly basis beginning Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022 at 7-8 pm! For all young people in Year 8-10! Games, food, fun and faith – come and see!

Through these decades, her invaluable encouragement and dedication towards our cause has been an indispensable part of all we have achieved. During this period of mourning, we remember her as an inspiration, and as a symbol of strength across the world.

Our Mothers' Union branches held a joint opening meeting on Monday 5th September 2022 in Christ Church hall. The speaker was Mr Ashley Charles from Cherrytree Home Bakery in Lisnaskea. Ashley shared the history of his family business and talked about the many changes that have taken place in the bakery over the years. Refreshments were served afterwards. It was a very enjoyable and well attended evening. Everyone was delighted to return to meetings and activity once again. As part of the next meeting, our Mothers' Union members are invited to the Harvest service at Derrybrusk on Friday 23rd September 2022 at 7.30pm where the speaker will be Rev. Philip Bryson. Our members are also invited to the Annual Harvest Walk from St. Michael's Derrybrusk through Belle Isle estate (kindly granted) on Saturday 24th September 2022 at 2.30pm. Members are also invited to the Harvest Service in Maguiresbridge on Friday 7th October 2022 at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Ven. Brian Harper, and Mothers' Union members will provide refreshments after the service.

### Platinum Jubilee Donations

All proceeds received from our Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in Christ Church Maguiresbridge were split between two local charities – Parkinson's Fermanagh Branch and Cancer Connect. Mrs Myrtle Hemphill from Parkinson's Fermanagh is pictured receiving a cheque for £500 from our Honorary Treasurer Mr Edwin Morrison. A cheque for £500 was also presented to Mrs Breeda McGrenaghan from Cancer Connect, Enniskillen Branch. Great to see our donations going to such worthy use

on the ground and close to home!

### United Christian Broadcasters 'Word for Today'

The Select Vestries of both parishes have kindly donated to United Christian Broadcasters and their daily devotional books are now available for free in both Churches. These devotionals are short words of encouragement which give us another daily link with God, and some uplifting words as we begin each day.

### Upcoming events

**Service of Enthronement for Bishop Ellis** in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday 25th September 2022 at 7pm.

**Sunday-School returns on Sunday 25th September 2022** in both Churches. I encourage all families to support our Sunday-school, and thank our leaders for this important ministry to our children.

**Rainbows and Brownies** begin again at the end of September. Speak to Elaine or the Rector for more details. Please support these groups as they provide great encouragement to our young people.

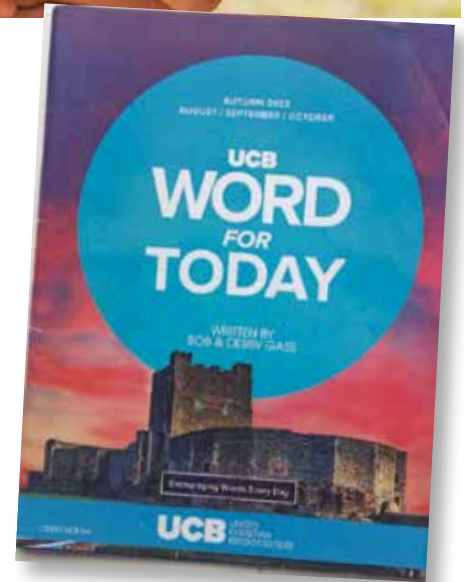
Due to the unexpected death of our late Queen a number of events had to be postponed in the parish, including our Service of Confirmation which was due to take place on Sunday 11th September 2022. This service will now take place on Sunday 2nd October 2022 at 10.30am in Maguiresbridge. Please continue to pray for our young people ahead of this important day.

**Harvest Service in Derrybrusk** - Friday 23rd September 2022 at 7.30pm. Speaker: Rev. Philip Bryson. Refreshments will be served after the service.

**Annual Harvest Family Walk on Saturday 24th September 2022 at 2.30pm.**

Harvest Service in Maguiresbridge Friday 7th October 2022 at 7.30pm. Speaker: Ven. Brian Harper. Refreshments will be served after the service.

**Check Out New Youth Ministry In The Parish!!!**



### Save the date:

- Maguiresbridge parish auction on Saturday 10th December 2022 beginning at 1.30pm in Christ Church hall. Everyone very welcome.
- Annual parish dance returns! Friday 24th February 2023. Music by Curtis Magee.



## Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore



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### Services

#### 9th October Trinity 17

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

#### 16th October Trinity 18

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

#### 23rd October Trinity 19

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

#### 30th October Trinity 20

10:30am St Patrick's Harvest Thanksgiving

#### 6th November Trinity 21

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

### Heritage Week Service

As part Heritage Week we were pleased to host an event on Thursday 18th August. We had a service, using the Morning Prayer from the 1878 prayer book followed by a talk on the history of the church focusing on how the building developed as a living building with a worshipping community since its construction. Our thanks to all who made the event possible and especially to Ruby and those who came to form a guest choir and learn the chants for the canticles.

### Mothers' Union

The MU held their opening meeting on 6th September with a glass painting talk and demonstration by Lorna Soden. The next meeting is on 4th October with a talk by Gayle and Ian.

### Thanks

A thank you to Ashley Brown for organising an evening with Kate Williams from the RCB to take parishes through the requirements for parish accounts to be in line with Charities Regulatory Authority.



Photos from the Heritage Week held in St. Patrick's Church.



### Fundraising

Thank you to Elizabeth for organising a parish table quiz which took place on 12th September and to David Hamilton, our quiz master.

The next fundraising event is the Autumn Parish Sale. After not being able to have the sale for a couple of years due to Covid Restrictions we are planning to hold it on Friday 21st October 10am to 2pm.

### Ladies Group

The group have their next meeting on Tuesday 18th October at Margaret Treanor's Cottage, Tydavnet for an evening of traditional stories, songs, poems and a bread making demonstration. Meet in car park 7.30pm to be at Tydavnet for 8pm.

### Bowls

Bowling Club has restarted on Monday mornings at 10am and Thursday evenings at 8pm.

### Playaway

This group restarted on 15th September. It was good to get started again with our parent and toddler group. It is a great opportunity for parents and toddlers to

meet and play and talk in the hall and happens each Thursday during term time in the hall.

### Sunday School

Sunday School has also restarted after a summer break and our children have been looking at Genesis 1 and 2 and creation. On the second Sunday of each month we also have B&B (Bible and Breakfast) meeting in the hall for those in first and second year of secondary school.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Julie Gillanders on her leaving certificate results. We wish her well in her future studies.

### Illness

Your prayers are requested for those who are ill either at home or in hospital, the housebound and those in residential care and their families.

### Best wishes

Congratulations to Trevor Ebbs and Pancel Bhandal who were married recently. We wish them every happiness and God's richest blessing in their future together.

## Rossorry

Vacant

Revd John Wood, Acting Rural Dean is in charge.

Revd Colin Brownsmith is taking services during the vacancy.

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Revd 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.*

### 'For the fruits of his creation, thanks be to God'

Harvest Thanksgiving in churches is the seasonal opportunity to give thanks to God our creator for his goodness and to offer our best gifts to his service. In Old Testament times the people of Israel were commanded each year to bring a basket of the first fruits of the ground to the place of worship. It was both an offering of thanks and also a reminder that God had given the land, its bounty and the ability to grow food. I invite you to join us for our Harvest weekend as together we bring our thanksgiving to God and enjoy a decorated church with sights and smells of Harvest along with music and helpful messages for the season. It is also an opportunity to make a thank-offering for God's blessings to us as we return our Harvest Appeal envelope. Funds raised will be distributed to mission agencies supported by the parish.

#### Details of the various services are:-

Friday evening, 7th October at 8.00pm – 'A Service of Thanksgiving' and the preacher will be Revd. Abraham Storey from Magheraculmoney.



and Sunday morning, 9th October at 10am – a 'Family Service of Thanksgiving' (hopefully with the Praise band). Revd. Brownsmith will be the preacher.

We look forward to welcoming you to church as we sing once again – 'Good is the Lord our heavenly King'

### Update on the Parish Vacancy

By now, you are probably aware that a new Rector for Rossorry was announced. He is the Ven. Stephen McWhirter, currently serving as Archdeacon of Tuam, Killala & Achonry.

The date has just been announced for the Institution of our new Rector – Thursday, 3rd November at 7.30pm in Rossorry Parish Church. All Welcome.

### Mothers' Union

Rossorry Branch met before the holidays and made plans for a 'Family Fun Day' at Rossorry on Sunday 18th September 2020 but on receiving news of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth, this event was cancelled as it fell during the period of national mourning.

The Mothers' Union meeting in the Parish Hall on Thursday 15th September at 7.30pm, was also cancelled.

The next meeting is on Thursday, 20th October 2022 when the speaker will be Genevieve Irvine, from SWELL cancer charity. New members welcome.

The Branch would like to offer sympathy to the family of Miss Helena (Ena) Graham, who recently died. She had been Indoor Member of Rossorry branch.

### Scouts

The Scouts are ready to start, again, after the holidays. The Registration evening was held in the Hall on Tuesday 20th September at 7.30pm.

If you missed this – get in touch with the leaders of Scouts, Cub Scouts and Beavers – it is never too late!

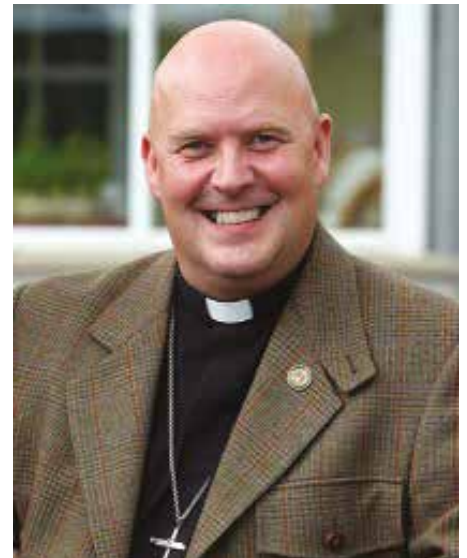
### Rossorry Bowling Club

The Bowling Club are starting their new season from Monday 19th September 2022 at 8pm. They would love to have some new members.

You need not have any level of proficiency, as training will be provided. Why not come along and give it a try?

### 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



The Ven. Stephen McWhirter, who will be instituted as Rector on Thursday, 3rd November.

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.

### 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 19th September 2022

- Rossorry Scouts—from end of September 2022.

- Beavers – Tuesday nights.

- Mother & Baby exercise class starting in October.

- Rossorry Wednesday Club—date to be announced for meeting in the Hall.

- Pilates Class began on Friday 2nd September 2022 – 9.30am to 10.30am now on a Friday morning.

- Clubbercise Ladies Exercise Class, began on 17th February at 7.30pm and continues on Thursday evenings.

Leaders will be in touch with their groups





The Bowling Club has restarted activities again.

with details, as necessary. We will continue to update this subject in the Weekly News Sheet., as required.

## 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.

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



The Scout Group have returned to meeting weekly.

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.

Tel:- 02866 329889

Email: - rossorryoffice@btinternet.com

## 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 and conduct Vestry Meetings.

• SERVICE COVER – Rev. Colin Brownsmith, OLM, (Tel:- 02868641997) will provide all Church Service cover (including Weddings, Funerals and Baptisms).

• PASTORAL COVER - the Revd Alison Irvine, Diocesan Curate,( Mob. 07977595266) or (email:- revalisonirvine@gmail.com ) will be providing pastoral cover in the parish

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

## Services for October 2022

### Sunday 2nd October

10.00am – Holy Communion.

### Friday 7th October

8.00pm - Harvest Service of Thanksgiving (Preacher – Rev. Abraham Storey)

### Sunday 9th October

10.00am – Family Service of Harvest Thanksgiving. (Rev. Colin Brownsmith)

### Sunday 16th October

10.00am – Morning Prayer.

### Sunday 23rd October

10.00am – Morning Prayer.

### Sunday 30th October

10.00am – Morning Prayer.

## Parish Register

### BEREAVEMENTS

■ GRAHAM, Mary Helena (Ena), on 6th September 2022, peacefully at the County Care Home, Enniskillen, in her 102nd year, late of Inis Fold and formerly Kinarla, Enniskillen. Her Funeral service took place at Rossorry Parish Church at 2.00pm on Thursday 8th September 2022, followed by interment in Rossorry Churchyard.

*The sincerest condolences of the whole Parish go to the Graham family and friends of the late, Ena – a stalwart and a wonderful lady of our Parish.*

### BAPTISMS

■ McCORDICK, Maximus Martin, infant son of Derek Mc Cordick and the late Jennifer Kavanagh, who was christened at Rossorry Parish Church on Thursday 18th August 2022, by Revd. Colin Brownsmith.

*May he grow in the faith in which he has been baptized.*

## Contact Us...

Website: rossorryparish.com

Facebook: Rossorry Parish Church

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

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Telephone at 02866 329889.

## Tempo and Clabby



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### Parish Fellowship

Tuesday 4th October at 7.30p.m. Clabby Church Hall. I hope a good number of our parishioners will come along. No meetings on the second Tuesday of the month due to Mothers' Union meeting.

### Clabby Tractor Run

Saturday 8th October leaving Clabby Church Hall at 11.00 a.m. Registration from 10.00 a.m. For further details contact Jim Monteith 89521167 or 07751803660 proceeds towards Church funds.

### Crosslinks 100

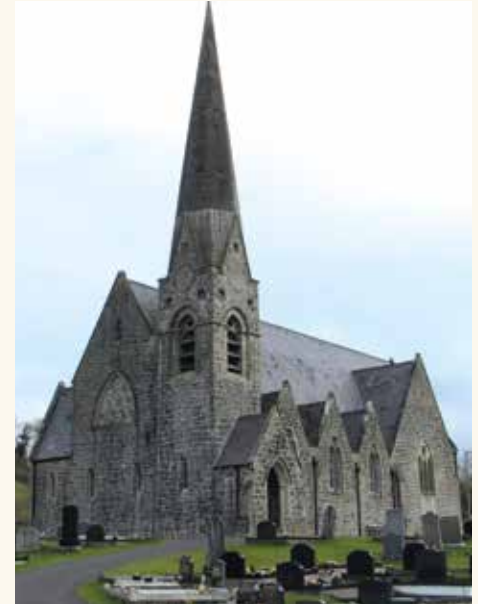
Crosslinks formerly known as the Bible Churchmen's missionary society was founded in 1922. This year as it celebrates its 100th anniversary as a special celebratory event and service will be held at St. Anne's Parish Church on Saturday 15th October at 6.30 p.m. As a Parish with a long-standing history of support of this missionary society, I hope that a group of Parishioners would be able to attend this important event. There will be further details available at Church.

### Tempo Parish

KEEP FREE Friday, 21st October at 8 p.m. for Marching Bands Concert in Tempo Church Hall, proceeds towards Church funds. Tickets £10 available from Select Vestry members or pay at door. Bands taking part Maguiresbridge Silver Band, Rosslea Accordion Band, Irvine Memorial (Clabby) Pipe Band and Alistair Scott Ceilidh Band. Everyone welcome to what promises to be an entertaining evening.

### Firewood for sale

Clabby Parish have a large amount of firewood for sale at £3.00 per bag. To



place orders contact Mrs. Vera McConell 89521160 or 07392741543 or Leslie McCutcheon 07720300559.

### November

#### Clabby Parish Auction

Saturday 5th November 1.30 p.m. Clabby Church Hall. A Variety of items for auction. Members of the Select Vestry will call with Parishioners prior to the event to arrange collection of items. Firewood will be available for auction.

### Harvest

As you read these notes we are in the midst of having held or looking forward to these important thanksgiving services.

Our Harvest Services teach us some important lessons.

1. Give thanks to God who provides us with all our material needs James 1 v 17 "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of Heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."
2. Give thanks to God who gave us strength to do our work especially on the land.

Deuteronomy 8 v 10 "When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land the Lord has given you.

Be careful not to forget the Lord your God...

You may say to yourself "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me. But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth".

3. Remember there will be a spiritual harvest one day. Jesus taught this in a many of the parables about the Kingdom of heaven. See the parables of the weeds in Matthew 13 v 24-30 and 13 v 36-43. The weeds separated from the good seed. The weeds those who reject the call and claims of Christ in their lives. The good seeds are those who have responded to Christ's call to come and

follow Him and live a fruitful life for Him. Matthew 13 v 41-43 'The Son of man will send out his angels and will weed out of his Kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine in the Kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let them hear".

The challenge of the Harvest message is this, who or what do we depend upon for our daily lives? Are we ready for the great spiritual harvest when Christ shall return? What have you done with Christ? What have we done or are presently doing for Christ? Two questions we ask ourselves now and will be asked of each one of us when we stand before Christ to give an account of our lives. Perhaps the words of hymn 37 'Come, ye thankful, come' are timely reminder of God our provider and the eternal harvest one day. Based on Matthew Ch 13 v 24-30

*For the Lord our God shall come,  
And shall take his harvest home,  
From his field shall in that day  
All offences purge away'  
Give his angels charge at last  
In the fires the tares to cast,  
But the fruitful ears to store  
In his garner evermore.*

*Our prayer Ever so, Lord Quickly come,  
To thy final harvest home,  
Gather thou thy people in,  
Free from sorrow, free from sin,  
There for ever purified in thy presence to abide.  
Come with all there angels come,  
Raise the glorious harvest home.*

## Trory and Killadeas



Rector:  
**Revd Mark  
Gallagher**

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### Paying our respects to Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

It was with deep sadness we, along with the whole country, commonwealth, and world, learned of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and as parishes we marked her passing with due dignity and respect. In line with the national guidance, on Friday 9th September the church bell in both churches rang out for one hour from 12 noon. Then on Sunday 11th September, a book of condolence was opened for use in both churches and was available during the usual 10am and 11.30am services, as well as during the special services at 6pm and 7pm to pay respect to Her Late Majesty. The book of condolence, organised by Mervyn Byers, will be sent to Buckingham Palace, to be received by HRH King Charles III and the Royal Family. Thanks to all who agreed to take part in these services, representing various organisations in the church and local community. The services ended with a cup of tea and time to reflect on what Her Majesty meant to us as a community. Unsurprisingly, a lot of the memories shared were to do with her visit to Enniskillen St. Angelo Airport, which is located at the foot of Trory church.

### Harvest Services

As you read this, we are most likely halfway through our Harvest services. Killadeas has safely gathered in for another year, and Trory is in full Harvest mode.

The Trory Harvest Services are:

■ Friday 14th October @7pm, A Traditional Harvest Thanksgiving with Supper. Guest Speaker: Rev. Simon Scott.

■ Sunday 16th October @11.30am, An All Age Harvest Thanksgiving, including the annual 'turn up with a turnip' competition and 'veggie pals' for our young people. Guest Speaker: Mrs. Heather Ellis.

Thanks to all of the guest speakers, not only for agreeing to speak, but also for



Some photos of the Book of Condolence for her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at the services in Trory and Killadeas at 10am, 11.30am, 6pm, 7pm on 11th September

getting involved with entries for our annual 'turn up with a turnip' competitions.

At this point, a huge thank you is also owed to all who decorated both churches - they always look resplendent - as well as to those who organised and provided the Harvest Supper, and the choirs and organists for their superb and dedicated work in both churches. It all combines to make Harvest a real highlight of the church calendar for so many.

### Our organisations

We are now back to pre-Covid opening arrangements, with most organisations having restarted, along with the Strollers and Baby and Tots, which have joined the list of regular activities within the last year. The resilience of both parishes to the pandemic, the desire to bounce back stronger, and the dedication and hard work of so many in both congregations is to be applauded. It is no small feat to restart activities, but to start new ones - and to see the success of them in making connections with the local community - took immense effort. This cannot be overstated, and I (Rev. Mark) just want to acknowledge publicly the immense hard work that so many have put into getting our parishes back on track again. I, along with the churches and local communities,



owe you my sincere and heartfelt thanks. Below is a list of our regular activities.

### Weekday activities

- Holy Strollers – Weekly, Mondays, 7pm
  - Baby and Toddler Group – Weekly, Wednesdays 10am, Trory Schoolhouse
  - Trory Bowls – Weekly, Thursdays, 7pm, Ballycassidy Hall
  - Mothers' Union – 2nd Monday of the month at 8pm, Killadeas
  - Trory Choir – As arranged, Tuesday or Thursday evenings, St Michael's Church
  - Killadeas Choir – As arranged, Thursday evening or Friday mornings, Priory Church
- A number of other organisations have restarted who have strong connections with our parishes, and who share our buildings. Like ourselves, they are always willing to encourage new members. These include Trory LOL, Trory Accordion Band, Killadeas LOL, Killadeas, RBP, and Killadeas Pipe band. If you would be interested in joining these, we can point you in the right direction.

## Usual pattern of Sunday Worship

■ 1st Sunday Holy Communion, 10am (Killadeas) and 11.30pm (Trory)  
■ 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sundays Morning Prayer, 10am (Killadeas) and 11.30pm (Trory)  
■ 2nd Sunday Informal All Age Worship in Ballycassidy Hall, 8pm  
■ 4th Sunday Choral Evensong in Priory Church Killadeas, 8pm  
(\*Please note this is for reference as the usual pattern of activities and worship. Harvest, Advent, and Christmas, as well as other events, will mean there are changes - even in the short term - to this pattern. It is for long term reference only. Monthly alterations should be taken from the dates for your diary section in the magazine each month, and last minute alterations where necessary should be taken from announcements in Sunday services and online.)

## Baby and Toddler Group

We have had a great start to the Baby and Toddler Group and look forward to welcoming new members. As the group grows, there may be a need to move from the Schoolhouse beside Trory church to the larger Ballycassidy Hall. Please keep up to date by checking the Facebook page regularly.

## Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union meeting this month moves to Wednesday 5th October at 8pm, when we look forward to welcoming members from across the diocese, as well as Bishop Ian who will celebrate a service of Holy Communion in Priory Church Killadeas, before the Autumn Council meets in the onsite hall.

## Trory Bowls

The Bowling Club, for the new season, will meet on Thursday evenings only. New members always welcome, and we look forward to seeing some new faces over the coming months.

## Sunday School

Trory Sunday School – During 11.30am Service, Trory Schoolhouse. On Morning Prayer Sundays, children come into church until the children's address and leave during the singing of the psalm or canticle following it. On Holy Communion Sundays, children go straight to Sunday School, and will be brought into church during distribution to receive a blessing and a sweet at the rail along with their families. Killadeas Sunday School – Plans are afoot for this to restart in a new incarnation, and to be parent led. We will keep you updated.

## From the Registers

### HOLY MATRIMONY

■ 30th September Lauren Kerr and Stewart Johnston, St Michael's Trory.

## Dates for your diary:

### Sunday 2nd October

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

### Wednesday 5th October

8pm Clogher Diocese Mothers' Union Autumn Council, Priory Church Killadeas

### Sunday 9th October

10am Morning Prayer, Priory Church, Killadeas,  
11.30am Morning Prayer, St. Michael's Church, Trory  
8pm Informal All Age Worship, Ballycassidy Hall

### Friday 14th October

7pm Traditional Harvest Thanksgiving with Supper, St. Michael's, Trory

### Sunday 16th October

10am Morning Prayer, Priory Church, Killadeas,  
11.30am All Age Harvest Thanksgiving, St. Michael's Church, Trory

### Sunday 23rd October

10am Morning Prayer, Priory Church, Killadeas,  
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11.30am Morning Prayer, St. Michael's Church, Trory



Some photos of the Baby and Tots group in Trory Schoolhouse



# MOTHERS' UNION

## A message from the Worldwide President – Sheran Harper

It is with deep sadness that I receive the news of the passing of our beloved Patron, Her Majesty the Queen. On behalf of the Mothers' Union members around the world, I join with the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth in offering our love and sincere condolences to the entire Royal Family and all those dear to her.

Her Majesty has had a long and extraordinary life in which she saw our world change dramatically. Yet Her Majesty's dedication and service to her country, the Church and Commonwealth remained steadfast and continued to be an inspiration to us all, keeping us together in all situations.

We give thanks to God for her being our Patron, for blessing her with special gifts for a life humbly dedicated to public service, her strong faith as she weathered many storms; her commitment and devotion to family life; and her great concern for communities and all people.

Her guidance and support of Mothers' Union over the decades has enabled us to achieve so much in impacting communities and touching lives. During times of ongoing war and turmoil around the world, she reminded us of the healing power of forgiveness, peace and reconciliation. This inspired us and encouraged us to work for harmony and good relationships among all people in our communities.

Her spirit of acceptance to change and transformation through the years and her ability to take others on the journey of change is testimony to her great strength as a leader and her faith in change that is inevitable. This outlook on life strengthened Mothers' Union members to embrace all opportunities of change and transformation that truly reflect the worldwide nature of our movement.

We will always remember her intelligence and humility in making wise decisions, her charm and sense of humour, and her sincere caring and gentleness. Hers was a life born to serve God and all humanity and her legacy that will live on in so many ways and in the hearts of all Mothers' Union members for generations to come.

On behalf of the Worldwide Board of Trustees, staff and members all around the world, we pray for the peaceful resting of Her Majesty's soul with the sure hope of her rising in glory.

*'And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love'*

- Romans 8:38a (NLT)



### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### Wednesday 5 October 2022

Autumn Council  
The Priory Church,  
Killadeas

#### 4th/5th November 2022

Women's Getaway  
Leixlip  
Guest Speaker Sheran Harper, Worldwide President

#### 6 November

Service in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen  
Guest Preacher: Sheran Harper, Worldwide President

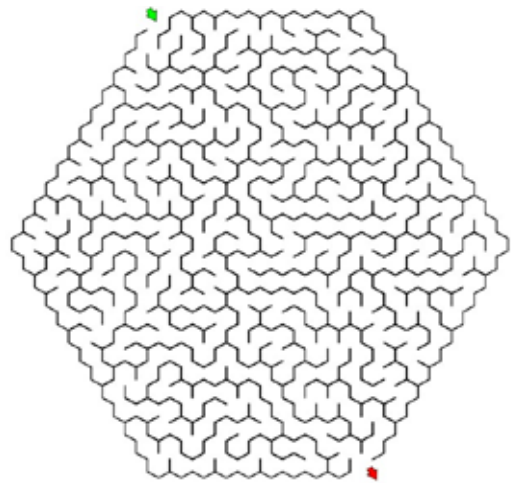
#### 25 November – 10 December

16 Days of Activism

# CHILDREN'S SECTION



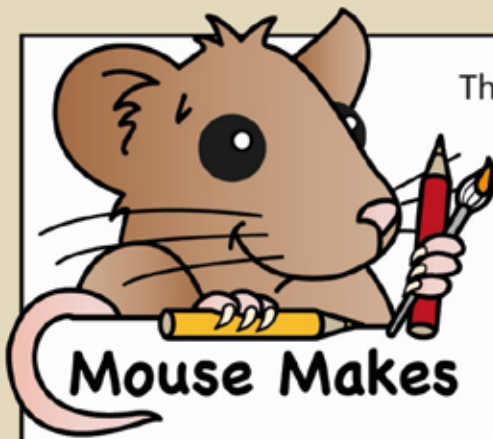
*Jesus  
light  
of the  
World*



Use the coloured picture for ideas of colours you could use to colour the big picture.

Praise God  
for another  
great  
harvest





## Mouse Makes

The New Testament has **four gospels, twenty one epistles** and the book of Revelation.

The **epistles** are a collection of **letters** that were written by the apostles to the early Christians, they contain teaching, instruction, advice and encouragement.

The Apostle **Paul** is thought to have written **thirteen** of the *epistles*...



Look in your Bible to see who wrote the other eight and who they were written to.

How many people does Paul send greetings to at the end of his letter to the Romans?

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The word **epistle** comes from the Greek word **epistolé** which means *letter* or *message*

Which are the longest epistles?

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Which is the shortest epistle?

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How many chapters do they have?

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How many chapters does it have?

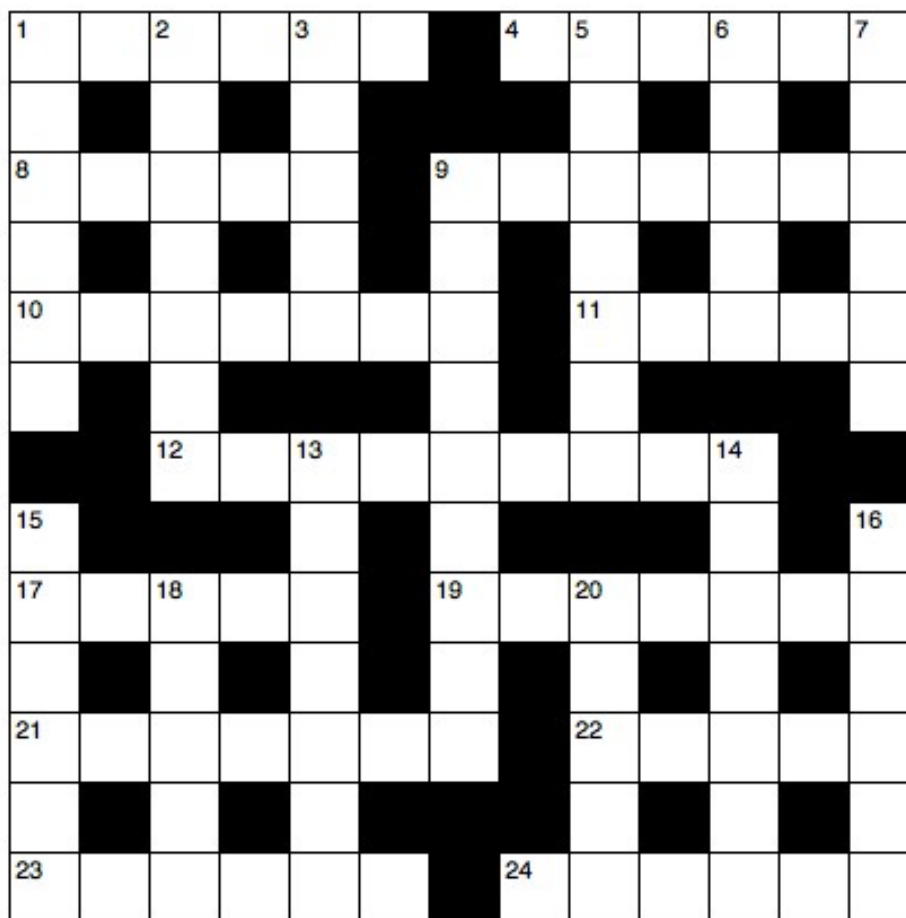
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**DID YOU KNOW...?**  
At the time of the New Testament letters were written on scrolls

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 PHILIPPIANS • COLOSSIANS • THESSALONIANS • TIMOTHY • TITUS • PHILEMON  
 HEBREWS • JAMES • PETER • JOHN • JUDE • PAUL • SCROLL • WRITE

# PUZZLE PAGES *for Adults*



## ACROSS

- 1 Tertullus, who presented the high priest's case against Paul in his trial before Felix, was one (Acts 24:1) (6)
- 4 As balm (anag.) (6)
- 8 Having explored Canaan, he and Joshua urged the Israelites to take possession of it (Numbers 13:30) (5)
- 9 On becoming king of Judah, he had all six of his brothers killed (2 Chronicles 21:4) (7)
- 10 'Even the — has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself' (Psalm 84:3) (7)
- 11 Banishment (Jeremiah 29:1) (5)
- 12 'And now I will show you the most — way' (1 Corinthians 12:31) (9)
- 17 'Titus did not exploit you, did he? Did we not — the same spirit and follow the same course?' (2 Corinthians 12:18) (3,2)
- 19 Mice den(anag.) (7)
- 21 How Egypt is often described in the Old Testament: 'the land of —' (Exodus 13:3) (7)
- 22 One of the first Levites to resettle in Jerusalem after the exile in Babylon (1 Chronicles 9:15) (5)
- 23 'As a sheep before her shearers is —, so he did not open his mouth' (Isaiah 53:7) (6)
- 24 Paul's birthplace (Acts 22:3) (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Ravenous insect inflicted on Egypt in vast numbers as the eighth plague (Exodus 10:14) (6)
- 2 Well-being (Philippians 2:20) (7)
- 3 Small piece of live coal or wood in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (5)
- 5 Sportsman or woman (2 Timothy 2:5) (7)
- 6 The original name of Abraham's wife (Genesis 17:15) (5)
- 7 'So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each — belongs to all the others' (Romans 12:5) (6)
- 9 According to Peter, a wife's beauty should not come from wearing this (1 Peter 3:3) (9)
- 13 'For God did not send his Son into the world to — the world' (John 3:17) (7)
- 14 'The Lord of heaven and earth...does not live in — built by hands' (Acts 17:24) (7)
- 15 'If your hand — you to sin, cut it off' (Mark 9:43) (6)
- 16 Something like these fell from Saul's eyes as soon as Ananias placed his hands on him (Acts 9:18) (6)
- 18 Track (Job 41:30) (5)
- 20 Religious doctrine (5)

■ Crossword Puzzle answers on page 67



# DIOCESAN NEWS

## ROI parishes well represented at charities meeting

There was a good turnout of Republic of Ireland parish representatives at the Charities Accounting Information Evening organised by Clogher Diocese at St Patrick's Church of Ireland in Monaghan on Tuesday 13th September 2022.

The Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd Dr Ian Ellis, welcomed all to the meeting, thanked everyone for attending and opened in prayer.

He explained that the Diocese had organised the event to assist parishes with their obligations under the Charities Legislation and that it was not the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland, nor the Diocese imposing these changes.

Mrs Kate Williams, Head of Finance in the Representative Church Body, gave a very clear PowerPoint presentation to the ROI parishes on 'Preparing for Charities Accounting', and provided detailed responses to several questions which were asked during and after the presentation.

The Diocese wishes to thank to Kate for



Taking part in the charities meeting were (from left); Chancellor Ian Berry, who hosted the meeting in St. Patrick's Church, Monaghan; Ashley Brown, Diocesan Accountant; Kate Williams, RCB; Glenn Moore, Diocesan Secretary and Bishop Ian Ellis.

her excellent presentation and for the information which she provided. Also, the Diocese would like to take this



The charities meeting in progress.

opportunity to thank all the Select Vestries and parish personnel for all the work they do for the parishes.



## Archdeacon Ruddell Prize and Bishop's Medal Competitions 2022-2023

Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education invites children and young people to enter the following competitions. This year's theme is:

# Miracles

A miracle is often described as "a wonderful work of God." There are many miracles described in the Bible.

### Archdeacon Ruddell Prize

This competition is open to children of primary school age and can be either an individual or a group entry

1. Name as many of Jesus's miracles as you can, giving the Bible references please.
2. Jesus performed different **types** of miracles. For instance, sometimes he healed people, sometimes he used his power over nature and sometimes he raised people from the dead. Choose an example of **each** of these **three** different types of miracles and retell the stories in your own words.
3. What have you learned about Jesus through exploring the miracles?



### Bishop's Medal

This competition is open to young people of secondary school age and must be an individual entry

1. Name as many miracles as you can from **both** the Old Testament and the New Testament, giving Bible references please.
2. Select two different types of miracles from the **Old** Testament and retell the stories of these. What do they teach us about the nature of God and the relationship He has with His people?
3. Select and retell in your own words two different types of miracles that Jesus performed. What do these teach us about the person and work of Jesus then and today?

The sections should be covered in the order given above please.

Use whatever media you choose - handwriting, cartoon, story board or IT, including video etc

All entries must be original, the work of those entering.

All entries should please be left in the Diocesan Office by **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

# Clogher Cathedral hosts first of two Services of Enthronement



Taking part in the Enthronement Service for Bishop Ian Ellis are (from left); Mrs Hilary Keys, Churchwarden; Revd Chris West, Bishop's Chaplain; Archdeacon Brian Harper; Bishop Ellis; Revd John McClenaghan, Diocesan Registrar; Lord Stephens of Creevyloghagare, Diocesan Chancellor; Dean Kenneth Hall; Andy McCabe, Verger and William Crawford, Churchwarden.

The first of two Services of Enthronement of the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis, took place in St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher, on Thursday, 8th September.

Many of the members of the congregation who had gathered for the service learned of the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II while waiting for the service to begin. Special prayers were read by Dean Kenneth Hall and by Bishop Ian Ellis and the National Anthem was played by organist, Mr. Glenn Moore.

The procession of churchwardens, parish readers, diocesan readers, ecumenical guests, visiting Church of Ireland clergy, clergy of Clogher Diocese, the Chapter of both cathedrals Diocesan Registrar, the Dean's Verger and the Dean of Clogher made their way up the aisle to the singing of "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!"

Then, following the opening greeting and the Reading of the Mandate by the Dean, the ceremonial entrance of Bishop Ellis began. He arrived at the West Door to find it closed and struck the door three times with his pastoral staff to which the Dean



Bishop Ian Ellis, strikes on the West Door of St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher three times at the beginning of his Enthronement Service watched by the Diocesan Chancellor.

replied, "Let the doors be opened! Right Reverend Father in God, we have looked forward to your coming with great joy. In the name of the Lord we greet you and welcome you into your Cathedral Church."

The Dean's Verger, Mr. Andy McCabe led the procession of the Dean; Diocesan Registrar, the Revd John McClenaghan;

Diocesan Chancellor, the Right Hon. Lord Stephens of Creevyloghagare and the Bishop of Clogher and his Chaplain, Revd Chris West.

The collect for St. Macartan's Day was read and followed by the Act of Enthronement.



**Bishop Ian is greeted by members of the clergy after the service.**

The first reading was by the Very Revd Canon Noel McGahan, PP, Parish Priest of Clogher and the second reading was by the Venerable Brian Harper, Archdeacon of Clogher.

The Bishop gave the sermon.

The hymns included “Jesus, where’er thy people meet,” “O thou who camest from above,” and “Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart.”

Prayers and Thanksgivings were read by the following;

- A prayer for the clergy and people was led by Mr. Jack Johnston, Historical Archivist to Clogher Cathedral and a member of Diocesan Council.

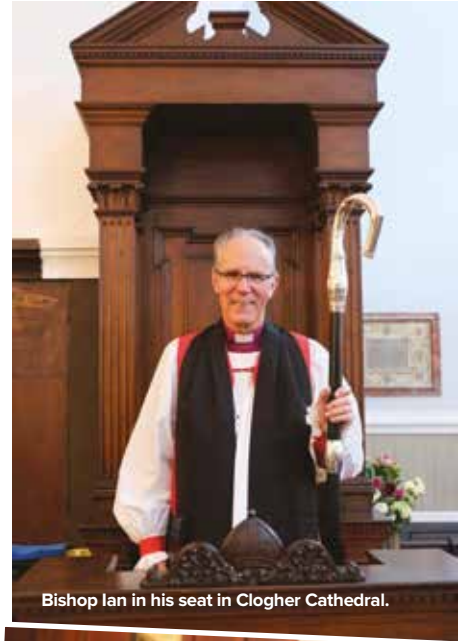
- A prayer for the Eastern Church was led by Mrs Heather Ellis, Diocesan Mothers’ Union President.

- A prayer for the increase of the ministry was led by Mrs Dawn Hutchinson,

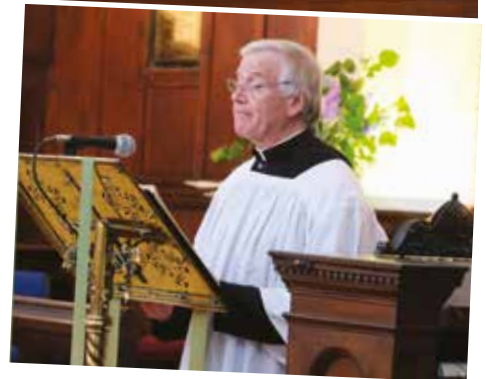
Principal of Drummacrutin National School.

- A prayer for schools, education and young people was led by Mr. Johnston Reid, Principal of Monaghan Collegiate School.

Tea followed the service in Clogher Cathedral Hall.



**Bishop Ian in his seat in Clogher Cathedral.**



**Very Revd Noel McGahan, P.P. Clogher reading a lesson.**



**Mr. Jack Johnston leading a prayer for the clergy and people.**



**Mrs Heather Ellis leading a prayer for the Eastern Church.**



**Archdeacon Brian Harper, reading a lesson.**



**Mrs Dawn Hutchinson leading a prayer for the increase in ministry.**



**Mr. Johnston Reid, leading a prayer for schools, education and young people.**



Taking part in the Celebration of the Holy Communion for the Enthronement of the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis were (from left); Nathan Clyde, Churchwarden; Andy McCabe, Verger; Revd Chris West, Bishop's Chaplain; Bishop Ian Ellis; Dean Kenneth Hall; Revd John McClenaghan, Diocesan Registrar; Archdeacon Brian Harper and Alanna Williamson, Churchwarden.

# Bishop Ian welcomed to diocese in second service of enthronement

The second Enthronement Service of Bishop Ian Ellis took place in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday, 25th September, postponed from the earlier date of 11th September due to the death of HM Queen Elizabeth.

The hymns included; "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the Kind of Creation," "The Lord's my Shepherd," "My Jesus, my Saviour," "Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour," "Be still, for the presence of the Lord," "I am not worthy, holy Lord," "Be known to us in breaking bread" and "Be thou my vision." The organist was Mr. Glenn Moore.

The lessons were read by Monsignor Peter O'Reilly, Mr. Mark Ellis and Revd Chancellor Ian Berry. The Bishop was the preacher.

Prayers were led by Mr Sam Morrow, Hon. Secretary of St. Macartin's Cathedral; Mrs Ethne McCord, Hon. Secretary of Tyholland and Errigal Truagh Union of Parishes; Mrs Julie Crawford, Principal, Clontibret National School and Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, Principal, Enniskillen Royal Grammar School. The



Bishop Ian Ellis striking the Cathedral door three times at the beginning of the service.

service included the celebration of Holy Communion.

In his sermon, Bishop Ian thanked everyone for arranging the services and said;

"I would like to focus our thoughts on the Gospel passage and those parables on lostness –the lost sheep, the lost coin,

and the lost son.

"I wonder have you ever lost something valuable and understand that sense of loss – I once lost my wedding ring on beach in France! I searched all afternoon turning over the sand where we had sat and came back the next day thinking the tide might have uncovered it – daft idea

as that was! I even asked a guy with a metal detector to scan the area - but to no avail – no happy ending – I had to buy a new one when I got home.

“These parables are good news for those who have lost something or someone important. Firstly the parable of the lost sheep and the seeking and caring shepherd emphasises the joy of God, who rejoices more over one sinner who repents than over 99 respectable people who have not committed any gross sin. The parable at another level is also an insight into the ministry of Jesus – bringing the joy of God as his promised shepherd, God’s new David, doing the work of God – God intervening to restore his lost sheep.

“It’s an image very apt as we think tonight on the role of the bishop in a diocese – and I have been given the great honour of being your bishop. The crozier we carry is not so much a symbol of authority but of pastoral care – it speaks of the caring and leadership role of the bishop as the chief shepherd and a symbol of unity for the diocese to gather around.

“Sheep tend to get lost I am told because of their silliness or their inquisitiveness – they nudge their way through a gap in a hedge, move off and get separated from the flock. The shepherd in the parable notices the missing sheep and leaves the flock and scours the hills for the wayward one. When he finds it, he carries it on his shoulders back to the flock.

“As we in churches move on from the pandemic when so many people have had their lives changed or disrupted at so many levels, it is not surprising that some may have lost their way – their mental health affected – lost within themselves, or their employment lost, or their relationships altered.

“In recent weeks our church leaders have called for action from our governments to address the financial losses many are going to face over this winter with



**Monsignor Peter O'Reilly of St. Michael's Church reading the first lesson.**

crippling costs of living. It looks like the new UK Prime Minister is going to do something to address these fears. There is a real sense of impending crisis in the minds of the vulnerable and needy families across these islands with many families feeling they have lost control of their lives.

“I think there is another form of lostness right across churches – many parishioners have just lost the patterns of life they previously had. A good many lost their regular connection with the church.

“Our role as clergy and laity is just as it ever was – modelling the good shepherd, seeking, and helping those who have lost their way to find meaning, purpose, hope and restored relationships with others and perhaps with God himself. And we now must help those who have lost connection find reconnection with our churches. The challenge for us is to find ways of doing this effectively and appropriately.

“But here is where we are and where we must begin to move forward.

“This evening, I dramatically knocked the cathedral door seeking admission – that action symbolises the knock of those who are asking what the church has to offer, who seek answers to timeless questions, who yearn for hope in a seemingly hopeless world, who feel lost in the unexpected twists and turns of the journey of life. Our task is to have the doors of our churches open with welcome and to be actively seeking and drawing in those who want to find their way back to God. Otherwise, they will decide the church is irrelevant and walk away. “Some of this opening of doors will happen naturally. Our greatest strength in the C of I is our pastoral care. Clergy can and must now begin to pick up their patterns of visiting again and begin to restore our full pastoral and sacramental ministry. Rebuilding our church life with adult, youth and children’s work and restarting in a lively way is however a work for the whole people of God not just the clergy.



**Mr Mark Ellis, reading the second lesson.**



**Revd Chancellor Ian Berry who read the Gospel.**



Bishop Ian Ellis delivering the sermon.

“We are very fortunate to have historic links with local schools, more than ever we need to strengthen our engagement, to show that the church highly values education, pastoral care and takes seriously its role in community life. Principals, teachers, governors, and parents need our support and our prayers. The English word ‘education’ comes from the Latin educare – ‘to lead out’. It’s about leading out the talents of young people and leading the community forward in its development and growth. Education in any society is critical to its well-being. We will help our parishes and school communities move forward as we engage with our local schools – it is good to be reminded about that tonight as some principals of schools in the diocese take part in our intercessions. “The second image Jesus uses is moved from working outdoors to indoors – he speaks of a woman who has lost one of ten silver coins – biblical scholars tell us to think perhaps of a string of coins on a

necklace or headband given at a special time. Jesus describes her strenuous efforts to find her missing coin. The focus of the parable is on the great efforts of the woman to find her valued item. It is about recovering a loss. “I think it challenges us also, those who are called to care for others who get lost in life either through bad choices or through circumstances beyond their control. Have we the caring eye to look carefully and the committed heart to spend time to help those who may lose their way or whose strength of faith is weakened? There are many who will need pastoral support or our healing ministry and the caring friendship of parishioners. As parishes we must engage with wider society and bring practical help where we can whether that is through a food bank or meals for the elderly or befriending services or whatever outreach we can offer. “During the Lambeth Conference this summer we heard a remarkable address



Prayers were led by Mr. Sam Morrow, Hon. Sec. of St. Macartin's Cathedral.

by the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell – who spoke about mission and evangelism. He urged us to think about our core mission. He made the striking point that ‘the core business of the church is to make disciples, just as the core business of McDonalds is to make burgers!’ He went on to say that ‘disciples make disciples by sharing the good news’. The word Evangelism has within it the word ‘angel’ – ‘you and I are to be angels’ he said, ‘sharing with the world what God has done in Christ’. “We must become those angels whose vision is to make disciples – we need to recover a sense of our core business, not to maintain an institution, but to make and nurture disciples. And that will take reaching out with care and imagination. We begin with the disciples we have and think beyond to those who are on the fringe of church life and reach out in engaging ways to draw new people to find or rediscover faith. “The final parable is so well known – the story of the lost son. There can be no more powerful picture of the forgiving love of God. It is a wonderfully constructed story - an argument, against the pharisees, but it is an argument, with the gentleness of love. The story has deep psychological insights into human nature and the hope of restoration. “The wayward son who yearns for more excitement and spending power, takes his inheritance in advance of his father’s death, moves off to a life of hedonism till his capital resources run out. His fair-weather friends soon desert him, and he is reduced to a low point of existence like a farmyard animal. He realises his error, humbly sets off for home and discovers his father looking and waiting and forgiving. But his brother stewes in anger and judgement and is helped to realise that a lost son, his brother had



Mrs Ethne McCord, Hon. Sec. of Tyholland and Errigal Truagh Union of Parishes, leads some of the prayers.

been brought back to life and the family restored and that joy was the appropriate response.

"It has been said that it is really the tale of two lost sons for the elder brother was wrong too. We can be like the wayward son – going off on a selfish lifestyle, or we can be, like the elder brother in our mean-spiritedness and full of judgment. Yet we are called to be like the forgiving and loving father – who was ready and waiting to forgive even before the son had made it home and could offer his sorrowful repentance. We echo that thought in our HC liturgy - When we were still far off, you met us in your son and brought us home.

"The picture of the forgiving Father is so different from the picture people often have of distant and formidable God – he is a God who values people, delights in them, is interested in every detail of their lives, has a way through their sins and difficulties and has a calling for them.

"This is the forgiving, loving God we are called to proclaim and display to those who are seeking him. The cross was the revealing of the love of the forgiving God - a servant come to give his life as a ransom for many. – 'opened wide his arms for us on the cross'.

"The honour you have bestowed on me with tonight is a seat – a cathedra or a throne to sit in this Cathedral. That also is a symbol of our church's mission – to reach out and help people discover their place in the family of God – a seat



Mrs Julie Crawford, Principal of Clontibret National School, leading prayers.

in his church in which to worship, to pray, to learn, to be challenged, to find forgiveness and healing, to grow and to know God's presence. That is the call of God to us as disciples to make that possible for others by sharing the good news of Christ Jesus.

"As a diocese tonight we are called to continue that mission of seeking and caring for whoever may be lost and welcoming them back into the family of God.

"It has always been so in the mission of God – but it is even more important in these times to remake those lost connections and to reach out in ways



Prayers were also led by Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, Principal of Enniskillen Royal Grammar School.

appropriate to each parish context, to tell of the wonderful seeking shepherd, to restore our own sheep and reach out to others sharing the good news of God in Christ.

"May we rediscover within our diocesan life, our parish ministry and inmost being, the loving care of the shepherd, the determined eye of the searching woman and the forgiving heart of the father. As we move out into God's future, may we learn to model the good shepherd and refocus on the core business of his church – helping the lost to find him and reaching out to make disciples."

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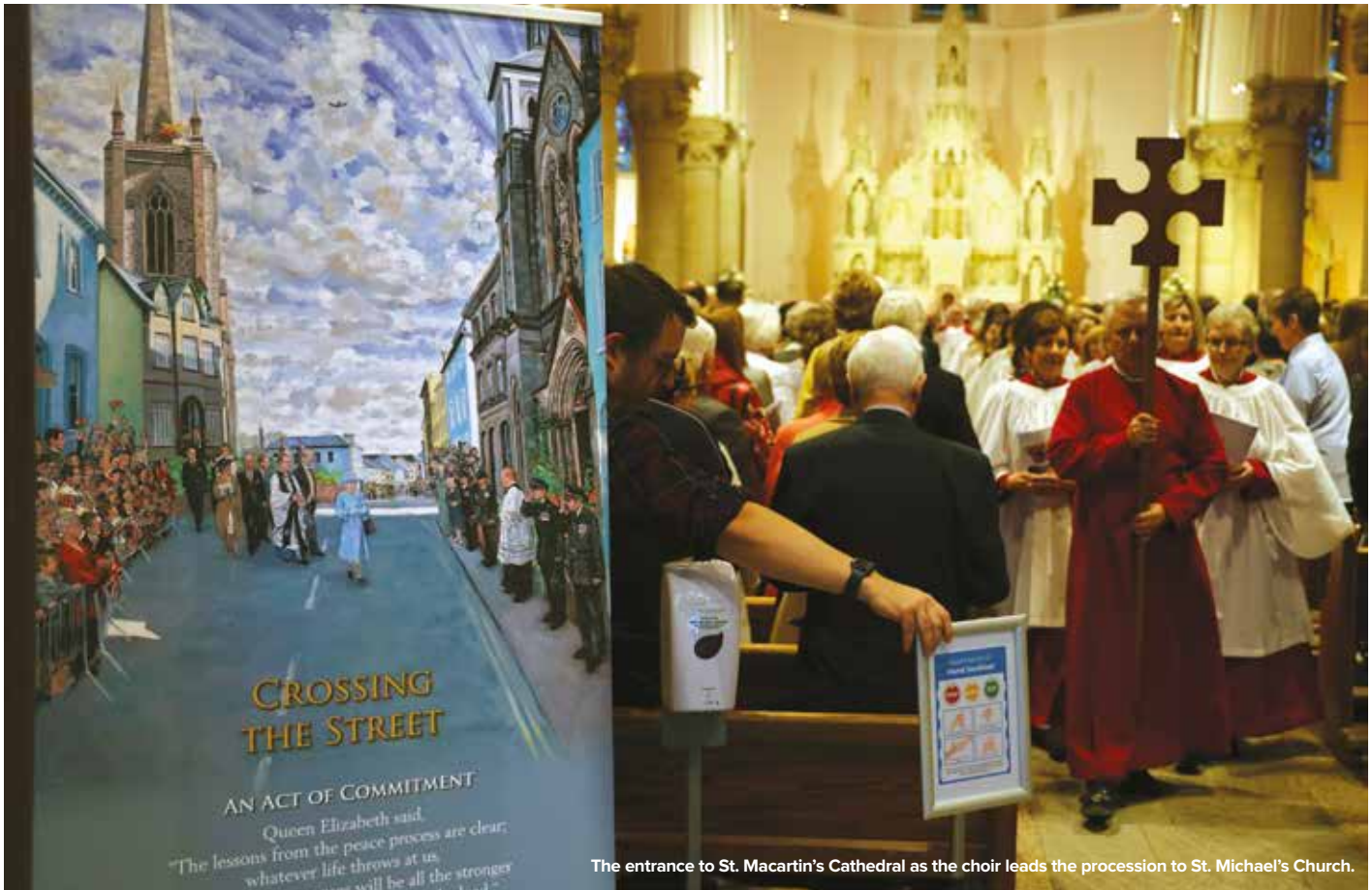
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The entrance to St. Macartin's Cathedral as the choir leads the procession to St. Michael's Church.

# QUEEN ELIZABETH 'TOUCHED HEARTS AND MINDS'

A Service of Prayer and Reflection following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth took place in Enniskillen on Sunday evening, 18th September. The service began in St. Macartin's Cathedral and continued in St. Michael's Church across the road as the clergy and congregation walked in the footsteps of Her Majesty during her historic visit to the town in June 2022.

Taking part were Dean Kenneth Hall and Monsignor Peter O'Reilly as well as Revd Lorna Dreading from Enniskillen Methodist Church and the Revd David Cupples, from Enniskillen Presbyterian Church as well as the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd Dr. Ian Ellis who gave the sermon (See Bishop's Note on Pages 4-5).

In a foreward to the service, Bishop Ellis said; "It is with profound sadness that we have learned of the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. On behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of Clogher I offer our sincere condolences to the members of the Royal Family in



**"Although our hearts are saddened by the death of Queen Elizabeth II, we give thanks to Almighty God for her long life and draw inspiration from the example of her clear faith, her devotion to Christ and selfless service."**

their grievous loss and assure them of the prayers of the parishes of this diocese at this time as they mourn the death of the Queen.  
"During her long reign, Queen Elizabeth II

has visited this area of her realm on many occasions and touched the hearts and minds of all who met her.

"Her visits are dearly held in our memories; most notable was the remarkable visit to St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen, in 2012, for a service to mark the 60th anniversary of her reign. On that occasion she reached out to members of the Catholic community and walked across Church Street to meet members of St Michael's Roman Catholic Church.

"Queen Elizabeth has led the way in promoting neighbourliness and breaking down barriers to friendship and working together.

"Although our hearts are saddened by the death of Queen Elizabeth II, we give thanks to Almighty God for her long life and draw inspiration from the example of her clear faith, her devotion to Christ and selfless service.

"God save the King."  
Dean Hall and Monsignor O'Reilly said; "With the announcement of the death



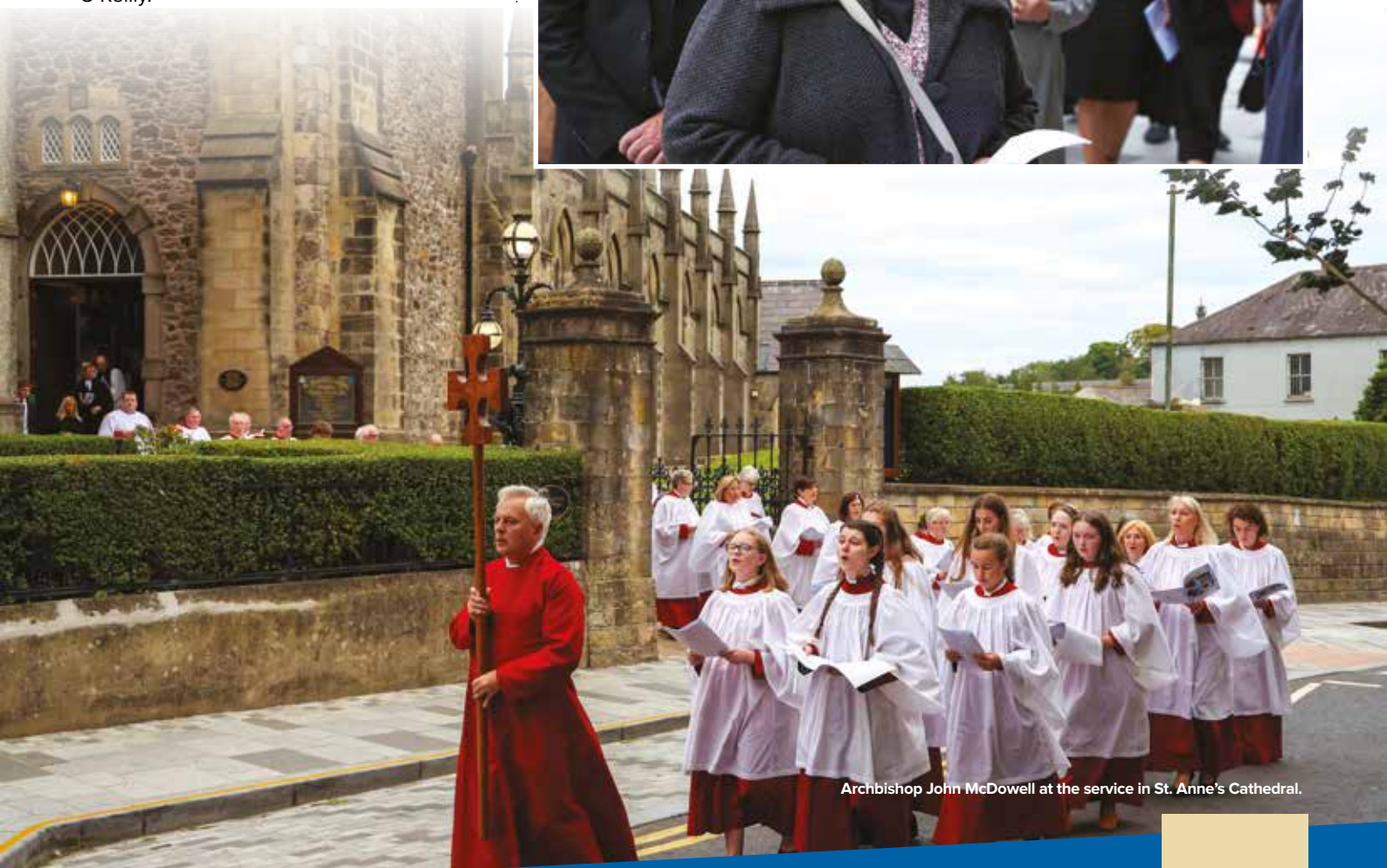
of Queen Elizabeth II, we pause in prayer to remember her family in their moment of renewed bereavement. The death of a parent and grandparent, even after a long life, is a painful loss. During the Platinum Jubilee of her life as Queen, her regnal qualities were widely remarked and acclaimed: service, duty and devotion.

“She did not disguise the roots of these qualities in her Christian faith but gave sterling witness to a practical belief in God, something for which Christian leaders like ourselves are especially grateful in time of changing culture. In Enniskillen, we experienced something of this at first hand. As was also evident in her visit to the other part of this island, she well understood the cause of division and the consequent ongoing need for reconciliation, something which her ‘crossing the street’ visibly demonstrated. She made a point of speaking about continuing to rise to this challenge when she met us personally in 2012.”

The hymns “All my hope on God is founded” and “The King of love my shepherd is” were sung in St Macartin’s and following the address by Dean Hall, the clergy and congregation walked across the road to St. Michael’s church while they sang “Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness.” In St. Michael’s Church, further hymns included; “Nearer, my God to thee,” and “Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart.” An address was given by Monsignor Peter O’Reilly.



Members of the congregation and choir of St. Macartin’s Cathedral, walk across the road to St. Michael’s Church.



Archbishop John McDowell at the service in St. Anne’s Cathedral.



## ‘Queen Elizabeth followed where Jesus led’ - Archbishop John McDowell

A Service of Reflection for the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was held in the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast, on Tuesday, 13th September 2022, in the presence of His Majesty King Charles III and the Queen Consort.

The sermon was given by Archbishop John McDowell who told the congregation attending and the many thousands watching the service live on television, that for many there were only two people whose deaths they could never imagine, their own and the Queen’s.

He said: “I think that is one of the reasons why the death of Queen Elizabeth was literally felt – felt so keenly by so many people when the news broke on Thursday afternoon. It was as though the nation’s collective grief was gathered up in those remarkable words of Christopher Marlowe’s: ‘If I had wept a sea of tears for her, it would not ease the sorrow I sustain’.

“And if that was how those of us felt who were in many ways part of her adopted family through her coronation oath, how much more profound must that feeling of loss be to those of the Queen’s blood family; those who knew her best and loved her most; Your Majesty, our prayers will be with you and your family for a long time to come.”

“There were many other words used about the late Queen during her long reign. Faithfulness, care, dutifulness, love, devotion. And all of these could be employed to describe her relationship with Northern Ireland and, I have to say, probably with patience binding them all together. But paying attention especially to what she said most recently, the word which I think will be most associated with Queen Elizabeth and Ireland, north and south, is Reconciliation.

“It’s a great New Testament word. It’s a great civic word. And it’s a hard word.

So hard in the religious sense that it was beyond the power of humanity to achieve, and God Himself had to give it to us as a gift in His Son. And as a disciple of Jesus Christ, Queen Elizabeth followed where Jesus led as women often have in the elusive and unfinished work of reconciliation here in Northern Ireland. For where the Master is, there will the servant be also.”

The full text of Archbishop McDowell’s sermon is on the Clogher Diocese and Church of Ireland websites.

A number of other people from within Clogher Diocese attended the service in their roles in society.

Archbishop John McDowell was among a group of church leaders from Northern Ireland who attended Queen Elizabeth’s funeral service in Westminster Abbey on Monday, 19th September.



THE ART OF REMEMBERING

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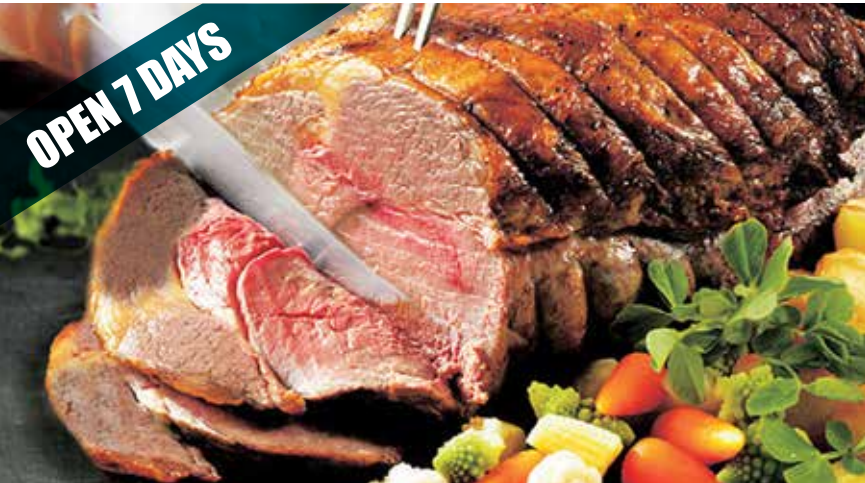
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