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Top - Bishop John McDowell, the Revd Anita Kerr, Mildred Crawford (Rector’s Churchwarden), Richard Clingan, Hannah Frazer, Charles Crawford (Diocesan Reader), Joyce Clingan (Organist), George Little (People’s Churchwarden) celebrating 175th Anniversary of Sallaghy Parish Church.

Bottom Left - Parishioners’ of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk enjoying a picnic at Belle Isle.

Bottom Right - Group of Parishioners from Ardess Parish taking part in a Walk of Prayer around Kesh.
Dear Friends,

In April I wrote a piece in this magazine about some of the difficulties which the Church has had, in the course of its long history, in living with the State. There was also a long period in the history of most of Western Europe (what we sometimes call “Christendom”) when the Church and the State were very closely tied together. Indeed up until 1871 the Church of Ireland was the church “by law established” and there was a time not long before that when most people in any position of power or influence had to conform to the Church of Ireland.

Those days are long gone for any Church in Ireland or in most of Europe and we are now in a position where we have to continually work out for ourselves how to be both true to the Gospel and to be constructive, active citizens.

It may take me a few months to do so, but I thought I would try to explore in general terms what that might mean for us in the twenty-first century; how we might approach the task of being the Church in the modern world.

And I want to begin by looking at what the Church should be. The Church is the body of people who announce to every nation the kingdom or reign of God. The Church calls men and women to repent of their loyalty to false powers and to become followers and servants of the one true King. When men and women respond to this call they come fully into the fellowship of the Church which is a sign, an instrument and a foretaste of the kingship of the one, true and living God.

The Gospel is not meant to call people out of the world into a safe and sealed haven. We are called out in order to be sent back as the bearers of God’s kingdom. In our case we are sent back into a world which is saturated with a culture of individualism and convinced that men and women are completely self-sufficient and able to shape their lives unaided or unencumbered by the obedience required by God.

The Jesus who said some words which are so familiar to us “Come unto me all who travail and are heavy laden and I will give you rest” also says “as the Father sent me, so I send you”.

One possible response to those sent back into a world dominated by a very powerful State which, along with The Market, lays claim to every aspect of life, is to become a protest movement. In this vision Jesus is seen as the great “outsider” refusing to have any part in power structures and eventually even crucified outside the city walls as a punishment for challenging the corruption of church and state.

Certainly if we take seriously the biblical account of the falleness and corruption of human nature then the idea of a perfect society is a delusion. Often there will be times when the Church and individual Christians must protest against both the State and the Market. But we need also to remember that death was not simply the result of his rebellion against both secular and religious authority. It was much more than that.

Jesus died as the beloved Son of the Father: the same Father who gives authority to the powers that killed his Son. Jesus himself recognised that fact in his trial before Pilate. However what he achieved in his death was to expose the corruption to which all political and economic power is prone, and in doing so robbed every power ever since of its claim to absolute authority. The State did not know what to do when confronted with absolute goodness and chose to attempt to destroy it.

Jesus exercised his goodness in a number of ways; healing, forgiving, teaching, and serving. In relation to the political authorities of his day he exercised his authority by “bearing witness to the truth”. By doing so he set a standard by which all political power is to be judged.

In the Gospels one of the first recorded reactions to the death of Jesus was a tragic event; the death of Judas by his own hand. And if the Cross had been the end of the story that would have been a justified reaction. But of course it was not. The resurrection is the revelation to chosen witnesses that the man who died on the cross is indeed the king, the conqueror of death and sin and Lord and Saviour of all.

And it is interesting to note that when they asked “Lord, will you now restore the kingdom to Israel” those chosen witnesses thought that Jesus victory was to have immediate political consequences. They thought that after the resurrection God himself would come and rule as king displacing all other forms of political power. But Jesus response to their question shows that they were mistaken. “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority”. They had wanted to see the uncontested rule of God (not unlike the Islamic ideal of a worldwide sharia) but were told simply that they must bide God’s time.

However they also received the promise of the Spirit who will, among other things, was to equip them when addressing political life and structures of power.

And I would hope to look at how the church addresses these challenges next month.

+John
Chancellor

Every Diocese in The Church of Ireland is required to have a Chancellor who acts as the chief legal advisor on matters relating to the Constitution of the Church of Ireland. This is a voluntary unremunerated office generally undertaken by a senior legal figure as a way of serving the Church.

The Diocese of Clogher has been fortunate in having Sir Anthony Hart QC as its Chancellor for the past twenty-five years. Sir Anthony has served three Bishops in this role and I know that each one of us has found him to be absolutely unstinting in his willingness to provide advice of great wisdom and quality at a moments notice. So it was with very mixed feelings that I accepted Sir Anthony’s retirement as Chancellor, effective from 1st September 2015.

I was fortunate enough to have known Sir Anthony before coming to Clogher as Bishop, and as one my first duties was to preside at the Diocesan Synod where he acted as my Assessor, I was greatly relieved, not only to see a familiar and friendly face, but to have the assurance that I was in safe hands.

A son of Fermanagh and an Old Boy of Portora, where he developed his love of rowing (and perhaps of disputation), Sir Anthony pursued a very successful legal career in Belfast after graduating from Trinity College, Dublin. However he continued to serve both his local parish in Belfast and the Diocese of his birth in a number of ways. Inevitably the often confidential matters in which a Diocesan Chancellor is involved are not much known within a Diocese, but Sir Anthony’s advice and guidance have been extremely valuable in the smooth running of the Diocese.

Speaking personally I have been helped immensely in my move from parish to Episcopal ministry by Sir Anthony’s calm advice and presence and would wish to take this opportunity to express my gratitude publically.

Sir Tony will be succeeded as Chancellor by The Hon Sir Benjamin Stephens QC.

Archbishop of Canterbury marks 800th anniversary of Magna Carta

The Archbishop of Canterbury attended the Magna Carta 800th anniversary celebration at Runnymede in Berkshire.

Speaking at the celebrations, which were led by The Queen and attended by senior members of the Royal family, and parliamentarians led by prime minister David Cameron, the Archbishop said: “Archbishop Stephen Langton was mediator between the King and his barons, counsellor to both, and an advocate of civil harmony, cohesion and goodwill. His great legacy was this remarkable document, the spring from which so much of the human quest for political liberty has drawn, here and abroad, especially in the United States of America.

“The vision of the dignity of the human being, however limited that vision is, in Magna Carta sets a standard for our consideration of all human beings – however important or unimportant, near or far, they may seem to be.

“Langton was not alone. His was an age of giants at Canterbury. Alphege whose love for his people led him to give his life to save them from paying a crippling ransom. Anselm, the wise scholar and yet brave counsellor, whose advice cost him years of exile.

In such self-giving and courage Magna Carta found fertile soil to grow. It sets the bar high for all of us today.

“In the centuries since, how often the Church and others have failed to uphold these most noble qualities, to be an advocate for those members of our community for whom the rights and liberties of Magna Carta have remained a distant hope.

“From the support for enclosures to the opposition to the Great Reform Act, to the toleration of all sorts of abuse, with humility we recognise these failings.

“But I pray that today will be a moment of opportunity in which our commitment to the liberty and flourishing of one another, the bond between us that allows us to recognise our individual human dignity, is renewed and will never again fail.

There have been great moments. Bishops of Durham in the late nineteenth century and later in the twentieth speaking up for the miners; a church alongside the poorest, the genius of the Elizabethan settlement of religious differences, however long it took to become fixed.

“As the path to Magna Carta and our history since lays bare, the relationship between the Church and the State has not always been easy. In my own Cathedral in Canterbury, at the Altar of the Sword’s Point, the site of the martyrdom of Becket, I am reminded of what happens when this relationship collapses.

“Together, as critical friends, we must seek the principled and active betterment of society as a whole, ensuring that all the rights and liberties afforded to them, both in our legal system and in our inherent worth as children of God, are, in the words of Magna Carta, “enjoyed in their entirety, with lasting strength, forever”.

ANGLICAN COMMUNION NEWS
Yeats 2015 is a year-long event to celebrate nationally and internationally the life and work of William Butler Yeats, who was born 150 years ago on 13th June 1865. Entering into the spirit of this particular commemoration, the RCB Library in Dublin, which is the main record repository of the Church of Ireland, presents online significant evidence of the poet’s life and connection with places in Ireland (his baptism and burial) that may not have been viewed by the public before as June’s Archive of the Month (www.ireland.anglican.org/library/archive).

Both Yeats’ baptism in Donnybrook parish church, Dublin, a month after his birth, on 12th July 1865, and the re-interment of his remains at the graveyard in Drumcliffe, County Sligo, on 17th September 1948 (which took place some nine years after his death at Menton, France, on 28th January 1939) are underpinned by his Church of Ireland identity.

William Butler Yeats was born into an extraordinarily talented artistic family: his father John Butler Yeats, a lawyer by profession, but whose real interest was the arts, gave up the law soon after being called to the bar in Dublin to devote himself to artistic studies, becoming a renowned portraitist. Yeats’s sisters Susan (Lily), born in 1866, and Elizabeth (Lolly), born in 1868, would become innovative craft-workers and printers, while his brother Jack born in 1871 became one of Ireland’s most celebrated painters. Their mother Sarah Pollexfen was from the well-established business family of Pollexfens and Middletons in Sligo, who married John Butler Yeats on 10th September 1863 in St John’s parish church, Sligo. The family would move between Dublin, London and Sligo while Yeats was growing up but it was in Sligo where Yeats and his siblings would spend much of their youth which he regarded as his spiritual home.

It was here in the little parish churchyard at Drumcliffe (where Yeats’ paternal great-grandfather, Revd John Yeats had been rector between 1811 and 1846) that the poet was finally laid to rest in September 1948. In the latter years of his life Yeats and his wife spent a good deal of time in the south of France, where he died at the Hôtel Idéal Séjour, in Menton, on 28th January 1939. It had been his express wish that should he die in France, he was to be buried quickly (and temporarily) with a minimum of fuss, having advised his wife: “If I die here bury me up there [at Roquebrune] and then in a year’s time when the newspapers have forgotten me, dig me up and plant me in Sligo”.

After a protracted period of almost a decade, complicated by the intervention of the Second World War, and in accordance with his wishes, Yeats’ body was finally returned to Ireland and his spiritual home in Sligo. On 17th September 1948, a simple Church of Ireland burial service conducted by the then rector of the parish, the Revd James Wilson, and assisted by the bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, the Rt Revd Albert Hughes, was attended by hundreds of people from all walks of life, as well as his family. The record of burial was subsequently entered onto the parish burial register.

The RCB Library’s online exhibition will feature the baptismal and burial entries, together with other illustrative material documenting his Church of Ireland roots.

Commenting on the appointment of canons, the Dean of Clogher, the Very Revd Kenneth Hall said “I look forward to welcoming the Revd Henry Blair and the Revd Geoff Bridle as they take up the positions vacated by the Revd Canon Bryan Kerr and the Revd Canon Arthur Barrett, and wish them both well in their new offices”.

The Revd Henry Blair who is a native of Bellanaleck, has served his entire ministry in the Diocese of Clogher. Bishop McDowell said “On top of running one of the larger parishes in the diocese, Henry plays a very full part in the affairs of the Diocese as a Nominator, Council member and as a highly valued member of the Sustentation and Finance Committee. This dignity reflects the important role he has played in the Diocese.”
The Revd Geoffrey Bridle was ordained in 1987 and has been rector of Cleenish and Mullaghdun for the past sixteen years. He has also been involved in the development of the Cleenish Centre that is situated close to the rectory and Church in Bellanaleck. He has been a faithful pastor to his people. Bishop McDowell said, “I know that Geoff will look upon this canonry as recognition of his own ministry but also as recognition of the partnership and support he enjoys with the people of his parishes.” A Service of Acknowledgement and Admission will take place on 20th September at 7pm in St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher.

Announcing the Revd Alan Irwin’s appointment as Rural Dean of Kesh, Bishop John said, “I am delighted that the Bishop of Clogher and later Archbishop of Cashel. Commenting on the appointment of the Revd Anita Kerr to the Incumbency of the Galloon Group, Bishop John said “The Revd Anita has been working as a Diocesan Curate in the Galloon Group for the past two years and has won much admiration and respect for her hard work and innovation in all three parishes. Her appointment as rector is both a recognition of that work and a means of ensuring continuity and stability in the witness and ministry of the Church of Ireland that part of South East Fermanagh.”

DIOCESAN DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

July 2015

Friday 3rd July - St. Thomas (Red)  
Saturday 4th July – Car Boot Sale and Pet Show at Drummull Parish. Gates open at 8.00am; judging from 2.00pm. Cars and Vans €10; large vans €15.

Sunday 5th July - Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Green) 
Saturday 11th - Monday 13th July 2015 – Book Sale from 10.00am in The Old Court House, Kesh. Organised by Ardesh Parish.

Sunday 12th July - Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Green) 
Thursday 16th July – Steak BBQ in Clogh War Memorial Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets from Hall Committee members.

Sunday 19th July - Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)  
Tuesday 21st July – Slavin Parish Sale of Work

Wednesday 22nd July - St. Mary Magdalene (White)  
Saturday 25th July – Colaghty Parish Barbecue at 7.00pm.

Saturday 26th July - St. James the Apostle (Red)

Sunday 27th July - Eighth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

August 2015

Sunday 2nd August – Opening of the 2015 Carleton Summer School with a lecture and recital in Clogher Cathedral at 7.30pm. Internationally acclaimed harpist Kathleen Loughnane (Galway) will give a recital with a lecture by Fr Patrick Ryan, author of the new biography of Miller Magrath, the infamous first Protestant Bishop of Clogher and later Archbishop of Cashel.

Sunday 9th August - Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Green)  
Monday 10th - Friday 14th August 2015 – Holiday Bible Week in Derrynvenal North Parish Church, Irvinestown. Monday 10th - Friday 14th August 2015 – Holiday Bible Club in Aghadrumsee Parish from 10.30am to 12 noon with Mr Jonathan Graham, Child Evangelism Fellowship.

Saturday 15th August – Deadline for all submissions to Clogher Diocesan Magazine. Email entries for September issue to: editor@clogher.anglican.org

Saturday 15th August – Tractor Run and Vintage Ploughing Demonstration: at Fiddis’ Farm, Crom Road, Lisnaskea.

Sunday 16th August - Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)

Monday 17th - Thursday 20th August – Holiday Club for primary school children in the Protestant Hall, Clones from 7.00 to 8.30pm. The Club participants will take part in the United Back to School Service on Sunday 30th August at 11.00am in the Protestant Hall. Registration and consent forms can be obtained from the rector, the Ven. Helene Steed or at 6.45pm on the first evening. The club is run in cooperation with the Presbyterian Church in Clones.

Tuesday 18th August – Kiltyclogher Parish Sale of Work

Monday 21st August – Parish BBQ in Maguiresbridge Parish Hall. Tickets: £10 (steak); £5 (sausage/burger).

Sunday 23rd August – St. Molua’s Day Annual Ecumenical Service in Magheracloone Parish Church at 3.00pm. Special music provided by the Monaghan Gospel Choir.

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available from Select Vestry members from the end of July.

**Sunday 30th August - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (Green)**

### September 2015

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**Tuesday 1st September – Glebes Committee meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall at 11.00am.**

**Tuesday 1st September – Diocesan Council meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall at 2.00pm.**

**Tuesday 1st September – Crosslinks Western Prayer Meeting in Aghavea Church Hall at 8.00pm.**

**Friday 4th September – Midnight Walk commencing from Clabby Parish Hall at 11.30pm. Proceeds towards the Restoration Fund.**

**Friday 4th September – Institution of the Revd Anita Kerr as rector of Galloon Group of Parishes in Galloon Parish Church at 7.30pm. Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Maurice Elliott, Director of the Church of Ireland Theological Institute.**

**Sunday 6th September – Special Diocesan Commissioning Service with a Celebration of Holy Communion for all Sunday School teachers and helpers to mark the beginning of a new school year at 7.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen. Preacher: The Rt Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher.**

**Friday 11th September – Kilskeery Annual Parish BBQ Saturday 12th September – Galloon Parish Auction Sunday 13th September – Ordination of Revd Olivia Downey to the Priesthood in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.00pm.**

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**Tuesday 15th September – Galloon and Drummully MU Open Evening: Service in Galloon parish church, Newtownbutler at 8.00pm. Speaker: Heather Dawson, Diocesan President, Wellington, New Zealand.**

**Thursday 17th September – Clogher Clerical Association meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen at 11.00am. Speaker: Revd Roland Heaney on Pioneering Ministry in a Rural Context.**

**Friday 18th September – Concert in Rosscorry Parish Hall with Andrew Irwin (Tenor). For tickets contact Lorraine on 028 66 329469 or the Parish Office on 028 66 329889.**

**Saturday 19th September – Dromore Ladies Breakfast hosted by Holy Trinity MU. Cost £5.00. Speaker: Revd Ngozi Njoku, rector of Garrison Group of Parishes.**

**Sunday 20th September – A service of Acknowledgement and Admission for the Revd Geoffrey Bridle and the Revd Henry Blair as Canons in St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher at 7.00pm. Preacher: The Rt Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher.**

**Sunday 20th September – 150th Anniversary Service of Garvary Parish Church at 10.30am. Preacher: Rt Revd John McDowell.**

**Thursday 24th September – Diocesan Synod in St Macartin’s Cathedral and Halls at 4.30pm.**

**Saturday 26th September – Men Alive: in Dromore Parish Church (partnered with CVM) Lots of fun activities, good food, worship and inspirational teaching all morning for men of all ages. For more information or group bookings contact Revd James Boyd on 028 82 898246.**

**Sunday 27th September – 125th Anniversary Service in Devenish Parish Church at 3.00 pm. Preacher: Canon James Carson, who was Rector during the 100th Anniversary Celebrations. Devenish Parish church was consecrated by the Bishop of Clogher on 2nd October 1890.**

### October 2015

**Saturday 3rd October – Vintage Tractor Run meeting at Clabby Church Hall at 9.30am, departing at 10.30am. Proceeds towards Church Restoration Fund.**

**Thursday 8th October – Clogher Clerical Association Quiet Day in the Cleenise Centre, Bellanaleck.**

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**Thursday 19th November – Clogher Clerical Association Meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 11.00am. Speaker: Revd Dr Ian Ellis.**

**Friday 20th November – Gospel Concert in Ardess Parish Centre at 8.00pm. Proceeds in aid of Church repairs.**

### December 2015

**Thursday 10th December – Clogher Clerical Association Christmas Event: Holy Communion at 11.00am followed by coffee and AGM and afterwards Christmas Lunch in the Westenra Arms Hotel, Monaghan.**

### January 2016

**Thursday 21st January – Clogher Clerical Association Meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 11.00am. Speaker: Bishop Harold Miller on Funerals and Pastoral Liturgy.**

### March 2016

**Saturday 12th March – Rosscorry Parish Dance.**

### April 2016

**Sunday 3rd April – Special Service of Thanksgiving in Rosscorry Parish Church. Preacher: Rt Revd John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher.**

### May 2016

**Thursday 12th - Saturday 14th May – General Synod in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire.**
MOTHERS’ UNION NEWS

Gallow and Drummully
Open Evening

Tuesday 15th September at 8.00pm.
Service in Galloon parish church, Newtownbutler.
Speaker: Heather Dawson, Diocesan President, Wellington, New Zealand.
Members and friends most welcome.

Indoor Members Tea Party

Some ladies and their drivers enjoying the hospitality of the Bishop and Mrs McDowell at the See House. The Members always enjoy this occasion. The President, Dr Knox and Indoor Members Representative Geraldine Beattie also enjoyed the afternoon.
Diocesan Council of Mothers’ Union

The Diocesan Council of Mothers’ Union met on Thursday 21st May in St Macartin’s Hall. The proceedings were opened in prayer by the Rt Revd John McDowell. The President, Dr Margaret Knox chaired the meeting. Reports were read from the various units. The MU continue to support services in the community by supplying the neo-natal and maternity wards with hand-knitted matinee coats, caps, bootees, mits etc. The Salvation Army also received blankets for the Christmas Appeal. The Women’s refuge received large amounts of baby and ladies emergency items, all these items are donated by the branches. Fivemiletown Branch provided van loads of household equipment to kit out two new “safe” houses that have been recently acquired by the Womens Refuge.

The Bye Bye Childhood Campaign

The Bye Bye childhood Campaign is ongoing. Its aims are to empower families to challenge the commercialisation and sexualisation of childhood through positive action. The Mothers Union In Ireland have initiated a postcard campaign to encourage people to complain to Ofcom if they feel a programme is unsuitable for viewing. If you would like some please get in touch with myself, Myrtle Allen on 078 72600474.

Again the branches have given generously to the Worldwide and Relief Fund:
Worldwide Fund: £9189.11 and €1265
Relief Fund: £2326.72 and €175
Inishmacsaint MU supports S.W.A.H.

Some members of Inishmacsaint Mothers’ Union branch who met recently with Lynn Winslow to hand over some of their knitted items for the South West Acute Hospital. This is the first time our Branch has been involved in this project. These resulted from a very inspirational talk which Lynn gave to our Branch in October last year. She brought along many examples of knitted items from other branches and talked about their distribution throughout the hospital and how they were valued and appreciated. Before the items are dispatched to the hospital Lynn lovingly makes up vacuum packs putting useful items together.

Flower Festival at Dartrey

On Saturday 23rd May the branches of Derryvullen South, Garvary, Tempo, Derrybrusk and some friends visited the Flower Festival at Dartrey. The weather was kind and they had a wonderful afternoon seeing the flowers and walking in the grounds of the old castle or viewing the vintage cars. Of course the afternoon would not have been complete without coffee/tea and lovely home bakes!
CHILDREN’S SECTION

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BALAAM’S TALKING DONKEY
Have you ever played the ball game where everyone stands in a circle and as you throw and catch the ball you spell out the letters D-O-N-K-E-Y, and the person who drops the ball on the last letter is called a donkey and put out of the game? Usually the person who is called the donkey feels a bit silly and the game makes us think that donkeys are not very clever. But the Bible encourages us to think of donkeys in a different way – not least in this story of Balaam and his donkey …

Balaam set out on a journey on his donkey. God was not pleased about the journey Balaam was going on so God sent an angel to stop him. Only the donkey saw the angel in the road so the donkey turned off the road. Balaam beat the donkey to get back on the road. The angel moved on to a place with walls on both sides. When Balaam and the donkey came to the angel the donkey pressed close to the wall, crushing Balaam’s foot. Balaam hit the donkey again. The angel moved on once more to a narrow place where there was no room to turn. This time the donkey lay down in front of the angel. Balaam beat the donkey for the third time. Then a most amazing thing happened – God made the donkey TALK!

“What have I done to you to make you beat me these three times?” the donkey asked.

Balaam answered the donkey, “You have made a fool of me! If only I had a sword in my hand, I would kill you right now.”

Then God let Balaam see the angel that the donkey had already seen. The angel asked Balaam, “Why have you beaten your donkey three times? I have come here to stop you. The donkey saw me and turned away from me three times. If it had not turned away, I would have killed you by now, but I would not have harmed the donkey.”

Balaam admitted he was not pleasing God by making this journey and said he would go back. But the angel told Balaam to continue on his journey but only say the words the angel told him to say. Balaam agreed and went on his way.

God was not pleased when Balaam wanted to do things his own way. God used a very unusual way to stop Balaam – he used a talking donkey! God is not pleased when we do things our own way instead of His way. God knows best so we should follow Him. If we love God we need to listen to God. We need to pray, read our Bibles, attend Sunday school and church if we want to hear from God.

**WORD SHAPES**

Fit these words from the story into the correct WORD SHAPES

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**WORD SEARCH**

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COMMUNITY NEWS

2015-16 Challenge Fund
Environment Minister Mark Durkan today launched a £300,000 funding boost for local community projects. The 2015-16 Challenge Fund is now open for applications from community groups and schools from across the North. This funding is the result of money from the plastic bag levy.

There are 2 categories:
1. Community action
2. Environmental Education
   (Including access and recreation, Community Action, Education and Awareness, Environmental Management, Historic Environment)
If you have any queries please contact the team at ChallengeFund@doeni.gov.uk

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Recent Services
Congratulations to those who organised and took part at the recent Friendship Service in Clogh and at the Praise Service in Drumsnatt. Both events were well attended and your support was greatly appreciated.

Thank you, to all who attended our Children’s Day services in Aghadrumsee and in Clogh. Thanks to the Sunday School teachers, their helpers and to the parents. Now that Sunday School is closed for the summer break we would encourage you to continue to attend and bring the children to Church when possible.

Confirmation
We will be looking at running a Confirmation Course in the autumn with the view to having a service early in the New Year. If this would be of interest to anyone please contact Captain David.

Parade Services
A parade service will take place in Aghadrumsee on Sunday 5th July at 12.00 noon, there will be no service in Clogh that week. On Sunday 12th July at 10.45am there will be a parade service in Clogh and no service in Aghadrumsee. Services in Drumsnatt will be as usual.

Barbeque
You are warmly invited to a barbeque in Clogh on Thursday 16th July at 7.30pm. Adults £15 or €20, children £5 or €7, tickets available from Hall Committee Members.

Holiday Club
The annual Holiday Club in Aghadrumsee will be held this year from Monday 10th to Friday 14th August, 10.30am to 12.00 noon when once again we are delighted to have Mr Jonathan Graham from Child Evangelism Fellowship and his helpers.

Parish Outing
Aghadrumsee Parish hope to have their annual outing to Portrush on Wednesday 22nd July, if you wish to come along please contact Moira for further details.

Sympathy
We extend our sympathy to the Doonan family on the death of David Doonan in Australia and to Walter and Revd Margaret Pringle on the death of Revd Pringle’s mother.
Pictured at Drumsnatt Parish Afternoon Praise Service on Sunday 7th June are Beth Moore, Church Warden; Lynda Lindsay, Soloist; Dean Raymond Ferguson, Preacher; Captain David Hamilton, Florence Graham, Guest Organist and Yvonne Martin, Church Warden.

Pictured at Clogh Mothers’ Union trip on Saturday 23rd May to the Flower Festival at St John the Evangelist, Dartrey.

Mr Samuel Crowe, who was given a presentation gift at the Friendship Service by the Select Vestry and Parishioners on his retirement as Secretary of the Church Select Vestry after nearly 40 years. Pictured being congratulated by Church Warden Mr Tom Condell and some of the Select Vestry.

### Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad

#### Services

- **5th July**
  - 11.00am Colebrooke Holy Communion
  - 3.00pm Cooneen EP with Orange Order attending

- **12th July**
  - 11.00am Colebrooke MP with Orange Order attending

- **19th July**
  - 11.00am Cooneen Summer Service

- **26th July**
  - 11.00am Colebrooke Summer Service

- **2nd August**
  - 11.00am Cooneen Summer Service

- **9th August**
  - 11.00am Colebrooke Summer Service

- **16th August**
  - 11.00am Cooneen Summer Service

- **23rd August**
  - 11.00am Colebrooke Summer Service

- **30th August**
  - 11.00am Cooneen Summer Service

#### Holy Baptism

On 30th May, William Owen Bothwell, son of Gillian and Louis was baptised in St Ronan’s, Colebrooke.

#### Holiday Bible Club

Our Holiday Bible Club took place from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th June from 6.30pm to 8.30pm in Colebrooke Parish Halls, and concluded with a Sunday service on 28th June in Colebrooke Halls at 11.00am. The title of the week will be Junior Heroes, focusing on some of the ‘young’ heroes of the Bible, using music, drama, crafts, games and more, and also exploring the Armour of God. The club was suitable for Primary School age children, with maybe a year or two on either side of that age range.

#### Parish BBQ and Dance

On Friday 29th May, we held a BBQ for the group at Colebrooke Parish Hall. Festivities started at 7.00pm, the Alastair Scott Ceilidh Band providing entertainment until 1.00am. The evening was very well supported with the chefs cooking 161 8oz sirloins and 170 each of 6oz burgers and pork sausages, and 20 chicken breasts to order in two hours. A large variety of salads, pasta and rice accompanied the meats, and were followed by a good selection of sweets. The evening continued into the smaller hours of the morning with a good time had by all. Thank you to everyone who helped out and made the night so enjoyable.

#### Mothers’ Union

Members enjoyed the Parish BBQ, where they helped with the catering. A contribution from the profits of this BBQ is being sent to ‘Mums in May’ 2015. The summer ‘Get Together’ for senior members of the parish is planned for Tuesday 7th July, from 2.30pm to
4.30pm in Colebrooke Parish Hall. Afternoon Tea will be served after entertainment from ‘The Music Man.’ Plans are underway for the annual outing on Saturday 12th September – Visit to Ballydougan Pottery, with refreshments and a Pottery demonstration, shopping in Rushmere and a meal in Aughnacloy on the way home. Booking forms with a menu choice will be available in August. Everyone is welcome to join the trip. Mrs Amy Robinson plans to speak about her work with ‘Operation Christmas Child’, on Wednesday 16th September at 8pm. This is an early reminder to start collecting or making (knitting) items for the shoeboxes!!

SNATCH (Sunday Night At the Church Hall) Youth Ministry
Aghavea and Colebrooke

All young people of secondary school age welcome.
Facebook: www.facebook.com/snatchyf
Website: snatch.colebrookeparish.org

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

Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group

The Group meet every Tuesday from 7pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-14 years. The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.
Squirrels (4 - 6 years)
Beavers (6 – 8 years)
Cubs (8 – 11 years)
Scouts (11 – 14 years) Meet on Fridays at 7.00pm

Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meet in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 7.45pm.
New members will be very welcome.

The organisations have closed for the summer break. If you would like any information about them, please get in touch with me as above.

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Services
July and August
Services each Sunday at 11am

September
6th 11am Holy Communion

Dear friends,
What are your favourite summer smells? Perhaps it’s the smell of freshly cut grass, which speaks of a job well done. Maybe you prefer the smell of the sea air, a relaxing walk along the beach, time away from home and work. The smell of sausages sizzling on a BBQ, the anticipation of eating al fresco on a summer’s evening. Those smells speak of summer.

As Paul writes to the Corinthians, he says that Christians have a distinctive smell. Now, it’s not that we all use the same deodorant, perfume or aftershave, but as we go about our daily business, we are spreading a smell - ‘the fragrance of the knowledge of [Christ] everywhere.’ (2 Cor 2:14)
Smells can speak powerfully, both positively and negatively. The one smell can produce and provoke powerful and opposite reactions. Just think of the slurry that’s spread on the fields. For some, it’s the smell of death, a horrible smell that stops clothes from being dried on washing lines, leads to the windows being closed tight, and smells foul. For others, though, it is the smell of life as the slurry brings the nutrients to encourage growth and produce the next cut of silage.

In the same way, there are two reactions to the smell that we Christians bring: ‘For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life.’ (2 Cor 2:15-16).
Some people encounter us, and reckon that we’re like a bad odour - best to avoid altogether. Others find in us the fragrance of life, and want to have that for themselves. So keep on being distinctive. Keep on spreading the fragrance of the knowledge of Christ in your words, ways and walk.

Yours in Christ, Gary

Favourite Hymns Evening

On the evening of our Gift Day, 7th June, we welcomed Lynda Lindsay as our soloist for our Favourite Hymns Evening. From 44 nominations, we sang some verses of 20 hymns, as well as looking at the ‘W5’ of praise from Psalm 150. At the end of our service, we made a special presentation to Audrey Woods, who has been playing the organ at our evening services in the Brooke Memorial Hall for many years. Thank you to Myrtle, our organist, Lynda, our soloist, and all who helped in any way to make the service and supper so successful.
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Children’s Day

On 21st June, we had our Children’s Day Family Service. Revd Adrian Dorrian (St Mark’s Dundela and CMS Ireland Chair) challenged us to be ‘little lights’, tying in with the CMSI annual project in DR Congo. During the service Sunday School and GFS presented gifts and awards. Following the service, a delicious parish lunch was served, with some of the proceeds allocated to CMSI. Thank you to Linda and the Sunday School leaders, as well as all who helped to make the service and lunch so special.

GFS

Thank you to leaders Sharon Clarke, Nuala Atwell and Joanne Graham, as well as those who have helped throughout the year. Well done to the girls and leaders for their hard work and many awards this year: Clogher awards: Kelly Beacom: 2nd Bible study, Highly Commended Cookery; Rebecca Beacom: 1st Bible study, 1st Cookery, 2nd Craft; Kirsty Clarke: 1st Craft; 1st Cookery, 2nd Bible study; Zara Clarke: 1st Craft, 3rd Bible study; Jemma Foster: 2nd Bible study, 2nd Craft; Natasha Graham: 3rd Cookery, Certificate Bible study; Abbie Walmsley: Certificate Bible study. Nuala Atwell: 1st Bible study, 1st Craft; Sharon Clarke: 2nd Craft, 3rd Bible study; Joanne Graham: 3rd Bible study; All-Ireland awards: Rebecca Beacom: 3rd Bible study; Kirsty Clarke: 1st Craft; Zara Clarke: Highly Commended Craft; Nuala Atwell: Highly Commended Bible study, Highly Commended Craft.

BBQ and Ceilidh

Join us on Friday 28th August for our Annual BBQ. After the food, we’ll have a ceilidh for everyone to enjoy, with music from the Alistair Scott Ceilidh Band. Tickets, priced at £12.50 will be available from Select Vestry members from the end of July.

Crosslinks Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 1st September at 8pm in Aghavea Hall. You’re invited to come along to pray for the work of Crosslinks, bringing God’s word to God’s world.

Find us on Facebook and iTunes

The best way of keeping up to date with what’s happening at Aghavea is our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/aghavea There you’ll find news, notices, sermons, photos, prayer points and lots more! Our sermon podcasts are now available on iTunes. Search for ‘Aghavea Church’ and subscribe to have them automatically delivered to your computer or device.

Ballybay, Clontibret and Mucknoe

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Clontibret News And Reflections

Sunday School

Congratulations to all our Sunday School children on their ministry to us on Sunday 14th June. The children read and acted the story of Joseph from his father giving him his coat of many colours, his brothers selling him into slavery, his life in Egypt, his interpretation of the kings dreams and finally his reunion with his family and his saving them and the people of Egypt from starvation. In his address the Rector spoke of the lessons to be learnt from Joseph’s experience. All 14 of the children – Emily, Leah and Zoe Dickson, Thomas and Calum Donaldson, Zoe and Vicky Donaldson, Lewis Duffy, Luke and Charlie Lowey, Chantelle, Amelia, Aleshia and Ashley Tate performed under the watchful eye of Mrs Alison Donaldson (Sunday School Superintendent) and Mrs Dorinda Lowey. Following the presentation of prizes the Rector thanked Alison, Dorinda and the team who help in Sunday School, John and Dillon Lowey and Mrs Sharon Leathem. A very sincere thank you too to Sharon Lancashire who faithfully provides the music for our special services.
Sympathy
We remember all who have been bereaved recently and especially Dorinda and Nigel Lowey and family on the death of her Dorinda’s aunt Marcella Smyth, the Tate family on the death of Diane’s mother Eileen Grey (Tynan), Kenny and Elizabeth Graham on the death of Elizabeth’s cousin Jean Leeman (Armagh) and the Rusk family on the death of Yolanda. We trust that all will continue to know God’s comfort in these sad days.

Illness
We were pleased to have Mrs Winifred Jordan with us on Sunday and trust that she will continue to make good progress in her return to full health. Best wishes to Mrs Esther Dunne in St Mary’s and to all who are unwell at this time.

Congratulations
At the recent European Championships in Tang Soo Do, Donna Geary, who is a black belt, achieved a gold in forms, silver in weapons and a gold in free fighting. She was also awarded female grand champion. Tang Soo Do is a form of martial arts.

God’s Quiet Time Prayer
Father, Thank You for each and every day You have blessed us here on earth. Thank You for Your tender mercies. Thank You for giving us friends and family to share joys and sorrows with. Bless our friends, relatives, brothers and sisters in Christ and those we care deeply for. Where there is joy, give them continued joy, Where there is pain or sorrow, give them your peace and mercy. Where there is self-doubt, release a renewed confidence. Where there is need, fulfill their needs. Bless their homes, families, finances, their goings and their comings. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

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Sympathy
Our deepest sympathy from all at St Maeldoids is extended to the Rusk family on the sudden death of Yolanda Dolton (nee Rusk) which occurred in Staffordshire, England. We remember the whole family in our prayers at this very sad time especially Shirley and Derek, Yolanda’s parents, also her husband Aaron, her children Alva and Arthur and her siblings Lynn, Niaela, Niall, Robert and sister-in-law Edith and indeed the whole family circle. Her funeral service in St Maeldoid’s on 4th June was a beautiful service of thanksgiving for Yolanda’s life, which saw the church packed to capacity, with many having to stand outside. Such was the extent of sympathy that many people wanted to convey to the family. The Rector spoke of her numerous, wonderful qualities and gifts and her genuine Christian spirit. May God be a source of comfort, support and peace to you all at this time.

Our deepest sympathy is also extended to the Crosse Family Dublin on the sad passing of Mr Willie Crosse a faithful Friend of St Maeldoids.

Friends Service
On Sunday 14th June, we had our annual Friends Service in St Maeldoid’s, where a wonderful crowd of Friends gathered locally and from all over the country. The Rector, Revd Neal Phair led the service and preached about how ‘the parable of the mustard seed reminds us that God’s beginnings may be small, but His results are great. The task of the church is to look for the signs of the kingdom which may be no larger than a mustard seed; to live and love with a new perspective; and to
offer that perspective in the name of God to men and
women caught in the bondage of disappointment
about life and in prisons of negative thinking.
Jesus Christ has called us to be His disciples. No
matter what our situation or condition, He has
something important for us to do. Believe that and
it will change how we think and how we live in
the world. Believe that and we will receive a new
enthusiasm and excitement about life. Believe that
and we and the world will be different’.
Many thanks to Jane Adair for organizing the service,
for Beryl Rainey for playing the organ and to Ethel
Coulter who spoke at the end of the service and who
led a minute silence for those stalwart supporters of
St Maeldoids who are no longer with us. Thanks also
to Janet Hill for helping to prepare for the service
and to all the ladies who prepared a wonderful feast
after the service and the church wardens who helped
out on the day. A really wonderful time of fellowship
was enjoyed by all in attendance.

Elizabeth Sweetnam, Kay Byrne, Robin Sweetnam, Irvine
Vance from Dublin, one of our oldest Friends who is in his
100th year, and Dr Tony Crookes, nephew of Irvin Vance

Fathers Day and Prizegiving Service
On 21st June a special Fathers Day and Prizegiving
Service took place in St Maeldoids with the Sunday
School children, Dr Lucy Phair, Mrs Martha O’Connor
and the Sunday School teachers.
The Rector, Revd Neal Phair and his son Henry, made a
presentation of a cheque of €1000 to Fr Pat McHugh and
to Tracey Liddy O’Connor, on behalf of St Maeldoid’s
Church towards their parish
building fund.

Ballybay

Holy Baptism
On Sunday 7th June, Emma Darley Cheriyan was
welcomed into the fellowship of Christ’s Church through
the sacrament of baptism. A wonderful gathering of
family and friends attended the occasion and enjoyed
a wonderful summer afternoon back at Emma’s
grandparents, Lucas and Elizabeth Gray.

Gift Day
Sunday 7th June was also a special Gift Day at Christ
Church Ballybay and the parishioners contributed
generously. Thank you one and all for your financial
generosity, it will go towards getting the interior of the
church refurbished. If anyone who hasn’t yet had the
chance to contribute, you could give your envelope to
Mr Joseph Crawford.

Childrens’ Prize Giving
Sunday 14th June was Childrens’ Prize Giving. Many
congratulations to all the Sunday School children who
read, led the prayers and sang for us. In his address, Revd
Neal Phair talked about the story of Joseph and the many
lessons to be learnt from his experience. Mrs Julie Crawford
was also presented with a lovely bouquet of flowers for all
her hard work during the year with the children and the
Rector thanked her for all her enthusiasm, time and effort
that she puts into leading the Sunday School.

Holy Communion Services
July 5th and August 2nd Holy Communion Services will
be at 9am.

Illness
We remember all those ill in the parish at this time,
thinking especially of Mrs Susan McGregor. Also we
continue to pray for Mrs Harkness.

Cleenish and Mullaghduin

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Services

Sunday 5th July
11.00am Annual Orange Anniversary Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 12th July
11.00am Annual Orange Anniversary Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church

Sunday 19th July
11:00am Annual RBP Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 26th July
11:00am Morning Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church

Sunday 2nd August
11:00am Morning Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 9th August
11:00am Morning Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church

Sunday 16th August
11:00am Morning Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 23rd August
11:00am Morning Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church

Sunday 30th August
11:00am Morning Service, Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 6th September
10:00am H.C. Mullaghdun Parish Church
11:30am H.C. Cleenish Parish Church

Note:- Holy Baptism maybe arranged where Morning Service is listed.

Cleenish Family Service

The annual Sunday School Prize Giving service, took place in Cleenish on Sunday 15th June. The service was conducted by Parish Reader Rowena, with the children taking a prominent part with proceedings. Bible readings were read by Andrew and Alex. Occasional prayers were read by Sara, Ethan, and Andrew. The Sunday School poem was read by William and Kody.

The Choir was conducted by Rosita, Joan played the organ and piano, assisted by Anna who played the organ for the second hymn.

The Rector presented the prizes at the conclusion of the service.

Monthly Service of Holy Communion

Due to summer holidays, the next service will be held on Wednesday 9th September

Elevation to Canon

Congratulations to Revd Geoff, who has been elevated to the position of Canon in Clogher Diocese. Revd Geoff has already served as our Rector of Cleenish and Mullaghdun for the past sixteen years, and Bishop McDowell stated he is a faithful pastor to his people. He has been involved in the development of the Cleenish Centre, which is situated close to the Rectory and the Church.

Congratulations also to the Revd Henry Blair, who has also been elevated to Canon. Henry is Rector of Magheraculmoney, Kesh, and is a native of Mullaghdun Parish.

Recent Award

Congratulations are sent to Wing Commander Blythe Crawford, who has been awarded the OBE in the Queens’ Birthday Honours list. Blythe is the eldest son of Ian and Margaret Crawford, Bellanaleck. He is serving in the RAF, and resides with his wife Sally and son Toby in Scotland.

Cleenish and Mullaghdun Mothers’ Union

The Branch has now closed for the summer period, and will recommence in September.

On Tuesday 19th May, in conjunction with Parents and Toddlers, the Branch held a very successful coffee morning with a Teddy Bears Picnic, raising £390 for MU Mums.
Cleenish Brownies

Brownies are at present closed for the summer holidays, and will regroup during September.

Parent and Toddler Group

Yearly Review

The group continues to be very successful with an average of 36 children, with their parents/carers attending on Tuesday mornings. With the increase of housing development in the village, those attending have expressed the importance of the group in providing the opportunity to meet other parents with young children. Many new friendships have been formed, which have continued outside the group. On the 21st October, the group were honoured by the visit of Phyllis Grothier, MU All Ireland President, who was visiting the Diocese on another engagement. Phyllis took time to speak with the parents and volunteers, and enjoyed interacting with the toddlers during play time. Whilst preparing for Mother’s Day, parents and staff generously supported the MU “Make A Mother’s Day campaign”. In tandem with the Mothers’ Union, the group held a very successful coffee morning, on Tuesday 19th May. The group still provides an important facility for the Health Visitor, who attends on a regular basis to support parents. In the summer term baby massage classes were provided for a group of new mums and their babies. This promotes relaxation and encourages bonding between baby and parent. Thanks to all the volunteers, who use their talents and give their time to ensure the continued success of the group, which closed on Tuesday 16th June, and re-opens in September.

Illness

Eddie Keys, a Select Vestry member has returned home, having recently spent a period in hospital. Anne Burleigh, at time of writing, is recovering in the South West Hospital as the result of a road traffic accident at the Church corner in Bellanaleck, on Sunday 7th June. Anne who is regular in attendance in Church, was the innocent party who unfortunately met an overtaking car on the wrong side of the road. Members of Cleenish Parish wish both a speedy recovery.

Sympathy

Is extended from the members of Mullaghdun Parish, to the wife and family circle of the late Cecil Armstrong. A prominent member of the local Methodist Church, Cecil was an active farmer in the Letterbreen area all his life. He passed away at home on Saturday 30th May, after a long illness.

Provision of Car Parking, Cleenish

Due to inclement weather the construction of the car park was suspended for a period, but has now recommenced. Many thanks again to those involved in this important project.

Mullaghdun BBQ

Details of Mullaghdun BBQ which was held on Friday 26th June, will be in the next issue.

Cleenish Centre

Thank you to the Faith Mission team for two weeks of very successful mission in the Centre. They put so much hard work into the organisation of this, and reached out to the local community. We trust that the seeds sown will continue to grow in the hearts of those who attended. As this event took place in daylight hours over two weeks during the summer period, it was very relaxing to look out through the large window, and note the fields, trees and river, which provided a splendid back drop view. The Centre volunteers look forward to serving, among others, an overnight group, and a very large week long residential in July.

We continue to look for new volunteers to share all aspects of running the Cleenish Centre.

To contact “The Centre” E Mail enquiries@cleenishcentre.com, or call us on 028 6634 9647.

Bellanaleck Community Group

On Saturday 23rd May, in glorious sunshine, Simon Gray from the Conservation Volunteers (TCV) took members on a leisurely stroll along the lake shore at Bellanaleck, pointing out many species of native wildflowers along the way. Members were amazed at...
the variety of wildflowers pointed out to them of which they were previously unaware.

Girls admiring the small farm stall

At the monthly meeting on Wednesday 27th May, members concentrated on preparations for the Fun Afternoon, which was held on the following Saturday. Ray Melanaphy was unanimously elected Vice Chairman to replace Paul McAnulty, who has moved to reside in Enniskillen. Members were given an update on progress in the Community Garden, and were informed that the local Council had now repaired the majority of the outstanding defects, including upgrading drainage along the edge of the paths. The group were also informed that the installation of the Multi Use Games Area may be delayed until July.

On Saturday 30th May the group held a very successful Fun Afternoon in the play area off Waterhen Lane. The large variety of entertainment was very well supported by many parents and children. The excellent background music provided by the professional female DJ brought a perfect atmosphere throughout the entire area. The weather remained dull and cool, the rain holding off until just ten minutes before the event was due to close.

Members of the BCG relax during the Fun Afternoon. l to r, Ruby Arnold, Patricia Melanaphy, Janet Dowson, and Ray Melanophy

Sincere thanks are due to those members of the organising committee from within the group, for all their hard work in organising this very successful event.

Next meeting, Wednesday 24th June. See Community notice board at Cathcart’s shop, or Face book, E Mail:- bellanaleck@gmail.com

Christian Baptism

Cleenish Parish Church
Macy Sarah, infant daughter of Kevin Connors and Laura McCaigue, Bellanaleck.

Christian Burial

Mullaghdun Parish Church
Monday 1st June
Thomas Cecil Armstrong, Screen, Letterbreen.

Clogher Cathedral Group

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Services

Sunday 5th July
10.00am Errigle Portclare H.C.
11.30am Clogher Cathedral H.C.
10.00am Augher M.P.
11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.

Sunday 12th July
9.00am Clogher Cathedral H.C.
10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P
11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P.
10.00am Augher H.C.
11.30am Newtownsaville H.C.

Sunday 19th July
10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P.
11.30am Clogher Cathedral H.C.
10.00am Augher M.P.
11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.

Sunday 26th July
9.00am Clogher Cathedral H.C.
10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P.
11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P.
10.00am Augher M.P.
11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.
Sunday 2nd August
10.00am Errigal Portclare H.C.
11.30am Clogher Cathedral H.C.

Sunday 9th August
9.00am Clogher Cathedral H.C.
11.30am Newtownsaville H.C.

Sunday 16th August
10.00am Augher H.C.
11.30am Clogher Cathedral H.C.

Sunday 23rd August
10.00am Errigal Portclare M.P.
11.30am Clogher Cathedral M.P.

Sunday 30th August
9.00am Clogher Cathedral H.C.
10.00am Augher M.P.
11.30am Newtownsaville M.P.

Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss

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Services

5th July: The Fifth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Clones: Holy Communion
11.30am Newbliss: Holy Communion

12th July: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Currin (Scotshouse): Holy Communion
11.30am Killeevan: Holy Communion

19th July: The Seventh Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Clones: Morning Prayer
11.30am Newbliss: Morning Prayer

26th July: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Currin (Scotshouse): Morning Prayer
11.30am Killeevan: Morning Prayer

2nd August: The Ninth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Clones: Morning Prayer
11.30am Newbliss: Morning Prayer

9th August: The Tenth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Currin (Scotshouse): Holy Communion
11.30am Killeevan: Holy Communion

16th August: The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Clones: Holy Communion
11.30am Newbliss: Holy Communion

23rd August: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Currin (Scotshouse): Morning Prayer
11.30am Killeevan: Morning Prayer

30th August: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Clones: United Service in the Protestant Hall
together with the Presbyterian and Methodist congregations.
Theme: ‘First steps … out of step … back in step’

6th September: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Clones: Holy Communion
11.30am Newbliss: Morning Prayer

Post-communion prayer,
Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that holy things have taken;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung
your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen
the tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have
been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
glory to you for ever. Amen

Holiday Club

This year’s Holiday Club for primary school children
will be held in the Protestant Hall, Clones on Monday 17th until Thursday 20th August from 7.00
to 8.30pm. The Club participants will take part in
the United Back to School Service on Sunday 30th
of August at 11.00am, again in the Protestant Hall.
Please note that all children have to complete
a registration and consent form. Forms can be
obtained from the rector or at 6.45pm on the first
evening. For more information and a consent form,
please contact the rector. Likewise, if you are willing
to help run the club. The club is run in cooperation
with the Presbyterian Church in Clones.

Confirmation February 2016

A confirmation class for teenagers will start this
autumn. If you are in sixth class in primary school or
older, you are most welcome to join the group. The
first meeting is on Friday 9th October at 7.30pm. For
more information, please contact the rector.
If any adults are interested in confirmation, please
contact the rector.

Bible Study Group

The Bible study group will resume again on Monday
7th September at 8.00pm in the rectory.

Thank you!

County Monaghan Protestant Orphan Society’s
Annual Tea / Coffee Morning and Soup Lunch at
Bishopscourt was a great success. This year we had
the pleasure listening to Mr George Knight who spoke
engagingly about Sergeant Graham, described as the
bravest soldier in Ireland and England who fought in
the Battle of Waterloo. Sergeant Graham originated
from the Clones area and there are two plaques in St
Tighernach’s Church Clones recognising his bravery.
As in previous years, Mrs Miriam Moore warmly
welcomed us to Bishopscourt.
The cake stall, the plant stall together with donations on the day has so far raised €1,700! A wonderful achievement. Thank you very much to all visitors for your support and donations. It is greatly appreciated.

Bereavements
Our sympathies are with those who grieve the passing of a family member and relative, or a friend. Pray for them. We remember in our prayers the Rusk family on the death of Cyril’s niece Yolanda. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs Dorothy Jordan and her family on the death of her aunt.

Colaghty

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Services
5th July Holy Communion 10.30am
12th July Morning Prayer 10.30am
19th July Morning Prayer 10.30am
26th July Morning Prayer 10.30am
2nd August Holy Communion 10.30am
9th August Family Service 10.30am
16th August Morning Prayer 10.30am
23rd August Morning Prayer 10.30am
30th August Morning Prayer 10.30am

Please note service times during July and August are at 10.30am.

Auction
The parish auction was an enjoyable event and very well supported within and without the parish boundaries. The much sought after culinary home bakes, preserves etc. were a big hit with everyone. The many items donated to the auction saw at times brisk and prolonged bidding adding to the excitement of the day. The teas, soups, burgers and pavlovas provided much needed refreshments throughout the day. Our thanks to everyone who supported the auction, supplied items, cakes and preserves, gave donations, served teas etc., and to those who help set up the hall and cleared up afterwards and to our auctioneer, Derek Humes.

Confirmation
We were pleased to welcome Bishop John, family and friends of Jodi Curtis, Naomi Barton, Nathan Kilfedder, Jake Irvine, Matthew Woods, Nathan Ellis, Rhys Thompson and John Johnston to the parish for a Service of Confirmation with Holy Communion in May. We ask you to continue to pray for them as they begin another step in their journey of faith. Thanks to Barbara for preparing the young people, our organist, musicians and choir for leading our worship.

Group Service at Drumwords
Old Church
An enthusiastic group of parishioners and friends gathered to worship next to the Old Church in Drumwords on the last Sunday in May. It was a blustery afternoon, but we were well sheltered by the gable wall. The theme for the service was the familiar words from John 3:16, 26 words that succinctly explains faith. Ms Audrey Doogan accompanied the hymns. Afterwards we all enjoyed a warming cup of tea. Sincere thanks to Mr Walter Keating and his helpers, who brought seats as well as organised the tea and the delicious treats that we enjoyed.
**Confirmation Candidates**

The Sunday School Prizing Giving Service was held in the parish hall when the young people put on a sketch titled, ‘God’s Highway Code’. They highlighted modern day road signs and drew insights for our instruction as part of God’s Highway Code with scripture readings and prayers. A number of our young people led the music accompanied by Anne. We would want to extend sincere and heartfelt thanks to those who come faithfully every Sunday and teach and encourage our children and young people in the Christian faith, the Sunday school teachers, helpers and others who prepare the hall each week.

At the end of this service the Revd Irwin was presented with a card, gift and cake to celebrate a special birthday. The Rector wishes to acknowledge and thank the Parishioners for their kindness. Light refreshments and birthday cake were served at the conclusion of the service.

**Orange Service**

At the time of writing we look forward to welcoming the local Orange Lodges to our parish for their Anniversary Service, the preacher will be Mr Kenneth Rutledge.

**Holiday Bible Club**

The Holiday Bible Club will be held from 3rd – 7th August from 7.00 - 8.30pm. The theme this year is ‘Follow the Shepherd’. The usual crafts, games and teaching will take place each night. For more details email alan.irwin7@gmail.com.

**Parish Barbecue**

Preparations for the annual Parish Barbecue on Saturday 25th July at 7.00pm are well under way and tickets are available from Select Vestry members.

**Service Times**

Service times will revert again to 11.30am in September, with Sunday School resuming on 13th September at 10.30am followed by the family service.

**Food Hygiene Course**

A number of parishioners took part in a Food Hygiene course, organised by Lack LOL 825, in Lack Orange Hall during March. Twenty-two people, who regularly prepare and serve food at local events in the community on a voluntary basis completed the Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering course, which was held over two nights. All the candidates successfully passed the exam at the end of the course. The course was funded by Orange Community Network.

Certificates were presented to all the candidates on Friday 5th June in Lack Orange Hall by Mr Tom Elliott MP, MLA, who congratulated everyone on their achievement. Mr Stuart Brooker County Grand Master of Fermanagh and director of Orange Community Network endorsed the comments of Mr Elliott. Marcus Barton thanked Orange Community Network for providing funding to run the course, and the course tutor Mr Aaron Linton.
Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale

Vacant.
During the vacancy Archdeacon Cecil Pringle is in charge, and is providing pastoral cover together with Mrs Eileen Cutler and Miss Isobel Stewart, Diocesan Pastoral Assistants.
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‘Getting people from where they are to where God wants them to be’

Services

July and August
Services as normal (any changes will be announced in church or published on the announcements sheet)
Sun 12th July
Derryvullen North 3.30pm – Orange Service – Preacher Revd Alan Irwin

Tues 21st July and Tues 18th Aug
Derryvullen North 11.30am – Quiet Holy Communion

September

Sun 6th Sept
Castle Archdale 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am – Opening Service for Mothers’ Union, Women’s Group and Sunday School
St Macartins Cathedral Enniskillen 7pm - Commissioning Service for all Sunday School teachers and helpers

Holy Baptism


Presentation to Revd G West by Castle Archdale Parishioners

On 27th May a lovely evening of fellowship was held in Drumrush Lodge, where over 50 parishioners and guests were present. Both Pastoral Assistants were present, as was Mr John Irvine and his wife. A very tasty buffet was served and this was followed by several very moving and commendatory speeches. Mr Bryan Thompson presented Revd West with a beautiful Belleek basket, made and initiated by Leah Robinson; an envelope with cash was also given. Melissa Thompson presented Mrs West with a bouquet of flowers. Revd West thanked all for their kindness and asked those present to support and care for one another and those who minister to them. Revd West was then given a standing ovation. The evening closed with the singing of favourite hymns. Our thanks to Bryan, Alison and other members of the Thompson family for providing the venue and all the food for the evening.

Faith and Friendship

The area meeting took place in Holy Trinity Parish Church Hall, Lisnaskea on 30th May; 6 groups were represented. After a meal, we were led in our reflection and discussion by Revd Ruth Patterson, from Restoration Ministries. The theme for the next session starting in September is “The gaze of love”.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Revd Alan Irwin on his appointment as Rural Dean for the Kesh Rural Deanery. We wish him God’s blessing. He is presently in charge of the Parish for pastoral care.

Dedication

At the Baptismal service on 24th May, Archdeacon Cecil Pringle dedicated cups and plates presented by Mrs Edith Pearson and family in memory of her late husband Mr Eric Pearson. These have been a great help to those catering for funerals.

Confirmation

Confirmation took place on Sunday 21st June in Derryvullen North Church. 21 candidates were presented, and we asked for God’s guidance and blessing in their lives.

Thanks

Thank you to all the Clergy and Diocesan Lay Readers for providing cover for our services over the past 2 months. Revd Alan Irwin has suggested that we continue our Monthly Quiet Communion services and we are very grateful for this.

Epilogue Services

The Epilogue services in Castle Archdale (Caravaners Lounge) during July and August will take place at 8.30pm. The Methodists will look after services in July and the Church of Ireland in August.

Wreath Laying Service

On Sunday 7th June we were pleased to welcome Squad Leader Bob Hall and other members of Coastal Command who laid a wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice in recognition of the last sortie over Lough Erne on 4th June 1945 and in memory of all those who lost their lives in our conflicts.

Holiday Bible Week

Derryvullen North Parish church is holding a Holiday Bible Week in conjunction with Fermanagh Child Evangelism Fellowship. It takes place from Monday 10th to Friday 14th August in the Parish Hall. All primary school boys and girls welcome. There will be quizzes, bible stories, songs, memory verses and games. Don’t miss it!
Prayers
We prayerfully remember all those who are ill or in any difficulty and also those who have been bereaved.

May Your healing and peace be with them all.

Lord, give us grace to follow your example, to love one another as you have loved us.

Letter from Revd Glenn West
Dear Castle Archdale Parishioners
Thank you very much for the very enjoyable and relaxing evening Caran and I spent with you on 27th May in Drumrush Lodge. We really appreciated the beautiful Belleek basket and donations which your gave us. We also wish to thank the Thompson family for providing the food and venue for the evening. We wish everyone well. Glenn and Caran

Derryvullen South and Garvary

Holy Baptism
On Sunday 24th May in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, the sacrament of Holy Baptism was ministered to Rosa Violet, daughter of Ross and Diane Armstrong, Ballintarson.

“Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven”. Mark 10 v 14

Christian Burial
On Sunday 24th May the funeral service for Sarah Jane (Sally) McCauley was held in the parish church of Holy Trinity, Garvary, followed by the interment in the adjoining churchyard. Sally was the eldest child of a family of ten born on Tuesday 11th October 1932 to Alexander and Elizabeth Wilson of Garvary. She was baptised by Canon Hall in Garvary church on Sunday 4th December 1932. She attended the Model School in Enniskillen and then went on to study agriculture at Loughrey College. She had five daughters, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren and was devoted to them all. A great gardener, she loved and worked in the garden for as long as she was able. She was a great lover of fashion which involved shopping around. A great socializer she enjoyed dancing and going on trips with fellow senior citizens. She was very thoughtful and kind, not only to her family, but to her many friends, cooking, baking and entertaining.

Like her parents before her she was much devoted to her parish church of Garvary, attending when she was able and supporting all our fundraising events. She will be much missed from our congregation and the community but more so by her family to whom we express our sympathy, her daughters, Annette, Ruth, Noreen, Pamela and Olivia, her grandchildren and great grandchildren, her brothers and sisters, Thomas, James, Peggy, Dorothy, Gwen, Edith, Kathleen and John, her nephews and nieces and the wider family circle. “I am the resurrection and the life”. John 11 v 25.

Bereavements
We extend sympathy to those who have been bereaved recently including Brian Forde, Killyvilly, on the death of his mother Doreen Forde, Newtownbutler, and Louise Woods, 3 Meadow Vale, Tamlaght, on the death of her brother in law, Vicky Woods, Derrygonnelly.

Thanks
I would like to thank the select vestries of both parishes and the many parishioners who sympathised with me on the death of my brother Sidney in May. Thank you also to all who sent presents and cards on the birth of our first grandchild, Lucas Richard Stewart Caldwell, also in May. A month of joy and sadness. Valerie Stewart.

Garvary Table Tennis
Another successful season is over for the club whose members have enjoyed taking part in several tournaments and events during the year. In the Fermanagh League, Tom Phair, David Keys and Wilfred Bourke had a double success, winning both the Division 2 League and the Division 2 Knockout Cup. Also, in Division 2 the trio of James Wilson, Tommy Dane and Eric Todd had a good season with some very closely contested games. In the under 15’s section Harry Dane was the overall winner and James Graham was runner-up. Andrew and Harry Dane have been selected by the Ulster Project to travel to America in the summer. Lara Todd spent last summer there with the Project. Congratulations to everyone and thanks to all who help in any way in the Club. We hope to re-open in October and new players will be very welcome.

Christian Aid
Once again this year our collectors led by Kathleen Kettles (Derryvullen South) and Hilda Lucy (Garvary) travelled around the parishes collecting for Christian Aid. So far the sums realised are £968 in Derryvullen and £1192 in Garvary. Thank you again to all our collectors for their time and effort and to everyone for your support.

Cards
Sonia Trimble of Garvary parish has designed and produced colourful hand made cards which serve
a variety of purposes. These are being sold in aid of Garvary parish at £2 each or 3 for £5. Our thanks to Sonia for this personal initiative and contribution to our fundraising.

Safeguarding Trust
Recently our panel members met with the diocesan representatives for our three year revision of procedures. We are all now familiar with protection for children and vulnerable adults and our parishes continue to adhere to the legislation for this. If anyone wishes to speak to a panel member the following are the contact details. For Derryvullen South, along with the rector, the panel members are Frank McGowan, 66387833 and Kathleen Kettles, 66387700. The members for Garvary, along with the rector, are, Robert Rowley, 66322044, and Barbara Mason, 89545097.

Prizegiving
Another enjoyable service was held on 14th June in both parishes when the members of our Sunday Schools once again took part in the service at which the annual giving of prizes took place. During the service, the young people did the Bible readings, led the prayers, sang, gave a presentation of the CMSI project and lifted the collection. Our thanks to the teachers and parents for their preparations for the service and their hard work and support throughout the year. The Sunday Schools are now on holiday and will recommence on Sunday 13th September.

Organist
Miss Gillian Ewing has been on our list of organists for over five years and in spite of her busy schedule we have benefited greatly from her experience, dedication and reliability. Sadly, Gillian is moving on but we are pleased for her and wish her well on her appointment as full time organist and choir mistress at Omagh Parish Church.

Lisbellaw
We extend best wishes to our neighbouring parish of Lisbellaw with Coolbuck as they welcome their new Rector, the Revd Stephanie Woods, whose institution takes place on Friday 28th August. It will be of interest to our parishioners that Stephanie is a niece of Ted Haskins, a parishioner of Garvary.

25 Years
On 31st August 1990 Chancellor Stewart was instituted to the grouped parishes of Derryvullen South and Garvary. To mark this milestone a meal has been booked at the Killyhevlin Hotel for Thursday 3rd September at 8.00pm. Anyone wishing to attend are asked to return their reply slip and money to the churchwardens in either parish before 8th July.

150th Anniversary
On 20th September at 10.30am Garvary parishioners are marking the laying of the foundation stone 150 years ago with a service in the parish church. The Bishop, the Rt. Revd John McDowell will be the preacher and the service will be followed by refreshments in the parish hall. The actual date of the laying of the foundation stone was 4th August and it is of note that one of our Garvary parishioners, Sam Heaslip, Ballydoolagh, will be marking his 90th birthday this year on 4th August. Congratulations to Sam.

Devenish and Boho

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Burials
Monday 18th May: Violet Britton, 3 Rosnarick Close, Derrygonnelly. The funeral service was held in Boho Parish Church and burial was in the adjoining churchyard. We extend our deepest sympathy to Violet’s son Reggie, daughters Ann and Laura, sisters Lily, Evelyn and Doreen and the wider family circle.

Monday 8th June: Joan Irwin, 41 Leighan Road, Derrygonnelly and formerly of Coolarkin, Boho. The funeral service was held in Boho Parish Church and burial was in the adjoining churchyard. We extend our deepest sympathy to Joan’s son, Jonathan, daughter Lorraine, grandchildren Matthew and Evie and the wider family circle.

Orange Anniversary Service
Sunday 12th July 11.30am in Devenish Parish Church We welcome the officers and members of Magheraboy District LOL No11 and members of Magheraboy Flute Band to Morning Prayer.

Enniskillen 10k
Ken McKeown has completed the 10k for another year back. Many congratulations Ken on a wonderful achievement. Ken wishes to thank all his sponsors for the 25/35 Nigerian appeal and will let everyone know the total amount raised in due course.

Mother’s Union
After a period of unsettled weather we were delighted to have a dry warm day for our parish outing to Lisburn on Saturday 23rd May. On arrival we were warmly greeted by members of
Christchurch Cathedral, who served some very tasty and welcome refreshments, followed by a short history of the beautiful Cathedral. Feeling refreshed we walked across the road to the Irish Linen Centre and Lisburn Museum where lively and informative tour guides told stories of how flax was grown and prepared and took us back in time to the difficult life on the factory floor. In the weaving workshop we had the opportunity to see a demonstration of the hand loom. There was also an opportunity to visit an exhibition entitled “Lisburn 1912-1914”. No outing would be complete without indulging in a little retail therapy and this was evident from the number of shopping bags which appeared on the bus before departing Sprucefield Shopping Centre for a lovely meal at the Viscounts Restaurant, Dungannon. We would like to thank Chris, our bus driver for his courteous manner and efficient service and Georgina and Carole for organising a most enjoyable and relaxing day.

Sunday School

Sunday School has now finished until it resumes in September. Thank you to all Sunday School teachers for their work throughout the year.

Sick

A number of our parishioners have recently been ill including some that have had surgery. Please remember them in your prayers.

Key

A key has been found following Andrew Irwin’s concert in Boho Parish Church. If anyone has lost a key please contact Melanie Irwin, Boho Parish.

Devenish Parish 125th Anniversary Celebrations

A 125th Anniversary Service will be held on Sunday 27th September at 3.00pm. The preacher will be Canon James Carson who was Rector during the 100th Anniversary Celebrations. A Parish dinner will be held on 9th October in the Killyhevlin Hotel.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Boho Parish Friday 25th September at 8.00pm and Sunday 27th September at 10.00am. Devenish Parish Friday 2nd October at 8.00pm and Sunday 4th October at 11.30am.

Donagh and Tyholland with Errigal Truagh

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Services

5th July, The Fifth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Holy Communion - Donagh
12.00 noon Holy Communion - Tyholland
12th July, The Sixth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Morning Prayer – Donagh
12.00 noon Holy Communion – Errigal Truagh
19th July, The Seventh Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Combined Service of Morning Prayer in Donagh
26th July, The Eighth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Combined Service of Morning Prayer in Donagh
2nd August, The Ninth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Holy Communion – Donagh
12.00 noon Holy Communion – Tyholland
9th August, The Tenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Morning Prayer – Donagh
12.00 noon Holy Communion – Errigal Truagh
16th August, The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Combined Service of Morning Prayer in Donaghs
23rd August, The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Combined Service of Morning Prayer in Donagh
30th August, The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Combined Family Service in Donagh

Parish BBQ

On Friday 19th June the Parish BBQ took place at the Rectory. This was an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

Sunday School Gift Day, Fathers Day and Tractor Sunday

Sunday 21st June in Donagh Parish Church at 10.30am, a combined service took place with the young people of the parish playing a leading role in the worship. We are grateful to the Sunday School leaders and helpers for all the work they do throughout the year.
Glaslough Summer Club
The Children’s Bible Club will be held in July and this will be run by the Scripture Union. This is an annual event and we thank the leaders and young adults who give of their time and talent to bring the good news of the gospel to children through stories, games, songs and activities. Dates will be confirmed at a later date.

Mothers Union
The Mothers Union outing took place on Monday 8th June to Magheralin Parish Church to view the Wedding Dress Exhibition entitled ‘Beyond the Veil’, celebrating the stories of Women of the Bible. This was an enjoyable occasion and the ladies enjoyed refreshments in the Mary and Martha Tea Room.

Confirmation
A Service of Confirmation has been arranged for Sunday 15th November in Donagh Parish Church at 10.30am. Please remember the young people who are going forward for confirmation in your prayers.

Prayers
Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are taking exams at this time. Please remember those who are in in residential or nursing homes.

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Services
10.30am each Sunday
PLEASE NOTE the change of time to 10.30am during July and August.

May and June have been busy months for us here in Holy Trinity. We have continued with all the normal activities of a rural parish and hosted many more. From the Police Male Voice Choir to Auctions. From the Parish BBQ to hearing real life stories of God at work through Open Doors. From celebrating the talent of our children to hearing how as a child Brian Gault was born with no arms yet how God had a plan for his life. It has been truly amazing.

We have been blessed immeasurably here in Holy Trinity and it is our responsibility to pass that blessing on. God gives us wonderful opportunities every single day to show and share his love and saving power. To testify of what God has done so that others might see Him.

Let us continue to Sow the Seeds as we Grow in Community.
In His service
James

Look No Hands
Brian and May Gault left a few copies of his story on DVD which are available FREE of charge to anyone who wants them. Please contact Revd James or the Church Wardens for your copy or a copy to give away to a friend.

Ladies Breakfast
Holy Trinity MU are hosting a Ladies Breakfast on Saturday 19th September. Cost £5. Speaker: Revd Ngozi Njoku, Rector of Garrison Group of Parishes. This promises to be a great morning, maybe you could organise a group of ladies to attend from your parish? You can obtain more information form Eveline on 82898911.

Men Alive
We are once again hosting the now well attended and annual event for men as we partner with CVM. This year Men Alive will be on Saturday 26th September and will run all morning with plenty of fun activities, good food, time for worship and inspirational teaching. Why not try and get a group of men from your church to come along? If you want more information please contact Revd James.

Confirmation
Confirmation in Holy Trinity will take place in the Autumn. There will be further details later and a course will be run in Sept/Oct/Nov, so if you are considering being confirmed (Year 10 and above or indeed any adult) then please speak to the Rector.

Regular Organisations
These have all finished for the Summer break and will return in September/October - keep a look out on the announcement sheets and Facebook for updates.

From the Parish Register
Baptism
Sunday 21 June - Cooper Daryl Armstrong

Keeping up to date
There are a number of ways that you can keep up to date with everything that is going on in the parish:
Drumkeeran, Templecarne and Muckross

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Services

5th July
Templecarne 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am
Drumkeeran 3.30pm - Parade Service

12th July
Muckross 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am

19th July
Templecarne 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am

26th July
Muckross 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am
Drumkeeran 3.30pm - Parade Service

2nd August
Templecarne 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am

9th August
Muckross 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am
Dernasesk 7.00pm

16th August
Templecarne 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am

23rd August
Muckross 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am

30th August
Templecarne 10.00am
Drumkeeran 11.30am

Emergency Pastoral Cover

Emergency Pastoral cover for July will be provided by the Revd Henry Blair and Revd Caroline Mansley. We are grateful for their help.

Sunday School

The annual end of term Sunday School Service was held in Drumkeeran on Sunday 31st May. The children did a variety of readings, poems, prayers and songs.

Christian Aid and Nepal Appeal

There was a good ‘take up’ of the Christian Aid Envelopes at the beginning of May and a good number have been returned. There was also a good response to the special collection for Nepal. Thank you to all who contributed.

Thank You

As we come to the summer break, thank you to the various individuals in the parishes who give time and commitment to the work of the church, to those who open and make the necessary preparations for worship Sunday by Sunday, to those who clean and prepare, to those involved in keeping the grounds, to those who administer the affairs of the parishes, to organists, choir members and readers who assist in the worship, to the Sunday School teachers, to all who help in the work and witness of the church in this group of parishes – Thank You. This personal commitment and practical contribution by a small number in each parish must not be overlooked.

Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

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Goodbye, Farewell and Amen

Since its airing 25 years ago in February 1983, the series finale of the award-winning show M*A*S*H entitled “Goodbye, Farewell and Amen,” remains the single most watched episode and TV event of all time with more than 125 million viewers. Set during the Korean War, M*A*S*H followed the daily exploits of the 4077th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital unit located 3 miles from the front lines of the war zone. Amid the horrors of war-wounded soldiers, sniper bullets, bombs and incompetent Army guidelines—the doctors and nurses relied on humour, hijinks and hearts of compassion to keep sane. And through their common experience, the members of the 4077th became a close knit family and community.

In the episode “Goodbye, Farewell and Amen,” the community finally receives some long awaited good news - war is over and they can return home to their families and friends! It is a cause for joyous celebration and sad goodbyes. The doctors and nurses soon realize that “going home” means their current relationships will end as they depart for various destinations in the States.

BJ doesn’t want to say those two short and simple words “good-bye.” For him, it carries a heavy weight of finality. BJ knows that saying “good-bye” means he will never see Hawkeye again and that for the rest of his life, he’ll have to live without that daily friendship he was so accustomed to having during the Korean War. So BJ opts to pretend that he and Hawkeye will keep in touch with Christmas cards and annual visits to medical conventions or each other’s homes.

And who can blame BJ for feeling and acting this way? Many of us, me included, can identify with BJ’s anxiety, pain, sadness and reluctance toward saying the two words that acknowledge the end of a particular relationship in a certain setting. Saying “good-bye” to a friend or Church can be extremely difficult - once the words are spoken, a person then has to learn how to live without the other in their daily midst. That type of dramatic change can be scary.

The twelve disciples likely experienced some fear and anxiety when Jesus announced a huge change while having dinner with them in an upper room. I imagine there were some shocked faces, a few tears and twittering hands among the disciples as they listened to their teacher talk of betrayal, arrest and crucifixion. Jesus doesn’t let them dwell long in their fear of what will happen to them and he assures the disciples that they will not be abandoned:

While Jesus’ words of assurance and promise of the coming Spirit may not make a departure less difficult, the words do give hope in the midst of change. Jesus’ words lift the heavy weight of finality that is often felt when someone says “good-bye.” And the presence of the Spirit allows time for both parties who depart from one another to reflect on the sacredness of that moment of change. As Edward White points out in the book Saying Goodbye: A Time of Growth for Congregations and Pastors:

“Often it is the transitions of life that are the greatest occasions for growth. In addition to appreciating what we are leaving and what we are moving to, we can learn many secrets of the Spirit by monitoring the experience of the transition itself. We can discover new things about ourselves and about the God who is with us in the transitions.

My hope is that Marjorie and I will discover some things about ourselves and God upon our departure from Ematris into retirement. Almost immediately I will begin to discover that I will no longer be able to relate to you in the same way as I previously have as your minister who was daily active and present in the congregation’s life and Sunday worship. After working so closely with the congregation in that capacity for over four years, shifting out of that role will be difficult for both of us. You’ve witnessed them too - those glimmering traces of God’s presence like Sunday Worship, baptisms, weddings, pastoral visits, Confirmation, and Sunday School. Those glimmering traces of God’s presence have shaped and will continue to shape all of you to be the loving and passionate people God calls you to be.

And while there is no guarantee that any of us will see each other again, I do believe the glimmering traces of God’s presence will forever connect us and forever illuminate the separate paths we travel to do the work of Christ.

God be with you. Farewell. Amen
Revd George

NB: My last service will be a Group service in Aghabog on 26th July at 11.00am

Aghabog

Cavan Rugby Male Voice Choir

An evening of song and praise led by Cavan Rugby Male voice Choir was held in Aghabog Parish Church on Sunday 17th May. It was good to see a packed church and the music went down a treat. Many thanks to Gillian who helped to organise this event. When the service was over we all enjoyed a lovely supper in the hall afterwards. After supper the choir burst into song again for another half hour and this was really enjoyed by everyone. Our grateful thanks to them for a lovely evening. Our thanks also to the ladies who provided the supper and to all who helped to tidy up afterwards.
Congratulations
We send our best wishes to Jonathon and Roberta Norris on the birth of their son Craig, a brother for Hannah and Linsday.

Illness
We send our best wishes to all who are ill at home or in hospital.

Parade Services
Monaghan Junior Orange Lodge are holding a service in Aghabog Parish Church on Thursday 2nd July at 8pm.
Newbliss Eldon RBP 33 are having a parade service on Sunday 2nd August at 3.30pm. All are welcome.

Aughnamullen
Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

Our Coffee Morning and Cake Sale was a successful event and was well supported. Thanks to all who provided cakes and other items for sale. Thanks to all who helped on the day and to Mrs Marjorie Beattie for producing the Fireside Quiz. The winners were: 1st prize Betty Jordan, 2nd Prize Byrne Family, 3rd Prize Gennia Humphries.

Dedication of Gifts

On Sunday 31st May we welcomed our Bishop to a group service in Aughnamullen Church where he dedicated various gifts including the work done in the recent renovations and give the address. The Revd George arranged the service and Mrs Ethel Ritchie played the organ. Thanks to those who provided the refreshments after the service.

Burial
The very large funeral service of Mrs Isobella Fox who died in her 92nd year, was testament to the respect that the family was held. The service was conducted by the Revd George Beattie and assisted by Dean Kenneth Hall.

Sympathy
Our prayerful sympathy goes to the family, son John, daughters Revd Margaret, Hazel, Lola and all the family circle.

Baptism
It was with pleasure that we welcomed Rhys Carney who was baptised on Saturday 6th June.

Dartrey/Rockcorry

Dartrey/Rockcorry Flower Festival
The sun shone from a clear, blue sky as the crowds began to arrive at Dartrey Church for its first flower festival. Minister Heather Humphreys, in her capacity as Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht officially declared the festival open and congratulated the parishes on their efforts and hard work in bringing the festival to fruition. What a perfect setting for a Minister for Heritage, surrounded as she was by the rich heritage of the Dawson family with the lovely Dartrey Church, built in 1729 by Richard Dawson, standing serenely in the background.
The theme of the festival was “The Journey of Life” and the magnificent floral arrangements crafted by Monaghan Flower Club, and augmented by lovely arrangements from the Sunday School, Rockcorry N.S. and the Mothers’ Union depicted the various stages in that journey. All the arrangements, indoors and outdoors, were kindly sponsored by parishioners.
For the duration of the festival, and with the kind permission of the Carleton family, walking tours of the lakeshore and grounds surrounding the site of Dartrey Castle, built in 1846 by 1st Earl of Dartrey and demolished in 1946, proved hugely popular. Visits to the recently restored impressive Dawson Mausoleum also attracted large crowds and the select number of vintage cars delighted motoring enthusiasts.
Teas, coffees and pre-booked lunches were served throughout the three days by a hard-working team of ladies and children while the men folk were busy with car-parking and traffic control.
We were delighted to have Bishop McDowell as special preacher at the opening service with Mr. Glenn Moore presiding at the organ and Rockcorry National School contributing some musical items. The closing service was led by the Revd George with the Ven. Helene Steed as special preacher.
Miss Audrey Doogan, organist and the popular Dawson Singers brought the festival to a fitting conclusion. The support and generosity of everyone exceeded our expectations and a very sincere thank you to all who helped in any capacity. The net amount at present is €15,388.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to James and Lynne Prunty on the birth of their son, Hugo James.

**Sympathy**

Our sincere condolences to Stella Little and family on their recent sad and untimely bereavements.

Mr John Bradford on the death of his cousin and his cousin’s wife.

**Welcome**

We extend a warm welcome and good wishes to Miss Julie Montgomery on her appointment as Principal of Rockcorry National School in succession to Mrs. Hazel Speares, retiring Principal. Miss Montgomery, a native of Co. Donegal, is currently Deputy Principal of Drumcondra National School. We also bid a fond farewell to Mr Stephen Middleton who has been deputising during Mrs. Valerie Dunwoody’s maternity leave. We wish him every good wish for the future.

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**Services**

**Thursday 2nd July**

11.00am – Holy Communion

**Sunday 5th July The Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

9.00am - Holy Communion  
11.00am - Holy Baptism and Holy Communion  
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

**Thursday 9th July**

11.00am – Holy Communion

**Sunday 12th July The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

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

**Thursday 16th July**

11.00am – Holy Communion

**Sunday 19th July The Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

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

**Thursday 23rd July**

11.00am – Holy Communion  
1.05pm – Healing Service

**Sunday 26th July The Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

9.00am - Holy Communion  
11.00am - Morning Prayer

**Thursday 30th July**

11.00am – Holy Communion

**Sunday 2nd August The Ninth Sunday after Trinity**

9.00am - Holy Communion  
11.00am - Holy Communion

**Thursday 6th August**

11.00am – Holy Communion
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Sunday 9th August The Tenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Morning Prayer

Thursday 13th August
11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 16th August The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Holy Communion

Thursday 20th August
11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd August The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Morning Prayer

Thursday 27th August
11.00am – Holy Communion
1.05pm – Healing Service

Sunday 30th August The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Morning Prayer

Holy Baptism
7th June – Harry James Robert McConachie

Christian Marriage
26th June – Stephen Kenneth Robinson and Jamie Sandra Sarah Marie Stitt

Christian Burial
11th June – Roberta Denise Rutledge, 22 Derrychara Park, Enniskillen

Appointment
It is with great joy and delight that we announce the appointment of the Revd Olivia Downey as curate of Enniskillen Parish with 50% of her time attached to the Clogher Cathedral Group of Parishes. The Revd Olie has been attached to St Macartin’s Cathedral as a Deacon for the past six months. She will be ordained a Priest on Sunday 13th September at 7.00pm. We wish the Revd Olie every blessing in the years ahead.

Sunday School
The Sunday School held their closing service on Sunday 14th June. The service brought to an end another busy year for the children and leaders. All the classes made a fitting contribution to the service. Prizes were presented to all the children and young people for their attendance and contribution during the year. Thanks are expressed to Karl Saunders and to all the Sunday School leaders who give so freely of their time to this most vital of work in the parish.

100 K
The same weekend as hundreds of runners and walkers pounded around Enniskillen for the 10K a sole runner made his way from St Patrick’s Church, Ballyclog (Co. Tyrone) to St Macartin’s Cathedral completing 100K (60miles) in one run! The Rector of the parishes of Brackaville, Donaghendry and Ballyclog, the Revd Andrew Rawding was raising funds for his forth coming visit in July to Kindu Parish in the Democratic Republic of Congo with CMSI (Church Missionary Society Ireland). His journey took him 9 hours 24 minutes, completing a double marathon in 8 hours 12 minutes. He was supported by one of his parishioners Darren Purvis who cycled beside him for moral support and followed by his churchwardens Norman Kirk and Fred Morton in a car. The Revd Rawding arrived in St Macartin’s Cathedral midway during the Sunday Morning service and ran up the aisle amidst clapping and cheers from a welcoming congregation. He addressed the congregation and the loose offering was given towards his missionary journey to DR Congo. The Revd Andrew Rawding is the successive Rector to Very Revd Kenny Hall’s former parish following his appointment as Dean of Enniskillen Cathedral.

Sponsored Walk
Thank you to all who supported the Sponsored Walk or prepared and served the soup lunch which followed on the same day as the year end service for the Sunday School. Total amount raised to date is around £2000.

Congratulations
Congratulations to Ivan Kee on his receipt of Birthday Honours from Her Majesty the Queen. His B.E.M. is well deserved for the amount of time and energy that Ivan has and does devote to fund raising for many charitable causes.

Tuesday Club
The Tuesday Club season ended with a most enjoyable outing on 26th May. Members met in the Minor Hall for coffee before setting off to Coolbuck Church. A warm welcome awaited us from Ann Orr. All enjoyed a short service conducted by the Dean. Angel Nawn had chosen and played two suitable hymns. Ann then gave us a most informative talk on the history of the church.
The group then made their way to Corrick House for a meal. The Dean thanked the leader Mrs Eleanor Lynn for the gift of a cupcake to each member.

The weather was favourable for a stroll around the gardens before returning home.

We look forward to welcoming old and new members back for a new season on Tuesday 29th September at 2.30pm in the Hilliard Room.

**Mothers’ Union**

Mothers’ Union will recommence on Monday 14th September at 8.00pm in the Hilliard Room.

**Annual Ulster Project**

We congratulate Nathan Clyde, James Johnston and Jemma Wilson who have been chosen to travel to Madison in USA with the Ulster Project. Thank you to all who supported a very successful coffee morning in the Cathedral Hall raising almost £900.00. A leaving service was held in St Michael’s Church conducted jointly by Monsignor Peter O’Reilly and Dean Kenny Hall. We wish them every blessing and look forward to them giving a report in church of their experiences on their return from across the Atlantic!

**St Macartin’s Football Team**

![St Macartin's Football Team](image)

*St Macartin’s Football Team (seven-a-side) who took part in the Barnabas Cup at Ferney Park, Ballinamallard on St Barnabas’ Day. We thank the Revd Canon Brian Harper for organising the event. The team pictured with Dean Hall (back row L to R) Jamie-Lee Fawcett, Brian Gault, Darren Vance and Kalem Boles. Front row – Jonathan Noble, Gareth Palmer, Mark Campbell and Jordan Coalter.*

**Summer Evening Services**

The Summer evening services (7.00pm) are combined with the Methodist and Presbyterian congregations:

- Sundays 5th July, 12th July and 19th July – St Macartin’s Cathedral
- Sundays 26th July, 2nd August and 9th August – Methodist Church
- Sundays 16th August, 23rd August and 30th August – Presbyterian Church

Evening Prayer resumes on 6th September at 7.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral.

**Messy Church**

Last year we ran a very successful Messy Church Picnic in the Park. Keep an eye out on the Messy Church Facebook page for time and venue this summer. [https://www.facebook.com/Stmacartinsmessychurch](https://www.facebook.com/Stmacartinsmessychurch).

**Baby Massage**

We are hoping to run a series of baby massage classes. Contact the parish office for more information.

**Surviving as a student**

This is a new programme for school leavers and students looking at how to eat well on a student budget. An essential for anyone living away from home.

**Leadership Teams**

By September we aim to have 6 leadership teams developed to shape and resource our 6 areas of life and ministry. These areas are:

- Outreach and Social Witness
- Liturgy, Music and the Arts
- Pastoral Care
- Faith Formation
- Youth and Children
- Communication

The six teams are beginning to take shape, but there may be room for one or two more people on each team. If you would like to be involved, talk to the clergy as soon as possible.

**New Sound System**

For some time the Cathedral has been struggling with its current sound system. Our speakers are fairly good, but we have had challenges with our microphones and desk. During the summer the desk and microphones will be replaced and the antennae boosted. This will significantly improve the sound in the Cathedral. There will be training offered on how to work the new sound desk. We would like to have a team of volunteers to help. If you would be willing to be involved please let the staff know.
Mary Sumner’s Prayer

All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee; and every life I touch, do thou by thy Spirit quicken, whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen.

Fivemiletown (including Kiltermon)

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Reasons To Be Thankful!

Recently many things have given us all cause to be thankful to God.

Building God’s Kingdom

A large crowd of people came to the farewell presentation to Revd Alastair Donaldson on 7th June. I was teasing him in saying that so many came to make sure he really did leave. Quite the opposite is true though. Alastair was a great joy to be around and endeared himself to a great many people, which was seen in the good will of the many people who stayed after the morning services for his presentation. Both the parish itself, and the Select Vestry were very generous in their presentation to him, and I have written to the Bishop to thank him for placing Alastair with us.

God willing, Alastair will be ordained as presbyter in Sligo Cathedral at 4pm on Sunday 6th September. Plans are underway to organise transport to that service. He is to be a curate to Bishop Ferran Glenfield, and will work in the Roscommon group of parishes. Interestingly, in the way that God organises these things, Rev’d Liz McElhinney and her husband Cyril, have been working there in recent years. They are very committed Christian people who have served God’s work over their lifetime. It is delightful to know that Roscommon is the parish where Liz’s father was rector some years ago, and where she has been ministering recently. My wife and I have known Liz and Cyril for many years, and it is great to know that someone who has links with the ministry here, is going there to carry on the Lord’s work.

Building on Christ

The Sunday School year closed with a Young People and Children’s Day Service and the presentation of gifts to the children and young people for their work and attendance. It was a great service with lots of people there. Our guest speaker was Victoria Speers who is one of two new development officers working in Northern Ireland for the Church Lads and Church Girls Brigade. She spoke really well on building our lives on the foundation of Jesus. A twelve strong music group was formed by the young people and they took part in the worship. Sparks sang ‘Don’t build your house on the sandy land’, and Juniors and Seniors presented a drama about Jesus and Peter. Rocks were painted and were used to decorate the church. About a hundred and fifty people stayed for a BBQ, and it was great to meet with families and spend time with people.

Building Repairs

On the same day, the Select Vestry met to prepare the inside of St John’s for the builders who were arriving the next morning. Lots of repair work is underway on both the outside and inside of the church building. The large scaffolding has been very noticeable to anyone who has been passing through the village. We are thankful to the members of the Select Vestry and the Glebes Committee in particular, who are guiding us through this with the minimum of fuss or disruption. Perhaps this will be something of a parable to us of the nature of the church. The Apostle Peter describes Christians as ‘living stones’ and that we are being built into a household, and a living Temple. While work on the earthly building goes on, may we think about the need for repairs to the living household; the place of forgiveness, renewal, welcome, return, and recommitment to Christ.
Building Ministry To Young People

We have young people in the parish who are very interested in their faith and involved in the church’s ministries. And because we also have many young adults, dozens in fact, with whom we have very little contact, several things have been happening to help and encourage them to follow Christ. Alastair was asked to focus on work with young people, and that has been fruitful. Also, Jonny Phenix, the Diocesan Youth Officer, is to make Fivemiletown one of his areas for ministry over the next months, and I am very grateful for that. Jonny will host a breakfast for young adults on Sunday morning here to begin the conversation about future work here.

Also, we have advertised that four leaders from the parish, Yvonne Cunningham, Christine Baxter, Andy Little and myself, are hoping to travel to Peru, next summer, and bring six young adults with us. The purpose is to support these young adults in their faith during the year leading into the visit, and show them another part of the world church, and to support part of the work which the Anglican church is doing in Lima. This follows on from the visit there by Chris Bloomfield in 2013.

Of course this all takes finance. The men’s ministry have very generously gifted monies to reduce the cost of the Peru visit for the six young adults, and we are very thankful for that. I am learning that sometimes we have to step out in faith and trust God to provide. At the time of writing we are getting ready to host thirty two young adults from YWAM Youth With A Mission. They are bravely walking the two hundred plus miles from their base in Rostrevor, along the border, to Londonerry. Fivemiletown is one of their overnight stops. Thank you to those who are cooking for them, and providing a welcome. Some of us have visited their Rostrevor base when we hosted Botros, Yesikha, Tara, Fay, Ben, Li Jing, Shannon, Xiongqiqia, and Christopher. I keep their names in my prayer book, and often think of them. In particular, MOPS have been supporting the young women who went on to work in Nepal. And for me, I often think about Botros, who is a Coptic Christian, from Egypt. He bears a tattoo of the cross on his inner wrist. What is it like to be living as a Christian, as a minority religion, in a nation which has seen great unsettling in recent years?

And just last evening, leaders from Connect Youth Group came to the Rectory to scout out the grounds before their water games and BBQ on Saturday. That work is quiet, understated, and ongoing, and I am thankful for these leaders and their desire to support young people in following Jesus.

I thank God for all of these connections, relationships, and ways in which He provides for us here and allows us to relate to His household in other places.

Building friendships and links with families

The Mothers’ Union managed to find calm weather during the early June downpours, for their boat trip on Lough Erne, and meal at the Share Centre. It was a lovely afternoon, and we are thankful to Elvina and Emily for all of the organising. GFS and Church Lads and Fishers help parents’ evenings to show something of their year’s work, and present awards. Both evenings were great fun, and well attended by families and friends. Thank you to their leaders, and I hope they enjoy the summer break.

Building through prayer, worship and pastoral ministry Tuesday evenings each fortnight have been set aside for prayer and praise. About a dozen people gather, for the hour and a half which is quiet, reflective, and gives time to pray and think. Do come along.

I am continuing with general pastoral visiting in one of the parish districts, and will move to a new area during the summer. Pastoral visiting cards are sent or a telephone call is made in advance, with a request that I may visit. Canon Robinson continues to visit older members of the congregation. Visits to those who are housebound are continuing during June by the Rector, Canon Robinson and Elvina Funston. Remember in prayer those in hospital and residential or nursing care. Remember before God, those who continue to mourn the loss of a loved one.

Building links in the local community

Let us also be thankful for the work done by Christine Baxter and Beverley Weir who serve and represent us as members of the Board of Governors in Fivemiletown Primary School. I sent our congratulations to the Board on the recent opening of the school again after extensive renovation and building work.

Also, local schools take part in the Previously Loved Shop’s school uniform recycling. Led and organised by Mamie Alexander, it has proven to be very well received during these last three years. It will be open on Wednesday 12 August, in Unit 1 of the Buttermarket, kindly granted.

Also, Thelma and Sandy Atwell and Phyllis Cunningham continue to organise and lead us for the four meetings of the Senior Adults’ Group. We meet and take part in the Holy Communion, before sharing in a lovely hot lunch prepared and served by Kim and her staff for the Edfield’s Restaurant in Fivemiletown. Many people attend, and we are always thankful to be joined by friends from other churches and friends from the local area.

Building on His Words

During May and June we have been reading and thinking about the words of Jesus, found in His parables. I have been amazed and surprised at how simple they are, yet are able to say things to us which are profound and challenging. In this way, I know that God continues to build His own church. The psalmist reminds me that ‘unless the Lord builds the house’, we labour in vain.

May we only build on Him, and in Him, and for Him, and trust ourselves to the purposes that He has for us as a church today.

In Christ,
Kyle Hanlon
Don’t forget!
Church meets during July and August at 10am in the parish hall while repairs continue in St John’s.

Mothers’ Union
The May meeting, which was visitor’s night, was held in St. John’s Hall. Branch Leader, Elvina Funston, welcomed members and visitors from neighbouring churches and organisations, and opened the meeting in prayer. The Bible reading was taken from Deuteronomy 6 v 1-9, read by Hilary Kenny. She then welcomed our guest speaker, Mrs Irene Boyd. Irene, dressed in character, portrayed the life story of Fanny Crosby. Fanny, born in 1821, became blind as a baby, but displayed extraordinary talent in writing poems and hymns. She became a teacher and evangelist and despite the loss of her own baby daughter and close family and friends, she kept telling herself “Never Give up”. Irene’s talk, interspersed with poems which Fanny had written, also included some of her well known hymns “Blessed Assurance”, “Redeemed how I love to proclaim it”, “All the way my saviour leads me” and “Safe in the arms of Jesus” She died in 1915, aged 94. The vote of thanks was proposed by Florence Brunt.

Thirteen members attended the Diocesan Service in St. Patrick’s Church Monaghan on 1st May. Missionary money given from our Branch at this service was £500. Branch Leader, Elvina Funston wished members an enjoyable summer and closed the meeting with the Grace.

On Saturday 6th June 43 members and friends had a very enjoyable trip on the Inishclare Cruiser on Upper Lough Erne. We then had a delicious meal in The Share Centre.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 9th September when the speaker will be Mrs Lorraine Polley who will speak on “My Journey with Cancer” and craft.

Senior Adults
Our last Senior Adults’ Lunch was a great success with 60 Seniors attending Holy Communion followed by a delicious chicken and bacon lunch. Afterwards Revd Alastair Donaldson gave a talk; we wish him every success in his post as curate in Roscommon.

The next Senior Members’ Lunch will be on Wednesday 30th September at 12 noon in the Parish Hall.

Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully

Mothers’ Union Outing

The next meeting is on Wednesday 9th September at 12 noon in the Parish Hall.

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10:30 Sallaghy
12:00 Galloon

Sunday School Times
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Sallaghy: 10:30-11:30am in Sallaghy Church Hall
Galloon: 12:00-1:00pm in Galloon Church Hall

Monthly Cycle of Services
Service of Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month, celebrated in all three Churches. A Family Service will normally be on the third Sunday of the month. During the year some Group Family Services will be held and these will rotate between the three Parishes. Service of Morning Prayer on the second and fourth Sundays in the month. A United Group Service on the fifth Sundays in the year (with a cup of tea afterwards, rotating between the three Parishes).

Appointment
The Group is delighted that the Bishop has appointed the Revd Anita as Rector of The Grouped Parishes of Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully, having served two years as Diocesan Curate. We look forward to Revd Anita continuing in the group and wish her God’s Blessing as she carries out her work. The Service of Institution will take place on Friday 4th September at 7.30pm in Galloon Parish Church, Newtownbutler.

Jengana
A donation of £350 will be made to Jengana on behalf of the Galloon Group of Churches after a very informative Group family service in Drummully. We shall keep the three little girls Mary, Dorcas and Gladwell in our prayers. Mrs Jennifer Smith has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the collection of any unwanted clothes donated to the Jengana Project. Thanks to Jennifer for this.
Music Scholarships: Our congratulations go to Emma Darling, Holly Hutchinson and Siobhan Kerr who have been awarded music scholarships. The girls play the organ every third Sunday at the Family Service in Galloon. On Sunday 31st May the three girls were responsible for the music for the Group Family Service and were wonderful. We are very blessed in Galloon to have such young and up and coming talent in our Parish. Our grateful thanks to Mrs Grace Rickey for her support, encouragement and organising practices before our services. Thank you Grace.

Galloon Parish

Sunday 5th July: To accommodate Lisnaskea District Orange Parade in Sallaghy on 5th July at 11.30am the Service of Morning Prayer in Galloon will be at 10.00am. The service in Drummully will be at the normal time of 9.00am.

£10k for 10k Mini Marathon
The £10k for 10k Mini Marathon took place on Saturday 13th June with the proceeds going to the new Sunday school rooms. We were extremely fortunate with the weather and it was a wonderful afternoon. Our thanks, admiration and appreciation go to all our wonderful runners for all their training, sponsorship and running on the day. Well done all! It was so good to see everyone all out and all safely back in again with no accidents or injuries. It is hoped we won’t be far off our fund raising target.

What’s on in Galloon

Group of Churches!

Sunday 5th July: Morning Prayer in Sallaghy at 11.30 to accommodate Lisnaskea District Orange Parade. Morning Prayer in Galloon at 10:00 and Drummully 9:00

Sunday 12th July: Drummully 9:00, Sallaghy 10:30 Morning Prayer and a Service of Evening Prayer in Galloon at 7:30pm to accommodate Newtownbutler District No 1 Orange Parade.

Sunday 19th July: Morning Prayer in Sallaghy 10:30 and Galloon 12:00 and Drummully RBP 811 Annual Parade and Church Service at 3:30pm

Sunday 26th July: Services of Holy Communion in Drummully 9:00 Sallaghy 10:30 Galloon 12:00

Sunday 3rd August: Morning Prayer in Drummully 9:00 Sallaghy 10:30 and Galloon 12:00

Sunday 10th August: Morning Prayer in Drummully 9:00, Sallaghy 10:30 Evening Prayer in Galloon 7:30pm and Newtownbutler 154 RBP Annual Parade

Sunday 17th August: Drummully 9:00 Sallaghy 10:30 Galloon 12:00

Sunday 23rd August: Services of Holy Communion in Drummully 9:00 Sallaghy 10:30 Galloon 12:00

Sunday 30th August: (5th) Sunday Group Service in Sallaghy 11:00

Orange Service
This will be a service of Evening Prayer in Galloon at 7:30pm on Sunday 12th July. Members of the Order to assemble at the Orange Hall at 7:00pm.

Parish Auction
This will take place on Saturday 12th September. Please note the change of date.

RBP Service
This service will be held on Sunday 9th August at 7.30 pm. The Parade will assemble at the Orange Hall at 7.00pm, Parade will be led by Newtownbutler Flute Band.

Galloon and Drummully Mothers Union
The Branch is holding a service on Tuesday 15th September at 8.00pm Galloon Parish Church. The special speaker is Mrs Heather Dawson. Mrs Dawson is the Diocesan President of Wellington Diocese, New Zealand. Wellington Diocese is one of Clogher’s link Dioceses and we are delighted that she is making a return visit to us. This service is open to all Mothers Union members and friends so please take note of the date and you will be made most welcome.
Sallaghy Parish
175th Anniversary of Sallaghy Parish

The service was led by Revd Anita with the lessons being read by Richard Clingan and Hannah Frazer. The address was given by Bishop John who spoke initially about what life was like in Fermanagh at the time of the founding of the parish. He then posed the questions, ‘Are the people glad the church is here? Did it make a difference to the spiritual needs of our area to have had our church here for 175 years and what difference will it make for the next 175 years?’ The life of faith in Sallaghy is interwoven with the livelihoods of its people and it was ever thus. We pray that through our faith we may be in such a relationship with God that we can fully appreciate the abundance of his blessing upon us in tough times as well as plenty.

Following the address, the Group Choir sang the piece ‘You’re the Word of God the Father’ with Joyce Clingan as organist. Charles Crawford, Diocesan Lay Reader led the prayers.

Sallaghy Parish celebrated the 175th anniversary of its founding on Sunday 14th June in glorious sunshine with over 150 people present, including many people who grew up in or have connections with the parish. In particular we were pleased to welcome Mrs Eleanor Crymble (nee Rogers) and her husband David. Eleanor is the daughter of Revd James Rogers who was minister in Sallaghy from 1959 – 1967 and also from 1974 – 1979. Eleanor’s brother David who lives in Scotland sent his best wishes as did Canon Wallace Fenton who was minister in Sallaghy from 1987 – 1996. Unfortunately both were unable to attend.

After the service, an excellent afternoon tea was served, during which everyone was able to watch a slideshow of over 250 photographs of the parish and parishioners though the ages. Thanks to everyone who helped make the day such a success and a very enriching experience. Heartfelt thanks were expressed to Richard Clingan for all his hard work producing the Order of Service which is also a wonderful keepsake of a very special afternoon in the life of faith of Sallaghy Parish Church.
**Orange Service**
The Annual Orange Service will be held on Sunday 5th July at 11.30am. We are again grateful to the parishioners of Galloon Parish for the swap of service times on this Sunday.

**Crom Road Tractor Run and Vintage Ploughing Demonstration**
A tractor run and vintage ploughing demonstration will be held again this year at Fiddis’ Farm, Crom Road, Lisnaskea on Saturday 15th August. This year there will be a demonstration of the cutting of corn which was planted on Fiddis’ farm in the springtime.

**Drummully Parish**

**Car Boot Sale**
The car boot sale with dog and pet show will take place in Drummully on Saturday 4th of July. Cars and vans €10, large vans €15. Gates open at 8am and judging is from 2.00pm.

**Car Boot Sale and Strawberry Teas**
Despite monsoon weather our Car Boot Sale and Strawberry Teas event on the 6th June was well supported and managed to raise €695.33 and £206.69. Thank you to everyone who helped at or supported this event.

**Open Farm Weekend**
John and Eileen Hall from Cavanagh Free Range Eggs opened their gates to four primary schools on Friday 12th June and to the public on Saturday 13th June as part of the Bank of Ireland Open Farm Weekend which took place on 21 farms across Northern Ireland. Drummully Parish provided the supper along with family members. Voluntary donations were given to help re-roof the Church in Drummully. Work is planned to commence in August this year. £380 and £620 was raised. The Halls would like to thank everyone who provided the food, for all the many helpers, to those who visited the farm and to those who donated money to Drummully Parish Church. It couldn't have happened without the support of everyone and for this the Hall family are truly grateful.

**Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher**

**Parade Services**
The annual Orange Anniversary services will be held on the usual dates as follows:
- The Slavin Parade will be held on 5th July at 3pm.
- The Garrison Parade will be held on Sunday 12th July at 3pm. Visiting brethren and congregation are most welcome at both services.

**Sales of Work**
Thanks to the generosity of the Wark Hall Committee for allowing the other churches in the group to have a Sale of Work in the hall to raise much needed funds.
Slavin Sale is first on Tuesday 21st July. Next is Garrison Sale which is due to be held on Monday 3rd August and finally the Kiltyclogher Sale on 18th August.
The three churches’ welcome support from their parishioners for help on the day and volunteers to make sandwiches, scones, buns and bring items for tea.
Items needed include: bric-a-brac, good second hand clothes, cakes and jams for the cake stall.
During the day we will also be selling turf and firewood as these items are alway in high demand - donations very welcome.

**Prayers**
Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have been unwell at home or in hospital in recent weeks. We remember Ernie Stinson, Slavin Parish and Florrie Hamilton, Garrison Parish who have both been in hospital recently.
Holy Matrimony

Congratulations to William Allingham, Slattinagh and Ruth Stephens (originally from Wales) on their marriage on Saturday 30th May in Kiltyclogher Church, conducted by the Rector Revd Ngozi Njoku. We wish the couple every happiness in their new home in Kiltyclogher parish living at Frevagh.

Mothers’ Union

Our members of Mothers’ Union are very much looking forward to a visit in September of the Diocesan President of Mothers’ Union in Wellington, New Zealand. Heather Dawson and her husband John will be in Clogher Diocese from 14th September and they are staying in our Group of Parishes. Heather will speak at our September meeting on Wednesday 16th September at 8pm in Belleek Parish Church. This meeting is open to all our Parishioners, and neighbouring Parishes, everyone is most welcome. Heather will also visit the Parishes of Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale and the Galloon, Sallaghy, and Drummully Group.

Holy Baptism

Robbie Sean son of Gary and Rhoda Carson, second son and baby brother to Ryan was baptised in Garrison Parish Church on Sunday 7th June by Revd Ngozi.

Jessica Sandra, the first born baby daughter of Richard and Jenny Willis was baptised in Kiltyclogher Church on Sunday 14th June by Revd Ngozi.

Group Services

The 5th Sunday service on 31st May was held on Trinity Sunday in Slavin Parish Church. Thanks to Slavin Ladies for serving refreshments before the service. Donations in lieu of tea was divided between Christian Aid and The Rectory Fund. The children from all the Sunday Schools sang “We are marching in the light of God” and the choir sang the Carribean version of “Our Father”.

The next 5th Sunday Service is due to be in Garrison on Sunday 30th August at 11.30am.

Belleek/Slavin Family Service

On Sunday 14th June, the end of Year Prize Distribution for Slavin and Belleek Sunday School was held in Belleek Parish Church. The Service was taken by the children. Aoife Gregg welcomed everyone, and Skye Love announced the hymns. Aoife continued to lead the worship with an opening prayer. Skye introduced the Psalm. The Bible readings were read by Ethan Johnston, Aoife, Sarah Johnston and Skye. Poems were read by Oisin Gregg and Sarah.

The prayers of intercession were read by Levi Love, Ethan, Skye and Oisin Gregg. Sarah, Skye, Levi and Oisin took part in a Drama entitled ‘A Big Fish Story’. Oisin chose a more interesting way to tell the story of Jonah and the Whale, whilst Levi had to try and keep him ‘on track’! At the end Sarah told us the real moral of the story, which was to go where God leads us. If Jonah had done that, things would have been easier for him.

Ethan, Aoife, Skye and Callum Gregg took part in another sketch entitled, ‘The Parable of the Unqualified Surgeon.’ Aoife gave Ethan a Certificate which gave him the qualifications to perform as a surgeon! Ethan’s first consultation was to investigate an in-growing toenail on Callum. He was so keen to carry out his new job that he decided an amputation of the foot was the best option! However Callum decided to flee the operating theatre before Ethan returned, armed with knife, offering us all a heart transplant, but no one volunteered!

The children, accompanied by the organist Mrs. Sadie Moore, sang ‘Happiness is to know the Saviour’. The collection was taken by Oisin and Levi.
Before presenting the Attendance Prizes Revd Ngozi asked for a round of applause for all the children and the Sunday School teachers, Florence and Doreen Earls. Both teachers were given a card signed by the parents thanking them for all their work over the year with the children.

Aoife Gregg and Oisin Gregg had full attendance at Sunday School, and Callum Gregg missed only one Sunday. The Prizes for the best attendance at Church were presented to Sarah Johnston and Ethan Johnston. A report of the Garrison Family Service due to be held on Sunday 21st June will be in the September magazine.

Parish Website

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org. The web manager is Jenna Clarke. Photos and articles etc. for the website to be emailed to Doreen Earls.

Social Networking

Follow us on Facebook using the name Garrison Group of Parishes. Simply ‘Like’ our page to receive updates on events.

Kilskeery and Trillick

‘Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.’ It was with great sadness that we learned of the deaths of the mums of Kirsty Hanna (Trillick) and Neil and Gary Thompson (Kilskeery) and we again extend our deepest sympathy as we continue to pray for all those whose life is saddened by the death of a relative or friend.

Burial of the Dead

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes: and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Services

July and August

10.15am Trillick
11.30am Kilskeery

On ‘Fathers Day’, 21st June a joint Family Service took place in Kilskeery Parish Church. ‘A Great Big Bunch of Love’ was delivered to dads marking the end of another Sunday School year. It was lovely to see our Messy Kids Club take part for the first time in our church service.

Prize Giving

Sunday School Prizes at Trillick Parish Church were distributed at a Family Service on 14th June.

Messy Kids Club

Messy Kids Club Family Fun Day took place on 20th June.

Senior Citizens Club

Kilskeery Senior Citizens Club had a fabulous outing – albeit on one of the windiest, wettest days of the year – to Armagh on 19th May; were pleased to welcome
Carol Conway to the group on 2nd June and will join Trillick Senior Citizens Group on a trip to Carlingford on 7th July.

Members of the Loyal Orders

Members of the Loyal Orders will join us on 12th July at 7.30pm in Trillick Parish Church – Preacher, Canon Billy Johnston and in Kiliskeery Parish Church on 19th July at 11.00am – Preacher, Revd Rosemary.

Centenary Commemoration – Local man Eugene Sheerin

Eugene Sheerin was from Trillick and came to live in Belleek in 1878 while in his early twenties. Sheerin was an amazing painter, usually working from engravings for his works ‘Scenes of Ireland’. Plans are underway for a special day to commemorate the centenary of his death in 1915 with a stone marker for his currently unmarked grave at Kiliskeery (Old graveyard) on 9th August, followed by an afternoon exhibition plus a talk on his work at Belleek. Further information from Barney (02889561328) or Facebook @ Trillick Arts and Cultural Society.

Barbeque Dates

A Family Fun Night and Barbeque for the pupils and their families, and friends of Kiliskeery Primary School has been planned for Thursday 3rd September. The event will run from 6.30pm – 8.30pm. Music will be provided by both Trillick Pipe Band and Kiliskeery Silver Band. The new school year starts at 9.00am on Tuesday 1st September. Kiliskeery Parish Annual Barbeque has been set for Friday 11th September.

‘Man at Work’ - Victor White, son of the late Vera, at work on new safety rails, Kiliskeery Parish Hall

Lisbellaw
(including Coolbuck)

Services

Sunday 5th July
11.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th July
11.00am Morning Prayer
3.00pm Evening Prayer (Coolbuck)

Sunday 19th July
9.45 am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer

Sunday 26th July
11.00am Morning Prayer
3.00pm Evening Prayer (Coolbuck)

Sunday 2nd August
11.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 9th August
11.00am Morning Prayer

Sunday 16th August
9.45 Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer

Sunday 23rd August
11.00am Morning Prayer
3.00pm Evening Prayer (Coolbuck)

Friday 28th August
7.30 pm Institution of the Revd Stephanie Woods as Rector of Lisbellaw

Sunday 30th August
11.00am Holy Communion

Baptism

On the afternoon of Sunday 7th June Jack Austin Wylie, infant son of Robert and Lynn of Tomline Road, Ipswich and grandson of Mrs Ella Wylie of Main Street Lisbellaw was baptised in Coolbuck by Dean Raymond Thompson. It was lovely to see so many family members and friends present. We wish Jack, his sister Ella, his mum and dad and all his family every happiness in the years ahead. Warmest thanks to Dean Thompson for all his work in preparation.

Wedding

Saturday 13th June saw the wedding of Pauline Smith, daughter of the late Tommy and Nancy Smith of Fortview, Lisbellaw and Morris Logan, son of Paul and Rosemary from Ballynahinch in Co. Down. The ceremony was conducted by former rector, now Dean of Dromore, the Very Revd Bryan Kerr.
We wish Pauline and Morris every happiness as they begin their married lives together.

**Sympathy**

Deepest sympathy to Raymond and Heather Benson and their family on the death of Raymond’s sister, Mrs Florence Little from Clabby, who died on 30th May.

**Illness**

A number of our parishioners are currently ill in hospital and at home. To each of them and to their loved ones we extend our prayerful good wishes.

It is good though to hear of a number who are recovering well at home after surgery and treatment.

**Pastoral Cover**

The Revd Canon David Skuce, Rural Dean of Enniskillen has responsibility for the parish, including pastoral cover for the remainder of the vacancy. Mrs Sue Hogg continues in her valuable role as Diocesan Pastoral Assistant. Sincere thanks to them both for all their help.

**Mothers’ Union**

At the time of writing the Mothers’ Union are planning an outing on Saturday 27th June for the ladies of the Parish. The day will include a visit to gardens near Omagh, an opportunity to view the Abingdon Collection and a meal together on the way home.

**Sunday School Prize Giving**

Again, at the time of writing the Annual Children’s Service, which includes the Sunday School prize giving, is being planned for Sunday 21st June at 11.00am. Dean Raymond Thompson will conduct the service, which will also include the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Sincere thanks to the Sunday School Teachers and the leaders of The Bridge for all their hard work during the vacancy and to Dean Thompson for his invaluable help and support.

Sunday School and The Bridge will resume in September.

**Institution of the Revd Stephanie Woods**

Unbelievably the parish has now been vacant for almost a year and we’re looking forward to the evening of Friday 28th August at 7.30pm when our new minister, the Revd Stephanie Woods will be instituted as Rector of Lisbellaw. Please remember her and her husband, the Revd John as they prepare for a new phase in their lives. Pray for Stephanie as she uproots from the Rectory in Drung and as she says her farewells to all her parishioners there. Pray for her as she plans and prepares for ministry here, asking God that both she and her husband will quickly feel welcomed and at home among us. Most importantly though, please pray that God will richly bless the Revd Stephanie’s time among us and that she will know God’s very real presence, peace and guidance in the years that lie ahead.

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Services

Sunday 5th July
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th July
10.30am Morning Prayer and Orange Parade

Sunday 19th July
10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 26th July
10.30am Morning Prayer
(Retiring Collection for World Vision sponsored children)

Sunday 2nd August
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 9th August
10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 16th August
10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 23rd August
10.30am Morning Prayer
(Retiring Collection for World Vision sponsored children)

Sunday 30th August
10.30am Morning Prayer

Mothers’ Union

Branch members, members of the Friendship Club and friends enjoyed a marvellous day out on Saturday, 13th June when we visited Magheralin Parish Church to see their “Beyond The Veil” exhibition of wedding gowns. The exhibits and the accompanying booklet really brought the stories of women of the Bible to life. The congregation, artists and flower arrangers did an excellent job. The sculptured dresses were unbelievable and the wedding gowns which had been worn by prominent women from the Province were really worth seeing. Indeed one dress brought back happy memories to two of our party as they remembered the day a family member wore it at her wedding. We all agreed that the experience was one not to be missed!

The numbers of visitors was something we have not experienced at local occasions but everything was managed in such a way that everyone could enjoy the exhibition and the lovely cup of tea, scones and shortbread. Of course a day trip would not be complete without some retail therapy and we had not one but two opportunities for this. On the way up we visited The Linen Green at Moygashel and coming home we had time to spend in Rushmere in Craigavon.

A most enjoyable meal in Salleys’ in Aughnacloy brought our day to a conclusion and 50 very tired but happy women arrived back in Lisnaskea. Thanks to all our members and friends on the bus and to Owen our excellent bus driver who all made the day a success. Our branch meetings will commence on Thursday 3rd September and we would welcome any new members who would like to join us.

Children’s Church

Our Children’s Church finished up for another year with a Family Service on 14th June lead by Mr Keeneth Rutledge. Lessons were read by Aaron and Nathaniel Lunny and prayers by Henry Gordon, Molly McAlister, Emma Ritchie and Hannah Lunny. The children sang two lovely pieces and the leader Miss Laura Richmond distributed gift tokens to all the children. Thank you to all the young people and their leaders for their attendance and work throughout the year.

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Children’s and Youth Ministry

The main focus of activities in the summer time is our Children’s and Youth Ministry. Two large groups will be attending Summer Madness at the start of July and Castiewellan Holiday Week at the start of August.

Children’s and Youth Ministry

Holiday Bible Club

This year’s Holiday Bible Club, ‘Finding Jonah’, will take place in the Archdale Hall from 17th - 21st August. As usual, it’s open to all children from 5-11 year olds and will feature lots of brilliant songs, games, sketches, craft, food...and of course, the amazing Bible story of Jonah!
An early registration form is available for download from the Ballinamallard Youth Facebook group, so get your young people signed up as soon as possible!

Services
Worship will continue as usual through the summer with the Evening Service located in Ballinamallard Methodist Church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays and in Magheracross Parish Church (side room) on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. The local Orange Lodges are invited to worship on Sunday 12th July at 11am.

Mothers’ Union
Our Branch held their annual outing to Crom Castle on Thursday 4th June, which was attended by 35 members and 6 visitors. There was a very informative tour of the West Wing given by Noel Johnston and then a delicious four course evening meal was provided by Saddlers in Enniskillen. A very enjoyable evening was had by all. It was great to see such a good response.
There will be no further meetings until 3rd Thursday September when an evening of Holy Communion will be held in the Parish Room of the Church.
Wishing everyone God's blessings over the summer months.

Outdoor Service
Our Outdoor Service in June, in union with the Methodist Church, attracted about 200 worshippers to the riverside at Severfield Steel carpark. Music was provided by Ballinamallard Silver Band and even the sun was present!

The service was conducted by the Revd John Beacom, Jennifer Grey and Valerie McMorris. Brian Keys read the Scripture and the Revd Canon Brian Harper was the preacher.

Departures
We have two significant departures over the summer. Our 9:30am organist, Gillian Ewing, has been appointed organist of St Columba’s Church, Drumragh (Omagh) with effect from 1st July. We know Gillian will excel in this new role and we wish her every blessing. Our Youth and Children's Minister, David McIlroy, has been appointed to a similar post in Saintfield Parish Church. David has established a strong relationship with our young people over the 2½ years he has been with us. He is also getting married on 1st July to
Christine Irvine and we uphold them in our prayers. David begins his new post on 1st September.

Rector’s Absence

From 6th – 16th July the Rector will be on study leave in St George’s College, Windsor but should be able to take email, text etc. Pastoral information re hospital visits, bereavements and funerals should be directed to Olive or the Revd James Boyd (Dromore). From 18th – 23th July the Rector will be at Samuel’s graduation. Revd Charlie Eames will provide pastoral support for this period.

The Barnabas Cup

The Barnabas Cup 6 a side football competition took place for the second year on Thursday 11th June (Barnabas Day) on a sunny Fisher Park, Ballinamallard. Nine teams participated with the late withdrawal of Enniskillen Gospel Hall leaving the following teams to do battle: FCF (Fermanagh Christian Fellowship), Ballinamallard Methodist, Enniskillen Cathedral, Ardess Church of Ireland, St Margaret’s Clabby, Magheracross (Hosts), Enniskillen Presbyterian, Letterbreen Methodist and Aghavea Church of Ireland. The teams were divided into two groups with two teams qualifying for semi-finals from each group. Ardess won group 1 to set up a semi final with runners up in group 2 Enniskillen Presbyterian. Magheracross won group 1 to play Ballinamallard Methodist in the other semi-final. FCF were a very close 3rd in group 1 only losing their final game versus Ardess to be eliminated. Aghavea finished 3rd in group 2 but their loyal set of supporters give their team great encouragement in all their games and indeed all teams were very well supported.

Ardess won their semi final 1-0 vs Enk Presbyterian to make the final and Magheracross won the local derby 2-0 Vs Ballinamallard Methodist to also make the final. In a keenly and close final Magheracross won 1-0 Vs Ardess with Darren Higganbotham the scorer for the hosts.

Mrs Lynsey McMurray, wife of Revd Gary McMurray from Aghavea, presented the Barnabas Cup to Magheracross coach Richard McBride at the end of the final and medals were presented to both the winners and the runners-up. The tournament was again a complete success aided by the lovely weather and played in good spirits throughout. Thanks to referee’s John Quinn and Andy Seaney for keeping order on the pitches. Jonathan Harper (son of Brian Harper) give an inspirational ‘talk’ at half time to all participants and all teams eagerly await next years competition DV.

22 candidates along with Rt Revd John McDowell and Canon Brian Harper who were confirmed on Sunday 24th May in Magheracross Parish Church.
Pause for a moment and ask yourself:—
Do you want to be a mushroom or an oak tree?
When God wants to remove the defects in your life, he doesn’t just snap his fingers so that it happens instantly. He does it incrementally.
When God wants to make a mushroom, he takes six hours, but when he wants to make an oak tree, he takes 60 years.
The Holy Spirit will make changes in your life far beyond anything you thought possible, but they’re not going to happen overnight. We need to allow God to work in our lives over a long period of time if we want to see significant change. My prayer for all of you is that you would be stronger emotionally, physically, spiritually, psychologically, and financially, but you’ve got to be intentional about it. The Bible says, “Put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness” (Ephesians 4:24 NLT). This is how we become more like Jesus. We throw off the old things and the old ways that keep us from getting to know Christ and becoming like him, and we put on our new selves with the help of the Holy Spirit. We let God do his work in us — no matter how long it takes.
“As the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him” (2 Corinthians 3:18b TLB). Sometimes we want an instant change in our lives and if we don’t see it we give up on God and church. Decide today that you are going to pursue God over the next year and allow the Spirit to work in you.

Revd Henry appointed as Canon
Bishop John announced the appointment of the Revd Henry as a Canon of Clogher Diocesan Chapter with effect from the 29th May. There will be a special service of admission for Canon Henry and Canon Geoff Bridle on Sunday 20th September in Clogher Cathedral. Everyone is most warmly invited to attend this service.

Regular Events
Summer Sunday worship at Ardess Church
Over the summer our services will continue each Sunday at 9.30am and 11am. Please do remember to come to church over the summer period.
God doesn’t go on holidays!!

Summer Sermon Series
Eyewitnesses to the spread of the Gospel:
19th July Joanna, follower of Jesus
26th July James, brother of Jesus
2nd August Cornelius, Centurion at Caesarea
9th August Claudius Lysias, Commander of the Jerusalem Garrison
16th August Onesimus, former slave
23rd August Prisca/Priscilla, church worker
30th August Lois and Eunice, grandmother and mother to Timothy

Prayer Opportunities
Revival Prayer Monday 8pm in the Moffitt Room, Parish Centre.
Wednesday Prayer 9:30-11:00am in the Moffitt Room, Parish Centre.
Healing Prayer Fridays 7:30-8:30pm in the Parish Centre.
Prayer Ministry is available at our 11am Sunday service 24 hour prayer each month.
Prayer for Mission please continue to use the bi-monthly prayer sheet to pray for the missionaries connected to our parish each day.

Mothers’ Union
Meets 3rd Thursday of the month at 8pm in Parish Centre. Starting again in September. Exact date from Ardess Parish Office in late summer.

Friends in the Afternoon
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Starting again in September. Exact date from Ardess Parish Office in late summer.

Ardess Parish Walk of Prayer
Saturday 30th May saw 30 people gather at the Parish Centre at 8.30am to walk around the parish boundary and pray for God’s blessing on the parish.
People joined in for the walk at various points, walking and praying as they went along, simply asking God’s blessing on everything they saw and on the land walked over. This walk came about as a response to a clear sense of God calling us to speak out his blessing over the land.

Kingdom Women

120 women gathered in Ardess Parish Centre on 3rd June to worship and hear Beth Tays share her heart for women to rise up and take their place within the Kingdom of God.

Beth challenged everyone to be people of soft hearts that are tuned to seeking God’s face in these days. The message, worship and praise were powerful, creating a real atmosphere of holiness and faith felt by all present.

It was a great evening of challenge and encouragement to be the Women of the Kingdom of God for such a time as this.

Seeking God’s face must be our main priority - to focus on the face of God and nothing else!

Maurice Lee Recognised

Maurice Lee, current Fermanagh Scout President and International Commissioner, was recently awarded the Bar to Silver Acorn for his long and active service to Scouting. Maurice is the founder member of 1st Magheraculmoney Scout Group, Kesh. This is the fourth Scouting accolade for Maurice, having previously been awarded Chief Scouts Commendation in 1991, Medal of Merit in 2002, and Silver Acorn in 2007. Well done, Maurice, for keeping up the good work! The award was presented by Wayne Bulpitt, UK Chief Commissioner. We give thanks to God for Maurice’s passion for scouting and we pray God’s richest blessing over Maurice in the days to come.

Book Sale

Saturday 11th and Monday 13th July from 10am in The Old Courthouse, Main Street, Kesh.

A wide variety of new and used books to choose from. Do come to browse and perhaps pick up a bargain or three!

Registers

Baptism

31st May Max Edward Corrigan, son of Ian and Janice Corrigan, 18 Currin Road, Ballinamallard.

Marriage

5th June Congratulations to Bryan David Beacom and Sinead Elizabeth Higgins who will be living at 7 Thornberry Glen, Belfast, BT14 8EQ.

Fountain Centre Activities

Thursday Youth Club

6:30-8pm every Thursday (none over summer).

Friday Youth Club

7-9pm for 1st to 3rd years (time changes over summer - check with Gillian)

9-11pm for 4th year plus

Connect YF

7-9pm for year 8 plus (over summer check times with Gillian).

New Horizon

An Unconditional Love for His World

August 1st - 7th at University of Ulster, Coleraine

Evening celebration and Bible readings with Iain Provan, Ben Kwashi and Harold Miller.

Much more happening during this week. Check it out at: www.newhorizon.org.uk

Phone: 028 2955 7175

Email: office@newhorizon.org.uk

Maid of Lough Erne

This annual festival is scheduled to take place from Saturday 8th August to Sunday 16th August.

Lots of fun, games, entertainment and craic in store!
Future Events

Harvest 2015 Weekend
Friday 9th - Sunday 11th October. Speaker William McGirr. Full details later.

Parish Auction
As you tidy up over the summer do remember to set aside anything you no longer need for the parish auction on Saturday 24th October this year.

Gospel Concert
Friday 20th November at 8pm in Parish Centre. Proceeds in aid of Church Repair Fund.

For further information please contact Dee at Ardess Parish Office in The Fountain Centre on 028 6863 2695 / office@ardess.org

Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk

Over the past few months the two parishes have been carrying out an audit and as a result of the questionnaires we have drawn up a development plan. We are beginning to implement a number of suggestions made. A parish prayer group has begun and they meet once a fortnight and I am delighted that Abraham Storey has agreed to lead this. Last Sunday we had a joint service in St. Michael’s Parish Church. It was great to see a church filled to capacity. It was good to see so many people from both our parishes (and some from further afield) present. The service went off very well indeed and it was interesting to see the young people gathering at the front of the church to see what was going on during the sermon.

After the service was over, everyone was invited to have a picnic on the lawn at Belle Isle. We were really blessed with a fantastic afternoon of sunshine and everyone had an opportunity to have ice cream, which was really the icing on the cake. I would like to thank everyone who made the afternoon such a success and to Belle Isle for allowing us to use their grounds.

Parishioners lining up for ice cream!

Royal Black Perceptory
On Saturday 1st August the Royal Black Perceptory will be having their parade through the village of Maguiresbridge. Plain teas and meat teas will be available in Christ Church Parochial Hall on that day.

Parish Barbecue
On Friday 21st August we will be having a parish barbecue in the church hall, which will be open to anyone wishing to come alone. Tickets are: £10 for steak, £5 for sausage/beef burger and primary children are free.

Parish Improvements
During the month of August, the interior of St. Michael’s Parish Church will be painted. When this is done, the various improvements to the church will be completed and beauty of the church will be greatly enhanced.

Maguiresbridge Mothers’ Union
For our outing this year members attended the Flower Festival in Dartrey. They also took in the tour of the lake and grounds. A lovely meal was then had by all in the Four Seasons Hotel in Monaghan. Thank you to the Branch Leader for organising this trip. We have no more branch meetings now until Monday 14th September and this will open with a Holy Communion Service in the Church and a meeting in the hall afterwards. New members are welcome to come along.
Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore

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Mr Walter Pringle

Services
5th July Trinity 5
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Kilmore 12.15pm Morning Prayer
12th July Trinity 6
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Wor
Ballinode 12.15pm Morning Prayer
19th July Trinity 7
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Kilmore 12.15pm Morning Prayer
26th July Trinity 8
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word - all Age Worship
Ballinode 12.15pm Holy Communion
2nd August Trinity 9
St Patrick’s 10.30am Holy Communion
Kilmore 12.15pm Holy Communion
9th August Trinity 10
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Ballinode 12.15pm Morning Prayer
16th August Trinity 11
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Kilmore 12.15pm Morning Prayer
23rd August Trinity 12
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Ballinode 12.15pm Morning Prayer
30th August Trinity 13
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word - all Age Worship

Mothers’ Union
The Mothers’ Union lunch on Sunday 17th May was very successful. The amount raised was €432.96. The Branch leader and members express grateful thanks to all who supplied the food or supported it by their donations.

Illness
Please continue to remember in your prayers those from our congregation who are ill, the housebound and those in residential care and their families.

Sunday School End of Year Service
This was held in St. Patrick’s on Sunday 21st June. We are, as ever, indebted to the Sunday School teachers and helpers who take the time to nurture our young people in faith.

Creche
This is available to all children not of Sunday School age. We express grateful thanks to the members of our congregation for providing this service on a voluntary basis.

Playaway
Playaway finished its year on 25th June, a big thank-you to Imelda, Jim and all the helpers for all their work during the year. We wish every blessing to those who are going on to pre-school and we look forward to a new season in September.

Holy Matrimony
Congratulations to Denise Sharpe and Chris Adair who were married in St. Patrick’s Church on Saturday 6th June. We wish them every happiness and God’s richest blessings in their married life together.

Bishops’ Appeal Nepal
Special collections on the 24th and 31st May resulted in donations amounting to €308.80. We express grateful thanks to all who supported this worthy cause.

Vortex Youth Group
Vortex Youth Group finished their activities with an event in Glaslough, followed by a talk by Revd Betty Thompson. We want to thank Mrs. Amanda Garland, Ms. Fern Lyttle, and Mrs. Lynn McBride who gave of their time and talents to work with our young people throughout the past year.

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Services
5th July
9am Holy Communion
11am Holy Communion
(Services to be held in Parochial Hall)
12th July
9am Holy Communion
11am Holy Communion.
(Services to be held in Parochial Hall)
19th July
9am Holy Communion
Parish Register

Marriage
21st May - Stephen Agnew and Cathryn Elliott. We wish the happy couple all life’s blessings as they begin their married life in Co. Armagh.

Baptisms
17th May  - Ellie Caroline Colleen KENNEDY, baby daughter of Geoffrey and Elaine Kennedy.
17th May  - Mollie COALTER, baby daughter of Stephen and Alison Coalter
24th May  - Phoebe and Noah Jude GAULT, daughter and son of Rodney and Emma Gault.
31st May  - Pippa Louise JOHNSTON, baby daughter of Richard and Heather Johnston.
7th June   - Annabel Greta BROWN, baby daughter of Julian and Claudia Brown.
Congratulations and welcome to these newest members of the Christian family at Rossorry.
The Baptism on 7th June, at Rossorry, was the new Rector’s 13th Christening in Rossorry since he arrived at Easter!
In the past 12 months, there have been 32 children Christened in Rossorry! We give thanks for God’s rich blessings on our Parish.

Church Repairs
During the summer months of July and August, Rossorry Church will be closed as important internal repairs are being carried out. The work includes repairs to plaster work in the main interior, the roofscape, tower and exterior of the church. When the repairs are complete the interior will be entirely redecorated. We also hope to take this opportunity to create two wheel-chair bays within existing pews and develop some extra space at the front of the church for use by the praise band etc. During this time services will be held in the Parish Hall. This is an opportune time to undertake these repairs as most of the parish organisations will have ceased for the summer.
Many parishes who have been in this situation of temporary worship in the Parish Hall have found, that services can be very enjoyable, as the more informal setting enhances a sense of fellowship and togetherness. We will try to make the experience of worship as much like church as possible and trust that parishioners will continue their regular attendance as together we look forward to complete this work in time for our 2016 year of celebration of the 175th anniversary of the present church.

Church Repair Fund
In order to cover the costs of the church repairs and improvements the Select Vestry has taken the decision to launch a Church Repair Fund. A special Gift Sunday was held on Trinity Sunday 31st May when parishioners brought their contributions to the Church Repair Fund Appeal. In addition a series of fund raising activities will be planned beginning in September. We thank parishioners in anticipation of their support as we work together to enhance and beautify God’s church for His worship in years to come.
At the time of writing there has been a marvellous response by the parishioners to the Church Repair Fund Appeal. There are still some more envelopes to be returned, but the response has been humbling and reflects the love that our parishioners have for our beautiful church and their commitment to improving it and passing it on to the next generation in tip top condition.
“Connecting with God. Connecting with others. Serving all.”

175th Anniversary of the Church
Work is continuing apace to get ready for this momentous occasion. The Diocesan Architect has finalised plans for a major refurbishment and redecoration of the Church this summer which will require the closure of the Church building for 3 months (June, July and August). Services will be held as normal in the Parochial Hall. The last service in Church before the closure was The Youth Parade on Sunday 7th June.
The work, which will include replacing some of the ceiling plaster panels and pinning the plaster mouldings, is necessary as the original lath and plaster has become unsecure in some areas. There is also some work to do in the bell tower with replacing steelwork. The work will finish with a redecoration of the whole building to ensure that we can pass it on to the next generation in good repair.

Concert in Rossorry Hall
As part of the fundraising programme for the repair of the Church and for the 175th Anniversary of the opening of Rossorry Church at Mullinacaw. Andrew Irwin (Tenor), one of our own parishioners will appear in concert in Rossorry Parish Hall on Friday 18th September.
Demand for tickets for Andrew’s concerts is always keen so please book early through Lorraine on 66 329469 or Gerry at the Parish Office on 66 329889.

Over 80 children with their leaders, from the uniformed organisations, paraded with their standards to the Church for the 11am service.

The young people read the Lessons and Intercessions, some in drama format, whilst the Sunday School gave a presentation on “What do we know about the Bible?” At the Sermon the Rector, on guitar, led the children and young people in singing some new songs – a thoroughly enjoyable experience for the young folk and the older folk, as well!

Certificates were presented by the Rector and Mrs Carol Livingstone (Sunday School Superintendent) to the 45 young people who attended Sunday School throughout the year.

A special presentation of an inscribed Prayer Book was made to the Leavers’ Class.

We are eternally grateful to all the leaders and teachers who give so freely of their time and talents to keep the Childrens’ and Youth Ministry in Rossorry so vibrant – thank you!

A member delighted with his Sunday School Certificate!

Tempo and Clabby

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The Clogher Diocesan MAGAZINE
Clabby Parish Fete and Fund Day

Thank you to everyone who supported this annual event. In particular to those who worked beforehand to arrange all the various activities to suit all the age groups, to all who worked on the day at the event. In particular a special word of thanks to Mr. Edwin Armstrong who coordinated the event and ensured it ran so smoothly. The total raised on the day was £2036.

Clabby Parish Restoration Fund

The following events are planned for the restoration fund.

Friday 4th September - Midnight Walk meeting at Clabby Church Hall at 11:30pm Everyone welcome.

Saturday 3rd October - Vintage Tractor Run meeting at Clabby Church Hall at 9:30am leaving at 10:30am. All vintage tractors welcome.

For further details contact Vera 89521160 or David 89522134.

Harvest Services – Clabby

Friday 25th September 8pm – Revd Canon Gareth Harron (Magheralin)

Sunday 27th September 10:15am - Family Harvest
Mr. Paul Cameron (Scripture Union Children's worker, Belfast)

7:30pm - Leaders Dedication Service - Archdeacon Andrew Foster (Dungannon)

Good attendance would be appreciated at our services. Leaders, Office Bearers, Select Vestry members and Choirs should note it in their diary, and plan to attend our Leaders Dedication Service.

Friday 2nd October 8pm - Tempo Harvest Service - Rev Ruth Watt (Tempo Methodist)

Sunday 4th October 11:30am - Family Harvest Service

September Diary

Tuesday 8th, 8pm - Mothers' Union Clabby
Friday 11th, 8pm - Wesleyan Hall Fivemiletown Book Launch – Fivemiletown Fallen. Record of 72 local servicemen who made the supreme sacrifice during two world wars. Everyone welcome.

Sunday 13th, 3pm - Fermanagh USC Service, Clabby Parish Church

Sunday 20th, 3pm - Dedication of Fivemiletown Community War Memorial. Parade leaves Edfield Car Park at for service in St. John's Parish Church at 3:30pm Following return parade memorial will be dedicated and unveiled. Everyone welcome.

Confirmation 2015

Thoughts from the Rector

The summer season means at some stage most people take a holiday from work and the usual routine of life. For some people this may mean going away for a break, whether it is in this country or abroad. The holidays are an opportunity to be physically refreshed for the rest of the year.

The busy lives we lead, as well as all the worries, concerns and difficulties it can throw at us can leave us emotionally, physically and mentally drained. God's word gives us encouragement strength and refreshment by our trust and reliance on Him and his Son Jesus.

"Come unto me, all who are weak and weary and I will refresh you" (Matthew 11:28)

"He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall, strength, They will..."
soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint”. (Isaiah 40 : 29-31)
What the Lord says he means and carries through, what he promises he fulfils.
For each day and its means trust in the Lord, give your all and everything over to him.

Trory and Killadeas

Dear Parishioners,
As many of you know I do a little sea fishing in the summer. So the good weather came and a few fresh mackerel seemed a tasty option. And so began the saga of the boat radio. In the winter it lives in my desk drawer and its charger lives in a large cup nearby. A simple procedure one would think. The radio was located but the charger couldn’t be found.

Simple enough its in the desk, drawer, study, with the other old car phone chargers in the garage. No! Maybe we have one that will fit. Now I had a few that looked right but - No. Ebay a charger from America was the price of the radio. No! To cut a long story short the manual contained the details of the charger, back on Ebay. Yes £3.00. Ordered and sorted. No.

The batteries have totally discharged over the winter. New batteries – sorted. Please God safe to go.

In scripture we read of a woman who touched the hem of Jesus garment as he passed by. Luke 8 vs 43-48. She was sick for twelve years and had searched and searched for a cure. For this she would have been an outcast, unable to go to synagogue, unable to socialise, at risk of infection, and beyond what medically she could pay for or hoped to be cured. She had searched and searched and was I am sure almost out of her mind with worry.

(When I was a curate I was chaplain to a gynae / maternity hospital. This was a key passage that I used with both patients and staff. Even today it can give comfort of healing when things have gotten out of kilter.)

Put yourself in her shoes. She was going to break every social taboo and reach out and touch a stranger but she knew he was her hope for healing, restoration and safety. She could recognise in Christ the way for her healing and so in the throng of people she quietly touched him.

And her simple act of faith healed her. She had courage and then Christ turned on her “Who touched me?” Panic, trembling, taken out of the crowd alone before God. God blessed her, healed her, restored her, cured her, rewarded her act of faith.

I won’t go out on the sea, without a prayer and a working radio. Its not my natural environment and my boat is small and the ocean big. Yet we all search for things that would help us and neglect the greatest source of help and love. Perhaps we the created as we search for things to make life safe, might in fact remember the creator who made us, lived among us, died for us and rose again for us. And put our ultimate trust in him.

Killadeas Priory Restoration

White efflorescence (in chemistry, efflorescence which means “to flower out” in French) is the migration of a salt to the surface of a porous material, where it forms a coating. The essential process comprises the dissolving of an internally-held salt in water, or occasionally in another solvent. The water, with the salt now held in solution, migrates to the surface: where the water evaporates, leaving a coating of the salt.) in the priory started the saga of restoration and in physical effort. We have had meetings with several government bodies and archaeological site in County Fermanagh. We are being sourced. The Priory is a key architectural and archaeological site in County Fermanagh. We have had meetings with several government bodies and more are planned. These have included looking at the Celtic grave markers and the ancient burial site in the Priory grounds.

We have defective pointing, rusting floor supports in the tower, water ingress, poor surface drainage, a very rusty bell and supports, etc, etc, etc. In short the last estimate of cost I viewed was around £150,000. Our beautiful Priory is in need of a bit of tender, loving care and a make over of new paint.

The plan of action is as follows: A sub-committee of the Select Vestry was set up and through the offices of Ronnie Balfour, John Deering and myself grants are being sourced. The Priory is a key architectural and archaeological site in County Fermanagh. We have had meetings with several government bodies and more are planned. These have included looking at the Celtic grave markers and the ancient burial site in the Priory grounds.

It is now hoped that within 12 months things should be well in hand to restore the Priory. We as a parish will have to exercise ourselves in prayer, in terms of fund raising and in physical effort. We have for the future of this ancient monastic foundation a custodianship of faith for our descendants. Let us like the lady above reach out to the Lord in faith and garner his blessing.
Sunday School

Sunday 21st June marked the end of the Sunday School year. I wish, on your behalf, to thank all those who have helped with teaching the faith to our children. The Sunday School is the key institution of our parish.

It fits in with church and is not separate to church. At every service when children attend a child friendly talk is delivered. In Trory we have also introduced the children taking part once a month at services on the second Sunday.

To be honest after having two sons I know that children can be noisy. I know that this can be difficult. But I also know that parents are sensible and, if necessary the church wardens will help and that children will settle. Better the giggle of a child than the creaking of bones.

Sunday School will resume in both parishes on the 13th September.

Jim McCauley Bequest

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Tractor Run & Vintage Ploughing Demonstration

Saturday 15th August at Fiddis’ Farm, Crom Road, Lisnaskea

Institution of the Revd Anita Kerr

Institution of the Revd Anita Kerr as rector of Galloon Group of Parishes in Galloon

Friday 4th September
Parish Church at 7.30pm

Preacher
The Revd Canon Dr Maurice Elliott
Director of the Church of Ireland Theological Institute

St. Molua’s Day Annual Ecumenical Service

Sunday 23rd August
in
Magheracloone Parish Church at 3.00pm

Special music provided by the Monaghan Gospel Choir

INSTITUTION OF
The Revd Stephanie Woods

in
Lisbellaw Parish Church

Friday 28th August at 7.30pm

Preacher
The Revd Canon Mark Lidwill
Opening of the 2015 Carleton Summer School
with a lecture and recital in the Cathedral

Clogher Cathedral
Sun 2nd August 7.30pm

Internationally acclaimed harpist Kathleen Loughnane (Galway) will give a recital, with a lecture by Fr Patrick Ryan, author of the new biography of Miler Magrath, the infamous First Protestant Bishop of Clogher and later Archbishop of Cashel.

Refreshments served: Everyone Welcome