The Institution of the Revd. Stephanie Woods as Rector of Lisbellaw

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6
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Dedication of Fivemiletown Community War Memorial
Sunday 20th September 2015 at 3.00pm from Edfield Way Car Park, proceeding along Edfield Way, Clabby Road and Main Street, for service in St John’s Church, Fivemiletown at 3.30pm. Preacher: Rt. Revd. John McDowell – Bishop of Clogher.

The return parade on leaving St John’s Church, will proceed along Edfield Way, Clabby Road and Main Street, to Fivemiletown Royal British Legion for dedication and unveiling of Memorial.

You Are Cordially Invited to Both Events

Dedication of Fivemiletown Community War Memorial
Friday 11th September 2015 at 8.00pm in Wesleyan Hall, Fivemiletown

Records the memory of the 72 local servicemen who made the supreme sacrifice during two World Wars.

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A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP

Dear Friends,

Although it may seem like a rather long time ago, you may remember that before the summer I promised to return to the subject of the relationship of the Church and the individual Christian believer to the world. I had finished my last letter by pointing out that after the Resurrection, the disciples of Jesus had hoped (and perhaps even expected) that God would replace all kings and governments and rule directly himself through Israel. Instead Jesus had made a promise that his followers would receive the gift of the Spirit who would equip them for all situations, including how they should address kings and governments.

From that time to this most Christian Churches have taught that, although governments can be corrupt and are always prone to distortion, they are sustained by God and are to be respected. Their principal purpose is to restrain the wrongdoer and to create a civic environment in which ordinary citizens can freely associate and flourish.

So then Christian people have no right to ignore or denigrate the proper working of political institutions which God has ordained for our good but which can so easily become the means of oppression and self-seeking. In addition we have the confidence that the kingship of God is at work in the background and has the last word. We see its influence in the liberating and deepening power of the Holy Spirit, calling people back to their true allegiance.

But the Spirit can do its work only in an ordered society which allows people to make (or indeed refuse to make) a response to the witness of the Spirit.

+John

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There was a time when the Roman Empire looked as though it would last forever, but when it fell apart quite suddenly and dramatically the Church stepped in to become, in many places, both a civil and religious authority.

What the Church was attempting to do in those years was to create a Christian civilization based on the teachings of the Bible and placing kings and rulers under an obligation as disciples of Jesus Christ. In the end the experiment failed for reasons that it is not necessary to expand for our purposes at the moment.

However, even though believers are now only a tiny minority in most Western countries, that does not absolve us of our duty to address governments and civil authorities with the word of God, thereby helping to shape public life.

Sometimes that has been very costly. Many of you will remember the degenerate regime that prevailed in Uganda under the control of Idi Amin. He was confronted and challenged by the Archbishop of Uganda, Janani Luwum. The archbishop was arrested and it was announced that he and two other detainees had died in a car crash on their way to an interrogation centre. When Janini Luwum’s body was recovered it was discovered that he had been shot through the mouth and chest.

Of course that is a rather exceptional case and Janani Luwum was an exceptional witness to the truth. But even in a country like our own where the Church and individual Christians still enjoy a large measure of freedom and some influence we have the confidence that the kingship of God is at work in the background and has the last word. We see its influence in the liberating and deepening power of the Holy Spirit, calling people back to their true allegiance.

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Ordination to the Priesthood of
Revd Olivia Downey

13th September at 7.00pm
in St Macartin’s Cathedral
New Braille Church of Ireland songbook does double duty

The Church of Ireland has received the first Braille copies of its Thanks & Praise hymnal supplement from the Braille Unit at HMP Maghaberry. Thanks & Praise is a supplement to the Church Hymnal, containing a collection of 227 hymns, songs and liturgical settings. Sue McAllister, Director-General of the Northern Ireland Prison Service, made the presentation to the Rt Revd Harold Miller, Bishop of Down and Dromore and Chair of the Liturgical Advisory Committee. Bishop Miller remarked: ‘We are pleased that this project has contributed to the rehabilitation of prisoners at the Maghaberry Braille Unit and grateful for this invaluable resource for worship.

‘The supplement will help blind and partially sighted people to engage more fully in parish life, and we thank the prisoners and staff involved for their time and skill in making this gift to the Church.’

Welcoming the publication, Sue McAllister said: ‘The Braille Unit at Maghaberry gives prisoners the opportunity to give something back to the community while at the same time providing them with a range of skills which will help them when they are released from custody.

‘I want to thank the staff and the prisoners who have produced this supplement. I know from speaking to the Bishop that their efforts are greatly appreciated and this Braille version will be of great benefit to local churches and their congregations.

‘Initiatives such as the Braille Unit give people in prison the opportunity to develop their skills which will help them to find employment after they are released. Having a job is a key part in reducing re-offending and is one of the ways in which the Prison Service helps to build a safer Northern Ireland.’

Each Braille version of the book consists of three volumes and a total of 263 pages. The Church of Ireland has a longstanding link with the Braille Unit, which has previously produced editions of the Church Hymnal and the Book of Common Prayer.

Young Christians prepare to spend ‘a year in God’s time’ at Lambeth Palace

“Intense preparations” are underway at Lambeth Palace for the arrival of the Archbishop of Canterbury’s new community for young Christians, the Community of St Anselm.

Sixteen Christians from around the world, aged between 20 and 35, will move in to Lambeth Palace early next month, joined by 22 non-resident members, for a year of prayer, study and service in the community.

On 18 September Archbishop Justin Welby will officially welcome them to Lambeth Palace at a “Service of Commitment” in the Chapel, during which they will promise to live by a Rule of Life. The service will be broadcast on BBC Radio 4’s Sunday Worship on 20 September.

“Our hope and vision is that those young people who come here will be so changed by their encounter with Christ that in twenty or thirty years, they will change the world,” Archbishop Welby said.

The Prior of the Community of St Anselm, the Revd Anders Litzell, said: “In the middle of what is quite inevitably an intense period of preparation here at Lambeth, the whole team is energised by the thought of our soon-to-be members making their own preparations, packing bags, praying and getting ready for a year in God’s time.

“This is a time of prayer and prep; our prayers enabling our preparations and our preparations informing our prayers. Prayers not only for the practical aspects, but in thinking about our members, praying into their thoughts, their travels, their questions, the things they’ll do while they are here – and more than anything praying into their hunger for the Living God.

“We’re all in for a journey of wonderful – if challenging – discovery about God and about ourselves. It will be a transforming experience for everyone involved; for the team here, for the members and for Lambeth Palace and the Archbishop’s ministry – all to the glory of God and in service of his world.”
New Assistant Press Officer Joins Church of Ireland Press Office

Mr Peter Cheney has joined the Church of Ireland Press Office as the new Assistant Press Officer. Peter comes to the post from agendaNi and eolas magazines where he has worked for the past eight years as a journalist and as Deputy Editor. Before this, Peter spent two years as a journalist at the County Down Outlook and he has contributed to both the Church of Ireland Gazette and to the Presbyterian Church’s Reach Out magazine.

Beyond his interests in media and communications, Peter enjoys travel, reading, current and world affairs and inner-city mission and ministry. He is an active member of Willowfield Parish, Belfast.

The Chair of the Central Communications Board, The Most Revd Pat Storey, Bishop of Meath and Kildare, said: “I am delighted with the appointment of our new Assistant Press Officer to the Church of Ireland, Mr Peter Cheney. Peter has a well accredited background in journalism and he brings many strengths to this role. We look forward to having Peter amongst us, and we welcome him warmly to this post where we know he will contribute greatly and be a great addition to the team.”

Mrs Jenny Compston retired as Press Office Administrator at the end of June.

Thanks & Praise – New Church of Ireland Hymnal Supplement

It is now 20 years since a committee was called together to produce a new edition of the Church Hymnal. During that time many new hymns have been written and popularised, and some older hymns have returned to regular use. Thanks & Praise has been compiled as a supplement to the Church Hymnal to respond to these changes, and to further resource parishes and congregations to offer the best they can in worship to God through song.

As Augustine is often quoted as saying, “He who sings prays twice.” I think this is true for two reasons. Firstly, singing is deliberate and intentional, and involves not just the mind and the lips, but the whole body through posture, breath control and so on. Secondly, singing has a power to impart words to the mind and soul, which, to quote St Paul, allows the word of Christ to dwell in us richly.

To use a rather blunt analogy, it is not uncommon to hear worshippers humming a hymn tune as they leave church, it is much less common to hear them quoting the sermon (unless there was something controversial said which they disagree with)! Through music, words become embedded into our minds and hearts, and create a repository of devotion for us to draw on. I would almost be afraid to speculate how much of our doctrine and theology is imbibed through the hymns we sing. It certainly places an immense responsibility on the person responsible for choosing the hymns.

Thanks & Praise is a collection of 227 hymns, songs and liturgical settings. Many of the items included are already familiar, or are texts which can be sung to well-known tunes. Some are new compositions which deserve to become more popular, and some have been written by members of the Church of Ireland, to continue a tradition of hymn-writing which began in the days of St Patrick. A special emphasis has been placed on music for children and young people. There are two main editions, full music, and words only (large print). There is no melody edition on this occasion. There are also kindle, electronic and Braille editions available. A Companion gives the stories behind the hymns, and there is an enlarged Sing to the Word, a guide to choosing appropriate hymns for each Sunday. Alongside this most of the hymns will be recorded for churches who cannot rely on live music each week.

The books will be launched and distributed in September, but a series of roadshows during May and June have introduced the book to local parishes and congregations. Orders are being collected by Church House, Dublin, and full details are available on the website: www.ireland.anglican.org/hymnalsupplement A sampler, containing a selection of items from the book, has been sent to all incumbents, along with order forms and a complete list of contents – these are also available on the website.

Church of Ireland - Marshal Beresford and Church Fabric Funds

The Marshal Beresford Fund and Church Fabric Fund help towards the building or repair of churches or chapels.
The Revd Dr Ian Ellis appointed to Prebendary of Donaghmore

The Bishop of Clogher, the Rt Revd John McDowell, has appointed the Revd Dr Ian Ellis, rector of Rossorry Parish in the Diocese of Clogher, as the Prebendary of Donaghmore in the National Cathedral of St. Patrick, Dublin.

Canon Ellis was ordained in 1989. Following his curacy in St. Mark’s Armagh and first incumbency in the parishes of Loughgall and Grange, Ian served as the Secretary to the the General Synod Board of Education (NI). He currently serves as rector of Rossorry parish.

Announcing the appointment the Bishop of Clogher said: “Canon Ellis will be well known to many in the Church of Ireland, particularly through his work in the field of Education. I know that he will make a thoughtful and positive contribution to the life of the National Cathedral of St. Patrick and will represent the Diocese of Clogher with commitment and energy.”

Canon Ellis commented “I feel greatly honoured to be appointed by the Bishop of Clogher as the diocesan Representative Canon in St Patrick’s Dublin. It is a great privilege to represent Clogher diocese and to have the opportunity to take part in the worship of our national cathedral. I look forward to working with the Dean and Chapter in this new role.”

Hong Kong visit to St Macartin’s Cathedral

Dublin University Far Eastern Mission has focused on strengthening the relationship between the Church of Ireland and the Hong Kong Province Sheng Kung Hui in recent years. One of the fruits of this work has been the exchange of Theological students between the Church of Ireland Theological Institute and Ming Hua Theological College in Hong Kong. Clergy visitations have been facilitated also. In 2016 Bishop Andrew Chan (Western Kowloon) will lead the Clogher Diocesan Clergy Retreat, and The Church of Ireland Theological College will host a Ming Hua student for a placement. Delegates from Ireland to Hong Kong in recent times include Revd Canon Maurice Elliott (Church of Ireland Theological Institute), Archbishop Michael Jackson, Bishop John McDowell, Dean Dermot Dunne, Dean Kenneth Hall and Revd Canon Robert Reed. Their schedules included delivering lectures at Ming Hua, preaching in St John’s Cathedral with schools and parish visitations.

Grants are usually not allocated towards a project until the half-year after the proposed completion date for the works relevant to the grant application. For more information please visit: http://ireland.anglican.org/news/5792

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 1st October 2015.

In late August/early September 21 members of the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, the Province of Hong Kong and Macau in the Anglican Communion will be visiting Ireland on a ten-day exploration/study trip. Organized by Ming Hua Theological College and Dublin University Far Eastern Mission, participants are set to enjoy an exciting and imaginative ten-day exploration of Dublin, Belfast, Armagh and Enniskillen. Ming Hua, as the theological college of the Anglican Province of Hong Kong and Macau, prides itself on enhancing the experience of its students and by providing opportunities for members of the Church in Hong Kong to learn more about
September 2015

Tuesday 1st September – Board of Education meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall at 10.00am.

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 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.

Sunday 6th September – The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (green)

Sunday 6th September – Praise Service in Christ Church, Ballybay at 3.30pm with the Very Revd Philip Knowles, former Dean of Cashel and Donagh Parish Choir. Proceeds in aid of internal Church repairs.

Tuesday 8th September – The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary (white)

Friday 11th September – Kilkeery 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.

Sunday 13th September – The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (green)

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

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.

their faith as Anglicans in both a local and global context. This trip is an opportunity to do exactly that and will give participants the chance to see and experience both the important history and legacy of Irish Christianity and the vibrant modern history of Ireland and its people.

Led by Dr Matthew Jones, the Academic Programme Director from Ming Hua, and co-ordinated on behalf of Dublin University Far Eastern Mission by Dr Kerry Houston (Director of Chapel Music at Trinity College Dublin), participants will discover more about Ireland, its rich and dynamic history and experience the great warmth and legendary hospitality of its people. Highlights of the trip include tours of the Irish Houses of Parliament, Trinity College, Saint Patrick’s Cathedral and Christchurch Cathedral in Dublin, visits to The Northern Ireland assembly, Saint Anne’s Cathedral, the Peace line and Titanic Quarter in Belfast and to Armagh Cathedral, Enniskillen Cathedral, and a trip conducted by St Macartin’s Cathedral parishioner Stephen Nixon on The MV Kestral to Devenish Island.

This trip is another example of the warm friendship that exists between the Anglican Church in Hong Kong and Church of Ireland, and will further strengthen links. Participants on the visit include Ming Hua staff, students, members of clergy and members of the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui and all are very much looking forward to what promises to be a memorable experience. The Rev. Leung Siu Chun from the diocese of Western Kowloon is preaching in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday 6th September at 11.00am – all are welcome to attend.

Revd Olivia Downey

We extend a very warm welcome to the Revd Olivia Downey (Olie) who will be ordained a Priest on Sunday 13th September at 7.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen. The Revd Olivia will reside within the Clogher Group of Parishes and her time will be equally divided between Clogher and Enniskillen Cathedrals. Having served with us as Deacon for six months we very much looking forward to the Revd Olivia returning among us and we pray that God will richly bless her ministry.
Friday 18th September – Concert in Rosorry 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 – The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity (green)

Sunday 20th September – Dedication of Fivemiletown Community War Memorial: service in St John’s Parish Church at 3.30pm. Preacher: Rt Revd John McDowell.

Monday 21st September – Saint Matthew (red)

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.

Sunday 27th September – The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity (green)

Tuesday 29th September – Saint Michael and all Angels (white)

October 2015

Thursday 1st October – Deadline for submission of Marshall Beresford and Church Fabric applications.

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 Cleenish Centre, Bellanaleck.

Friday 9th - Saturday 10th October 2015 – Young Woman’s weekend ‘A Time for Everything’ in the City North Hotel, Dublin. More details later.

Wednesday 14th October – MU Autumn Council: Service in Lisnaskea Parish Church at 8.00pm. Speaker at Council: Mrs Moira Thom, All Ireland Fundraising and Communications Unit Co-Ordinator.

Thursday 15th October – Deadline for all submissions to Clogher Diocesan Magazine. Email entries for December/January issue to: editor@clogher.anglican.org

Saturday 24th October – Ardess Parish Auction

November 2015

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Wednesday 18th November – CMS Ireland Diocesan Evening in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 8.00pm.

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 in St Patrick’s Parish, followed by coffee and AGM and afterwards Christmas Lunch in the Westerina 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 – Rosssorry Parish Dance

April 2016

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

May 2016

Thursday 12th - Saturday 14th May 2016 – General Synod in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire.
MOTHERS’ UNION NEWS

MU President Elect For Clogher Diocese

Mrs Irene Boyd, Branch Leader of Colebrooke and Cooneen MU has been elected President of Mothers’ Union in Clogher Diocese. Her Term of Office begins on 1st January 2016. Dr Margaret Knox is the present President and will have served three years in January.

Irene was born in Co. Monaghan and moved to Co. Tyrone, with her parents and two brothers, when she was six years old. After secondary education in Dungannon, she attended Stranmillis Teacher Training College. Her career as a Primary School teacher took her to Castlederg, Omagh, Ballygawley and finally Fivemiletown. She was awarded early retirement in 2007. Irene enjoys travelling and visiting other countries of the world, especially catching up with family and friends. Irene is married to Robert, a sheep farmer, and lives outside Fivemiletown.

When she retired she was pleased to be free to join Colebrooke and Cooneen Mothers’ Union and participate in their many and varied activities. The work and witness in each Branch, between Branches and in the Diocese has widened her experience of Mothers’ Union involvement in the community and world-wide. She was appointed Branch Leader this year. Irene is a member of the Select Vestry of Colebrooke Parish and also a Diocesan Pastoral Assistant.

As Irene takes on the role of Diocesan President, she does so with a certain amount of trepidation, but remembers the words of 1 Thessalonians 5 v 24: “He who calls you will do it, because he is faithful.”

The Trustee Body look forward to working alongside Irene and assure her of its prayers and support.

MU Autumn Council

The MU Autumn Council will be held in Lisnaskea on Wednesday 14th October. It will begin with a Service in the Church at 8.00 pm. The Speaker at Council will be Mrs Moira Thom, All Ireland Fundraising and Communications Unit Co-Ordinator.

“A Time for Everything”

The Young Woman’s weekend “A Time for Everything” will be held in the City North Hotel Dublin on 9th-10th October. More details later.

Mums in May

In Conjunction with Cleenish Parent and Toddler Group the MU members hosted a very successful Coffee Morning and Teddy Bears Picnic raising £390 for Mums in May 2015.

CHURCH OF IRELAND
**“A Time for Everything…”**

Ecclesiastes Chap 3 V1-8

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**YOUNG MEMBERS’ WEEKEND**

**9TH & 10TH OCTOBER 2015**

City North Hotel, Julianstown

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Key Note Speaker **Susan Heaney**

Team Building - **Peak Discovery**

“**Satisfying Sweet Treats**” Demonstration

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Come away and sink yourself in Mothers’ Union and leave feeling relaxed, rejuvenated and reconnected!

God intends us to FLOURISH in the midst of all of life: through joys and challenges, victories and struggles. We invite you to come away from your everyday routine for a weekend of refreshment.

**KEY NOTE SPEAKER**

- Our speaker for the weekend is Susan Heaney who will inspire and challenge us. Susan has been living in Redcross, Co Wicklow since 1990 and has worked closely with her husband Roland in building up the church. Susan oversees the Children’s Ministry and is involved in leading services and participating in the prayer ministry. They have three children – Peter, Fiona and Joanna.
- Team Building Session - Peak Discovery
- “Satisfying Sweet Treats” demonstration.

The location for the Getaway - City North Hotel, Julianstown- is ideally located, just off Junction 7 (from either direction) on the M1 between Dublin and Belfast. Activities kick off on Friday evening at 7.00pm (rooms will be available from approximately 5.00pm) and we usually finish around 3.00pm on Saturday. The cost includes overnight accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis (2 people sharing), evening meal on Friday and lunch on Saturday.

As you can see from the above, plans are in place for a residential stay this year. We hope that you will give this weekend some thought, reserve a place in your diary immediately and possibly call in some babysitting/childminding favours. Also we would love you to encourage some new ladies, who would not regularly come to meetings, to attend this year.

We hope you can join us.

**Best Wishes,**

Barbara and Mary

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This year both our teenagers and young adults took the opportunity to attend both of these christian summer festivals held in the grounds of the castle at Glenarm. Set in an idyllic coastal glen where the Glenarm river enters the Irish sea the small Seaview Primary School was the base for both groups.

The Catalyst weekend for the young adults was the last weekend in June and proved to be a challenging and encouraging experience for all. “Unfinished Christians reaching full potential with God” was the theme of the weekend with the programme taking a mix of main stage events, speakers, seminars, and workshops along with many opportunities to socialise and chat with new friends.

Caleb Meakins from the charity “Shift” spoke on “Culture” at the opening meeting on the Friday evening. He emphasised our need not to be overcome by the culture of our time. To remain centred on the truths we have know and to not permit change in society to impinge on us to the extent that we begin to compromise our beliefs and standards. We are called to be different and to hold on to love and hope in our faith and church. To be in the world but not of it.

Saturday morning saw Simon Gilbaud speaking on “Calling”. A missionary to Burundi for many years, Simon continued the theme of obedience to truth by asking us to C.O.M.E. We need to Claim our calling and His promises to serve God where we are or where he is sending us. We need to Obey His word to us. Thirdly, we need to Move as He guides us and fourthly Embrace risk to achieve His calling on our lives.

Having enjoyed two younger men speaking on the main stage, John Dickinson from Carnmoney Presbyterian church and who lectures at the Belfast Bible College followed with a message on “Contentment”. John spoke about how modern life encourages discontentment by design. We must have the latest or we are not admirable. Obsolescence is inbuilt into so much of the commercial world. In this environment Jesus tells us we can’t serve God and mammon. Adam fell in the garden through this exact same misjudgement. All the trees in the garden were not enough because one was “not allowed”. John warned us that our money will flow easily to where our hearts are so we need to guard our hearts. God has called us to His rest. The world calls us to its discontentment.

Sunday morning saw Miriam Swarfield, a Student Development worker from Fusion UK, speak on having “Courage”. She took the text “In this world you will have trouble but take courage, I have overcome the world” John 16:33. Miriam noted that we are all educated far beyond our practical experiences. We need to start living the truth we already know rather than seeking new truth and assurances. Courage is about keeping going even when it seems it’s all going wrong. God does want us outside our comfort zones because then we are truly walking in faith and not depending on our own strength. Facing real trouble requires courage. She finished by stating that, “ordinary is way too overcrowded but extraordinary has lots of space and in Christ we are truly extraordinary!”

And so ended a weekend that will last long in our memories as one that saw us blessed not only with glorious weather but inspired teaching and an opportunity to step aside and engage with others as we worshiped, learned and grew together.

In what seemed like a flash the Summer Madness weekend followed in just five days time. Again, a similar setting and programme was available with the theme “FUNdamentals of a happy life”. What was to follow was four nights and five days of teaching, seminars, activities, late night venues, cafes, challenges and inspiration to live more strongly the life God has given us for Him. Stephen Mayes led worship in the “Big Top” and Barry Forde, Miriam Swarfield, Patrick Regan and Jasper Rutherford were the key speakers. Their theme this year was based on the beatitudes. This was a challenging theme as each set out to unpick the meaning of the beatitude and then go on to interpret this into everyday Christian living.

As usual our young people enjoyed the mix of activity and spiritual encouragement along with the opportunity to mix with their contemporaries from across the island. Going deeper, there were afternoon seminars to get along to. For the men there was “Men Madness” and “Soul Sista” for the ladies which focused on relationships and celebrating the good to be found in them. Among the many others was one by Krish Kandiah from Exodus called “A hell of a problem”. Krish looked at reconciling a
loving God with the threat of eternal punishment and other similar questions we have thrown our way.

There is no doubt that these residential camps have a very significant impact on the development of faith and community amongst our young people. We owe a great deal of thanks and praise to the youth leaders who not only organise but also support and manage the experience for them. Without their devotion and tireless commitment our diocesan young people would not be able to make such great use of these opportunities. The world of our teens and young adults is full of aggressive demands academically and socially. They face challenges in their world that not only question the validity of their faith but, so often come from a materialistic default setting. In the midst of this it is immensely encouraging to see their passion and desire to follow in faith and to look to become the leaders of their church. With the continued provision and organising support of our youth council we look forward to seeing even more of our young people and their leaders participating in future residential camps through the autumn. The first of these will be the “Risk Takers” Anois weekend set this year in Wilson’s Hospital in West Meath (24-26th October). Speaker Alex Brown from Scripture Union will be exploring the adventures of young superheroes of the Bible.

This is always a well organised and worthwhile weekend especially as it comes at a time when youth ministry programmes are in full flow and so allows leaders to build on the experience as they continue with their discipleship of their young people towards the Christmas break.

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Special Service for Sunday School Teachers and for all involved in Children’s Ministry

As you will perhaps have seen in the summer issue of the Diocesan Magazine, a special service is being planned by the Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education, in collaboration with the Bishop of Clogher and the Dean and Clergy of St Macartin’s Cathedral in Enniskillen. This is to mark and celebrate the invaluable work done, week after week with the children and young people in our parishes by Sunday School Teachers and their helpers, in fact by all who are involved in Children’s Ministry.

To this end, all who are involved with Sunday Schools and other types of Children’s Ministry in Clogher Diocese e.g Kids’ Clubs and Messy Church, along with their rectors, helpers, families and friends are invited to attend a Special Service of Holy Communion in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday 6th September at 7.00pm. The preacher will be the Bishop of Clogher, the Rt. Revd John McDowell and the service will include an Act of Commissioning of all who are involved in this very important ministry. A number of Sunday School Teachers will hopefully be taking part in the service and there should be plenty of opportunity afterwards to chat over a cup of tea or coffee.

All who have an interest in this very important ministry to children will be made most welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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Follow the Leader (you can read this in Matthew 10 verses 2-4, Mark 3 verses 14-19, and Luke 6 verses 13-16)

Maybe over the summer you were on a beach, playing in the sand and you tried to follow someone else’s footprints? Or maybe sometime when you were with your family or friends you have played the game ‘Follow the Leader? It’s a fun and easy game to play - you choose a leader and copy or follow everything the leader does. The leader chooses what to do or say and everyone else tries to copy it. The leader might simply clap their hands, stand on one leg, jump up and down, sing – or anything else they like. Anyone who can’t follow the leader is out of the game until only one person is left and they become the new leader.

‘Follow the Leader’ is a great game but every day we follow leaders – we follow people like our parents, ministers, teachers, sports coach or music teacher so we can learn to do things better. Sometimes we choose to follow other people who do or say silly or bad things and this means we end up in trouble! It can be difficult to choose who to follow. We need to choose a leader who will lead us in the right direction.

Jesus is a perfect leader. He never gets it wrong. Lots of people followed Jesus when he was alive on earth. From all his followers Jesus chose twelve of them to be his special friends who would travel with him, listen to him, learn from him and work with him. These men were just ordinary people like you and me. But God chose them for a reason – he chose them to learn from Jesus and tells others about him. Without these disciples and other people like them we would not know about God.

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### Unjumble the Letters

to spell the names of Jesus’ 12 special friends

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### Sing

Here’s a SONG to help you remember their names

Sing it to the tune of “Jesus Loves Me”

Jesus called them one by one,
Peter, Andrew, James and John,
Next, came Philip, Thomas too,
Matthew and Bartholomew.

Chorus-
Yes, Jesus called them,
Yes, Jesus called them,
Yes, Jesus called them,
He called them one by one.

James the one they called the less,
Simon, also Thaddeus,
The twelfth apostle Judas made,
Jesus was by him betrayed.

### Play

Play a game of CONCENTRATION
(Some people call this PAIRS or MEMORY)

Cut out 12 pieces of card. Write one name of each disciple on each card. Repeat this with another 12 cards. You now have 24 cards and two copies of each name.

Mix up the cards and place them face down so you cannot see the names. Each player takes turns flipping two cards face-up — if they are of the same name e.g. Peter - then that player wins the pair and gets another turn. If the cards are not of the same name, they are turned back face down and it becomes the next player’s turn to pick two cards. The game continues until players have picked up all the pairs. The winner is the player with the most pairs.

Jesus is still calling people to follow him today. What is Jesus calling you to do? Will you decide to follow Jesus as your leader?

In the next few magazines we’ll find out more about some people who followed Jesus and see what we can learn from them.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Coffee with Catherine and Lorraine

Local author, and international speaker, Catherine Campbell will be making a return visit to the Killyhevlin Hotel in Enniskillen on Saturday 3rd October to speak at a coffee morning hosted by Real Life. Catherine previously spoke at a Ladies’ Breakfast in the hotel three years ago after the publication of her book, Broken Works Best.

In that book she is open and candid about her own suffering, including the death of her two daughters, both born profoundly disabled. Her theme this year will be based on the title of her new book, When We Can’t, God Can, exploring how we can have a personal encounter with the God of the impossible. This is Catherine’s fifth book, and in it she tells the stories of ten people who faced seemingly impossible situations, only to experience God’s enabling to accomplish what they previously thought they couldn’t.

Lorraine Vance from Arva, Co Cavan will also be a special guest. She has released two popular albums – How Deep the Father’s Love and Be Still my Soul. Her new Christmas CD, Saviour of the World will be introduced and available on the morning.

Admission is by ticket only and coffee will be served at 10.30am. Catherine’s books, Lorraine’s CDs and a wide variety of other items will be available on the bookstall. All are welcome.

For more details contact Real Life, 8 Dublin Road, Enniskillen
T 02866322400
E real-life@btconnect.com
Tickets £5 are available from Real Life and Oasis Bookshop, Lisnaskea

School Uniform Grants – Clothing Allowance Grant Scheme

Grants to help with buying school uniforms for certain pupils are available from Education and Library Boards. The Clothing Allowance Scheme covers pupils in primary, post-primary and special schools. It does not apply to pupils at nursery schools, nursery units or reception classes.

The eligibility criteria are similar to those used for free school meals and seeks to support families who are on benefits or on low incomes.

The level of assistance is as follows:

- primary school - £35.75
- post-primary/special school over 15 - £56
- post-primary/special school PE - £22

Only one clothing allowance per pupil will normally be paid during the school year. Education and Library Boards are responsible for the administration of the scheme. Additional information including eligibility criteria and application forms are available by phoning your local Board at the relevant contact number below:

Western Education and Library Board: tel 028 8241 1496

To find out more about the grant and to see if you can apply, please visit: www.nidirect.gov.uk/index/information-and-services/parents/schools-learning-and-development/school-life-parents/school-uniform-grant.htm

Orange Order reaches out to local community

A report that sought the views of its own membership, as well as those of the wider community, has been published by Co. Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge. The document contains the findings of a community audit completed in 2014. It was commissioned by the Order with the intention of increasing understanding and good relations across the community.

Officers from Co. Fermanagh Grand Lodge have presented copies of the Report to the Secretary of State Theresa Villiers and to Mr Charlie Flanagan TD, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade. They have also presented copies to political, civic and church leaders from right across the community.

The Secretary of State said “I very much welcome the publication of the County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge’s Audit, Good Relations Strategy and Action Plan. This progressive initiative will help stimulate discussion on the role that the organisation can play as part of wider society in Northern Ireland and help provide a greater understanding of the Orange Institution’s ethos and tradition both locally and internationally. It will also help create the circumstances, which allow its membership to take steps to address the many challenging viewpoints of the Order that are borne out in the audit findings. All of this will help develop better relationships and understanding between different parts of the community in County Fermanagh.”
Minister Charlie Flanagan said, “I was pleased to meet with the County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge and to receive from them a copy of this Audit, Good Relations Strategy and Action Plan and I welcome its publication. It is a very positive step forward and I want to commend and congratulate all involved in Fermanagh for leading by example and working to build greater trust and respect across all strands of the community.”

A community audit is a way for any organisation to find out how its own membership and the wider community experience and perceive it. This new publication reports the results from what is the first ever community audit, consultation and good relations action plan for any County Grand Lodge to have been completed.

More than 600 members of the Loyal Order in the Lakeland county and a significant representation of people from across the community, including the voluntary, statutory and public sectors took part in the extensive information-gathering exercise. It took a year to complete and was supported by Fermanagh District Council and delivered by Green Hat, a locally based consultancy.

Participants have expressed opinions on a range of topics including parading, the use of Orange halls, flags and community education.

County Grand Master of County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge, Stuart Brooker, maintained the project would form a basis for the Institution’s continuing outreach with the wider community.

He said, “This is a ground-breaking report and one which challenges many assumptions, views and perceptions about the Orange Order from both the wider public as well as the members. We hope it will be of great interest not only to those who hold the institution dear to their hearts but also to people who are suspicious, even hostile, to the Orange Order.”

Stuart Brooker continued, “It is clear from the research that the consensus is that the Orange Order has a major role to play in further developing good relations across the county, and we have set out how we plan to deliver this. We want to continue to play an active role in our local communities and raise awareness of our community work. This report has enabled us to have constructive conversations and we are pleased to present and discuss its findings. We want to joyfully celebrate our culture as well as be good neighbours.”

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council’s Good Relations Officer, Tommy McLaughlin, explained: “The council has been undertaking good relations activities for many years and this project essentially looked at how the Orange Order in Fermanagh engages with the local community”.

Green Hat’s Director, Bryony May, said: “This was both a sensitive and high profile project, and we recognise the leadership that County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge has shown in undertaking this work.” Green Hat brought an outsider perspective to the project and it was a bold move by the County Grand Lodge to work with us on this.

The report is designed to be a positive contribution to good relations in Fermanagh. It is available to read online via the publications section of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland website at www.grandorangelodge.co.uk.

County Fermanagh Grand Orange Lodge is grateful to Fermanagh District Council and Green Hat for making this piece of work possible, the first of its kind ever undertaken. It also gratefully acknowledges funding from the Community Relations Council that made the design and printing of the report possible.

Parishes urged to offer prayers for farm safety

Farming is one of the most dangerous sectors to work in says the HSENI.

The Health and Safety Executive Northern Ireland is appealing to parishes to raise awareness of farm safety issues and pray for farmers and their families.

Dr Bryan Monson, Deputy Chief executive of the HSENI, is urging churches to consider highlighting farm safety at a Harvest Thanksgiving service or other specific date in the year.

He asks that farming families be remembered in prayers for safety, for healing for those who are injured and comfort for those bereaved.

“Farming remains a major and important part of our community in Northern Ireland, however, the sector continues to be one of the most dangerous to work in, with seven fatalities and hundreds of serious injuries over the past year,” said Dr Monson.

“This, along with many other pressures on farmers highlights the need to continue to support those in the sector.”

Dr Monson said that over the past year a number of rural church groups have held meetings or events to highlight farm safety to their members. “I and my colleagues in the Farm Safety Partnership would be keen to assist churches and church groups by offering speakers or materials to any who are interested,” he said.

Any parish interested in finding out more can contact Dr Monson at the HSENI on 028 9054 6835 or by email: bryan.monson@hseni.gov.uk
PARISH NOTES

Aghadrumsee, Clogh and Drumsnatt

The annual Children’s Holiday Club in Aghadrumsee was held in August. The attendance far exceeded previous years and we were delighted to welcome children, not only from our own parish, but also from neighbouring churches. Special thanks to Jonathan Graham and his helpers from Child Evangelical Fellowship and to Rosemary and her helpers who provided the daily goodies afterwards. Jonathan will be joining our services on Sunday 6th September when he will talk to us about the work of the CEF.

Holiday Club

Parish Outing

Confirmation

This year we will be joining with candidates for confirmation from the Clones Group therefore some of the evening classes will take place in Aghadrumsee Old School and some will take place in Newbliss Church Hall. There will be a welcome evening on Friday 9th October, to which parents are invited, and then classes will begin on Friday 16th October. A Service of Confirmation is planned for our group to take place in Clogh Parish Church at 3.00pm on Sunday 13th March 2016.

Ordination

A Service of Ordination for Revd Olivia Downey from Aghadrumsee Parish will take place on Sunday 13th September at 7.00pm in St Macartins Cathedral, Enniskillen. We extend our congratulations and prayers to Olivia at this time as she commences this new service in God’s Church.

Harvests

Once again we are entering into the Harvest season:

Aghadrumsee

Sunday 20th September at 12.00 noon: Preacher Capt. David Hamilton and at 8.00pm: Preacher tbc.
Monday 21st September at 8.00 pm: Preacher Revd Canon Brian Harper.

Clogh

Friday 25th September at 8.00pm: Preacher Mr Perry Walters. Sunday 27th September at 10.45am: Preacher Capt. David Hamilton and at 8.00pm: Preacher Revd Stanley Stewart.
Drumsnatt
Sunday 18th October at 3.00pm: Preacher Revd Neal Phair.

Dedication of Gifts
At St Mark’s, Aghadrumsee, we are thankful to the Annon Family, the McVitty Family and the Irwin family for their gifts to our church. We are delighted that Bishop McDowell plans to come and dedicate them on Sunday 25th October at 3.00pm.

Baptism
A service of Holy Baptism was held on 30th August in Drumsnatt when Preston George, son of Robert and Lynda Moore was welcomed in our church family.

Marriage
Congratulations to Stuart and Kyra Robinson who were married in Aghadrumsee Church on Thursday 30th July. We wish them God’s richest blessing in their future lives together.

Burial
We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Mr Eddie Cunningham, Killyfole who was laid to rest in Aghadrumsee on 5th August.

Aghalurcher and Cooneen with Mullaghfad

4th October
10.45am Colebrooke, Holy Communion
3.00pm Cooneen, Harvest Thanksgiving

Mullaghfad Services
On Sunday 20th September at 3.30pm our annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held at All Saints, Mullaghfad. On Sunday 15th October at 3.00pm our annual Service of Remembrance will be held, with members of Fivemiletown Royal British Legion attending. Friends and visitors will be most welcome at these services.

Confirmation
The Bishop will conduct a Service of Confirmation on Sunday 22nd November at 11.00am in Colebrooke. I intend to start confirmation classes on Thursday 17th September at 7.30pm in the rectory, hopefully with a weekend away (13-15 November). Confirmation candidates must attend and take part in all classes, and also be regular attenders at church. Open to those in 2nd year of secondary education and above.

SNATCH (Sunday Night At The Church Hall) Youth Ministry
Aghavea, Colebrooke & Clabby Recommences at 7.30pm on Sunday 13th September; this term meeting in Colebrooke Church Hall. All young people of secondary school age welcome. Facebook: www.facebook.com/snatchyf Website: snatch.colebrookeparish.org

GFS
Girls Friendly Society return after their summer break late September. The branch meets every Monday at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall for girls aged 3 years and upwards.

Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group
The Scouts recommence late September, and will be meeting every Tuesday from 7.00pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-11 years, and every Friday for Scouts aged 11 – 14 years.

The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.
Squirrels (4 - 6 years)
Beavers (6 – 8 years)
Cubs (8 – 11 years)
Scouts (11 – 14 years)

Bowling Club
The Bowling Club will meet in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 7.45pm. New members will be very welcome in each of our organisations. If you are interested, please get in touch with me as above and I will put you in touch with the relevant leaders.
Holiday Bible Club
We held our holiday Bible club on the evenings of the last week of June, in Colebrooke Parish Halls, ending with a Sunday service on 28th June in Colebrooke Halls at 11.00am.

This year we looked at Junior Heroes, the ‘young’ heroes of the Bible, using music, drama, crafts, games and more.
The week was enjoyed by both children and staff, with the congregation joining us for morning worship on Sunday, followed by refreshments and fellowship.
Thank you to everyone who worked so hard for this week to be such a success. Plans are well under way for next year.

Colebrooke and Cooneen Mothers’ Union
On Tuesday 7th July many senior members of the parishes, their friends and Mothers’ Union members gathered at Colebrooke Parish Hall for Afternoon Tea. The afternoon began with entertainment from ‘The Music Man’, when he played and sang many familiar songs and encouraged some folk to take to the floor and move to the music. A delicious tea was served to everyone and then all enjoyed more music to conclude the event.
The first meeting for the autumn season is planned for Wednesday 16th September at 8.00pm when Mrs Amy Robinson plans to speak about her work with ‘Operation Christmas Child’. It is also a good time to remind everyone to start collecting or knitting items for the shoeboxes! All ladies are warmly invited to attend our meetings.
Our visitors’ night is planned for October 21st when Mrs Sandra Irvine will speak as a representative of ‘Care for the Family’.
The MU annual outing this year on Saturday 12th September plans to visit Ballydougan Pottery for morning tea, a pottery demonstration and time to view the shop. Next stop is Rushmere Shopping Centre and then home via Aughnacloy for an evening meal in Salley’s Restaurant. We hope to leave at 9.30am and return for 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome to join the trip.

Aghavea

Services
Sunday 6th September
11.00am Holy Communion
Sunday 13th September
11.00am Morning Prayer & Sunday School
7.00pm SNATCH (Colebrooke)
Sunday 20th September
11.00am Church Family Service
7.00pm Evening Prayer - Brooke Memorial Hall
Sunday 27th September
11.00am Morning Prayer & Sunday School
7.00pm SNATCH (Colebrooke)
Friday 2nd October
8.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving - Revd Ian Linton (Omagh)
Sunday 4th October
11.00am Harvest Family Service - Revd Willie Nixon (Drumbeg)
7.30pm Harvest Thanksgiving - Revd David Luckman (Crosslinks)

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Dear friends,

When John sits down to write his first epistle, he tries to put into words what it was like to live with Jesus for those three years of intense discipleship:

‘That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life - the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us - that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.’ (1 John 1:1-3).

The Lord Jesus, the person John walked with, talked with, ate with, was and is God. This word of life was made manifest - and John saw it, and testified to it. Or, as John puts it in the prologue of his Gospel (which is for life, and not just for Christmas):

‘And the word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.’ (John 1:14)

This autumn, we’ll be seeing Jesus’ glory in John’s Gospel - in the situations he faced; in the people he met; in the signs he performed; in the words he spoke. We’ll also be hearing how Jesus has transformed people in the congregation. Why not take a fresh look at the eyewitness evidence presented by John, and meet Jesus again, or for the very first time?

Yours in Christ,
Gary

Sunday School

Sunday School begins on Sunday 13th September at 11.00am during the Morning Service. After the opening part of the service, the boys and girls move across to the church hall for age-appropriate Bible teaching and activities. For more information please speak to Linda McClelland.

Bowls

The Bowling Club season will start on Monday 7th September at 8.00pm in the Church Hall. All new members will be welcome, so why not come along and try your hand at bowling? More information can be obtained from Frances Cartwright.

Mothers’ Union

Mothers’ Union begins after the summer break on Tuesday 8th September at 8.00pm, when we will welcome Eva Baxter, who will share the Frances Alexander Story. We will learn about the lady herself, as well as her famous hymns, including ‘There is a Green Hill Far Away’, ‘All Things Bright and Beautiful’ and ‘Once in Royal David’s City’. New members are welcome to join us.

GFS

GFS begins on Wednesday 23rd September from 6.30pm - 7.30pm in the Church Hall for all girls aged 3 and up. For further information, please speak to Sharon Clarke or any of the leaders.

SNATCH

SNATCH (Sunday Night At The Church Hall) is our youth group for secondary school age young people, in partnership with Colebrooke and Clabby Parishes. Our first night of the new term will be held on 13th September in Colebrooke Hall at 7.00pm. New members are very welcome - registration forms for the new year can be filled in by parents on arrival. We are also looking forward to participating in the Colebrooke Harvest Service on Sunday 27th September.

Bible Study

Our midweek Fellowship Group Bible Study will be meeting on Wednesday nights from September onwards. Watch out for more details on the weekly notice sheet or on our Facebook page.

From the Parish Registers

Marriage

11th July 2015 Frainc MacManus & Amanda Hall

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Ballybay, Clontibret and Mucknoe

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Dublin Zoo

On Saturday 4th July two buses took parishioners from the Ballybay Group of Parishes to Dublin Zoo. This was primarily for the Sunday School children and lots of other parishioners came along as well. Thankfully none of the monkeys decided to keep any of us and we all returned home safely! A lovely relaxing day was had by all.

Ballybay News

Wedding Celebrations

Congratulations to Bianco Martine and Alco Singo who were married on the 8th August in Christ Church Ballybay. Bianco and Alco both work for the Camphill Charity outside Ballybay and everyone who attended the wedding were treated to a very special reception afterwards at Camphill which had a unique African flavour. Alco and Bianco are wished God’s richest blessing in their married life together.

Praise Service

We would like to encourage as many of you who may be reading this to come and support our special Praise Service to help us raise money to repair the interior of our church. The service will be led by the former Dean of Cashel, the Very Revd Philip Knowles, accompanied by the Donagh Choir. The service will take place on Sunday 6th September at 3.30pm in Christ Church Ballybay. Refreshments served.

Harvest

Ballybay Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place on 11th October at 3.30pm.

Ballybay Group v Dalkey Football Match

Very well done to all our football players from the Ballybay group who travelled down to Dublin on the 16th May to play St Patrick’s Parish, Dalkey. We won by 2 goals, the final score being 4/2. However the emphasis was not on winning but on building relationships within the Church of Ireland family with Dalkey Parish and they will have a chance to try to win back the cup next year when they come to us here in Co. Monaghan.

Muckno News

Wedding bells rang out on Thursday 2nd July for Amanda Jane Hill, second daughter of Adrian and Harriet Hill. Amanda arrived in style with her dad in a very fine tractor. Amanda married William Shilliday from Rathfriland where they will reside. Amanda and William are wished a long, happy and healthy life together.

Mothers Union

The Ballybay Branch of the Mothers Union is hoping to recommence on Wednesday 9th September. The Opening service will take place in St Maeldoids Church, Castleblayney at 8.00pm. Congratulations to our new President Elect of the mothers Union, Mrs Irene Boyd, who is branch leader of Colebrooke and Cooneen MU. Mrs Boyd is originally from Co. Monaghan.

As the summer holidays near an end we hope that everyone has had a pleasant summer time. We think of the farmers at this time as they prepare for the harvesting of crops and pray for good weather.

“Give us fine weather we pray, so that we may rejoice in your gifts of kindness and use them always for your glory and our good.” Amen

We at St. Maeldoid's want to encourage as many of our parishioners as possible to attend the Praise Service planned for the afternoon of the 6th September in Christ Church, Ballybay.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Ethel Coulter and Margaret Smyth on the sad passing of their brother-in-law Tommy, husband of their sister Olive, on 18th June.

Clontibret News

Back to School

It is hard to believe that the “summer holidays” are over and students are getting prepared for back to school, college, university, etc. We wish all young people concerned God’s blessing as they return to their studies or embarking on a new challenge. We will miss all those who will not be with us each Sunday morning due to studying further afield.

BBQ

We were blessed with a beautiful sunny evening for our BBQ and many thanks to everyone who supported this now annual event. Thank you to Nigel Lowey who supplied the slide, bouncy castle and train, which the children really enjoyed. Thank you to the men on the BBQ who did a great job and to the servers and the ladies who baked and brought along a wide variety of savoury dishes and desserts.
The music by Kenneth Dickson and Martin Gilly, kindly sponsored by Victor and Yvonne, greatly added to the atmosphere. We are very grateful to the Board of Management for the use of the school and the grounds, which proved a great venue for the event.

Illness
Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick and the elderly who cannot be with us each Sunday. We continue to remember them and all who are bereaved or lonely at this time.

Harvest Thanksgiving
Our Harvest Thanksgiving service will as usual be held on Sunday 27th September at 3.30pm. On Sunday 15th November at 3.30pm we are delighted that Revd Jean Mackarel can join us to lead our Praise Service. Light refreshment will be served after the services. Please keep both dates free.

Dates for the Diary
St Colman’s, Clontibret – Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 27th September at 3.30pm Preacher: Captain David Hamilton.

St Colman’s, Clontibret – Praise Service on Sunday 15th November at 3.30pm
Speaker: Revd Jean Mackarel

Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh

Vacant.
The Revd Canon Charles McCollum will take charge from Sunday 6th September.
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Cleenish and Mullaghdun

Services
Wednesday 9th September
10.00am Holy Communion & Healing Service, Mullaghdun Parochial Hall

Sunday 13th September
10.00am Morning Prayer, Mullaghdun
11.30am Morning Prayer, Cleenish

Sunday 20th September
10.00am Morning Prayer, Mullaghdun
11.30am Morning Prayer, Cleenish
7.00pm Service of Acknowledgement and Admission, for the Rector, and Revd Henry Blair as Canons in St Marcarn’s Cathedral, Clogher. Preacher: The Bishop.

Sunday 27th September
10.00am Morning Prayer, Mullaghdun
11.30am Morning Prayer, Cleenish

Friday 2nd October
8.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Mullaghdun Parochial Hall

Sunday 4th October
11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Mullaghdun
8:00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Mullaghdun

Monthly Service of Holy Communion
The next Service will be held on Wednesday 9th September. It combines a shortened form of Holy Communion with an opportunity for prayer for the sick and bereaved, followed by a cup of tea and time for a chat.

Select Vestry Meetings
Cleenish: Wednesday 16th September
Mullaghdun: Wednesday 23rd September

Anniversary Services
Sunday 5th July: Orange Anniversary Service, Cleenish Parish Church. Parade led by Mullaghy Flute Band
Sunday 12th July: Orange Anniversary Service, Mullaghdun Parish Church. Parade led by Moybrone Pipe Band.
Sunday 19th July: RBP Anniversary Service, Cleenish Parish Church. No parade due to local bereavement. The Rector conducted all three Services, assisted by Bro Robert Watterson in Mullaghdun.
Joan Brownlee played the organ in Cleenish, and Elizabeth Haslett played in Mullaghdun.

Thanks
To Mr Jack Watson, for conducting the Sunday morning services during the Rector’s absence on leave.

Cleenish & Mullaghdun Mothers’ Union
Tuesday 15th September at 8.00pm in Cleenish Parish Hall, Lynn Winslow will speak about her role as Diocesan Action and Outreach Co-ordinator. New members will be made most welcome.
The members send their best wishes to Mrs Martha Loane who celebrated her 90th birthday on Tuesday 11th August.

**Cleenish Brownies**

Brownies recommence for the autumn period on Wednesday 23rd September. New girls between the age of 7 to 11 years will be welcome to join on Wednesday evenings from 6.45pm – 8.00pm in Cleenish Parish Hall.

**Parent and Toddlers**

The Group will re-open on Tuesday 15th September from 10.00-11.30am in Cleenish Parish Hall. Parents/Carers with children under school age are welcome. Children have the opportunity to avail of play, craft and music activities and interact with other children.

**Congratulations**

To Revd Dr Ian Ellis, rector of our neighbouring parish, Rossorry. He has been appointed as Canon of St. Patricks, Cathedral, Dublin, and will represent Clogher Diocese at events and services from time to time.

**Illness**

We are pleased to note Anne Burleigh, Cleenish Parish, has now returned home after a long spell in hospital. This was as a result of her unfortunate car accident on Sunday 7th June.

**Sympathy**

**Ethel Collum**: Passed away peacefully at her home on Thursday 25th June, a member of the Elliott family, Bohevny. She was a life-long member of Mullaghdun Parish, and whilst health permitted was in regular attendance Sunday by Sunday. A member of the Mothers’ Union for over fifty-six years, Ethel also gave service in the Choir, and as a Sunday-School teacher. She was married to Fred in September 1960, and was a devoted mother to Maurice, Margaret and Linda, and a much-loved grand-mother to David, Matthew, Sarah-Louise and Peter. A Service of Thanksgiving for Ethel’s life was conducted by the Rector in Mullaghdun Parish Church, on Saturday 27th June. The Church was filled to capacity, with many having to remain outside. As a Parish family, we extend our sympathy to Fred, Maurice, Margaret, and Linda, and to Ethel’s grandchildren. We also remember her brother, Ivan Elliott and her sisters, Ina Millar, and Irene Wilson, and the wider family circle.

**Richard Collum**: We further sympathise with Fred and his family circle following the death of his brother, Richard, at the Tilery Nursing Home, Florencecourt on Saturday 11th July. Richard, a widower was the father of Reggie, Caroline, Freda, Hilda, Barbara, and Gordon, to whom we also extend our sincere sympathy.

**James Balfour**: The local community in Cleenish Parish were deeply shocked when sad news filtered out about the unexpected death of James Balfour at his home at Clonatrig, Bellanaleck, on Tuesday 14th July. James was the loving husband of Jayne, darling daddy to Annie, he was the dearly loved son of Jack and the late Audrey, and devoted brother to Caroline, Lorraine, Stephen, Brian, Jacqueline & Helen, dear son-in-law of Gerwyn and Marie Balfour. He was educated at Jones Memorial Primary School, and Portora Royal School, taking up employment in Insurance, before transferring to Electronics. He had recently become active on the family farm, assisting his father Jack. He was a member of Bellanaleck Pipe Band, and the local Orange Lodge.

A lone piper led the cortege from the Church to the graveide. Both Cleenish Church & Parish Hall were packed to capacity with many standing outside, for the funeral service on Friday 17th July. A tribute to James from his wife Jane was read out during the Service, which was conducted by the Rector. Joan Brownlee played the organ. The members of Cleenish Parish send sincere sympathy to the entire family circle.

**Mullaghdun Planter**

Early in 2011, a lady from Canada contacted Mullaghdun Parish to enquire about records pertaining to her grandparents who emigrated from Letterbreen to Canada in 1828. Her grandparents, Alexander Howe and Catherine Follis were married in Mullaghdun in 1915. Catherine Nodwell, accompanied by her daughter, visited Mullaghdun in September, 2011, and...
they were delighted to meet with her remaining cousins, Winnie Macauley and George McCutcheon and their families. Since then Catherine has kept in touch and expressed a wish to make a gift to Mullaghdun to mark the centenary of her grandparents’ marriage. The resulting gift, a decorative planter has now been placed outside the Church door. We thank Catherine for this memorial gift which will enhance our Church for many years.

Mullaghdun BBQ

The Parish Barbecue and Dance on Friday 26th June was enjoyed by a large number of parishioners and friends. We acknowledge the sterling work of all those who prepared the Hall for the occasion and also those who prepared and served the food. We say a big “thank you” to everyone from far and near who attended. A profit of £2360 was realized.

Cleenish Centre

On Friday evening 24th July, the Willowfield Group from the Centre, held a film show in the Parish Hall, at which 20 leaders and 41 young boys attended. The Hall was decked out in the form of a cinema, complete with hoardings along the walls.

A doorman with yellow jacket was based at the entrance. The Centre has been busy during the summer period, with various weekly and day Groups attending. 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

The final monthly meeting before the summer break took place on Wednesday evening 24th June. An updated debrief was given by the local Community Constable, who stated vandalism and theft was beginning to develop within the local area. All members were asked to assist with their own personal security.

A full discussion took place about the allotments in the Community Garden, and it was stated they were being successfully utilised.

Holy Baptisms

**Mullaghdun Parish Church Sunday**

25th July
Rayna Mae Cullen, daughter of Trevor (Fred) Francis and Glenda Marion, 6 Drumclay Park North Enniskillen

Sunday 9th August
Ross Desmond William Coalter, son of David Ivan and Hannah Elizabeth, Forge View, Letterbreen.

Cleenish Parish Church

Sunday 2nd August
Poppy Berry June Nugent-Bilson, Tully, Bellanaleck

Christian Burials

**Mullaghdun Parish Church**

Saturday 27th June
Ethel Olive Collum, Drumsillagh, Letterbreen. Aged 76 years.

**Cleenish Parish Church**

Friday 17th July
William James Balfour, Clonatrig, Bellanaleck. Aged 31 years.
Clogher Cathedral Group

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Services

Sunday 6th September
10.00am Errigal Portclare HC
11.30am Clogher Cathedral HC
10.00am Augher MP
11.30am Newtownsaville MP

Sunday 13th September
9.00am Clogher Cathedral HC
10.00am Errigal Portclare MP
11.30am Clogher Cathedral MP
10.00am Augher HC
11.30am Newtownsaville HC

Sunday 20th September
10.00am Errigal Portclare MP
11.30am Clogher Cathedral HC
10.00am Augher MP
11.30am Newtownsaville MP

Sunday 27th September
9.00am Clogher Cathedral HC
11.30am Clogher Cathedral MP
10.00am Augher MP
11.30am Newtownsaville MP
3.00 pm Errigal Portclare Harvest Thanksgiving Service
Note: no 10.00am service in Errigal Portclare

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Errigal Portclare
Friday 25th September 8.00pm Preacher:
Revd Dr. Peter Thompson
Sunday 27th September 3.00pm Harvest Service

Clogher Cathedral
Friday 2nd October 8.00pm
Preacher: Revd Rob Clements
Sunday 4th October 11.30am Harvest Communion (children participating)

Augher
Friday 9th October 8.00pm Preacher:
Revd Loraine Capper
Sunday 11th October 10.00am Harvest Communion

Newtownsaville
Friday 16th October 8.00pm
Preacher: Revd Jane Nelson
Sunday 18th October 11.30am Harvest Service

Ordination

Revd Olivia Downey will be Ordained to the Priesthood at 7.00pm on Sunday 13th September in St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen. She will serve in St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher and St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen.

Cathedral Chapter

The Bishop has appointed the Revd Henry Blair and the Revd Geoffrey Bridle to the Chapter of the Cathedrals. A Service of Admission and Acknowledgement will take place in St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher at 7.30pm on Sunday 20th September.

Schools

Augher Central School
On Friday 25th September the new extension of Augher Central Primary will be officially opened with a dedication and celebrations commencing at 1.30pm. The increased number of pupils attending has necessitated this new build, which will serve as a gym and assembly area. Much credit is due to the Board of Governors, teachers and staff who work tirelessly to maintain a school which is modern, comfortable and helps create an environment that is conductive to learning both physical and academically.

Carnntall School
At the end of the past academic year Mrs Hazel Coulter retired as principal having served in that position for twenty of the thirty years teaching there. A very enjoyable evening was held in Carntall Presbyterian Church with the pupils taking part. This was a fitting tribute to a great lady who has served the community effectively and sensitively for many years. We wish her every blessing in her retirement and pray that she will now have time to pursue those interests, which proved impossible due to pressure of work. Her successor is Mr Roger Clarke who is known to us through his exhibits of lamas at Clogher Agriculture Show and is already in situ. We look forward to working with him and wish him every happiness as he takes up this important position.

Weddings

“Those whom God has joined let no man put asunder”

Saturday 20th June: Eithne Johnston and David Jackson
Friday 3rd July: Charlene McKeown and Cyril McCusker
Saturday 6th June: David Gervis and Stephanie Black in Ballygawley Church of Ireland
**Baptisms**

**Newtownsaville**

Sunday 31st May: Sam Jordan Crawford son of Sammy and Sarah Crawford

**Augher**

15th July: Amelia Sophie Jonea, daughter of Arron Magee and Jonea Blackledge

**Bereavements**

**Newtownsaville**

Sympathy is extended to all who have suffered bereavements at this time and especially the family of Mervyn Bell whose funeral took place in Newtownsaville Church on 2nd June. Mervyn had been ill for some time following a stroke, initially cared for in his home and then Omagh County Hospital and for the past year in the Clogher Valley Nursing Home. Both the removal and funeral services reflected the regard in which Mervyn was held with many people both from the farming and equine world travelling across the country to his funeral service.

**Clogher Cathedral**

Mrs Noeleen Bredin died in the S.W.A.H. on Monday 15th June. She suffered from that awful illness C.O.P.D. (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) and had struggled with the help of an oxygen line for nearly ten years to find what so many of us take for granted, ‘oxygen’. Throughout all those years she remained remarkably bright and cheerful, always quick witted and loved to have her large family around her. Her funeral service was held in Clogher Cathedral just across the road from the flats in which she lived. To her husband Tommy and their family who so faithfully looked after her and supported her over the years we extend our sincere sympathy.

The entire Clogher Valley and beyond was stunned by the news on Saturday 20th June that Miss Shirley Fannin had passed away. Shirley had been ill for a relatively short time. Having been diagnosed in November as suffering from liver cancer, we all hoped and prayed that the treatment would be successful. She was courageous and brave, never once complaining but always thinking of others particularly her mother Martha, sister Heather, brother William and his family. She was talented in so many ways and gave so much to the life of the community, the business, her family and of course her great love ‘Clogher Cathedral’. The Cathedral was so important to her, she was a regular worshipper, florist, cleaner, Sunday School Teacher, member of the Select Vestry, Honorary Treasurer. A pleasure to work with, her concern towards the end was that she hadn’t an opportunity to help ease in her successor Carole Ellison as treasurer. Honesty and integrity were the hallmarks of her life. Her removal to the Cathedral on the Sunday evening brought throngs of people from all walks of life. The funeral service the following day saw the Cathedral packed to capacity. The service was conducted by the Precentor, assisted by Dean Raymond Thompson, former rector. Also in the Sanctuary were Diocesan Readers, Walter Pringle and Jack Watson, who read the lessons. The music was provided by Murley Silver Band, and the organist was Mrs Diane Whittaker.

Sadly once again we record the death on 13th July of another long-standing parishioner of Clogher, Mrs. Beryl Potter. From the death of her husband Jim three years ago, whom she nursed faithfully, her health declined. Beryl always saw to it that her home was immaculate, this is often referred to as a work ethic and Beryl had it in abundance. She was generous and kind and spoke frequently of her two sons David and William Creddin. Their father was tragically killed just outside Clogher on the Fintona Road. She was however blessed in many ways, and her grandchildren and great grandchildren brought her great pleasure.

The funeral service in the Cathedral was large and representative. The burial took place in Aughantine Presbyterian Church graveyard.

To all in our parishes who have been bereaved we pray that you will have the strength to meet the days to come with steadfastness and faith, not sorrowing as those without hope.

**Friends Service**

The friends play an important part in the life of fabric of cathedral life. This group of people from different denominations and from all walks of life have an interest in helping maintain and preserve this iconic building into the future so that generations to come may experience and enjoy the beauty, the heritage and the style of worship that has sustained people over the centuries. They give freely of their time and money and this service is an opportunity for those who use the Cathedral Sunday by Sunday to acknowledge their generosity.

This year the service was in the form of Choral Evensong and we were delighted to welcome the newly formed Fivemiletown Community Choir under their director Mrs Audrey Elder. The organist was Mrs Diane Whittaker and the preacher, at short notice, was the Bishop of Clogher, The Right Revd John McDowell. The 2016 service will take place on Sunday 17th April.

**Sunday School**

If you want something done ask someone who is busy! Errigal Portclare has been fortunate in the past number of years that while Christine Gervis was studying for her doctorate in medicine she still found time to teach Sunday School and also play the organ every Sunday. However now that Christine has had her conferring she is taking up a position in a hospital in Glasgow which means we will no longer have her services. On her last Sunday with us refreshments were served in the church and a presentation was made on behalf of the parish by Mr Sammy Little. The Rector thanked Dr. Gervis for her dedication and hard work over the years, saying she would be missed by us all, but wishing her every blessing as she carries on Christ’s ministry of healing as she cares for all who are ill.

Thanks were also expressed to her sister Caroline for her work again with the Sunday School and also the organ.
In Newtownsaville a most enjoyable evening was organised by the young people and the Sunday School teachers. This was to honour the work done by Mrs Pat Scott over the years as Sunday School Superintendent and teacher, who has now retired. A service was led by the young people with suitable poems, readings and hymns. Refreshments were served in the church which I understand was a feast! Thanks to Mr Walter Pringle who attended. The Rector was unable to attend due to a pastoral emergency. It was a difficult evening for Pat too as her husband Jim was in theatre that day. All of the arrangements were ‘on the quiet’ so as to have a surprise party. Thankfully it all worked out and Pat enjoyed and appreciated the presentation and the effort made by everyone. We wish Pat every blessing and we know we can rely on her support and guidance in all matters.

**Augher Children's Service**

A very enjoyable Children’s Service was held in St Mark’s, Augher. This service was conducted by Mr Walter Pringle. A sincere thank you to Mrs Ann Graham and Mrs Judith McLaren for their work in preparation, and also to Mrs Sylvia McClung who played the organ.

**Mothers Union**

The Annual Mothers’ Union outing was held on 23rd May. The trip included a visit to the Argory, which is a National Trust Property. The beautiful grounds and the courtyard gave those present an opportunity to relax and view the various items on display and enjoy refreshments in the tea-rooms. All present joined in a guided tour of the mansion, which was built by the MacGeough Bond family. The last member of the family bequeathed the property to the National Trust and is buried in the grounds of the estate. Later that evening dinner was served in Salley’s Aughnacloy, where we were joined by some senior members of the branch. A big thank you to the organisers, Mrs Hilary Kee and Mrs Diane Domer.

Our September meeting will take place on Wednesday 16th September in the Cathedral Hall when there will be a fireside auction.

**Illness**

Please continue to remember and pray for those who are ill either at home or in hospital, those who are undergoing treatment and those who are anxiously awaiting results of tests. Jesus says “Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden and I will refresh you.” Matt. 11: 28.

**U.D.R. Service**

The Annual Commemorative Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance of the Ulster Defence Regiment CGC 6th County Tyrone Battalion was this year held in Clogher Cathedral on 31st May. The parade was lead by Glenageeragh Pipe Band of Glenhoy.

Her Majesty was represented by The Lord Lieutenant Mr Robert W.L. Scott OBE JP., who was accompanied by Cadet: Corporal L. Maclaine. The service was conducted by Precentor Canon Noel Regan, who in the course of his address spoke of the importance of recognising and controlling our own instinct when faced with danger and aggression, whether physical or verbal and the need for constant vigilance. He also spoke of the visit of H.R.H. Prince Charles to Mullaghmore and the risks we all must take to promote peace and reconciliation. Lessons were read by The Lord Lieutenant and Com. Norman McFarland. Organist was Mrs Diane Whittaker.

The service was very well attended and the Regimental Association Chairman Com. Robert Long thanked most sincerely all for their attendance and participation. Following the conclusion of the service refreshments were served in The Royal British Legion Hall.

**Orange Service**

The Fivemiletown District No. 15 Orange Service took place, once again, in Clogher Cathedral on 15th June. The service was conducted by the Rector. The lessons were read by the Revd Alan Irwin who also preached the sermon. The organist was Miss Sarah Fannin. Fivemiletown Accordion Band led the parade.

**Clogher Cathedral Children's Day**

On Sunday 14th June the congregation of St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher joined together to celebrate their annual Children’s Day. The service was conducted by Mr Walter Pringle, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant, and the organist was Mrs Diane Whittaker. A number of the young people who had been confirmed in April returned to take part in the service.

As the congregation took their seats they listened to music by Janice Clingen on piano and Ruth Fannin on guitar who played a number of pieces.

The service commenced with the congregational hymn ‘Father I place into your hands’ followed by a ‘Welcome’ poem recited by Hannah and Ella Creddin. This was followed by sentences of scripture read by Mr Walter Pringle.

After the singing of the congregational hymn, ‘Go tell it on the mountain’, the Sunday School then told the real meaning of Bassett Jelly Babies. The children explained the secrets hidden in each one and how they related to the Christian life. A poem entitled ‘Jelly Babies’ was recited by Daniel McElwaine, and a prayer was said by Jack Foster. Jelly Babies were distributed to all the members of the congregation. The Sunday school members sang two pieces, ‘He’s got the whole world in His hands’ and ‘God Loves Me’, accompanied on the piano by Janice Clingen.

Bible readings were read by Ruth Fannin and Kayleigh Brush, and prayers were said by Janice Clingen and Mr Pringle. The congregation then sang, ‘What a friend we have in Jesus.’

During his address to the children Mr Pringle spoke about the importance of following rules. The children listened intently and were very enthusiastic in their responses to Walter’s questions.
Following his address, Mr Pringle, assisted by the Sunday School teachers, distributed the prizes. Mr Pringle had an encouraging word for each child as they received their prize. Full attendance prizes were awarded to Janice, Joanne and John Clingen, Ruth Fannin, Daniel McElwaine, Jack, Ben and Charlie Foster. A special attendance prize was given to Janice Clingen, who had 10 years full attendance. Janice was confirmed in April and had missed no Sundays during her time in Sunday school.

The prize giving was followed by a special presentation to Mrs Jean Coulter, who has stepped down from teaching Sunday school after 5 years. Jean was thanked for her commitment and service to the Sunday School.

During the singing of the final hymn, ‘One more step along the world I go’, the collection was lifted by Jake Robson, Sam Coulter, Joshua Holmes and Scott Lee.

The service concluded with the blessing and Mr Pringle thanked the children and Sunday School teachers for all their hard work during the year.

### Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss

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### Services

**6th September: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**
10.00am Clones Holy Communion
11.30am Newbliss Morning Prayer
7.00pm St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen, Service for Sunday School teachers and Children’s Club leaders

**13th September: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**
10.00am Currin (Scotshouse) Morning Service and Children’s Sunday
3.30pm Killeevan Afternoon Service with ‘Blaze and Shine’

**20th September: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**
10.00am Clones Morning Service and Children’s Sunday
11.30am Newbliss Holy Communion

**25th September: (Friday)**
8.00pm Killeevan Harvest Thanksgiving - Preacher Revd Stanley Stewart. Refreshments served.

**27th September: The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**
10.00am Currin (Scotshouse) Holy Communion
11.30am Killeevan Harvest Celebration and Holy Communion

**2nd October: (Friday)**
8.00pm Clones Harvest Celebration: An evening of poetry, music and seasonal readings. Refreshments served.

**4th October: The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**
10.00am Clones Harvest Celebration and Holy Communion
11.30am Newbliss Morning Prayer

*O God,*  
without you we are not able to please you;  
Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**Collect ii: Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**Blaze and Shine**

Both groups will start with a joint service on Sunday 13th September in Killeevan at 3.30pm. The groups will meet during the autumn on alternative Thursdays in Killeevan (Shine) and Newbliss (Blaze). For more information please contact Miss Averil Crowe, tel: 047 51647 or Mr Andrew Keating, tel: 087 919 0860. New and existing members all warmly welcome!

### Harvest Celebrations

Welcome to attend the different services of Harvest Thanksgivings in the group of parishes.

**Killeevan:** Friday 25th September at 8.00pm and Sunday 27th September at 11.30am

**Clones:** Friday 2nd October at 8.00pm and Sunday 4th October at 10.00am

**Currin:** Sunday 11th October at 3.30pm

**Newbliss:** Sunday 25th October at 3.30pm

### 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.

### 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 Stronge family on the death of Audrey’s brother-in-law, Mr Peter Johnston.

We also include in our prayers the family of Mrs Shirley Smyth on the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs Winnie Smyth.
Congratulations
Congratulations and best wishes to Edwina Rusk and Mark McKnight who were married in July. May God bless you both.

Congratulations to all who have passed exams. Miss Gemma Humphreys passed her leaving cert – well done! We pray for all young people who are starting school, moving from primary to secondary education and those starting third-level education.

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Barbecue
The Parish Barbecue was a wonderful occasion, we were blessed with good company, good weather, good food and good help throughout the evening. Our sincere thanks to everyone who gave so willingly and cheerfully of their gifts in the preparation of the hall, food, salads and desserts, cooking, serving, clearing tables etc. to our ‘king and queen’ of the barbecue for excellent steaks, burgers and sausages. And to everyone who supported the night by their attendance or monetary gift in support of this yearly event.

Holiday Bible Club
This year’s club was themed around the 23rd Psalm, with the challenge to ‘Follow the Shepherd’. The bible talks each night, delivered by the Rector, Jason, Anne, Emma, Janet and Helen helped to encourage everyone present of the importance of following Jesus, The Good Shepherd. Crafts and games intermingled with songs, prayer and other activities were themed into the weeks challenge, as the 23rd Psalm was learned and memorised by those present. We are indebted to the wealth of talent within our parish, for their enthusiasm within the club and for those young people who wrote a new song ‘Open your Bible and Pray’, to tie in with our theme. On average there was an attendance of 76 young people each evening. To those who prepared the crafts, led the games, set up the hall, supplied the music, the artistic drawings, IT, supplied refreshments, served refreshments and carried out registration, we are extremely thankful.

Services

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

October
4th October  
Holy Communion 11.30am
9th October  
Harvest Thanksgiving 8.00pm
Preacher: Revd Mark Watson
11th October  
Family Harvest 11.30am
11th October  
Harvest Thanksgiving 7.00pm
Preacher: Revd Eleanor Hayden
18th October  
Morning Prayer 11.30am
25th October  
Morning Prayer 11.30am

Wedding
15th July  
Thomas Woods & Julia Johnston in Magheracross Parish Church

Baptism
19th July  
Sophia Johnston, daughter of Darren and Venessa, 5 Castle Manor, Kesh
As you read these notes many of the groups will have begun their regular activities again and you are encouraged to check weekly notices for times, etc.

Sunday School

Sunday School will resume on 13th September at 10.30am in the parish hall.

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

September

Sunday 6th September
Castle Archdale 10.15am Holy Communion
Derryvullen North 11.30am Holy Communion & Opening Service for Mothers’ Union & Women’s Group

Sunday 13th September
Derryvullen North 10.30am Family Service & Opening Service for Sunday School, Junior Church & Comet
Castle Archdale 11.45am Family Service & Opening Service for Sunday School

Sunday 20th September
Castle Archdale 10.15am Morning Prayer
Derryvullen North 11.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 27th September
Castle Archdale 10.15am Morning Prayer
Derryvullen North 11.30am Morning Prayer

October

Sunday 4th October
Castle Archdale 10.15am Holy Communion & Junior Harvest
Derryvullen North 11.30am Holy Communion
Castle Archdale 7.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving (Evening Prayer) special music & supper to follow

Sunday School Prize Day

Services in both churches went very well with the presentation of the CMS Ireland project theme ‘Little Lights’. The children provided special music and the prizes were distributed by Mrs Joy Coalter in Castle Archdale and by Mr John Irvine in Derryvullen North. Thanks to our pianists Wendy & Rachel and to all who made the services so successful.

Confirmation

On Sunday 21st June 21 candidates were confirmed in Derryvullen North church by Bishop John McDowell, assisted by Mr John Irvine. There was a very good attendance of family and friends at the service.
Thank you to the Revd Glenn West and the Ven. Cecil Pringle for preparing the candidates, and to Lisa for her commitment during the time of Ethel’s unavoidable absence. Thanks also to Mr Sam Johnston for facilitating the production of the Order of Service. Please continue to pray for the candidates that they may grow in their faith and feel welcomed into the family of the church.

Farewell to Mrs Lindsey Farrell

We extend our best wishes to Lindsey as she starts her course for Church Ministry in the Theological College at the end of September. She has been very active in all our youth work in the parish and she and Mrs Sandra Cashel set up the Youth Group ‘Comet’. Please remember Lindsey and her family in your prayers. We are grateful to Sandra for her commitment to ‘Comet’ and we thank Ethel and Lisa for agreeing to continue the group.

Summer Bible Club

Our first Summer Bible Club took place from 10th – 14th August in the Church Hall. It was very successful and was well attended by both parishes and the wider community. A huge thank you to Mr Jonathan Graham and his group of helpers from CEF who ran the club. Also, a big thank you to all the ladies who helped serve the snacks each night and to those who kindly donated tasty treats for the children. Everyone had a great time and we hope to build on this next year.
**Diary Dates for September**

8th September
Tuesday Club at 2.30pm

15th September
Women’s Group at 8.30pm
Faith & Friendship in Mahon’s Hotel at 8.00pm

23rd September
Mothers’ Union Visitors’ Night. Speaker Val Irvine, who will talk about the Food Bank.

**Mothers’ Union**

On Wednesday 16th September the Mothers’ Union hope to have a visit from Heather Dawson, President of the Wellington Diocese New Zealand. This will take place in Derryvullen North Parish Hall at 3.30pm. We hope to have some Mothers’ Union members from neighbouring branches.

**Youth Organisations**

The Youth Organisations will also resume this month; details will appear in the weekly parish notes.

**Presentation of Gifts**

We are always indebted to parishioners who present gifts to the Glory of God in their churches. In this respect we record our thanks to Mr & Mrs Geoff Jeavons, Castle Archdale Parish, for the beautiful leather-bound lectern bible which was dedicated earlier this year. We also record thanks to Mr & Mrs Fred Bourgoyne for the gift of a decanter for use at Holy Communion.

**Appreciation**

We are most grateful to the Revd Alan Irwin for his pastoral care during June & July, to all who have provided cover for our services, to our organists, church wardens, those who provide flowers, weekly notes, magazine notes and indeed to all who are involved in any way in the work of both parishes.

**Marriage**

13th June Tiffany Anderson & Ryan Samuel Campbell
Derryvullen North

**Baptism**

2nd August Evan Alexander son of Gemma & Andrew Castle Archdale

**Sickness & Bereavement**

Several families have been bereaved in our parishes and we offer them our prayerful sympathy. To all those sick at home or hospital, we pray for wholeness and healing in their lives and that they and their families may know the presence of Christ in their lives.

May we each remember and put into practice the words of John Wesley’s Rule:

*Do all the good you can*

*By all the means you can*

*In all the places you can*

*At all the times you can*

*To all the people you can*

*As long as ever you can.*

**John Wesley 1703 - 1791**

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**Services**

6th September
10.30am Holy Communion Garvary
12.00noon Holy Communion Derryvullen South
13th September
10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00noon Morning Prayer Garvary

20th September
10.30am Morning Prayer Garvary
12.00noon Holy Communion Derryvullen South

27th September
10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00noon Morning Prayer Garvary

4th October
10.30am Holy Communion Garvary
12.00noon Harvest Derryvullen South
8.00pm Harvest Derryvullen South

9th October
8.00pm Harvest Garvary

11th October
10.30am Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00noon Harvest Garvary
7.00pm Harvest Garvary

**Holy Baptism**

On Sunday 21st June in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, the sacrament of Holy Baptism was ministered to Lucas Richard Stewart, son of Richard and Andrea Caldwell, Antrim, grandson of Chancellor and Mrs Stewart.

On Sunday 28th June in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, the sacrament of Holy Baptism was ministered to Eliza Jayne, daughter of Lee and Elizabeth Johnston, Ashbrooke House, Cultiagh.

On Sunday 2nd August in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, the sacrament of Holy Baptism was ministered to Ellie Rae, daughter of Marc...
McGowan and Samantha Moorhead, 33 Main Street, Maguiresbridge.
We pray that these and all our children will lead the rest of their lives according to this beginning.

Christian Burial

On Friday 19th June the funeral service for Valerie Letitia Wilson, Mullanaskea, took place in her home followed by the interment in Garvary parish churchyard. Valerie was the third child born to Robert and Margaret Graham of Ballintarson on 19th August 1953 and she was baptised by the Revd MacQuaide in Derryvullen South parish church. She attended Tamlaght School and then Enniskillen High School after which she began her working life. She married Noel Wilson from Garvary in 1976 and they set up their home at Largy raising their five children as well as working on the farm. Valerie was a quiet and private person who enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. She had a great passion for watching football. She enjoyed holidays with her sister Audrey and her aunt May and was known for her strict time keeping. She will be greatly missed by her family and we extend sympathy to them, her husband Noel; children, Raymond, Rodney, Graham, Gary and Lorna; her brother Roy and sister Audrey, and the wider circle of family and friends.

On Friday 3rd July the funeral service for Robert Miller took place in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, followed by the interment in the adjoining churchyard. Rob was born in June 1921 one of a family of nine children born to James and Letitia Miller originally from Comranoge. They moved to Tattenamona, Maguiresbridge, then to Mulrod and finally to the thatched cottage at Tamlaght. After leaving school Rob worked in Omagh with a hardware firm and then as a sales rep for a firm travelling around the country. After his marriage to Nan he built his present home in 1961 and then a year later the grocery shop. After a time he decided to sell the shop and work at Creightons for a number of years before retiring fully. He enjoyed holidays with his brother Harry and was an avid reader of the daily newspapers. After many years of being cared for at home, he spent his last days at Sleive League Care Home, Tempo. We extend our sympathy to his wife Nan; his children, Amanda, Nicky and Charles; grandchildren, Jamine, Chloe, James, Robert and Johnathon; his brother Harry and Tommy, and sister May.

On Thursday 9th July the funeral service for William Fredereck Forde, 37 New Row, Lisbellaw, took place in the parish church of Holy Trinity, Garvary, followed by the interment in Tempo churchyard. Fred, originally from Glasdrumman, had been baptised in Garvary parish church in 1949 when the family had been parishioners there and his father had been the sexton.

“I am the resurrection and the life.” John 11 v 25

Bereavements

Our sympathy to all who have been bereaved including Miss Edna Collum, Tamlaght Park, on the death of her sister, Mrs Laura Morton, Helen’s Bay; and to Willa Wilson, Shankill, on the death of her cousin, Ronnie Caldwell, Holywood, also a cousin of James Pratt, Shankill.

Best Wishes

We send our best wishes to Dorothy Wilson, Garvary, who celebrated her 90th birthday in June. Also, to Florence Edwards, Derrryghan, as she celebrates her 80th birthday on Monday 7th September.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Martha Lowry Corry, Castle Coole, on being awarded a BA (Hons) in the history of art and world religions by Trinity College, Dublin; and to Ryan O’Sullivan, Chanterhill, one of our organists, who was awarded a BA (Hons) in music by the University of York.

Presentation

On Sunday 28th June a presentation was made by the churchwardens to Miss Gillian Ewing on her last Sunday in Garvary. Gillian has been playing the organ at Garvary for over five years but is now the Organist and Choirmistress of Omagh Parish Church. The rector commended her on her dedication and ability during her time in Garvary and wished her well in her new post.

New Website

A new website has been created. The address is www.garvaryderryvullen.weebly.com. Our thanks to Kathleen Murphy, whose initiative this was, ably assisted by her daughter in law, Dr Elvira Silicia, for enabling us to present our parishes’ life and work on the worldwide web.

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 F. J. McDowell will be the preacher, followed by refreshments in the parish hall.

An Organ Appeal has been launched and gifts will be received during the service to which everyone is most welcome.

Sunday School
Our Sunday Schools will recommence on Sunday 13th September.

Harvest
We look forward to welcoming our preachers at this year's harvest celebrations. On Sunday 4th October at 8.00pm in Derrylullen South, the preacher will be the Revd Canon Henry Blair. In Garvary on Friday evening 9th October at 8.00pm the preacher will be the Revd Canon Peter Wilson and on Sunday evening 11th October at 7.00pm the preacher will be the Revd Canon David Skuce.

Calendar
Apologies to those who have missed the service calendar. This has faithfully accompanied the parish notes each month but for some mysterious reason it has disappeared from the printed editions since April. We hope that this month you will once again have the benefit of the Calendar.

Devenish and Boho

Devenish Parish 125th Anniversary Celebrations
A 125th Anniversary Service will be held on Sunday 27th September at 3.00pm. The preacher will be the Canon James Carson, who was Rector during the 100th Anniversary Celebrations.

Parish Dinner
A Parish dinner will be held on 9th October in the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services
Boho Parish
Friday 25th September 8.00pm
Preacher: Revd Canon Peter Wilson
Sunday 27th September 10.00am
Preacher: Mrs Ellen Stevenson

Devenish Parish
Friday 2nd October 8.00pm
Preacher: Revd Canon Robert Riddel
Sunday 4th October 11.30pm
Preacher: Mr Charles Crawford
We look forward to welcoming visitors at all our Harvest Thanksgiving services.

Sunday School
Sunday School will reopen on Sunday 8th September at 10.45am in the Reade Hall. We look forward to welcoming new children.
Mothers’ Union
We hope that all of our Members have had an enjoyable summer and look forward to the ‘Opening’ Service on Tuesday, 15th September at 8.00pm in Devenish Parish Church, followed by a short meeting and cup of tea. We extend a very warm welcome to all new Members.

Orange Anniversary Service
On Sunday 12th July in Devenish Parish Church we welcomed the officers and members of Magheraboy District LOL No11 and members of Magheraboy Flute Band to Morning Prayer. The Service was conducted by the Revd Sampson Ajuka. The readings were read by the County Grand Master, Stuart Brooker and Brother Ian Kells, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Australia, and the organist was Gill Spence. It was a pleasure to have Ian home from Australia and he had the opportunity to visit family and friends.

Placement
We were delighted to welcome Ordinand Ernest Okeke and his wife to the parish on a placement for a few weeks during August.

The Youth Fellowship
On Wednesday 29th July our Youth Fellowship enjoyed an excursion to Mullaghmore, Co Sligo with the intention of visiting the early Christian site of Inishmurray Island. Due to rough seas and wind we were unable to reach the island however all was not lost at sea! Our young folk enjoyed depleting the mackerel and pollock stocks in Donegal Bay. After almost five hours of fishing they had all found their sea legs. Everyone endured rough seas, sea spray and seagulls… We finished off our day by visiting the Beach Hotel for refreshments. A good day was had by all!

Devenish Bowling Club
Devenish Bowling club reopened on Friday 5th September at 8.00pm. New members will be very welcome.

Magheraboy Flute Band visit to Ypres and the Somme
Magheraboy Band, whose members include many of our parishioners, have returned from a very memorable and moving visit. Among the highlights were visits to the Ulster Tower, Thiepval Wood, the Thiepval Memorial, the Menin Gate, Essex Farm Cemetery and Tynco. On Wednesday 12th August the band, under its conductor Catherine Irwin, led the Evening Parade at Menin Gate. A wreath was laid by David Ferguson, Joe Morrison and George Elliott. Andrew Irwin sang ‘Danny Boy’ at the Menin Gate and ‘Abide with me’ at the grave of the youngest soldier John Conlon from Waterford, who was only 14 years of age when he was killed. A number of members laid wreaths at family member’s graves that had been killed in the Great War. Andrew Gordon played the Last Post and Reveille.

Prayer Request
Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, please join us in prayer on behalf of my people and all Christians in Nigeria whose lives are now in great danger in the hands of the Muslim Jihadist (Boko Haram) and the inert, corrupt government of Nigeria. Nigeria is a name forcefully given to people of different ethnic, cultural, social and religious background after they were illegitimately amalgamated by the British Colonial Master, in full support of the British Government in 1914. This illegal creation has sent millions of people to their early graves and rendered many useless. At this moment there is serious unrest and rumours of an impending war, not to talk of the hunger and suffering of the poor. This is my worry and as a result I ask for your prayers on behalf of my people and many Christians in Nigeria. “I urge, then, first of all, that requests, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone…” 1Timothy 2:1b.

Thank you very much for your prayer!

God bless you,
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Services

6th September, The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Holy Communion Donagh
12.00noon Holy Communion Tyholland

13th September, The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Morning Prayer Donagh
12.00noon Holy Communion Errigal Truagh

20th September, The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Morning Prayer Donagh
3.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service Tyholland

27th September, The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Family Service Donagh
12.00noon Service of the Word Errigal Truagh

The young people played a leading role in the service with readings, songs and drama. The tractor was the mode of transport for many of the parishioners that morning and thanks to all who entered into the spirit of the occasion. Throughout the year the Sunday school leaders and helpers put a lot of effort into making Sunday school a special time for our young people. We thank them for their dedication and also to the parents for their support in all that we try to achieve. We look forward to Sunday school recommencing in September.

Parish BBQ

The Parish BBQ was held at the Rectory on the 19th June. It was a great occasion and thanks to all who helped with setting up before the event and to the ladies who organised the food. Thanks also to Marina for organising the fun and games for the children. Although the weather was not the best it was a very enjoyable experience. The evening ended with an enjoyable sing-along. Our thanks to Ethne for providing the music.

Father’s Day

Sunday the 21st June a combined service took place in Donagh Parish Church. It was a special occasion as it was Father’s Day, Tractor Sunday and Sunday School Prize Distribution Day.

Glaslough Summer Club

Glaslough Summer Club was from Monday 20th to Friday 24th July in Glaslough Community Centre. This was open to all children from five years upwards. Our thanks to the team from Scripture Union who were responsible for the week of fun, fellowship and sharing God’s love with the children. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Mothers’ Union

The Mothers’ Union branch opening service will take place on the 16th September. This will be held in Donagh Parish Church at 8.00pm. New members will be made very welcome.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

The first of the Harvest Thanksgiving Services in our group of parishes will take place on Sunday 20th September at 3.00pm in Tyholland Parish Church. The Harvest Thanksgiving Service in Errigal Truagh
will take place on Sunday 3rd October at 3.00pm. Everyone will be made welcome.

**Junior & Senior Choir**

Choir practices will resume on Monday 7th September (times to be finalized). Some funding has been secured from the CMETB Community Education Service. Singing Coach Miss Sarah Grant, from Tynan and Middletown Group of Parishes, will be in attendance from September to December to provide some guidance and tuition. This tuition is open to everyone, irrespective of age, and if you are interested please contact Mrs Diane Wright-Kendrick or Mrs Ethne McCord.

**Congratulations**

To Paul and Valerie Walters on the birth of a daughter, and to Jim and Dorothy Keith on the birth of their granddaughter.

**Dromore**

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**Services**

- Each Sunday at 11.30am  
- First Sunday of Month - 9.00am Holy Communion  
 The normal pattern of worship pattern resumes in September with services at 11.30am each Sunday and 9.00am Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month.

**Parish of Willowfield**

On Sunday 5th July it was with sadness that I announced our moving on from Holy Trinity, Dromore as I have been appointed the Vicar of the Parish of Willowfield in the Diocese of Down. We have enjoyed our time here and never envisaged that it would be so short, however God has other plans for us. When I was appointed to Dromore in 2011 many people questioned why we would move West, yet in the midst of it we felt a strong sense of call to come to the West of the province.

Our memories are very real and precious with many personal life-changing events having taken place during our time here. We did not go looking for something new nor had we any desire to be moving on. Our initial response was a “no”, yet as we prayed we sensed God’s voice in the midst of the questions that we had. A voice that became so loud for us that we feel it would be disobedient not to respond to it. This move will mean a number of adjustments for us, not least because we are country people and moving to the city is alien territory for us. I am going to be a Vicar, which is a new role for the parish and me. My new role means I will be taking on some of the responsibility of a large urban parish and also developing/pioneering discipleship and leadership strategies for the church.

We have enjoyed our time here in Dromore and in the Diocese of Clogher. This place has stolen a piece of our hearts that will never fade. Your generosity, warmth and friendship will always be cherished and the way in which God has been transforming the lives of individuals and this community of faith will be treasured in our hearts.

Tuesday 13th October at 7.30pm has been fixed as the date for my Institution in Willowfield which means Sunday 11th October will be our last day to worship in Holy Trinity, Dromore. We pray that God will continue to bless you all as you ‘Sow Seeds and Grow Community.’ Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them. Psalm 126:5-6.

In His service  
James

‘Look No Hands’

Brian and May 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 Churchwardens 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 get more information from Eveline Smyth on 82 898911.

‘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 take place 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 info please contact Revd James.
Confirmation

A date has been booked with the Bishop for Confirmation in Holy Trinity in the Autumn. There will be further details later and a course will be run Sept/Oct/Nov, so if you are considering being confirmed (Year 10 and above or indeed any Adult) then please speak to the Rector.

From the Parish Register

Baptism
Sunday 12th July - Freddie Ronald McCaskie

Burial
Tuesday 7th July - Joyce Agnew

Parish Organisations
Our organisations begin their normal cycle of events and meetings in September/October – please watch the Facebook page or announcements in church for details.

Keeping up to date
There are a number of ways that you can keep up to date with everything that is going on in the parish:
- Get a recording of the service on CD every week
- Visit our website www.holytrinitydromore.org
- Like our page ‘Holy Trinity Dromore’ on Facebook
- Follow us on Twitter @HTDromore

Drumkeeran, Templecarne and Muckross

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Services
Sunday 6th
10.00am Templecarne MP
11.30am Drumkeeran HC

Friday 11th
8.00pm Muckross Harvest Thanksgiving.
Preacher, Canon Brian Harper, rector of Magheracross, Ballinamallard. Tea after the service.

Sunday 13th
11.30am Drumkeeran MP

Sunday 13th
7.00 Muckross Harvest Thanksgiving
No service in Dernasesk in September due to Muckross Harvest Thanksgiving.

Sunday 20th
11.30 Drumkeeran MP

Sunday 20th
7.00 Templecarne Harvest Thanksgiving: Preacher: Mrs Eileen Cutler, Diocesan Lay Reader.

Tea in the church after the service
Sunday 27th
10.00 Muckross MP

Sunday 27th
11.30 Drumkeeran Harvest Thanksgiving.

Sunday 28th
7.00 Drumkeeran Harvest Thanksgiving.
Preacher, Dean Raymond Thompson.

Thursday 24th September
Annual Diocesan Synod commencing at 4.30.

4th October
Sunday School will resume on 4th October.

Sunday 18th October
7.00 Dernasesk Harvest Thanksgiving conducted by Revd Stephanie Woods.

Thursday 29th October
Templecarne Annual Concert.

Marriage

On 4th July Jenna Clarke, 42 Muckross Road, Kesh and Edwin Earls, 504 Lough Shore Road, Belleek were married in Drumkeeran Parish Church. The marriage service was conducted by the Revd Ngozi Njoku, rector of the Garrison group of parishes.

On 24th July, Gwenan Morgan from Wales and Allistair Lyttle, Rosefield, Pettigo, were married in St Mary’s Church, Pontrhydfenddigid, Wales. The service was conducted by the vicar of the parish, Canon Philip Wyn Davies.

We offer our good wishes to both couples. May God be with them in the days and years ahead.

Mission Work

Two Drumkeeran parishioners, William and Gillian Stevenson, joined a group of young people from Northern Ireland who went out to Africa in August to help with a Kindfund Bible Camp. No doubt they have had a great experience and we look forward to hearing more about it.

Institution

We convey our good wishes to the Revd Stephanie Woods who is being instituted Rector of the Parish of Lisbellaw with Coolbuck on 28th August. Stephanie was a parishioner of Drumkeeran prior to her ordination. We pray that God will be with her in her ministry in Lisbellaw and in the diocese.

September 2015

September is like a ‘New Year’ in the life of the parish. It is an opportunity to begin again with renewed commitment and resolve to be more regular in worship. During the summer months of June, July and August, attendance tends to be less than normal. Perhaps the absence of Sunday School contributes to this. In addition many people are away on holiday, enjoying a break, an indication of the opportunities available at the beginning of the 21st. In this better standard of living we all rejoice. The weather has not
been so good over the summer months, tough for the farming community in particular. However we now look forward to all the glories and colours of the autumn season, another demonstration of the wonder and beauty of God’s creation.

Make this September a time of beginning again in the life of this group of parishes, a time of renewed commitment to God, to the church, to worship, and to community. Make worship in church a priority for every Sunday, part of your weekly routine. In the life of the church the beginning of September is an opportunity to begin again.

As you can see, September is the month of Harvest Thanksgivings in the group. If you can provide flowers or other items for the decorating of any of the churches it would be much appreciated and would certainly enrich the atmosphere for worship. There is always an uplift coming into a church where the symbols of nature are all around the place.

**Holiday Cover**

I am grateful to those who provided cover when I was on holiday. The services were conducted by Mr Jack Watson, Mr Karl Saunders and Mr John Irvine. The Parade Services were conducted by Dean Raymond Thompson and Canon Mark Watson. Emergency pastoral cover was provided by the Rev Henry Blair and the Rev Caroline Mansley. Thank you all.

**Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum**

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**Harvest Services in the Group**

Harvest Thanksgiving Services have been arranged as follows:

**Aughnamullen**
Sunday 13th September 3.00pm Preacher: tbc

**Dartrey**
Sunday 27th September 3.00pm Preacher: tbc

**Rockcorry**
Sunday 4th October 8.00pm Preacher: tbc

**Aghabog**

Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

The Annual Coffee morning was held on Saturday 20th June. A great crowd attended during the morning and enjoyed the lovely refreshments. Many thanks to all who made cakes, buns, etc. and to those who provided bottles for the bottle stall. Thanks must go to all who prepared the hall and tidied up afterwards, also to all who prepared the food, all who sold quiz sheets and to Roberta Norris who organised same, and to all who helped in any way to make it a good success.

**Children’s Service**

Our Children’s Day Service was held on Sunday 21st June. The children read bible passages, led the prayers and lifted the collection. At the end of the service presentations were made to the children. A big thank you to the parents of the young children who provided gifts to the rector, organist and Sunday school teachers. A sincere thank you to our organist Ethel and to the Sunday school teachers and, of course, to our children for all their participation and help.

**Sympathy**

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr Teddy Burns and family and to Mrs Christine Dickson and family on the death of their aunt Mrs Smyth, Lisnaskea, to Mr John Ritchie and family on the sudden death of his cousins wife, Mrs Joan Gilliland, Monaghan, and to anyone else unknown to us who have been bereaved recently.

**County Monaghan Junior Orange**

County Monaghan Junior Orange Lodge held their annual service in Aghabog on Thursday 2nd July at 8.00pm. Our thanks to all the children who read the lessons, sang and played music. Our thanks to Ethel who played the organ and to Archdeacon Helene Steed who conducted the service and to all who provided tea in the church hall afterwards.

**Eldron RBP 33**

Newbliss Eldron RBP 33 held their annual parade service on Sunday 2nd August at 3.30pm. A large crowd attended this service which was conducted by Canon William Johnston. A big thank you to the Clontibret Pipe Band who led the parade to and from the church. A sincere thank you to all who organised the tea afterwards.

**Harvest**

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday 11th October at 8.00pm.

**Best Wishes**

We send best wishes for a speedy recovery to John Ritchie who is recovering from a recent operation, and also to Peter Toal who has been unwell recently.

**Congratulations**

We send hearty congratulations to Sarah Wright who recently got engaged to Alan Blakely and wish them God’s blessing as they make their wedding plans.
Farewell to the Revd George Beattie
On Sunday 26th July a Group Service was held in Aghabog church which was very well attended. The Revd George had requested that his ‘Farewell’ service be held in Aghabog as it was where he took his first service in the Group.

Following the service, refreshments were served in the hall, thanks to all who provided and served the food, helped prepare the hall and tidy up.

Gifts were presented to the Revd George and his wife Marjorie to thank them for all their work in the group over the past 4 years, and they were wished a happy and healthy retirement.

Rockcorry and Dartrey
Parish Picnic
The annual parish picnic was held at Dartrey Hall on Friday 19th June and attracted a good crowd.

Our grateful thanks to the visiting bands, and to all who helped in any way towards the success of the evening.

Sunday School Children’s Service
We had a lovely children’s Sunday School Service in Rockcorry Church on Sunday 5th July on the theme of Creation. The children sang, read the prayers and played several musical instruments.

It was obvious that a lot of hard work had gone into its preparation. Our grateful thanks to those who take their turn in helping out Sunday by Sunday during the year and, in this regard, a particular thank you to Tommy Wilkin. All the children received prizes and a lovely cup of tea in the Sexton’s House which brought this happy morning to a conclusion.

Barbecue
Our grateful thanks to Stephen and Carol Carleton who hosted a lovely walk and barbecue at their home, Dawson Grove, on the evening of the 28th June. This was much enjoyed by children and adults alike.

Farewell
The parishioners of the Group of Parishes gathered in Aghabog Church on Sunday, 26th July, for Revd George’s final service. A lovely tea followed in the adjacent parish hall during which warm tributes were paid to Revd George for his ministry among us for over 4 years. Presentations were made on behalf of the parishioners. Marjorie also was the recipient of presentations and thanked for all her hard work and friendship. We wish both of them God’s blessing, good health and happiness in the years ahead.

Illness
We remember in our prayers all who are ill and under doctors’ care at this time.

Enniskillen Cathedral

Services
Thursday 3rd September
11.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 6th September The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Holy Communion (Hong Kong visitors)
4.30pm Evening Prayer (with members of the R.B.P.)
7.00pm Holy Communion (Kenyan Rite)

Thursday 10th September
11.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 13th September The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer
7.00pm Ordination to the Priesthood (Revd Olivia Downey)

Thursday 17th September
11.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 20th September The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Holy Communion
7.00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 24th September
11.00am Holy Communion
1.05pm Diocesan Healing Service
4.30pm Diocesan Synod Service

Sunday 27th September The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer
7.00pm Diocesan Youth Service (combined with Diocesan Missionary Service)

Holy Baptism
5th July Cora Margaret Elizabeth Parker

Christian Marriage
9th July Jenna Louise White and Mark William Thomas Livingstone
18th July Melanie Frances Fawcett and Laurynas Narbutas
24th July Mark Wallace Fleming and Georgina Jean Maloney
1st August Michael Hutchinson and Elise Fenart (married in Laventie, France)

Christian Burial
25th June Roy McRoberts, 3 Crest Road, Enniskillen.
26th June Pearl Muriel Cathcart, Millcroft Nursing Home, formerly 22 Derrychara Park, Enniskillen.
28th July Niall Rea Dunlop, 34 Devenish Manor, Enniskillen.
3rd August Elizabeth Ida Irwin, 10 Old Rossorry Crescent, Enniskillen.
3rd August Wilfred Greene, 20 Lakeview Park Enniskillen.

‘Thursday’ Holy Communion
A Holy Communion (30 minute) service takes place each Thursday at 11.00am and is followed by a cup of tea/coffee and a chat. Do drop in and encourage others to do likewise!

Ordination - Additional Curate
We extend a very warm welcome to the Revd Olivia (Olie) Downey who will be ordained a Priest of Sunday 13th September at 7.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen. The Revd Olie will reside within the Clogher Group of Parishes and her time will be equally divided between Clogher and Enniskillen. Having served with us a Deacon for six months we very much looking forward to the Revd Olie returning and we pray the God will richly bless her ministry.

Sunday School

‘Sunday Lights’ Forming
Faith in Children
This is our new children’s ministry programme which will be held on Sunday mornings at 11.00am. All children and young people are invited to gather for a fun faith-filled experience, starting with P1 to P6 in the Cathedral with their parents or guardians, and then following the Sunday Lights team to the Cathedral Hall for songs, games, stories and lots of fun activities. P7 and Yr 8 & 9 meet separately at 11.00am for Sunday Lights Cafe and their own faith adventure. Kick-off is the 13th September so please try to attend in order to have your child registered. Hope you can join us!

“Train a child in the right way, and when old, they will not stray”
Proverbs Ch 22:6

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

Messy Church
In June we had a Messy Church in the ‘Great Outdoors’ (the front of the curate’s house!). Over 100 children attended on what was a sunny and fun filled day. Thanks to all who led crafts and activities, our BBQ team, and for Ivan who kindly funded an ice cream van.

Messy Church starts up ‘bigger and better (and maybe even a bit messier)’ on Thursday 17th September at 4.00pm.

Confirmation
A Confirmation service will be held in the spring of 2016 for young people of school Yr 10 and above. Those who expect to be confirmed should regularly attend church with their families. There is no logical sense in being confirmed if you are not a regular attendee at church! Application forms for Confirmation are available in the Parish Office for those who wish to be confirmed. Please collect and return them as soon as possible.

Xplore
Xplore is a youth programme of St. Macartin’s Enniskillen for young people third year and above. It is a peer led programme that exists to:
1. help young people grow in faith
2. provide a place where young people can meet safely with other young people
3. be a place where all young people are welcomed and encouraged
4. make a difference in our schools, community and world
5. be fun!

Here are our core values. We seek to:
1. be accepting of one another’s differences
2. be like Jesus
3. always put relationships first
4. help and support those in the group, and reach out to those outside of the group

This year Xplore will have two regular evenings as follows:

- **Movies**
  
  This is a monthly programme built around movies that matter. Xplore movies is on the 4th Friday of the month on the Cathedral hall stage. Come watch a film, eat popcorn and see why it matters.
  
  - Friday 25th September: The Impossible
  - Friday 23rd October: The Pursuit of Happiness
  - Friday 27th November: The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas (venue to be decided)

- **Sundays**
  
  This is a monthly programme on Sunday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30pm in the Cathedral hall. There will be a mix of food (usually on a theme), games, and discussion about matters of faith. This term's programme is a ‘Faith and … ‘series.
  
  - 4th October: Faith and School
  - 8th November: Faith and the Environment
  - 6th December: Faith and Sectarianism

**Saturday Night Live**

Saturday Night Live meets on a Saturday night from 7.00pm - 9.00pm and is open to all children Yr 6 and above. All children must be registered by a parent/guardian on 12th September and this will follow a more structured approach to include movie nights, competition nights, etc. Young people will be given a membership card and a code of conduct which emphasises respect, self respect and participation.

**Youth Fellowship**

Youth Fellowship follows Saturday Night Live from 9.00pm - 10.30pm and begins again on 12th September. All children of school Yr 10 and above are welcome. A separate registration form must be completed. Activities include bible study, games and fellowship with the occasional guest speaker.

**Adult Faith Formation in St Macartin’s**

**Daily Prayers for Pilgrims** - No church hoping to grow does so without prayer

On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month there will be a gathering in the Cathedral for prayer at 8.00pm. There are some written prayers for reflection so you can simply take time to pray on your own, or to pray as part of a small group. You don’t have to be an expert in prayer or a master of words, you simply need to have a desire to bring to God the needs of others and to listen to what God might be saying to us. It’s also a lovely time in the week to enjoy some stillness in the Cathedral.

**Adult faith formation** is the continual lifelong process of deepening one’s understanding of his or her faith. It is the churches role to help travellers of all ages grow in both human and Christian maturity. Adult faith formation assumes that we have not arrived at our destination in the Christian life, but rather that we are all being formed by a God who lovingly works alongside us.

St Macartin’s has committed itself to the Pilgrim course as its tool for adult faith formation. People at all stages of the faith (and even people just inquisitive) are invited to join us on our pilgrim journey.

Faith formation is an important part of the Christian life. It’s also great fun. If you are interested and want to find out more, contact Revd Rob Clements on 028 66322421 or at rob41@hotmail.com

**Parochial Organisations**

**Choir Practice**

Choir practice takes place each Wednesday evening in the Cathedral commencing at 7.30pm. Practices will resume on Wednesday 2nd September following the summer recess. New choir members are most welcome, currently tenor or bass singers would be particularly encouraged to consider joining. Please contact Jayne.

**Bell Ringers**

Fewer than a dozen parish churches in Northern Ireland have towers with peals of eight or more bells where campanologists can exercise their skill. Enniskillen is one of these, and the peal of ten bells is rung in changes each Sunday and on special occasions. Practice takes place Thursdays 7.00-8.00pm and new ringers will be warmly welcomed to send out the call to worship on Sunday! Please contact Stewart Scott on 6632 4375.

**Crèche**

As we start what is traditionally seen as a new season of church life in September, here is a reminder of the crèche facilities which are available during the main Sunday morning service. Parents of babies and children who are not of Sunday School age are welcome to leave their little ones in the Parish crèche and be confident in the knowledge that they will be safe and well looked after by a team of volunteers who have been trained under the Church of Ireland’s
Safeguarding Trust Policy. If you can help with the creche on a rota basis please put your name on the list in the porch.

**Beavers**

Beavers will recommence on Monday 21st September from 6.30pm - 7.45pm. This is for all children aged 6 to 8 years and they will join a worldwide organisation preparing young people to develop as active members of their community.

**Cubs**

Cubs will recommence on Monday 21st September from 6.30pm - 7.45pm. This is for all children aged 8 to 10 years and they will join a worldwide organisation preparing young people to develop as active members of their community and experience probably for the first time, camping and participating in county and national competitions.

**Scouts**

Scouts will recommence on Monday 21st September from 7.30pm – 9.00 pm. This is for all young people aged 10 to 15 years and they will join a worldwide organisation of over 300 million members preparing young people to develop as active members of their Community. They will take camping and outdoors to a new level and for some to an international level. For all sections the gaining of badges and awards is a large part of the programme and there is the opportunity to gain the Chief Scouts’ award and the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Please note that there will be a registration night for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts on Monday 14th September. Fees must be paid on that night to cover insurance etc.

**Rainbows**

Rainbows will recommence on Tuesday 29th September from 6.30pm - 7.30pm. This is for all girls aged 4 to 6 years and they will enjoy learning new games, craft work and going on outings as well as making new friends with other Rainbows in Fermanagh.

**Brownies**

Brownies will recommence on Tuesday 29th September from 6.30pm - 7.45pm. This is for all girls aged 7 to 10 years (P6) and they will enjoy completing badge work, going on outings, craft work, participating in joint activities with other Brownie units throughout Fermanagh and going on Pack Holiday.

**Guides**

Guides will recommence on Tuesday 29th September from 6.30pm - 7.45pm. This is for all girls aged 10 years (P7) to 15 years and they will enjoy completing badge work, completing Duke of Edinburgh award, craft work, camp holidays and taking part in activities with Guides throughout Fermanagh and Northern Ireland.

**St Macartin’s Mothers’ Union**

Mothers’ Union is an international Christian charity that seeks to support families of all faiths and none through practical outreach, prayer and advocating family friendly policies within both government and public life. By supporting marriage and family life, especially through times of adversity, we tackle the most urgent needs challenging relationships and communities. Our members are not all mothers, or even all women, but are single, married, parents, grandparents or young adults who are just beginning to express their social conscience. For all 4.1 million members in 83 countries what Mothers’ Union provides is a network through which they can serve Christ in their own community through prayer, financial support and actively working at grassroots level. In St Macartin’s we aim to have a warm welcome for all and endeavour to assist in the work of the Church both in Enniskillen and overseas. We support the work of Messy Church and see this as a vital outreach to young families in our community! Please come and join us. You are invited to an Open Evening on Monday 14th September at 8.00pm in the Minor Hall. The speaker will be the Revd Precentor Noel Regan from St Macartan’s Cathedral group of parishes, Clogher, who will share a little of his life and in particular his friendship with Lord Louis Mountbatten.

**Tuesday Club**

Recommences on Tuesday 29th September at 2.00pm with a service of Holy Communion in the Hilliard Room.

New members are welcome and we especially want to encourage men to come along and enjoy the fun and fellowship! Come and meet other parishioners - a good friend could be someone you have yet to meet.

**Bowls**

Recommences on Wednesday 9th September from 10.30am – 12 noon and 7.30-10.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral hall. St Macartin’s Bowling Club re-entered the Churches League and with this new found enthusiasm we are appealing for new members, men, women, boys and girls to join in the fun and fellowship of bowling.

**Badminton**

Meets Thursdays - Eight to late! Come and test your stamina, speed, agility and strength, and sample the enjoyment in doing so! Contact Alan Warnock for more information on 6632 6849 or warnockalan@hotmail.co.uk.

**‘Can’t Cook Won’t Cook’ Fund Raiser**

Caroline Wheeler is organising a fun event to raise money for St Macartin’s Cathedral and St Michael’s Church. It will be a ‘Can’t Cook, Won’t Cook’ night on Friday 11th September at 7.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall with a local curate taking on the Dean! Father Raymond Donnelly, the curate of St Michaels Church will challenge Dean Kenny Hall of St Macartin’s Cathedral in a cook off hosted by Pamper Chef Shirley.
Kerr. There will be a panel of judges including a top chef! It will be a mix of Can’t Cook, Won’t Cook and Master Chef and the audience votes by £1 a vote for their favourite chef. Tickets are £5 and it promises to be an amazing night of fun – well maybe for all, with the exception of the Dean! The money raised will be equally divided between repairs for St Macartin’s roof and St Michael’s facade of the church.

Prayer
“God, who has no favourites, enable us to find our true identity in you, and to focus more readily on those things we share in common with each other, than we do on our differences.” Amen

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The Bishop has given permission for Chris Bloomfield to assist with serving the Chalice at the Holy Communion. He joins Mamie Alexander, Thelma Atwell, Robert Fyffe, Norman Baxter and William Morrow.

Mission
Five young adults have been offered places on the ‘Young Adults’ Visit to Peru in 2016. It is hoped that a sixth young adult would be interested in going. Forms are available from the parish office for those aged between 18-29 years. Applications may be made by a young person from the parish or another church. Details available from Christine Baxter, Yvonne Cunningham, Kyle Hanlon or Andy Little.

Pray for Kelly and Peter Burke in South Africa, Claire Holmes in Paraguay, the Tasker Family in Peru, Alex Atwell working for YWAM, Kate Doherty and Operation Rescue. Melissa Harpur beginning work on 4th Sept with Crown Jesus ministries. Also, Yvonne Cunningham, Adele Kidney, Jonny and Janet Phenix representing the Church of Ireland in a pilgrimage walking the Camino De Santiago.

Are you interested in attending the Belfast Bible College Kairos Course in World?

Mission BBC partners with Living Springs International to offer this internationally recognised course (available in 20 languages and 45 countries) as part of our evening class programme. It covers a range of topics including the biblical basis for mission, the history of Christian mission, current challenges and appropriate strategies. There is set reading each week from the Kairos Reader (a copy is included in the price of the course) and the course includes teaching, discussion, activities, deviations and time for prayer. Completion of the Kairos Course at BBC counts as 18 hours of class time and 3 credits towards an Access Learning Theological Studies Certificate. Spaces are limited, so early booking is recommended.

Dates: Tuesday 15 September – Tuesday 17 November
Time: 7.00-9.30pm
Holiday: Tuesday 27 October
Cost: £115 per person

For more information, or to apply for this programme, please contact the college.
Website: www.belfastbiblecollege.com E m a i l : info@belfastbiblecollege.com
Tel: +44 (0) 28 9030 1551 - more information from Chris Bloomfield who hopes to attend this autumn.

Porvoo Communion Young Adults’ Pilgrimage 2015

The Camino or “Way of Saint James” is an ancient pilgrim’s route to the Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela, Spain where traditionally the apostle James was buried following his be-heading in Jerusalem in 44D. Jonny and Janet Phenix have been invited by Bishop Jorge of the host Lusitana church in Portugal to accompany Yvonne Cunningham and Adele Kidney representing the Church of Ireland in a party walking the Camino De Santiago.

We are delighted to be honoured in this way and to see our young people committing to what will be not only a significant physical challenge but also a demanding spiritual journey. We look forward to hearing from them on their return and of what they have learned. They go with our prayers and best wishes from us in the name of Christ.

Events This autumn

God willing, the Rector hopes to host an Alpha Course on Sunday evenings this Autumn and Winter. The course will give time to thinking about topics such as
• Is there more to life?
• Who is Jesus?
• Why and how do I pray?
• Who is the Holy Spirit?
It will also provide time for fellowship during the 12 Sunday evenings, to be held fortightly, and the Saturday day conference. The Alpha Course is scheduled to commence on Sunday 20th September at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

Women’s Ministry are reading ‘When We Can’t, God Can’ by Catherine Campbell. Catherine visited the parish several years ago. Perhaps read her new book before hearing Catherine speak at a breakfast for women on Saturday 3rd October in the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen. Copies at a reduced price of £5.99 are available from Mamie Alexander or the parish office.

Thank You to all who organised and helped in any way at the ‘Previously Loved Shop’ in the Buttermarket in August.

Ordination

A 24 seater bus is booked for 6th September, leaving the Parish Hall at 12.50pm to arrive 3.15-3.30pm for 4.00pm service. Bring a light picnic for a 20 minute stop.

Cost: Adult £12.50; Children £8. Monies to be paid by Friday 21st August to the parish office.

At present all seats are booked but a reserved list is open.

Mothers’ Union

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th September at 8.00pm. The speaker will be Mrs Lorraine Polley whose subject is ‘My Journey with Cancer’ and craft. Everyone welcome.

Bowling Club

Everyone is welcome to enjoy an active evening of indoor bowling in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm each Thursday evening recommencing on Thursday 17th September.

Girls’ Friendly Society

GFS will reopen on Wednesday 23rd September from 6.30-8pm for girls in P1 and upwards. New members will be most welcome.

Senior Adults

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

Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully

Services

9:00am Drummully
10:30am Sallaghy
12:00am Galloon

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).

Sunday School Times

Drummully: 9:00-10:00am in Drummully Church Hall
Sallaghy: 10:30-11:30am in Sallaghy Church Hall
Galloon: 12:00-1:00pm in Galloon Church Hall

Harvest Services

Sallaghy: Friday 25th at 8.00pm (followed by a Harvest Supper)
Drummully: Sunday 4th October at 10.30am
Galloon: Sunday 11th October at 7.00pm with the dedication of the Sunday School rooms by Bishop John.

Galloon & Drummully Mothers Union

The Branch is holding a service on Tuesday 15th September at 8.00pm in Galloon Parish Church. The special speaker is Mrs Heather Dawson, 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.
Members are asked to keep free the evening of Wednesday 14th October when members plan to attend the Autumn council in Lisnaskea. The speaker is Mrs Moira Thom, All Ireland Fundraising and Communications Unit Co-Ordinator.

Parish Auction
The auction will take place in the Church Hall, High Street, Newtownbutler, on Saturday 12th September commencing at 12 noon. The usual great variety of goods will be on offer and viewing will be possible from 11.00am. Please give your support to this important fund raising event for the parish.

Burial
The burial of Mrs Doreen Forde, mother of Jessie, Brian, Girley, Linda and the late Robin, took place in Galloon graveyard on Thursday 28th May. We extend our sympathy to all members of her family at the loss of a mother, grandmother and great granddaughter and wider family circle.

Sallaghy
Mothers’ Union
The Opening Holy Communion Service for the Mothers’ Union will take place on Thursday 10th September at 8.00pm in the Parish Church, followed by supper in the Church Hall.

Parish Barbeque
A Steak Barbeque will take place on Friday 18th September. Tickets are currently available. Sunday School children free. Please keep this date free and invite your friends to attend. All support will be greatly appreciated.

Bowling Club
The Bowling Club will recommence for the new season on Tuesday 22nd September at 8.00pm in the Church Hall. New members of all ages will be made most welcome and everyone is asked to encourage someone to attend for the first time to and enjoy a game of bowls and the fellowship together.

Crom Road Tractor Run and Vintage Ploughing Demonstration
A tractor run and vintage ploughing demonstration was held at Fiddis’ Farm, Crom Road, Lisnaskea on Saturday 15th August. The weather was fair and there was a demonstration of the cutting of corn which was planted on Fiddis’ farm in the springtime. Thanks are expressed to Vera and Tommy Fiddis for hosting and leading the organisation of the event. Thanks also to everyone who helped, supported, made donations in money or kind to make this event a success.

Drummully
Car Boot Sale
The Car Boot Sale with a dog and pet show on Saturday 4th July was an enjoyable event. Thank you to all those who helped in any way. Thank you also to Mr and Mrs Vance for judging. We had a good variety of dogs and pets. Well done to all participants and thank you for coming along with your animals.

Car Boot Sale and Scarecrow Competition
We intend to run another Car Boot Sale in the Autumn (date to be confirmed). This will have a harvest flavour to it with a scarecrow competition, so start building your scarecrows now and you can win one of the...
cash prizes on offer, sponsored by local businesses and parishioners. There will also be a number of other prizes on the day. Entry for the scarecrows is £5. Entry for small cars and vans for the car boot will be €10, while large vans is €15.

Wedding
Drummully parish would like to wish Sophie Patton and Thomas Forrest every blessing following their marriage in Drummully Church on 25th July. The service was conducted by the Revd Anita Kerr.

Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher

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Services

**Sunday 6th September**
Garrison 10.00am HC
Slavin 11.30am HC

**Sunday 13th September**
Kiltyclogher 10.00am HC
Belleek 11.30 HC

**Friday 18th September**
Slavin 8pm Harvest Thanksgiving

**Sunday 20th September**
Garrison 10.00am MP
Slavin 11.30am MP/Harvest Thanksgiving

**Friday 25th September**
Belleek 8.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving

**Sunday 27th September**
Kiltyclogher 10.00am MP
Belleek 11.30am MP/Harvest Thanksgiving

**Friday 2nd October**
Garrison 8.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving

**Sunday 5th October**
Garrison 10.00 HC/Harvest Thanksgiving
Slavin 11.30am HC

**Sunday 11th October**
Belleek 11.30am HC
Kiltyclogher 7.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving

Garrison Family Service
The family service and prize-giving was held in Garrison Parish church on Sunday 21st June. As it was Father’s Day the children sang a song about Dads. Carly, Joe, and Emma played instruments. Ryan, Cara, Blake, Glen, Andries and Clare read out what the letters of the word FATHER stood for. Cameron, Abi and Avril read the Prayers.

All the children received book tokens sponsored by Dawn and Marion from The Holiday Centre in Garrison. A big thank you to them both for this very generous gesture.

Joy Graham received a gift for all her help playing the organ for the kids throughout the year. The Revd Ngozi also received a stole from the teachers and children. This was specially designed and hand crafted by Helen Thompson. The Revd Ngozi thanked the Sunday School teachers, June Thompson, Lorraine Boyd, Esther Ferreira, Michelle Duffy, Wendy Graham and Arlene Brock and presented each of them with a thank-you card from the Select Vestry. She also expressed her grateful thanks to Helen Thompson for her faithful dedication in organising the Sunday School rota and her role as Sunday School Coordinator over the year. The teachers presented Helen with flowers as a token of thanks. Also thanks to all the teachers who gathered at the Church hall to give it the end of year clean up.

Garrison SS Teachers during the Church Hall Clean up
Sunday School Resumes on the 6th September. All children will be made most welcome.

The children of Garrison Sunday School gathered at the Church hall on Monday 3rd August and made a scarecrow dressed as the Revd Ngozi for the Melvin Summer Fest which was held on Saturday 8th August at the Rusheen in Garrison.

Parade Services

Slavin Parade service was held in Slavin Parish Church on Sunday 5th July. The Revd Ngozi took the service and welcomed the visiting brethren and Garrison Accordion Band. Robert Ovens and Robert Johnston read the lessons. Ethne Earls was the organist.

Garrison Parade Service was held in Garrison Parish Church on Sunday 12th July. The Revd Ngozi took the service and Joy Graham was the organist.

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 who has been a patient in hospital for some time.

Christian Burial

Edward (Eddie) Earls, Slavin, Roscor, Belleek

His sudden but peaceful death occurred on 6th July in South West Acute Hospital.

Edward had been residing in Millcroft Nursing Home before his admission to hospital.

The funeral took place on Wednesday 8th July in Slavin Parish Church conducted by the Revd Ngozi. The address was given by Mr Gareth Hayden from Kilcoo & Springfield Methodist Church. The Revd Ngozi poignantly described Eddie as an educated gentleman which indeed was a very accurate description. Our prayers and sympathy are extended to his sister Greta Ovens and brother Jim Earls and extended family circle.

Dorothy (Dollie) Hamilton, Ballinamallard

The funeral service of Mrs Hamilton took place in Magheracross Parish Church on Wednesday 29th July. The burial took place in the family plot in Slavin Churchyard and was conducted by the Revd Canon Brian Harper and the Revd Ngozi. Our prayers and sympathy are extended to her daughter Sadie, sons Jim and George and their families and the extended family circle.

The Select Vestry of Slavin Parish would like to thank the ladies of the church for serving tea after both funerals also thanks to the men who prepared the grave, mowed the grass and tidied up the grounds.

Sympathy

We remember those in our group who have suffered bereavements in recent times. Our thoughts and prayers are extended to Mrs Sally Carson and family on the recent, sudden death of her nephew, James Balfour. We also think of Sinead Johnston, on the recent passing of her granny, Molly Johnston from Pettigo.

Holy Matrimony

Congratulations to Edwin Earls, Roscor and Jenna Clarke, Kesh on their marriage on Saturday 4th July in Tubrid Parish Church, conducted by the Rector Rev
Ngozi Njoku. We wish the couple every happiness in their new home at “Churchview”, Roscor.

Weedkiller
Weedkiller will shortly be used around the surrounds of all the graves in Garrison Church to keep the weeds at bay. If you do not wish weed-killer around your family grave, please inform the Rector as soon as possible.

Mothers’ Union
Our next MU meeting is on Wednesday 16th September at 8.00pm in Belleek Parish Church. We look forward to a visit by the Diocesan President of Mothers’ Union in Wellington, New Zealand, Heather Dawson and her husband John. They will be in Clogher Diocese from 14th September and they are staying in our Group of Parishes. This meeting is open to all our Parishioners, and neighbouring Parishes, everyone is most welcome. Heather will also visit the Parishes of Derrynvullen North & Castle Archdale and the Galloon, Sallaghy, & Drummully Group of Parishes.
MU young Members Weekend 9-10th October in the City North Hotel, Dublin. Please contact Dot Barlow, Branch leader if you are interested in attending.

Church and Rectory Grounds
The Rector expresses her thanks to all the men and young people in the Parishes who have maintained the church grounds to a high standard over the summertime.
She particularly expresses her thanks to Neville and Adrian Elliot who maintain the extensive Rectory grounds.

Fundraising
Garrison and Slavin Churches recently had some fundraising events.
Garrison - Wark Hall Sale raised £759. Many thanks to all the helpers on the day as well as those who baked goodies, donated items and money to make it such a success.
Slavin - Wark Hall Sale raised £841; bag packing in Tesco £735; recycled clothes £485. All great results and thanks are extended to all who helped, donated and supported these events.
The results of the Kiltyclogher sale will be known for next month’s magazine.

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

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

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Services
Services revert to our usual 10.30am Trillick and 11.45am Kilskeery from September.

Holy Matrimony
Warmest congratulations to Sharon Irvine and Kyle McCleery who were married at Kilskeery Parish Church on 15th July and, at the time of writing, Rachel Gilmore and Graham Cashel who were preparing for their marriage at Kilskeery Parish Church on 21st August and Ruth Read and John Armstrong for their marriage at Pettigo Presbyterian Church on 28th August.
And to Evelyn and Robert Armstrong and Jean and Billy Funston who celebrated their 60th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries respectively in the month of July and the Revd Rosemary and Art, their 40th on 23rd August.

Not a Ready-made Garment
Love is not a read-made garment, but a piece of material to be cut and tailored.
It is not a flat ready for occupation, but a house to be designed, built, furnished and repaired.

It is not a conquered peak, but a daunting ascent with many obstacles and falls made in the icy cold or the fierce heat.
It is not a safe anchorage in a harbour of happiness, but a voyage on the open sea in storm and tempest.

It is not a triumphant ‘yes’, an affirmation of success, a magnificent final chord followed by clapping and cheers, but ‘yes’ repeated again and again throughout life accompanied by ‘no’ repeated as many times, but overcome.

It is not the sudden appearance of a new life, perfect from the moment of birth, but the flowing of a river from its source, sometimes in flood and sometimes only as a trickle of water, but always on its way to the infinite sea.
Deepest Sympathy

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Geordie Moffitt, husband of the late Olive and brother of Gwen (Crozier) and we extend our deepest sympathy to Gwen and all the family circle.

Lord, we thank you for the precious gift of family life, for all human relationships and for the strength we draw from one another. Have compassion on those for whom this parting brings particular pain and the deepest sense of loss. Casting their cares on you, may they know the gentleness of your presence and the consolation of your love.

Kilskeery Parish Church gratefully acknowledges the sum of £300 in lieu of flowers in memory of the late Mr. Douglas Armstrong.

Cancer Connect NI Fundraising Event

Sincere thanks again to all those who helped in any way with Services marking the end of another Sunday School year in Trillick and Kilskeery Parishes. ‘A Great Big Bunch of Love’ especially to our Sunday School Teachers - Vicki, Joan and Pauline (Trillick) and Judith, Gwen, Joyce and Elizabeth (Kilskeery) for all that they do throughout the year. This area of Children’s Ministry has grown in the past year with the addition of our Crèche and ‘Messy Kids Group’ and we thank Alison, Clare, Jemma, Leona and Sandra our ‘newbies’. Finally, ‘A Great Big Bunch of Love’ to our parents and children!

Sunday School

Teachers Judith, Elizabeth, Joyce and Gwen with some of the Kilskeery Sunday School children.

Sincere thanks again to all those who supported in any way, our Cancer Connect NI Fundraising Event in memory of Olive Moffitt - the response was outstanding. The round of applause afforded Gwen (Crozier) at the end of the night was richly deserved - her effort, as always, above and beyond the call of duty.

Teachers Joan, Pauline & Vicki with some of the Trillick Sunday School children

Sunday School and Crèche

Dates For The Diary

Senior Citizens Club

Senior Citizens Club resumes on 1st September at 2.00pm in Kilskeery Parish Hall and, this year, looks forward to an even wider programme which will see the addition of a Craft Club, a wider choice of games and, from 8th September a weekly dinner for our Senior Citizens. The Club has been awarded a grant from British Red Cross to help with costs in this. A warm welcome is extended to all who might wish to join us.

Barbeque

A Family Fun Night and Barbeque for the pupils, families and friends of Kilskeery Primary School will take place on Thursday 3rd September from 6.30 – 8.30pm. Music will be provided by both Trillick Pipe Band and Kilskeery Silver Band.

Messy Kids Club

Messy Kids Club Family Fun Day
Messy Kids Club resumes on Saturday 19th September from 11.30 – 1.00pm at Kilskeery Parish Hall.

Mothers’ Union
Mothers’ Union meet for a celebration of Holy Communion in Trillick Parish Church on 21st September at 8.00pm followed by the A.G.M.

Choir
Choir resumes on Tuesday 22nd September at 8.30pm in Kilskeery Parish Hall.

Full details of other Church Groups/Organisations on church news sheet.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services
Kilskeery Parish Church
Friday 19th October at 8.00pm
Sunday 11th October at 11.00am

Trillick Parish Church
Sunday 18th October at 11.00am and 8.00pm

Fundraising Concert
In addition, a Fundraising Concert, in aid of Trillick Parish Church Repair Fund, featuring Derrick Mehaffey with the Revd Joe McCormick (Country Gospel Singer) and supporting acts is planned for Friday October 23rd in Kilskeery Parish Hall. Tickets (£10) are available from Billy Funston tel 89 561784.

New Arrival
Warmest congratulations to Gareth and Lorraine Crawford of Drumeer Road, Lisbellaw on the birth of Will, a baby brother for Ben. Will’s arrival has brought huge joy to all the family.

Baptism
Mark and Zoe Crawford pictured with Dean Thompson at the baptism of their daughter Emilia.
On Sunday 21st June, Emilia Elizabeth, daughter of Mark and Zoe Crawford of Cormorant Park, Carrickfergus and grand-daughter of Betty Crawford, Fortview, Lisbellaw was baptised during the Family Service by Dean Raymond Thompson. It was lovely to see a good number of family members present. We wish Mark, Zoe, Isaac and baby Emilia every happiness in the years ahead.

Congratulations

Warm congratulations and best wishes to Charlotte Prescott, younger daughter of Sam and Lorna, Tattygare Road, Lisbellaw on her recent marriage to Andrew Graham Murphy, son of Dr Graham and Mrs Valerie Murphy, Belfast. The wedding ceremony took place on Tuesday 14th July at the Larchfield Estate, Lisburn and was conducted by Dr William Scott, great uncle of the groom, from Pennsylvania. We wish the couple God’s richest blessing as they begin their lives together.

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr Tommy Millar, Main Street and Mrs May Irvine, Tattymacall Road on the death of their brother, Mr Robert Millar. Sympathy too, to Mrs Ruby Doherty on the death of her cousin and to all other parishioners who have been recently bereaved.

Illness

A number of our parishioners have been ill during the summer, at home, in hospital and in nursing homes. Please remember them, and their families in your prayers at this difficult time.

Family Service

Our final family service of the year was held on Sunday 21st June and was very well attended. Thanks to all who prepared for and participated in the service, but especially to the Sunday School Teachers and to Wendy, leader of The Bridge for all the thought and effort that went in to purchasing such beautiful Bibles and books for the children and young people. Their gift of a beautiful bouquet was hugely appreciated!

Thanks, as always to Lynda for choosing and providing the music and finally to Dean Raymond Thompson for conducting the service.

Open Air Service

At the time of writing preparations are underway for the Lisbellaw Community Open Air Service to be held on Sunday 23rd August at 3.00pm in Lisbellaw Primary School grounds.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

These will be held on the usual weekends this year - please see the calendar above for dates and times.

Thanks

At the time of writing preparations are well underway for the arrival and Institution of our new rector, the Revd. Stephanie Woods, which is due to take place on Friday 28th August. We are eagerly awaiting this event and are praying that God will richly bless her ministry among us.

In the year of vacancy that has now passed we, as a Parish have been indebted to a number of people who have guided and supported us throughout. Thanks to Archdeacon Cecil Pringle and to Canon David Skuce for their unstinting pastoral care of those in hospital and in Nursing Homes and to families at times of bereavement. Thanks to them also for their invaluable advice and guidance and for their help with preparation for the Institution in August.

Thanks to the staff of the Diocesan Office, Glenn Moore and Ruth McKane for all their guidance, patience and practical support throughout the year. Thanks to our Diocesan Pastoral Assistants, firstly Miss Marie McCordick and, since November, Mrs Sue Hogg for all the visiting that they have done, particularly of the elderly and the housebound. Their visits have meant a great deal to many of our parishioners.

Within the parish, too many people to mention individually have given willingly of their time, skills, energy and encouragement. This has been hugely appreciated, as has been the faithful attendance Sunday by Sunday of so many of our parishioners.
Finally and most importantly we say thanks to God for His faithfulness to us in the year of vacancy that has now passed. We look forward with great eagerness to a new phase in the life of our parish.

A note from the Revd Stephanie Woods

As I write this it is still the month of August but I am looking forward to being with you in September and beginning my ministry amongst you. Many sincere thanks must go to all those who maintained the work of the parish throughout the year of vacancy, especially those who took services, chaired vestries and kept the lines of communication open through the parish and diocesan magazines. Along with those who are physically seen are the many who quietly work behind the scenes doing the work that is only noticed when it is not done! For those people, the unsung heroes, we give our earnest and heartfelt thanks today and always.

Lisnaskea

Services

Sunday 6th September
11.30am Holy Communion & Children’s Church resumes
Revd Charlie Eames

Sunday 13th September
11.30am Morning Prayer
Mr Keith Browne

Sunday 20th September
11.30am Morning Prayer
Revd Charlie Eames

Sunday 27th September
11.30am Morning Prayer

Holy Baptism

Sunday 28th June: Lily Catherine Agnew, Kingstown, Lisnaskea, daughter to Gary & Amanda. Congratulations to you both.

Burial

Saturday 4th July: Winifred Isobel (Winnie) Smyth, 7 Newbridge Road, Lisnaskea. Our sympathies and prayers are with the Smyth family circle and all who have been recently bereaved.

Catering

Thank you to everyone who gave of their time to get the catering van out on the road again over the summer. We had two successful days, 13th July in Kesh, and again on 1st August in Maguiresbridge. Due to circumstances beyond our control we were not able to attend the Enniskillen Show this year but hopefully next year we can organise a few more outings. If anyone knows of an event even over the winter months which may be suitable for us to go to please let the parish office or a member of vestry know so we can make enquiries. Once again thank you to all involved.

Megan Storey’s Bali Volunteering Trip

Twelve months have passed since my volunteering time in Bali’s cultural heart of Ubud, but I still remember it as if it was yesterday. When only having been in Bali about a week my eyes were already opened to so much. The culture is truly beautiful and I feel so blessed to have been able to experience it. What I love most about the people there is that no matter how little they may have or how tough things may be for them, they never stop smiling. They have really shown me how important it is to be thankful for what you have in life, and to appreciate all the little things which we take for granted every day.

The locals, the children at kindergarten and primary school and of course my Bali family who were volunteering with me, were all so inspiring, which gave me a great sense of happiness and satisfaction in what we were doing. Working with the children there and seeing how excited and happy they were to learn and watching them becoming more confident speaking English was just incredible. Days spent at the kindergarten and primary school were so much fun and I can truly say I’ve never met children more eager to learn. They really are the cutest and brightest little ones and were a real pleasure to teach and spend time with. It was challenging for us too of course, because many of the children couldn’t speak any English and we only knew a few words and phrases in their...
language Bahasa, but they picked up everything so quickly, learning the different colours, animals, etc. in English, together with nursery rhymes and songs.

We lived in the local homesteads during our volunteering month and got to explore the island in our free time, all which gave us the opportunity to appreciate and understand the way of life there. At times it was hard to believe where I actually was with some of the amazing things I was seeing. There were seaweed farms on some of the outlying islands I got the chance to visit. When the tide goes out locals harvest the seaweed and then leave it out to dry, before it is exported all over the world. It is the main source of income on these islands so locals really depend on it. It was really incredible to see, especially after studying about similar things, but at the same time it was quite emotional and eye opening to see how little some of these people have and the houses that they live and bring up their families in.

I can definitely say Bali is the best place that I’ve ever been, and it will always have a special place in my heart. As for my new Bali family I feel blessed to have been able to share this wonderful experience with them all and they are friends for life.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the parish and indeed outside it who supported me in any way in raising valuable funds which went towards this trip and helped me to purchase resources to use in the schools.

To anybody thinking of volunteering, all I have to say is go and volunteer abroad, it will be the best experience of your life and you will never look back or regret it in any way.

The summer is almost over and it seems as if it never happened! Personally, Heather and I had a great driving holiday round southern Florida and attending Samuel’s graduation in Portsmouth and, in between, I had the privilege of attending a 10-day conference in Windsor Castle.

The autumn season is now in our sights. We will start off on 13th September with our popular Ice Cream Sunday. Sunday School will begin on 21st and the other organisations will also open up. The Harvest season will then be upon us before we move into the winter!

We say farewell to our Youth and Children’s Minister, David McIlroy, who is taking up a new appointment in Saintfield Parish. David has given genuine service and encouragement to our young people. We’ll do this formally at the joint kids’ club service on 23rd.
We also say “welcome” to our new Youth and Children’s Minister, Chris Lyttle. Chris is originally from Dundonald and has served in a number of city churches. His wife, Gayle (nee Brown), is from Fivemiletown and they are hoping to settle in the area.

The 9:30am congregation have also bidden farewell to their organist, Gillian Ewing. Gillian has been appointed organist in St Columba’s Church, Omagh. She has been a faithful member of our Sunday team and will be an asset to the worship in Omagh.

When Does It Start?

Youth Club, Youth Fellowship, GB and Squirrels meet in the Methodist Hall. All others are in Archdale Hall.

- **Mothers’ Union**: Thursday 3rd September
- **Youth Club**: Friday 4th September
- **YF**: Sunday 6th September
- **Girls’ Brigade**: Thursday 10th September
- **Beavers**: Monday 14th September
- **Mums & Toddlers**: Tuesday 15th September
- **Squirrels**: Wednesday 16th September
- **Scouts**: Wednesday 16th September
- **Cubs**: Thursday 17th September
- **Badminton (adult)**: Thursday 17th September
- **GFS**: Tuesday 29th September

The Bowling Club Triples Tournament will take place in the Archdale Hall from Monday 7th Friday - 12th Sept.

**Mothers’ Union**

Monthly meetings for Mothers’ Union will resume on Thursday 3rd September with a service of Holy Communion been held in the Parish Room at 8.00pm. There will be a short business meeting to follow. Please feel free to come along and join us. Our October meeting is to be held on Thursday 1st which is our Visitor’s Night when the visiting speaker is Raymond Crooks, the singing chef. Please come along and enjoy the fellowship.

**Dedication of new lectern**

This mobile lectern, crafted by Rodney Dunlop, has been gifted for use in Magheracross in memory of the late Tommy Byers. It is designed to hold a laptop and notes for sermons and presentations and will also be suitable for children and shorter adults to read Scripture without disappearing from view! We are grateful to the Byers family for their generosity. The lectern will be dedicated on 13th September at our family Sunday.

**Sophie Robinson**

Sophie travelled to Australia last year to participate in a mission training course. It has given her a taste for ministry and evangelism so she is off again! She has gained a place at a Bible College in Vancouver, Canada and this course will last four years. Sophie will be greatly missed in the parish but we wish her every blessing as she begins this adventure. We’ll hopefully be able to follow her through the usual blogs and Facebook.

Sophie with her mum Sandra
As I write this, my eyes continue to be sore with hay fever, which I normally have in September. Recent August walks in Castle Archdale also remind me of Autumn, with the smell of leaf mould. Our summer, such as it is, gives us much not only to talk about, but to complain about as well. It is meant to be the coldest summer in 20 years, and we continue to pray for those who rely on the weather for their livelihood. However, I am struck by people’s reactions. Some indeed do moan, whilst others will remark what a good day it is (they usually mean, it’s not raining just at present!). Some pull back and look at the larger, negative picture, while others simply give thanks for that day. I wonder what Jesus would have done if he had lived in our climate.

The Apostle Paul’s attitude we can well imagine from his letter to the Philippians: “for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want.” (Chapter 4)

His secret? “I can do everything through him who gives me strength.” When we ask God for strength to face whatever challenges lie before us, it is a prayer that will be answered. We need to be open, however, to the answer - and it may not be until after the times of trial that we look back and discern how God helped us through. What a blessing, though, if we could discern His undertaking for us at the time! As our church activities resume this month, may we be expectant and open to what God would have us learn during this new season; open to how God equips us to engage with our challenges. As Canon Henry reminded us in our summer magazine, this does not happen overnight. Paul learnt to be content through much adversity - opposition, flogging, imprisonment, stoning and shipwreck. The discipline of going to church on a Sunday pales in comparison! As does a steady resolve to pursue God – “But if ... you seek the LORD your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul” (Deuteronomy 4: 29)

Revd Henry appointed as Canon

At the end of May Bishop John McDowell announced the appointment of the Revd Henry as a Canon of Clogher Cathedral. There will be a special service of admission for Canon Henry and Canon Geoffrey Bridle, rector of Cleenish and Mullaghduin Parish on Sunday 20th September in Clogher Cathedral at 7.00pm. Everyone is most warmly invited to attend this service.

Regular Events

It is impossible to keep track of all our events here so please visit our website www.ardess.org for a full list of all that’s going on in Ardess parish. A snapshot of the regular events is below.

Sunday Worship at 9:30am & 11:00am in Ardess church
Children’s Church during our 11.00am service (recommencing 13th September)
Mullaghfarne Church Service third Sunday in month at 3.00pm (next service: 20th September)

Prayer Opportunities

Revival Prayer Monday 8.00pm 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 11.00am Sunday service
24 hour prayer each month
Prayer for Mission our bi-monthly prayer sheet to help us pray specifically for the missionaries connected to Ardess parish.

Mothers’ Union

Mothers’ Union meets 3rd Thursday in month at 8.00pm in Parish Centre

‘Health for Body & Soul’

Thursday 17th September - Dr Walter Boyd will be speaking on the way to achieve health for your body and your soul.

Friends in the Afternoon

Friends in the Afternoon meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday in month. Starting again in September. Full details of September meetings will be posted on Ardess website: www.ardess.org
Book Club

In Stitches
Thursdays at 8.00pm in the Fountain Centre. Recommencing 3rd September. Everyone welcome.

From the Register
Baptism
9th August, Robert James Ogle, son of Mark Ogle and Rosie Byrne, 2 Fortview, Kesh.

Marriage
8th August - Congratulations to Jayne Lee of 4 Roscolban Meadows, Kesh and Ricky Ross, Ballymena, who will be living in Glengormley.

Funerals
10th June - John Forsythe of 15 Roscolban Meadows, Kesh, funeral service in Castlederg Parish Church.
15th July - Noelle Sproule of Mantlin Park, Kesh, funeral service in Termonamongan parish, Killeter, and burial in adjoining cemetery.

Scouts & Guides Book Sales
(11th & 13th July)
This event raised £767.20, 100% of which was directed to Kindfund to assist in continuation of the work in Kenya. www.kindfund.com

YWAM Border Walk
During the month of June we provided two nights accommodation at the Fountain Centre for the group of young people from Youth With A Mission, Rostrevor, as they made their annual journey, with the Cross, along the Irish border from Rostrevor to Londonderry in an eloquent proclamation of the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Kesh Festival
Every year in August the village of Kesh comes alive during this week of various events and activities for the young and not so young. Record crowds were drawn to the village this year to take part, spectate and have lots of fun in the friendly atmosphere.

2nd Chance Clothing Charity Sale
2nd Chance Clothing Charity Sale raised £1,230 for the missionary work of William and Rachel McGirr of YWAM.

Children’s Sports Morning
Children’s Sports Morning on Thursday 13th August (part of Kesh Festival) was very well attended by a good number of children and the activities were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Book Fair
Book Fair on Friday 14th & Saturday 15th August raised £815 for Youth With A Mission (YWAM). Thanks to all who donated and helped at this event.

Much enjoyment was had at the showing of the film Brave. This was a great family evening with some individuals dressed in Scottish costume, a piper and supper with foods from Scotland.

**New Youth Worker**

Gillian Robinson has been appointed as Youth Worker within the Parish and started work at beginning of August. Gillian has grown up within the Parish and more recently completed a 3 year placement at The Fountain Centre as part of her studies for a degree in ‘Youth and Community work and Practical Theology’ at Belfast Bible College. After leaving school Gillian spent a number of years working with the missions organisation ‘Youth With A Mission’ in Australia. This was a transformational time for Gillian personally, which ignited a fresh love for God and a passion for working with young people. Gillian’s vision for youth work is to meet young people where they are at, walk with them through life’s challenges and joys, encourage them in a personal walk with Jesus and equip them to be sent out into a life of service and purpose.

There is a sense of excitement as we move into a new season with our young people. Gillian is eager to hear from God as he leads us forward and recognises the importance of working together as we encourage our young people in faith and life.

**Fountain Centre Activities**

**Junior Youth Club**  
Thursdays 6.30 – 8.00pm. Age Group: P.5, P.6 and P.7. From Thursday 10th September. Sports, Games, Crafts, Movies, Tuck Shop and more... £1.

**Senior Youth Club**  
Friday 7.00-9.00pm. Age Group: Year 8 - Year 10. Friday Night 9.00-11.00pm. Age Group: Year 11+. New Times from 11th September. Sports, Music, Big TVs, Soft seats, Tuck Shop and more... £1.

**Connect YF**  
Sunday 7.00-9.00pm. Age Group: Year 8+. From Sunday 13th September. Food, Icebreakers, Games, Interactive talks, Faith, Discussion and more... .

**Waterworks**  
Waterworks will resume in mid-September at Kesh Primary School. Watch out for the publicity from school.

**Kesh Defibrillator Group**

Kesh Defibrillator Group recently installed a defibrillator at the Fountain Centre in Kesh. This means that Kesh now has three devices positioned around the village.

**Future Events**

**Harvest Weekend**  
Friday 9th to Sunday 11th October. Full details later.

**Parish Auction**  
As you tidy up after the summer do remember to set aside anything you no longer need for the parish auction on Saturday 24th October in Kesh Community Centre, Mantlin Road, Kesh.
Gospel Concert
Friday 20th November at 8pm in the Parish Centre.
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

Parish Register
Baptism
11th July, 2015, Bobby Dean Johnston, 60 Station Park, Maguiresbridge
2nd August, 2015, Mia Margaret Sheila Hall, 13 Park Hill, Maguiresbridge

Harvest Thanksgiving
This year the dates for our harvest thanksgiving are slightly different due to other things being on, on certain evenings. The services for St. Michael’s Parish Church will be Sunday 4th October, at 12 noon and on Monday 5th October at 8.00pm. The preacher will be the rector of Lisbellaw, the Rev Stephanie Woods. The services for Christ Church, Maguiresbridge, will be Friday 9th October at 8.00pm, when the preacher will be Rev. Ian Ellis, rector of Rosscorry and on Sunday 11th October at 10.30am. As we prepare ourselves for harvest thanksgiving, we should remember all our farmers in our thoughts and prayers – especially with the poor weather and the bad prices when selling their animals at auction and the poor price at the moment for milk.

Over the past few years there has been a lot of work carried out on St. Michael’s Parish Church, Derrybrusk and it is almost coming to completion. On Sunday 9th August, it will be the last service in the church for a few weeks as the church will be repainted. During this time the church will be repainted and a new carpet will be put down. During this time, we will be having our Sunday services in Belle Isle Orange Hall and I would like to thank the hall trustees for allowing us to use their hall for services.

This year the 12th August parade was held here in Maguiresbridge. We great appreciated all those who came along to the Church Hall for something to eat. From all accounts everyone was more than satisfied with what they got and we raised £1272 (after expenses were taken out). An interesting comment was passed that: ‘It was good to see so many men helping out’ and there was an excellent working atmosphere. I would like to thank all those who helped out in any way at all – from setting up the hall, providing the food, cooking the meat, serving the food and washing up the dishes. Your help was greatly appreciated.

The Together In Prayer (TIP) meet up again in Christ Church parochial hall on Wednesday 23rd September at 8.00pm.

Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore

Services
6th September Trinity 14
St Patrick’s 10.30am Holy Communion
Kilmore 12.15pm Holy Communion

13th September Trinity 15
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Kilmore 3.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service

20th September Trinity 16
St Patrick’s 10.30am Morning Prayer
Ballinode 12.15pm Morning Prayer

27th September Trinity 17
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Ballinode 12.15pm Holy Communion

4th October Trinity 18
St Patrick’s 10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving

Sunday School End of Year Service
The service was held on Sunday 14th June with the young people taking a lead in worship, reading and prayers. This was followed by the distribution of the Sunday School prizes and gifts for those attending crèche.

The Rector expressed grateful thanks to the Sunday School teachers, crèche leaders and helpers for their work with the children throughout the year, and in particular the preparation of the children for the service.

Condolence
We express prayerful sympathy to Mrs. Hilda Wilkinson on the death of her brother-in-law, Mrs Pauline Farrell and family on the death of her uncle and Mr Johnson Reid and family on the death of his mother.
Christian Burial
We learned, with sadness, of the sudden passing of Mrs Joan Gilliland on the 3rd July. Her funeral service was held at her home, conducted by the Revd Margaret Pringle, followed by cremation at Lakeland Crematorium, Cavan. We offer sincere sympathy to her husband Henry, daughters Sandra, Carol, Dawn and their families, sister in law Martha and the wider family circle on their sad loss. Please remember them and all those recently bereaved in prayer.

Holy Matrimony
We wish every happiness and God’s richest blessings to Gregory Berry & Holly Breakey and Mark Genoe & Jane Richardson, who were married during July.

Holiday Duty
We express grateful thanks to Mr Roy Crowe assisted by Mrs Muriel Treacy for taking services during the Rector’s vacation.

New Wine Ireland Conference
The conference took place in July, attended by the Rectory Family and members of the congregation.

Congratulations
To the Revd Mark Harvey on being appointed a Canon of Down Cathedral and the Revd Henry Blair on being appointed a Canon of St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen and St. Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher.

Harvest Services
Sunday 13th September Kilmore 3.00pm
Sunday 4th October Monaghan 10.30am
Sunday 11th October Ballinodle 3.00pm

Ladies’ Group
The Ladies’ Group will meet at the Hall on Tuesday 15th September at 7.00pm for an historical walk of Monaghan town. Non-members welcome to attend.

Mothers’ Union
The October meeting will be held in the Church on Tuesday 6th October at 8.00pm. The guest speaker will be Ms Tracy Agnew, who will give a talk and show slides of a museum trip to the U.S.A.

Bowling Club
The Bowling Club will commence on Monday 7th September at 10.00am and Thursday 10th September at 8.00pm in the Hall.

Vortex
The Youth Group will commence their activities on Saturday 19th September at 8.00pm in the Hall.

Monaghan Parish Sale
This will be on Friday 16th October at 10.00am in the Hall - usual stalls, tea and coffee will be served. All welcome.

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

State Exams
Congratulations to Tracy Farrell, Pamela McMahon, Emma Hall and Shannon Scott on results attained in the Leaving Certificate and to Jack Sleator and Leon McGowan on results in A Levels. We wish them well as they continue their studies or take up employment.

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Services
Sunday 6th September
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Holy Communion
(services in Parochial Hall)

Sunday 13th September
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Family Service
(with registration for Sunday School)
(with Sacrament of Baptism)
(services in Parochial Hall)

Thursday 17th September
8.00pm Mothers’ Union opening Communion Service
(in the Committee Room of the Hall)

Sunday 20th September
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer
(Sunday School opens)
(Services in Parochial Hall)

Sunday 27th September
9.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer
(with the Sacrament of Baptism)
(Services in Parochial Hall)
Sunday Evening Services will begin again in October when we are back in the Church
Parish Register

Bereavement

8th July - it was with great sadness that the Parish learnt of the untimely passing of Gordon Carson of Riverside, Enniskillen. His funeral service was held on 11th July 2015, Revd Dr. Ian Ellis officiated.

Church repairs

During the summer months of most of June, July, August and September Rossorry Church will be closed as important internal repairs are carried out. The work includes repairs to plasterwork in the main interior, the roofspace, 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 wheelchair 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.

At the time of writing, work is ongoing at pace. With a few snags along the way, the work will take a few weeks more than anticipated – but we feel it better to do ‘the little extra’ at this stage and avoid a problem in later years.

The date for the re-opening is set for the last weekend in October with the Andrew Irwin Concert on Friday 30th October and a Dedication of Works by The Bishop on Sunday 1st November.

Church Repair Fund

In order to cover the costs of the church repairs and improvements the Select Vestry took 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 at Rossorry in April 2016

Work is continuing apace to get ready for this momentous occasion. The Diocesan Architect is supervising the plan for the major refurbishment and redecoration of the Church this summer which required the closure of the Church building. Services were held as normal in the Parochial Hall. The work, which includes replacing all of the ceiling plaster panels and pinning the plaster mouldings, is necessary as the original lath and plaster had become unsecure in some areas. There was 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 Church on Friday night, the 30th October 2015. (** please note new date**) 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.

Wednesday Club News

The Club was closed for the summer but reopens on Wednesday 16th September and already work has begun on preparing another varied and interesting programme for the members for the next year.

The meetings of the Club are every Wednesday at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome and there is always room for new members. If you want to know more contact Ethel Oldcroft on 66 326339

Congratulations - Revd Dr Canon Ian Ellis

Heartiest congratulations to our Rector, on his appointment as Prebendary Canon of Donaghmore to St Patrick’s Cathedral in Dublin. His appointment will entail representing the Diocese of Clogher, at the National Cathedral, at special events and taking services in the Cathedral from time to time. There will be a service of installation in Dublin later in the year.

Organisations and Sunday School

The Sunday School and the Parish Organisations are preparing for reopening in September. Keep an eye on the Newsheet or contact leaders for exact dates and location.

Because of the ongoing work at the Church, the Hall is being used for Sunday Services. Some groups will meet in the Committee Room and some will use the Parish Office, for the first few weeks.

Tempo and Clabby

Clabby Parish Restoration Fund

The Rector and Select Vestry gratefully acknowledge the receipt of £810 in lieu of flowers from the family circle and friends of the late Mrs Gretta Morgan.

The next planned event for the restoration fund will be the Vintage Tractor run organised by Mr Harold Wilson, assisted by Mrs Vera McConnell and Mr David Wilson.
All Vintage Tractors will be welcome at Clabby Church Hall on Saturday 3rd October at 9.30am leaving at 10.30am. Refreshments and a breakfast will be served. For further details contact Vera on 895 21160 or David on 895 22134.

September Diary

Tuesday 8th Mothers’ Union 8.00pm Clabby - Mrs Emily Kells
Friday 11th Wesleyan Hall Fivemiletown Book Launch 8.00pm – Fivemiletown Fallen. Record of 72 local servicemen who made the supreme sacrifice during two world wars. Everyone welcome
Sunday 13th Fermanagh USC Service, Clabby Parish Church 3.00pm
Sunday 20th Dedication of Fivemiletown Community War Memorial. Parade leaves Edfield Car Park at 3pm for service in St. John’s Parish Church at 3.30pm. Return parade memorial will be dedicated and unveiled. Everyone welcome.

Harvest Services – Clabby

Friday 25th 8.00pm – Revd Canon Gareth Harron (Magheralin)
Saturday 26th 10.15am - Family Harvest - Mr Paul Cameron (Scripture Union Children’s worker Belfast) 7.30pm - Leaders Dedication Service Archdeacon Andrew Forster (Dungannon)
I would ask for a good attendance at all our services. I trust all our leaders, office bearers, Select Vestry members and choirs will put it in their diary and plan to attend our leaders dedication service.

October Diary

Friday 2nd 8.00pm Tempo Harvest Service - Revd Ruth Watt (Tempo Methodist)
Sunday 18th 7.30pm Praise Evening with Newmills Worship Group and Mr David & Claire Scott who took part in the City of Faith Armagh.

This event replaces the Gospel Concert usually held in September but was cancelled due to the World War Book launch in Fivemiletown on 11th September. The proceeds will go towards the support of Church missionary work. Everyone is welcome and hopefully will be given good support in the Parish and wider community.

Flower Festival

Tempo Parish Church are planning to hold a Flower Festival from Friday 30th September to Sunday 2nd October 2016. Further details will appear in later editions of the magazine. Please note the dates, your support would be much appreciated.

Harvest

As I prepare these notes we are in the season of summer, but as time flies by the time you read them it will be Autumn. We all feel that time really does fly by so quickly our lifetime goes in equally quickly and brings with it many experiences, memories and changes.

Jeremiah used the passage of time and the changes of seasons to teach an important spiritual truth. “The summer is past, the harvest is ended, and we are not saved”. (8:20)

The opportunities that were given were lost because they were not grasped and used. Everything was lost. We would say that was a lazy, idle and useless farmer.

When it comes to our preparation for eternity and death we need to take heed of the warning of our verse from Jeremiah and other similar warnings elsewhere in God’s word.
The Bible speaks of the brevity of life, the swiftness of its passing just like the grass grows up and is cut down (Ps90:4-6, Ps 103: 15-16) Paul teaches us that now is the day of salvation, now the accepted hour (2nd Corinthians 6:2) to get ready for the great harvest of souls at the end of time.

How sad it would be to miss out on being ready for Heaven and meeting Christ because we doubted Christ’s ability to save us and delayed because we felt there was still plenty of time to get ready, or maybe we might be given warning. God does not always promise that we will all get a warning, but he does give us opportunities and time. May the words of Jeremiah to the people of Israel never be true of any of us.

“The summer is ended, the harvest is past, and we are not saved”

Trory and Killadeas

Dear Parishioners,

Please continue to pray for all involved in agriculture and agri-business. As you will know from the news all sectors of farming are under pressure from the weather and a prices down turn. These are difficult times for our farmers and producers. The industry will need to look at ways to restore profitability and this will be a painful process for many. The problems are deeper than the price of a bottle of milk in the supermarket as this is a small percentage of final use of all milk produced. In a global market things can change on any political or economic decision. When my grand father farmed milk went to the dairy in creamery cans and a cow was sold for slaughter and maybe ended up as far away as England. Today the reality is far different and production is far higher but many still go hungry. This harvest time we truly must pray for the needs of the world.

Killadeas Priory Restoration

As I write these notes the restoration select vestry sub-committee are about to meet with representatives of the Heritage lottery fund to come and inspect the Priory and to discuss our application. The committee have also forwarded applications via the Diocese for funding to two funds available through the Representative Church Body.

Sunday School

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

Harvest dates

**Killadeas Priory:**
- **Friday 2nd October** at 8.00pm. Preacher Dean Kenneth Hall.
- **Sunday 4th October** at 10.00am. Preacher The Rector.

**Trory St. Michael’s:**
- **Friday 16th October** at 8.00pm. Preacher Revd Ngozi Njoku.
- **Sunday 18th October** at 11.30am. Preacher The Rector.

The Harvest appeal in both parishes this year will be for parochial funds.

Trory School House

A further grant has been obtained by Trory LOL 647 and the parish to pay for a third renovation of the school house. Thanks to Derek Farrell for his hard work and dedication. The works to be undertaken shortly are a new floor and a new kitchen. This will complete works to the structure of the building that have included; Re-plastering, new windows and doors, central heating, re-roofing and renovating the toilets, re-painting and sundry small works to make a comfortable parish building.
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