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Front Cover
Front Page photo; David Moses and Lindsey Farrell who will be ordained as Deacons in St. Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher, on Sunday, 3rd September at 7pm. David will serve as Intern Deacon in the Monaghan Group of parishes and Lindsey will spend her year as Intern Deacon in Rossorry Parish.
Dear Friends

I hope that you have had a good summer and that whatever you had planned to do worked out well.

The sentence above was about as far as I got when I first sat down to write this piece for the September Issue of the Diocesan Magazine. It has been a while since I looked at a blank piece of paper with so little of an idea what about I should write; (the O Level Physics Paper in 1972 I think).

However inspiration came when I looked over that solitary sentence and noticed my use of the word “hope”. In the context of the sentence it means something like “although I don’t know what sort of a summer you have had I assume there is at least a 50:50 chance that it went well”. In that sense “hope” is a rather weak word. We look at the world around us, particularly the world of local and international affairs and “hope” that things will take a turn for the better, or will work out all right. And we “hope” so because that is not what a rational assessment of the circumstances lead us to expect.

However in the Christian sense “hope” has a very different, much stronger and much more positive meaning. Hope is what is known as one of the Theological Virtues, a continual looking forward to the eternal world. However it is not just some people will say a form of immaturity or a way of evading our responsibilities in this world. In fact very often the people who thought most about the eternal world have done most of all the present world.

There can hardly be anyone who yearned more for the eternal world than St. Paul and yet in a ministry of ceaseless activity he laid the foundations for the conversion of the whole Roman world. William Wilberforce, a great Evangelical Christian who was reputed to read only Hansard and the Bible, led the campaign to rid the world of the appalling iniquity of the Slave Trade. They left these legacies precisely because their minds were transfixed with heaven. In fact I would go as far as to say that is when we cease to think of the age to come that we are become very ineffective in the present age. As one Christian thinker once said: “Aim at heaven and you will get earth thrown in: aim at earth and you will get neither”.

And that rule applies in other areas of our experience. Try to get to sleep by thinking about sleeping and you will be in for a sleepless night. Try to be healthy by thinking about your health at every minute and trying out the latest health fad and you may well find yourself becoming a hypochondriac.

However we find it very difficult to want “Heaven” except perhaps as the time when we will meet again those who we have loved and who have died. Partly that is because everything around us screams “look at me, I’m the most important thing there is.” We are surrounded by a political and commercial world which holds itself out as more important than anything else and with a greater claim on our attention and allegiance. That is how we have allowed our minds and our desires to be trained and it is a very difficult habit to break.

And yet there are moments in most people’s lives when, looking into our own hearts we know that we want something that the world cannot give. It is a feeling or a desire which is beautifully summed up in the Collect we will use on the seventeenth Sunday after Trinity(based on a prayer of St. Augustine); “O Lord, our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you”.

From the food on a supermarket shelf, through the multiplicity of lifestyle options to the host of emojis I am offered on my iPhone we appear to have limitless choice. There are all sorts of things in this world that promise to give us the satisfaction that we long for but they never quite keep their promise. When we go on holiday to that beautiful Greek island and look down on the azure sea and say to ourselves; “This is heaven; I wish I could live here for ever”. Yet within two weeks we want only to be back in our own beds. Or we stumble across a new interest or sport(it doesn’t matter if its egg blowing or motocross) and think it will consume us for the rest of our days but, good and all as it is, it doesn’t stop the restlessness.

So we either move on to the next thing or simply say that the final satisfaction of our deepest desires or yearnings simply doesn’t exist. That it was all an adolescent dream not fit to be entertained by mature men and women. Or we can express our cynicism in polished intellectual terms and condemn outmoded world views as myths only suitable for our unenlightened ancestors.

Or we can understand this restless yearning in the way that Christian thought has down the ages. Which is to say that we are not born with desires unless something exists to satisfy those desires. A baby feels hunger and there is food to satisfy that desire. Although born away from the water a duck must swim and soon finds some. So if I find myself having a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, is it not reasonable to assume that it does exist but in another world.

Those other earthly desires that I have were never meant to wholly satisfy but only to arouse the deeper desire. So, good as they are I must never allow myself to mistake them for the real thing.

And don’t be put off by those who ridicule this hope of heaven by saying that the last thing they want to do is to spend eternity sitting on a cloud playing a harp. Scripture never even attempts a literal description of heaven or the age to come. The symbols which it uses suggest certain lines of thought. Music because for most of us it really can give a foretaste of the heightened feeling of eternity. Gold because it doesn’t perish. Above all the Lamb seated on the throne to encapsulate the rule which we will share with the one whose service and sacrifice denote perfect freedom.

In the year ahead with all the distractions and necessities that it will surely bring, let us not forget to hope for these things.

+John Clogher
Services for September

Sunday 3rd Sept
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Holy Communion
Clogh 10.45 am Holy Communion
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 10th Sept
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 17th Sept
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th Sept
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Harvest Service
Aghadrumsee 8.00 pm Harvest Service
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Monday 25th Sept
Aghadrumsee 8.00 pm Harvest Service

Friday 29th Sept
Clogh 8.00 pm Harvest Service

Sunday 1st October
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Holy Communion
Clogh 10.45 am Harvest Service
Clogh 8.00 pm Harvest Service
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Holy Communion

Young Ladies Group
The Young Ladies Group will recommence for the new season on Tuesday 12th September at 8.30 pm in Aghadrumsee Old School with ‘Bag it up’.

Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild
Aghadrumsee Ladies Guild will have their first meeting of the year on Thursday 21st September at 8.00 pm. New members always welcome.

Crafty Church
Crafty Church will take place on Saturday, 23rd September from 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm. This group is open to all children aged 2 – 7 years and is filled with craft activities, games and songs based on the Bible story of the day.

Harvests
Once again we are entering into the Harvest season:

Aghadrumsee
Sunday 24th September at 12.05 pm.
Preacher; Captain David Hamilton and 8.00pm, Preacher; Bishop Ferran Glenfield.
Monday 25th September at 8.00 pm;
Preacher Revd Olivia Downey.
Clogh

Friday 29th September at 8.00 pm,
Preacher; Revd Raymond Kettyle.
Sunday 1st October at 10.45 am, Preacher;
Captain David Hamilton and Sunday evening at 8.00 pm, Preacher; Revd Alan Irwin.
Drumsnatt
Sunday 15th October at 3.00 pm,
Preacher; Dean Raymond Ferguson.
We send our best wishes to Malcolm and Lisa McVitty on the birth of a baby girl, a little sister for Ellie.

Holiday Bible Club

Annual Steak Barbecue
Clogh War Memorial Hall was packed to the brim for it’s annual steak barbecue on 20th July and a good night was had by all. Thanks to all who came and to Johnny Nelson for all his hard work cooking for this lot (see photo bottom left).

Congratulations
Congratulations to Heather Johnston and Dale Irwin who were married in Clogh on 26th July, wishing them every blessing in their lives together.

Sympathy
The funeral service of Victor Magwood from Dernashamsha took place in Clogh on 14th July. We extend our sympathy to his wife Kathryn and children: Matthew, Arlene, Martin, Annette and Andrea; brothers and sisters: Jim, Margaret, David, Dorothy, George, Florence, Harry, Robert and Jean.
We also express our sympathy to Mrs Corrina Johnston and the family on the death of her mother recently.
**SERVICES**

**3rd September**
- 10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion
- 12.15pm Cooneen Holy Communion

**10th September**
- 10.45am Colebrooke MP
- 12.15pm Cooneen MP

**17th September**
- 11.00am Colebrooke Family Service
- 3.30pm Mullaghfad Harvest

**24th September**
- 10.45am Colebrooke Harvest
- 12.15pm Cooneen MP
- 7.00pm Colebrooke Harvest

**2nd October**
- 10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion
- 3.00pm Cooneen Harvest

**Mullaghfad Services**

On Sunday, 17th September 2017 at 3.30pm, the annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held at All Saints, Mullaghfad. On Sunday, 15th October 2017 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. Mr Abraham Storey, Diocesan Lay Reader, will be our preacher for the Remembrance service.

**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 3 years and upwards.

**Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group**

The Scouts recommence late September, and will be meeting every Tuesday from 7pm-8.15pm for boys and girls aged 4-11 years, and every Friday for Scouts, 11 – 14 years.

The leaders provide a wide range of Scouting skills.

- Squirrels (4 - 6 years)
- Beavers (6 – 8 years)
- Cubs (8 – 11 years)
- Scouts (11 – 14 years)

**Bowling Club**

The Bowling Club 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.

**Mothers’ Union**

The branch leader and members wish to thank the Sunday Schools and GFS Branch from Colebrooke and Cooneen for submitting entries to the MU Fun day competition earlier in the year. The colouring competition and design a poster entries were on display at the Fun day in The Bawnacre Centre on 17th June. Congratulations to the following children;

- Faith Gould – 1st in poster 8 – 11 years
- Lewis Coalter – 1st in colouring 6 - 7 years
Katie Dunn - 2nd in colouring 4 – 5 years
On Tuesday, 27th June the MU members welcomed some senior citizens to afternoon tea and musical entertainment in Colebrooke Parish Hall. Lynda Lindsay encouraged everyone to join in singing many familiar hymns and old time songs as she accompanied all on the accordion. She then sang some of her recorded songs of worship and encouraged everyone to appreciate the wonder of God’s marvellous creation, His mighty power and ever present help in all circumstances. Revd McClenaghan said grace before those present enjoyed a sumptuous afternoon tea. The Branch leader thanked Lynda for her beautiful singing and contribution during the afternoon, for the seniors from both parishes for their attendance and all the MU members for their part in providing the refreshments.

Mothers’ Union next meeting is planned for Wednesday 20th September when Timothy McClure is to relate his experiences of visiting areas of South America on a mission trip last year where he was showing ‘His Faith in Action.’ Everyone is welcome to the meeting in Colebrooke Hall at 8.00 pm.

Please accept sincere apologies from the branch leader for the mistakes in the photographs in the last magazine.

Holiday Bible Club
Monday 3rd to Friday 7th and Sunday 9th July.
Our Space Academy this year was an out of this world success!!! Thanks to the leaders and the children, we had an amazing fun filled energetic journey through space as we learnt all about Daniel and his three friends Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. Through Science experiments we learnt how unique God made each one of us, and yet no matter where we are or what we go through in life, we can be assured God is always with us. Our Scientists shared an amazing knowledge of God’s universe. Our Nasa training and team game challenges were energy infused and totally enjoyed by everyone of every age. Throughout the week we had an exciting adventure of praise and worship, learning, guiding, helping, supporting and fun filled fellowship. Through our crew of the Starship Aghalurcher and Mission Command, they taught us that we needed to live lives of …ness, ...ness, ...sity, ...esty and ...cy (see), better known to us as GOODNESS, KINDNESS, GENEROSITY, HONESTY and MERCY. It was a joy to be a part of this fantastic adventure. God richly blessed every-one who was on the journey.
Aghavea

Vacant
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Services
Sunday 3rd September
11am Holy Communion
Sunday 10th September
11am Morning Prayer
Sunday 17th September
11am Family Service
Sunday 24th September
11am Morning Prayer
Friday 29th September
8pm Harvest Thanksgiving
October:
Sunday 1st October
11am Family Harvest Thanksgiving
7.30pm Harvest Thanksgiving
Sunday 8th October
11am Holy Communion
Sunday 15th October
11am Family Service
Sunday 22nd October
11am Morning Prayer
Sunday 29th October
11am Morning Prayer

Marriage
Mr John Neill and Miss Stacey Yvonne Granleese

Baptism
Carter Crilly
Organisations Start Dates

G.F.S
Wednesday, 27th September 2017 at 6.30pm Church Hall. Girls of three years upwards are welcome.

GFS are having a coffee morning and Cake sale to raise funds on Saturday, 9 September, 10am -1pm. Proceeds to GFS and Church repair fund.

Football Competition

Aghavea Parish are hosting a soccer competition in September hoping to attract teams from across the diocese. The competition takes place at the Hunter Playing Field, Maguiresbridge on 9th September with the kick-off at 5pm. The aim of the competition is to raise funds for our church building repair fund. There will be an entry fee of £50 per team with each team consisting of at least six players with as many subs as the team needs.

The organisers hope as many churches as possible will enter at least one team. A spokesperson stated: “This will be a great opportunity to come along and join together in supporting your church team while supporting a worthy cause.” Anyone interested should contact Alan Johnston on 07977108850 or ajagri@hotmail.co.uk to get your team entered before the end of August.

Mothers Union

This begins after the summer break on Tuesday, 12th September at 8pm when we will welcome June Graham (beautician) for the topic, Queen Esther. New members are welcome to join us speak to Valeria Crawford or any members for more information.

We are looking forward to hosting our Visitors Night on Tuesday, 10th October at 8pm in Aghavea Church Hall for an Old Time Country Gospel Evening with Lynda Lindsey when we invite all ladies to come along and bring friends and enjoy an evening sing along to favourite hymns and songs. Light supper will be provided. All donations greatly appreciated towards Church Building Funds.

Bowls

The Bowling Club season will start on Monday, 4th September at 8pm in the Church Hall. All new members welcome, so why not come along and try your hand at bowling. More information may be obtained from Frances Cartwright.

Sunday School: Sunday, 10 September 2017

All children welcome

Fund Raising Events
Saturday 9/9/17 Football Tournament
Hunters Field, Maguiresbridge
Tuesday 10/10/17 Mothers Union Musical Evening, Aghavea Church Hall
Thursday 23/11/17 Table Quiz Aghavea, Church Hall
Saturday 9/12/17 Craft Fair Aghavea, Church Hall

Quiz sheets still available
For sale; Aghavea Pens (see Mrs I Acheson)
For sale; Framed Aghavea Church Photos (see display in church)
Annual Football Match
On Saturday, 24th June, our annual football match against St Patrick’s Church, Dalkey didn’t take place and has been postponed until Saturday, 23rd September. The match will be held in Castle Park School, Dalkey with refreshments held in the Parish Hall after the game. This is always a lovely event and we have made friendships with the parishioners of Dalkey through this annual outing.

Ballybay News
We extend our best wishes to Graham Crawford for a speedy recovery after his recent spell in Drogheda Hospital.

Clontibret News
We had a busy summer in Clontibret with the completion of our new car park on the land donated by Jim and Robert Graham and its dedication and official opening on Sunday, 23rd July as well as the dedication of the upgraded sound system and graveyard gate by family and friends in memory of Mrs Mabel Leathem. As with all work there was a flurry of activity to get the finishing touches made to the car park and thanks are due to all who turned up to complete the task. The contractor, Noel Cravens and his workers carried out the work very efficiently and the result greatly enhances the safety of the parking of cars. Indeed it was truly tested with the large number who came to join us for the dedication by the Revd Neal Phair, Rector, and the official opening by Mrs Heather Humphries, Minister for Arts and Culture. Our worship was enriched with contributions from “The Camagh Singers”, our own Amelia Tate, Zoe Dickson and Zoe Donaldson “Musical Melody” who performed “Amazing Grace” and “When the Saints Go Marching In” on recorder and Ms Sharon Lancashire organist.

In thanking all concerned, Mr Kenny Graham praised Minister Humphries for supporting the part funding of the scheme and Councillor David Maxwell for his assistance as well as the Clontibret Development Association and other donors. With guests from as far away as Belfast, Ballymoney, Rathfriland, Katesbridge and Tandragee it was a wonderful occasion and we were blessed to have a beautiful sunny afternoon when we were able to enjoy refreshment outside as well as in and chat with friends and relations.

We were further blessed to have a dry evening for our annual barbecue on Saturday, 29th July and to have good support from family and friends. The ladies certainly demonstrated their culinary skills with both events as there were salads, cakes and deserts a plenty and Kenneth and John kept the burgers and sausages sizzling.

Warmest congratulations to Alan and Bronagh Dickson on their recent marriage and Winifred and Albert Jordan on their continued journey to good health. We remember the Crawford, Gray, Coulter and Tate families following their bereavements and trust that they will know God’s presence at this difficult time. We were delighted to have Robert Graham with us to celebrate the dedication and official opening of the car park and trust that he and Jim are happy and well in their respective care homes. We remember too Mrs Esther Dunne in St Mary’s, Castleblayney.

The next event on our calendar is a Car Boot Sale on Saturday, 16th September – cars €10 and vans €15. There will be hot food available and everyone is welcome. Please contact Kenny on 086 252 2442 for further information.

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service is at 3.30pm on Sunday, 24th September. The organist will be Ms Sharon Lancashire, music by the Nicholl Brothers, and soloist Rebekah Greer accompanied by Stuart Henderson on the organ.

Muckno News
It was with deep sadness and indeed with a great sense of shock that we heard of the death of John Jinman, the brother-in-law of Willie John Coulter, who died while he was on holidays in Castleblayney whilst staying with the Coulter family. We express our deep condolences to all the family especially John’s wife, Irene Jinman (nee Coulter) and their daughters and to Willie John and Ethel and all the family. We also send our deep condolences to the Crawford and Gray families. Peggy Crawford who was such a wonderful gracious lady and a faithful church attender of Ballybay Church and a lifelong member of the Mothers’ Union and Ashmore Gray who was so well known throughout the farming community and a very well respected member of Ballybay and a devout member of Christ Church.

Sunday School Prize Giving and Fathers’ Day
On 18th June we had our special Fathers’ Day and also our Sunday School Prizegiving service in St Maeldoids which were both prepared by the Sunday School children and Dr Lucy Phair and Mrs Martha O’Connor, the Sunday School teachers. The men all received lovely father’s Day ties made by the children which included a set of cuff links on each one with different symbols on them. The Rector also gave a very engaging children’s talk. Thank you to Lucy and Martha and the children for making it such a memorable event.

Muckno Harvest
Muckno Harvest will take place at 3.30pm on Sunday, 1st October with refreshments afterwards. We continue to remember in our prayers Eddie Robinson in our prayers and also we send our best wishes to Joseph and Graham Crawford after their time in hospital.
Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh

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Services:

Sunday, 3rd September
Morning Prayer, St Finbarr’s 10.30am and Magheracloone 12noon
Sunday, 10th September
Service of the Word, St Finbarr’s 10.30am, Magheracloone 12noon and Ardragh 1.15pm
Sunday, 17th September
“Arise and Shine” All Age Service with Family Breakfast 9.30am Jackson Hall, Service at 10.30am St Finbarr’s Holy Communion Magheracloone 12 noon Ecumenical Service Donaghmoyne 3.00 pm
Wednesday, 20th September
Holy Communion, St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Sunday, 24th September
Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon Harvest Festival Service Ardragh 3.00 pm Service to Commission Alan Hill as a Diocesan Reader, St Finbarr’s 7pm
Wednesday, 27th September
Holy Communion, St Finbarr’s 10.30 am

Group Parish BBQ
The weather was very kind to us as over 100 people from across our group of parish gathered at the Rectory for a summer barbecue on 11th August. It was wonderful to see so many young and not so young come together from across our three churches for an evening of great fun, chat and laughter. The smell of the food from the barbecue greeted all who arrived and the mountain of salads and desserts that accompanied the cooked food meant all were well fed by the end of the evening. The children had great fun playing on the Rectory lawn and then checking their raffle tickets for one of the many prizes that had been so generously donated.

Thank you to all who donated food, drinks, raffle prizes, those who cooked and those who helped with setting up and taking down making it such a great evening.

St Molua’s Open Air Ecumenical Service
The weather was again kind to us as we hosted our outdoor service in Magheracloone celebrating St Molua’s day. The graveyard in Magheracloone is the resting place of both Church of Ireland and Roman Catholic people from the local community so once a year we come together to remember loved ones who have passed away. Our theme this year was ‘Thankful Remembrance’ as we recognized those who have passed on the faith to us.

We were delighted to welcome Father Larry Duffy who spoke to us about the meaning of a church graveyard and how they help us in remembering our loved ones. Father Philip Crowe read the lesson while Roy Crowe sang two solo pieces accompanied by Lorna Lewis. We then enjoyed refreshments in the open air thanks to the hard work of the parishioners of Magheracloone.

Ardragh Harvest Festival Service
The first of our Harvest Festival Services takes place in Ardragh on Sunday, 24th September at 3pm. Harvest is a wonderful time of year to invite family, friends and neighbours along as we give thanks for God’s provision. We look forward to seeing this beautiful country church decorated with the fruits of the harvest.

Service To Commission Alan Hill As A Diocesan Reader
Alan Hill has completed his training as a Diocesan Reader and he will be commissioned by Bishop John McDowell at a special service in St Finbarr’s, Carrickmacross on Sunday, 24th September at 7pm. As a parish we wish Alan God’s richest blessing as he begins this new role in our Diocese. Refreshments in the Jackson Hall will follow the service.
Cleenish & Mullaghdun

The Revd Canon Geoffrey Bridle

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Services

Sunday 10th September
10:00 a.m. H.C. Mullaghdun
11:30 a.m. H.C. Cleenish

Wednesday 13th September
10:00 a.m. Monthly H.C. Mullaghdun
Parish Hall

Sunday 17th September
10:00 a.m. M.P. Mullaghdun
11:30 a.m. M.P. Cleenish

Sunday 24th September
11:00 a.m. Combined Confirmation
Service, Cleenish

Sunday 27th September
10:00 a.m. M.P. Mullaghdun
11:30 a.m. M.P. Cleenish

Sunday 1st October
11:00 a.m. 200th Anniversary Service.
Mullaghdun

Please see local Services Sheet in Church
for up to date changes, which may occur
from time to time

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 19th September, Mothers &
Toddlers recommence.

Sunday 24th September, Confirmation,
Cleenish

Sunday 1st October, 200th Anniversary
Service, Mullaghdun, followed by Parish
Dinner.

Friday 13th to Sunday 15th October,
Harvest W.E. Cleenish

Monthly Healing Service

The monthly Healing Services resume
on Wednesday 13th September, in
Mullaghdun Hall. It combines the usual
shortened form of Holy Communion with
the opportunity for prayer for the sick and
bereaved, followed by a cup of tea and
time for a chat.

Select Vestry Meetings

Wednesday 20th September, Cleenish
Wednesday 27th September, Mullaghdun

Loyal Order Services

The Annual Orange Service took place in
Cleenish Church on Sunday 2nd July. The
Parade was preceded by Mullaghy Flute
Band.

The Annual Orange Service took place in
Mullaghdun Church on Sunday 9th July. The
Parade was preceded by three pipers from
Moybrone Pipe Band. As a mark of respect,
the full Band did not attend due to the recent
death of its former member William Lucy.
The Annual Black Preceptory Service
took place to Cleenish Church on Sunday
23rd July. The Parade was preceded by
Bellanaleck Pipe Band. This Band still retains
the Highland Dress, and is often admired by
Scottish visitors. (See Photo Below)

Canon Bridle conducted the Services in
Cleenish, and Joan Brownlee played the
organ.

Mr Jack Watson conducted the Service
in Mullaghdun, assisted by Mr Robert
Watterson. Elizabeth Hazlett played the
organ.

Cleenish & Mullaghdun
Mothers’ Union

Sadly since we last met Mrs Celia Hazlett,
a member of Cleenish & Mullaghdun
Mothers Union has passed away in her
own home following a long illness. Celia
had recently celebrated her 80th birthday.
See Obituary. Members wish to extend
sincere sympathy to the family circle.
Members next meet on Tuesday 19th
September in Mullaghdun Parish Hall at
8pm. The speaker will be a representative
from the Drop in Centre, Enniskillen.
A copy of the Daily Bible Reading Guide
produced by the Bible Society is available
for all members. It is their prayer that as
we use this small resource, we will be
drawn deeper into Gods Word and closer
to Him. The recommended reading 2nd
Timothy 4: 9-18 will be read during the
meeting.

Cleenish Brownies

Brownies recommence in Cleenish Parish
Hall on Wednesday 20th September from
6:45 until 8pm. New girls aged 7 to11 years
will be made most welcome into the Pack.

Cleenish Mothers &
Toddler Group

The Group recommence for the autumn
period between 10am and 12noon, on
Tuesday 19th September, in Cleenish
Parish Hall. New members are welcome,
and if further information is required.
Mullaghdun Parish Barbecue
The Parish Barbecue held on Friday 30th June was greatly enjoyed by all who attended. The combination of good, well prepared food, excellent music by “Panache” and perfect weather was an ideal recipe for a successful evening. “Thank You” to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of the event which realised a profit of £2090. (See photo below)

Mullaghdun Coffee Morning
To help us celebrate the 200th anniversary of our Parish Church, a Coffee Morning was held in the Parish Hall at Letterbreen, on Saturday 12th August. This proved to be a lovely time of fellowship with friends of the Parish joining us from near and far. We thank those who organised and catered for the morning, and all those who came and contributed to the success of the occasion.

Mullaghdun 200 years Anniversary Service
We look forward to welcoming our Bishop, The Rt Revd John McDowell, on Sunday 1st October when we will ask him to unveil a plaque to mark 200 years of ministry at Mullaghdun. Following the Service a celebratory meal will be served in the Parish Hall at Letterbreen. Bookings are required, via tickets on sale from any member of the Select Vestry.

Cleenish 2016 Annual Report and Statement of Accounts
Apologies for the following which was omitted from the Annual Report:
Mr Stephen Foster - Weekly Contributions - £90.

Holy Matrimony
We congratulate our Rector’s son, Christopher, who was married to May Clarke in St Thomas Episcopal Church, Aboyne in Scotland, on Saturday 8th July. The previous Sunday 2nd July, a gift to mark the occasion was presented to Geoff, by Mrs Hilary Benson, on behalf of the parishioners of Cleenish and Mullaghdun. (See photo 4) We wish Christopher and his Bride, God’s richest blessings as they embark on an exciting future together.
Bereavements
Mullaghdown Parish Church
William Lucy was born into Mullaghdown Parish on 23rd September 1934. A farmer for all his life, he was a faithful member of his Parish Church and served as a member of the Select Vestry for many years. In 1961 William married Audrey Montgomery, and they became parents to Helen and Cecil. During recent years, William’s health declined, and he died peacefully in the South West Acute Hospital on Tuesday 4th July. Due to Canon Bridle’s absence on holiday, Canon Mark Watson, assisted by Canon Henry Blair (William’s nephew) conducted the Funeral Service in Mullaghdown Parish Church, on Friday 7th July. Following the Service, William was laid to rest in the Family Burial plot at Rosssorry Parish Church. We sympathise with George, Helen and her husband, Alan; Cecil and his wife, Donna; William’s grandchildren, Robert, Stephen, Sarah, Adam and Rachel, and William’s sister Eileen.

Celia Hazlett - Sarah Jane (Cecilia) Elliott was born at Dowra on 4th July 1937, and came to Letterbreen as the young bride of Robert Hazlett, some 20 years later. She was devoted to her husband and also cared for his parents and brother, Alex until their deaths. Celia (as everyone knew her) and Robbie were blessed with three children, George, Evelyn and Thomas. The family’s love of animals was demonstrated by the large variety of livestock and fowl, dogs and cats which were always present on the farm. Celia had a great love for Mullaghdown Church which she attended frequently whilst her health allowed. She was also a member of the Mothers’ Union and practised regular Bible reading and Prayer. There was a warm welcome to everyone who called at her home, and no one left without enjoying a cup of tea and some of her home baking. Predeceased by Robbie in 2003, Celia died peacefully in her home on Thursday 27th July, following a period of declining health. Her funeral service was conducted by Canon Geoff Bridle in Mullaghdown Parish Church on Saturday 29th July. The address was given by Canon Hazel Hicks, who told the large gathering of mourners about “a Favorite Aunt” who devoted her life to her family, her Church and the farm. Following the Service, Celia was laid to rest beside her late husband in the adjoining graveyard. We sympathise with George, Evelyn and Thomas; with her daughter-in-law, Elizabeth; son-in-law, Christopher; grand-children, Ruth, John, Andrew and Heather, and with her sister Annie, and the wider family circle.

Gladys Edmondson There was widespread sympathy in the local Community, with the shock news about the sudden death of Gladys Edmondson in the South West Hospital, on Monday morning 14th August. Formally Gladys Patterson, she was a member of the local Methodist Church in Letterbreen. A woman with numerous interests, after leaving School she trained as a nurse, and for many years was the Night Sister in the former Erne Hospital. She was an inspiration in the local community, and always on hand where there was sickness or death. There was a large attendance at her Funeral Service in her local Church, on Wednesday 16th August. Burial took place in Mullaghdown Graveyard.

To her son Mark, and brother Fred, we send our deepest sympathy. She was predeceased by her sister Phyllis.

Cleenish Centre
The Directors and Committee of the Centre, are delighted to have just hosted the largest residential group in the Centre since it was built. This was a week-long stay, and a great achievement for the small number of helpers involved. They are very grateful to each of these busy people who give their time to serve the Lord in the mission at the Centre, this enables the leaders to give their full attention to the people which they have brought, so that their programme can run smoothly.

The Centre is an inter-denominational Christian retreat overlooking Lough Erne. To hire the Centre, or if you feel that you are called to serve in any way, please make contact by e.mail: enquiries@cleenishcentre.com or telephone 02866349647. You may also view the Cleenish Centre website.

Bellanaleck Community Group
The final Group meeting before the summer break, took place on Wednesday 28th June.

Holy Baptism
Mullaghdown Parish Church
Sunday 6th August 2017
Stewart Hubert Elliott
Son of Hubert Christopher and Michelle Claire Elliott
38 Screeby Road, Trillick

Christian Burials
Mullaghdown Parish Church
Friday 7th July 2017
William Scott Lucy
Moybrone, Letterbreen
Aged 82 years
Interred in Rossorry Churchyard
Saturday 29th July 2017
Sarah Jane (Celia) Hazlett
Corryglass, Letterbreen
Aged 80 years
Wednesday 16th August 2017
Gladys Margaret Elizabeth Edmondson
60 Corryglass Road, Letterbreen
Aged 75 years
Confirmation

Sunday, 10th September at 11 a.m. in St. Macartan’s Cathedral. Please pray for the following young people who have been preparing for their confirmation over the past months; Georgia Crawford, Rachel Funston, Daisy Smyth, Sam McLaren, Amiee McLaren, Sam Brush, Joanne Clingen, Abbie Lee, Robert McLaren, Tori Robson. There will be no service in Augher or Newtownsaville as there are candidates from those Parishes. There will be a service at 10 a.m. in Errigal Portclare.

Harvest Services

Errigal Portclare: Friday, 22nd September 8pm. The visiting preacher will be Revd. Canon Geoff Bridle (Cleenish & Mullahdun), Sunday 24th September 3pm, Family Harvest Service.

Clogher Cathedral: Friday, 29th September 8pm. The visiting preacher will be Revd. Professor R.A.B. Mollan (Retired orthopaedic surgeon). Sunday, 1st October 11.30am, Family Harvest Service.

Augher: Friday, 6th October 8pm with preacher Rev Canon Ian Berry (Monaghan). Sunday 8th October, 10a.m. Family Service - Preacher Mr. Roy Crowe.

Newtownsaville: Friday, 13th October 8pm with preacher Revd. Canon Maurice Armstrong. Sunday 15th October, 11.30am. Family Service with Preacher, Mr. Roy Crowe.

Burial of Ashes

11/7/17 Clogher – Jane Reid Young, Stanfield Avenue, Surbiton, Surrey.

Children's Day

On Sunday, 18th June 2017 the congregation of St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher joined together to celebrate the end of the Sunday school year with their annual Children’s Day service. The service was conducted by Mr Roy Crowe and the organist was Miss Janice Clingen. The service was very much a celebration of the children in the church and they had an active part in all aspects of the service. The service commenced with the congregation singing ‘King of Kings, Majesty’. After a period of reflection, the Sunday school then sang ‘In Christ Alone’. This was followed by the first reading which was read by Joanne Clingen and told the story of the Prodigal Son. The Sunday school then performed a sketch of the Prodigal Son. It was narrated by Daniel McElwaine, Jack Foster and Jorja Robson who did a brilliant job of telling the story while the rest of the Sunday school acted out their parts. John Clingen played the father while Ben Robson was the son.

Adam Robinson and Ben Foster were the servants, while Abbie Lee, Ella Creddin, Sam Brush and Robert McLaren were customers in the café. Hannah Creddin played the baker while Kyle Robinson was the builder. Luke McLaren took on the role of the pig farmer who looked after his herd of ‘little pigs’ who were played by Rachel Creddin, Katie McElwaine, Aaron Robinson, William Millar, Elizabeth Millar and Charlie Foster. After the sketch, the second reading was read by Tori Robson and reminded us to be kind to one another. The Sunday school then sang two pieces – ‘Across the Lands’ and ‘We wanna see Jesus lifted high’. The latter song was accompanied with very enthusiastic actions from all the children.

Prayers were read by Hannah Creddin, Elizabeth Millar and Katie McElwaine. While Ella Creddin led the junior members of the Sunday school in an action prayer. Mr Roy Crowe also contributed to the prayers.

After the singing of ‘My God is so Big’, Mr Roy Crowe spoke to the children. Using one of his own shoes he reminded them of the importance of being careful about what they saw, heard and said as they go through life.

Mr Roy Crowe, with the help of the teachers, then distributed prizes to the children. Bibles were given to five of the senior class; Abbie Lee, Robert McLaren, Sam Brush, Tori Robson and Joanne Clingen, who were celebrating their last Children’s day as they will be getting confirmed in September. They were wished every blessing as they move on in their church life.

There were full attendance prizes for seven of the children; Daniel and Katie McElwaine, Ben, Jack and Charlie Foster, and Joanne and John Clingen. A special full attendance prize was awarded to Joanne Clingen who had achieved nine years full attendance.

The offertory hymn was ‘I stand amazed’ and the collection was lifted by Robert McLaren, Sam Brush, Ben Robson and Abbie Lee with special assistance by Katie McElwaine and Elizabeth Millar.

Mr Roy Crowe gave a special word of thanks to the Sunday school teachers for all their hard work over the year. As it was Father’s Day, a small gift was given to all the dads.

St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher Annual BBQ

The annual church BBQ was held on Friday, 30th June 2016 at Fardross Orange Hall, (kindly granted) and was blessed with dry weather.
The children had a lot of fun on the bouncy castle. Face painting was expertly done by Mrs Lynn Winslow and Mrs Margaret McCloughlin. The children enjoyed burgers and hot dogs followed by ice cream, while the adults tucked into steak or chicken accompanied by a variety of salads.

There was an array of desserts which were enjoyed by all with a cup of tea. It’s impossible to thank everyone individually who brought salads, desserts and drinks, those who set up the hall beforehand, those who did the dishes and those who cleared up afterwards – so a massive thank you to everyone who helped in any way. However a word of thanks must go to William Fannin and his daughter Ruth who did such a fantastic job off cooking all the food on the BBQ. This was a very hot and smoky job!! A special word of thanks to Mrs Hilary Keys who organised and co-ordinated the whole event.

Proceeds from the BBQ are being split between the Sunday School and the Rectory repair fund. The total amount raised was £630.

Augher

On Friday, 16th June the Sunday School children went to Cooley Castle, Beragh for an evening of fun. Everyone enjoyed the bouncy Castles and various other activities laid on for them. Children, teachers and helpers tucked into a lovely meal. Eva had made up treat bags which she gave to them as they left for home.

The annual Children’s Day was held on Sunday, 18th June, the service was conducted by Mr Roy Crowe Diocesan Reader. After the opening Hymn, “Morning has Broken,” Roy welcomed everyone and read the Opening Sentences, Confession and Prayers. The senior girls sang “Come now is the time to worship” followed by a piano solo “Ode to Joy” played by Courtney Thompson. Sam McLaren, Sophie Egerton, Sarah Armstrong, Laura Armstrong and Jack Thompson played an Instrumental “Jesus loves me”. Ben Egerton, Ben Armstrong, Ross Robinson, Ella-May McGirr and Zara Wright recited “God made them all”. Junior Sunday School sang “Mister Cow”, while the Senior girls sang “Across the Land” and the whole Sunday School sang “Stand up clap your hands” and “I have got peace like a River”.

Aimee McLaren and Sam McLaren read the lessons from Genesis. Prayers were said by Annabel McLaren, Harrison Wright, James Egerton and Courtney Thompson. The play was “The Creation of the World” performed by all the Sunday School.

During the singing of Hymn “All things bright and beautiful” James McLaren and Ethan McGirr lifted the collection. Roy held the attention of children and adults by his excellent talk about his shoe pointing out that humans have the same parts as a shoe explaining that we use or abuse them in our relationship with God. Roy assisted by Eva, Judith and Ann presented the prizes and attendance prizes.

Sylvia presided at the organ and Judith accompanied the children on her guitar. Roy thanked the children teachers and organist for all their input into the service and invited everyone to the hall for refreshments.

Orange Service

The annual Orange Anniversary Service was held on Sunday 9th July when Mr. David Moses was the preacher. The collection was taken up by Brother David Potter and Brother Stephen Orr. Roughan Silver Band provided the music for the Hymns. At the end of the service Brother Ivan Watts W.M. thanked the band and all who helped in the preparation of the service. Everyone joined in the singing of the National Anthem before leaving the church.

St Mark's Parish Church Newtownsaville Children’s Day Service

The young people of St Mark’s Parish Church, Newtownsaville celebrated Fathers’ Day with a special Children’s Day service. The Service was conducted by Mr Alan Lavelle, the visiting preacher was Mr Colin Brownsmith from Inishmacsaint Parish, Derrygonnelly, and the organist was Mrs Jennifer Crawford. Lessons were read by Avril Wilson, Sunday School teacher and Alan Lavelle, Parish Reader.

The children’s items were introduced by the Junior class who recited a poem for Fathers’ Day. All the Sunday School gave a lively performance of ‘Father Abraham’ and the Senior girls sang ‘Father, I place into your hands’. Prayers were led by Georgia, Daisy,
Rachel, Lauren and Jack and the collection was taken up by Jack and Matthew. Mr Brownsmith, who had a very interesting address on the topic of ‘Procrastination’, congratulated the children on their involvement in worship, and distributed the annual prizes. Alan then thanked the Sunday School teachers, Tracey Smyth, Lorna Lavelle and Avril Wilson for their work.

Sunday School Collection
Mrs Lavelle thanked the Mothers’ Union for their invitation to the Fun Day in Irvinestown which was greatly enjoyed by all the Sunday School children.

After Canon Armstrong, wearing his ‘auctioneer’s hat’, had conducted a competitive fireside auction, the singers from St Michael’s, Sixmilecross entertained the members with a selection of gospel songs. Mrs Diane Domer, Treasurer, expressed thanks to the visitors and handed over tokens of appreciation.

The meeting concluded with a short epilogue and prayer by Canon Armstrong. Mrs Moffett wished everyone a good break over the summer months and reminded members of the outing to Dublin for the ‘Big Sing’ on 9th September and the next meeting on Wednesday, 20th September when the speaker will be local pharmacist, Sandra Barnett.

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Recruit Repair Fund
A huge congratulations to all from our group of parishioners who participated in the Clogher Valley Show. We indeed have a wealth of talent!

Our ‘Aberdeen Angus Bull fund raising’ has been successful beyond all expectations. John and Avril Robson donated a year-old Aberdeen Angus bull, “Glenhoy Lord Luke” as a prize for a draw. This took place at Clogher Valley Show when more tickets were sold. From its generous donation, to all those who have worked so very hard to organise and sell tickets, it has been a tremendous effort. Thank you all so much, your hard work has paid off. Well done.

Recipe Book
Contributions please send to Yolande Johnston at cjohnston92@hotmail.co.uk or leave in the box provided in each Church in the group of Parishes. Please have all contributions in for end of September.

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Services
3rd September
Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion
Newbliss 11.30am: Holy Communion

10th September
Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion
Newbliss 11.30am: Holy Communion

17th September
Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion & Special Sunday School Collection
Newbliss 11.30am: Morning Prayer

22nd September
Killeevan 8.00pm: Harvest Service.

24th September
Killeevan 8.00pm: Harvest Service.

29th September
Killeevan 11.30am: Morning Prayer & Special Sunday School Collection

1st October
Clones 10.00am: Holy Communion & Harvest Service
Newbliss 11.30: Holy Communion

Ilness
We remember those who are ill in hospital, and especially those of our Parishioners who are undergoing treatment at present.

Cash for Clubber
Mrs Heather Gervis is collecting items to raise money for the Rectory Repair Fund. Please contact her at 028 855 68558 for further details.

As we approach Autumn we can thank God that he has been faithful in his provision for our needs. Jesus told many parables about the work of sowing and harvesting. Perhaps the best known is the parable of the sower (Mark 4). There are four types of ground; the wayside, the rocky, the thorny and the good ground.

Jesus was not telling the parable to illustrate how to farm the land, but about the different types of responses people make to the word of God. All the people heard the same message, but all responded differently because of their heart’s condition. Some were hardened and made no response. Some responded but had no depth to their response. Others let other things take over their life and stunt their response and growth. Other people hear, respond and live out their faith. How do you respond to God speaking to you through his word?

As there is a material harvest, so in our spirit and lives, God looks for a harvest to the sowing of his word in our hearts, shown in our lives. Do we have Jesus and the fruit of the Spirit in our lives? “Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.” (Galatians 5:22).
Clonoe in Co. Tyrone. The Church was full of Juniors from Monaghan, Fermanagh, Armagh, Donegal and Tyrone along with Brethren and Sisters from far and near. The Bible readings and prayers were read by the Monaghan juniors who also played their various musical instruments during the service. May Leech played the organ. Refreshments for everyone was in the hall and enjoyed by all.

**Sponsored Walk at Cuilcagh Mountain Legnabrockey Trail**

On the 15th July, 12 brave souls from the Clones Group of Parishes took part in a sponsored walk on the Cuilcagh Legnabrockey Trail. The walk was to raise funds for the upkeep of the Rectory and also a portion was to go to Conquer Cancer. They are still gathering sponsorships so no total has been decided at this time. This account from Cynthia Stewart, Walk organiser, Cuilcagh Mountain Legnagbrocky Trail; “Despite a damp morning on July 15th last, over a dozen walkers from the Grouped Parishes of Clones, Killeevan, Currin and Newbliss enthusiastically took to the steep Cuilcagh Mountain with gusto, sandwiches and a great sense of comradesy. This mountain trail, with its newly added stepped boardwalk across the bog, rewards with fantastic views of the surrounding landscapes of Fermanagh, Cavan and beyond. The colours of the heathers and bog flowers of this scenic wilderness was an artist’s palette of purples and greens, with touches of deep peaty reds, all set against a silvery blue sky. And in case we weren’t taking it all in, a sharp, fresh wind kept us all focused on the job!

The trail itself is a mere 7.5km but the last 3.5 km ascent to the summit is not for the faint-hearted. For some of us, a short pit stop and a sample of the packed lunches was all that was needed to fuel the momentum to the top. While Cyril Rusk wasn’t up for the trail on the day, he kept the base fires burning and had a steaming hot cup of tea waiting for us all on our descent (courtesy of a very practical gas stove on the back of his truck). The general consensus was that we really should do this more often and I really hope we will! Incidentally, we all raised money for our parish rectory and the Irish Cancer Society.”

**Currin Notes**

A Floral Arrangement Demonstration by Timothy Elliott will be held on Friday 15th September 2017 at 8.00pm sharp in Scotstown Community Centre. Tickets €10, Supper included. A Raffle will be held for the Floral Arrangements.

**Marriage**

Congratulations to Dale Irwin and Heather Johnston who were married recently in Clogh Parish Church. We wish them every happiness together.

**Births**

Congratulations to Francis and Rosemarie Carleton on the birth of their grandson Charlie to David and Emma Hyland their daughter. Congratulations also to Stephen and Joanne Irwin on the birth of their daughter.

**Baptism**

The baptism of Rose Shirley Moore, daughter of Daryl and Sandra took place in Clones Parish Church on Sunday 6th August. We welcome her into our Parish.

**Achievements**

We congratulate Eleanor Carleton in achieving second place in all Ireland in an ICA Patchwork competition.
Colaghty

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The Revd Alan Irwin

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Services
3rd September Holy Communion 11.30am
10th September Family Service 11.30am
17th September Morning Prayer 11.30am
24th September Morning Prayer 11.30am
1st October Holy Communion 11.30am
6th October Harvest Service 8.00pm
8th October Family Harvest 11.30am
8th October Harvest Service 7.00pm
15th October Morning Prayer 11.30am
22nd October Morning Prayer 11.30am
29th October Morning Prayer 11.30am

Christian Baptism
18th June 2017
Alexis Emma Kearney, daughter of Emma and Neil, 125 St. Dympna’s Road

Parish Barbecue

The parish barbecue was a wonderful occasion to share fellowship, renew friendships and enjoy delicious food together. We extend sincere thanks to all who contributed to the successful evening, the ticket sellers, the preparation beforehand, the serving and clearing up afterwards. To those who supplied salads, desserts etc. We are deeply appreciative of your culinary gifts. Thanks again to our cooks for the mouth-watering steaks, burgers and sausages enjoyed by all.

Thanks to everyone for your continual generosity of spirit, this made the evening memorable.

(See photos).

Holiday Bible Club

All we can say is that we had a ‘whale of a time at our holiday bible club, which ran from 31st July – 4th August under the theme ‘Get in the current with Jesus’. The week’s programme had a range of activities including games, crafts, worship and teaching, throughout the week. There was an average of 70+ children in attendance each night along with leaders and parents all were blessed with the week’s activities. We offer sincere appreciation and thanks to everyone for their assistance with the preparation, decoration, design, crafts, music, IT, games, those who taught the memory verse and to our range of gifted speakers who spoke on sharing the gospel of Jesus with others and to those who prepared the refreshments each night. Thanks to everyone who supported us in whatever way, yet mindful we give the glory to God for all His many blessings throughout. (See photos).

Harvest Services

This year’s harvest services will have a reformation theme, with the church decorated with floral displays for the occasion. The church will be open from 7.00pm on Friday, 6th October, with the first of our services at 8.00pm, followed by a harvest supper in the parish hall. Other church opening times are on Saturday, 7th from 2pm – 6pm and Sunday, 8th from 3.00pm with light refreshments served in the parish hall, with the service at 7.00pm followed by a harvest supper. All proceeds will go towards mission projects and all are welcome to come along.

(See photos).

Sunday School

Sunday School will resume on 10th September 2017 at 10.30am in the parish hall.

Dates and Times

For dates and times of clubs/groups or other activities, please check weekly notices for any changes or additions.
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 Isabel Stewart, Diocesan Pastoral Assistants.

‘Getting people from where they are to where God wants them to be’

Services
3rd September
Castle Archdale Holy Communion 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am
10th September
Derryvullen North Family Service 10.30am
(This will be the Opening Service for Mothers’ Union, Women’s Group and Sunday School)
Castle Archdale 11.45am
17th September
Castle Archdale Holy Communion 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am
24th September
Castle Archdale Morning Prayer 10.15am
Derryvullen North 11.30am
1st October
Castle Archdale Holy Communion & Junior Harvest 10.15am
Derryvullen North Holy Communion 11.30am
Castle Archdale Harvest Thanksgiving
Evening Prayer with special music followed by supper 7.00pm

Friday, 15th September – Institution Of Revd Paul Thompson BA Mod

As Incumbent of the Grouped Parishes of Derryvullen North & Castle Archdale in Derryvullen North Parish Church at 7.30pm. Supper will be served in the Parish Hall.

Diary Dates
Wed 6th Sept Choir Practice at 8pm
Tues 12th Sept Faith & Friendship at 8pm
Wed 20th Sept Women’s Group at 8.30pm
Wed 27th Sept Mothers’ Union at 8pm (Speaker Mr Raymond Farrell – Mental Health) New members welcome

Mothers’ Union at Bawnacre – Saturday 17th June

Many of our Sunday School children enjoyed the day at the Bawnacre on one of the few beautiful Saturdays in June. There was plenty of fun and food. We thank Mr George Beacom for all his help and co-operation for the event.

Tuesday Club

16 members enjoyed the annual dinner in Tullan Restaurant on Thursday, 22nd June. There will not be a meeting in September; the next meeting will be on Tuesday, 10th October.

Visit To Castle Archdale

On Sunday, 2nd July we were pleased to welcome 1st Knocknamuckley Boys Brigade and the Girls Brigade along with their leaders to Morning Prayer in St Patrick’s Church, Castle Archdale. The church was filled to capacity and all enjoyed the singing of familiar hymns with Mr W McBride as organist. The service was led by Dr. Margaret Knox, the preacher being Mr. Colin Brownsmith.

Coffee Morning

On 9th July a fundraising Coffee Morning was held after the service for the Youth Team going to Hungary with the Methodist Youth on 3rd August. The total amount raised was over £700 which included donations. We have to thank the girls – Lucy Sproule, Rachel Thompson and Nadine Hunter who along with their mothers provided a wonderful spread of food for the morning and also arranged the Parish Hall so tastefully. One of the team, Lucy Humes was absent as she was in America with the Ulster Project. We thank everyone for their generosity.

‘Days For Girls’

This is a project initiated by the Mothers’ Union in conjunction with CMS Ireland. We thank Mrs Avril Stubbbs who agreed to co-ordinate the project. She along with Mrs Edna Ferguson and Mrs Margaret Beacom attended a workshop and information day in Moira on 10th June. On Saturday, 23rd September the programme will start in Derryvullen North Parish Hall. Anyone interested please contact Avril. We are pleased that the Women’s Group, following the Family Fun Night were able to contribute £150 towards the project. They also donated £150 to Fermanagh Multiple Sclerosis.

Good Wishes

We extend our good wishes and every blessing in ministry as Mrs Lindsey Farrell is to be ordained as Deacon to serve in Rossorry Parish Church. This service will take place in St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher on Sunday, 3rd September at 7pm. Please pray for her and her family.

Prayers

There have been a number of parishioners who have been unwell over the summer. Please remember in prayer all who are unwell either at home or in hospital and also anyone who has been bereaved.

Holy Baptism

St Patrick’s Church, Castle Archdale
23rd July 2017 – Lauren Alexandra Rose infant daughter of Diana and Jonathan

Holy Matrimony

St Patrick’s Church, Castle Archdale
27th July 2017 – Wendy Sarah Somerville and Gregory William Warrington

Thank You

As we look forward to the Institution of Revd Paul Thompson in September, I wish to convey my thanks to Ven Archdeacon Pringle, Revd Alan Irwin, Rural Dean and all the clergy and lay readers who have helped out during the vacancy in the parishes. It has been an honour and privilege to have assisted in the smooth running of our Sunday worship. Thank you also to all who have been supportive and helpful in so many ways. Please remember in your prayers the Revd Paul Thompson, his wife and family and give them the support and respect they deserve. Yours in Christ’s service
Dr Margaret Knox
Christian Burial
On Thursday, 13th July 2017 the Funeral Service for Iris Jane Weir, Dromard, took place in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, followed by interment in the adjoining churchyard. The Revd Rodney Beacon along with two of Iris’ grandchildren, Linda and Hannah, assisted in the service.
Iris Jane was born on Tuesday, 30th May 1933, the second of four children to Tom and Ellen Irwin of Boho parish. She attended the local National School, before progressing to a secretarial course at Enniskillen Technical College after which she secured employment at the Scotch Store, on the Sligo Road, Enniskillen.
She met her husband Ivan Weir and they were married at Boho on Tuesday, 31st December 1957. The only family home she knew in her married life and the only one she cared about was at Dromard. It was originally a thatched roof which was raised slightly and slated. During the times of necessary general upkeep of the property, Iris was not afraid to do whatever it took, even to the extent of climbing up to paint gable walls. She loved working on the farm with Ivan, milking her two cows by hand in those early days, feeding hens, walking the fields. She was a lady who could not be more content.
The family came along with the birth of Clive and then Jill but like all farmers wives she did not wish to give bother to anyone on the bungalow at the end of the lane. Iris became necessary and a close eye kept on her especially when she decided to move for them all and was proud of all their achievements. They in turn have shown love and care for her through her many years and they to her. Iris had a great concern for her children and grandchildren, and they to her. Iris was a very kind person, very perceptive and had that determination which is necessary to get through life. She was devoted to her children and grandchildren and they to her. Iris had a great concern for them all and was proud of all their achievements. They in turn have shown love and care for her through her many years.
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Ballyreagh, whose marriage took place in St Joseph’s church, Lissan, and Laura Henderson, daughter of David and Iris Henderson, Cappy, whose marriage took place in Crom Castle.

40th Anniversary Tea
Before the summer, the editor of Derry and Raphoe diocesan magazine was in touch with the rector asking him to submit a few lines regarding Bishop Ken Good with whom he was ordained 40 years ago. They were doing a feature to mark the Bishop’s 40th anniversary. On Sunday, 25th June 2017, the nearest Sunday to the actual date of Chancellor Stewart’s ordination 40 years ago on 26th June 1977 in Downpatrick Cathedral, over 100 people attended church at Derryvullen South followed by refreshments in the parish hall which included a special cake baked by Mrs Lynne Black intricately iced and appropriately inscribed. Following kind remarks made by the Peoples’ Churchwarden, Mr Robert Boles, the rector thanked Mrs Kathleen Kettyles and her team for organising the event.

Ordination
Miss Alison Irvine, a parishioner of Garvary parish, is to be ordained intern deacon by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, the Right Reverend Pat Storey, on Sunday, 17th September 2017 at 6.30 pm in St Catherine’s Parish Church, Tullamore, Co Offaly. Alison would appreciate your prayers as she begins ordained ministry in the Church of Ireland.

Harvest Celebrations
We look forward to welcoming as our harvest speakers the Revd Canon Ian Ellis, Rossoyry, on Sunday evening, 1st October in Derryvullen South; the Revd Brian Courtney, Carrickfergus, on Friday evening, 6th October in Garvary; a representative of CMJI at the morning services on 8th October and finally the Revd Mark Durrell on Sunday evening 8th October in Garvary.

The Pencil and Keswick
In the June edition of the magazine, the rector posed the question about a well known item still used in schools and that a well known location was where the item was made in the 19th century. The item is the pencil and the well known location where it was made was Keswick in the Cumbrian Lake District in England. In 1854, the year that Derryvullen church was consecrated the Illustrated Magazine of Arts in an article entitled “Pencil making at Keswick” publicised the fact that the famous graphite used for the pencils was mined at Borrowdale near Keswick and that these mines were owned by Messrs Bankes and Co. Today the pencils, still made of Canadian cedar wood, are now made at Derwent a few miles away, but a museum in Keswick tells the story of the history of pencil making in Keswick. One additional aspect to the pencil is that during World War Two it was used to conceal a map of Germany and a compass enabling aircrew who were shot down to escape enemy territory. While in Keswick, the rector and Mrs Stewart visited the very grand Keswick hotel standing prominently on an elevated site overlooking the town. It was built the same year that the railway arrived in Keswick 1869, the year Garvary was consecrated. The railway line ended at the hotel so it was a “railway hotel” providing accommodation for the increasing number of travellers to the area.
Services
Sunday 3rd
10am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church
11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church
7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 10th
10am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church
11.30am Morning Prayer, Devenish Parish Church
7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

Sunday 17th
10am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church
11.30am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church
7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

Sunday 24th
10am Family Service, Boho Parish Church
11.30am Family Service, Devenish Parish Church,
7.30pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Harvest Thanksgiving Services
Friday, 29th September at 7.30pm; Boho Parish Harvest
Sunday, 1st October at 3.30pm; Boho Parish Harvest

Devenish & Boho Services
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Burials
Friday, 21st July 2017 - Beatrice Elizabeth (Betty) Little, Mullaghtmore, Boho Road, Enniskillen. The funeral service was conducted by Canon David Skuce and was held in Devenish Parish Church followed by the burial in the adjoining graveyard.
We offer our deepest sympathy to Mrs Little’s son, Robin and the wider family circle.

Wednesday, 26th July 2017 - Richard Britton, Carn Green, Boho, Enniskillen. The funeral service was conducted by Canon David Skuce and Revd Sampson Ajuka and was held in Boho Parish Church followed by the burial in the adjoining graveyard.
We offer our deepest sympathy to Richard’s brothers, George, Willie and Albert and the wider family circle.

Sunday School
Sunday School will reopen on Sunday, 3rd September at 10.45 am in the Reade Hall. We look forward to welcoming new children.

Mothers Union
Mothers’ Union will commence on Tuesday, 19th September at 8pm with a Service of Holy Communion in Devenish Parish Church, followed by a short meeting and cup of tea. We would like to encourage new members to join our branch, where there will be an opportunity to pray together, support each other and strengthen family life. Our meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 8pm in the Reade Hall, Monea.

Thank you.
We wish to thank Miss Alison Irvine for taking two Sunday Services, while Revd Sampson was attending his father’s funeral in Nigeria. We extend our good wishes and prayers to Alison as she takes up her new post as intern deacon in St. Catherine’s Parish Church, Tullamore, Co Offaly.

Table Quiz
There will be a table quiz in the Reade Hall, Monea on Saturday, 16th September at 8.00pm. Proceeds will go towards the Reade hall project. Tea will be provided. We look forward to welcoming teams from other parishes and from throughout the county. Tickets can be obtained from Richard McClure or you can pay at the door.

Reade Hall Project
Work is progressing well on the second stage of the project (New kitchen and extended committee room) and should be completed by the beginning of September. Our parish gift day in aid of the project has raised £13,190 to date. The Select Vestry wishes to thank everyone that has contributed to date.

Orange Anniversary Service
On Sunday, 9th 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 Richard McClure and Kenneth Ferguson, and the organist was Gill Spence.

Devenish Bowling Club
Devenish Bowling club will reopen on Friday 15th September at 8pm. New members will be very welcome. This year the main club bowling night will be on Saturday night. The Club’s annual tournament will commence on Friday, 20th October. Congratulations to Leroy and Wendy Lindsay on the birth of their baby girl, Ruby.
Services
Sunday, 3rd September 2017 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
Barr: 10.00am Holy Communion
Donacavey: 11.30am Holy Communion
Sunday, 10th September 2017 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer
Donacavey: 11.30am Morning Prayer
Sunday, 17th September 2017 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
Donacavey: 11.30am Morning Prayer

Barr: 3.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service with speaker Rev S Woods
Sunday, 24th September 2017 Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Barr: 10.00am Morning Prayer
Donacavey: 11.30pm Morning Prayer

Sympathy
The parish extends its sincere condolences to the family and friends of the late Mrs Iris Weir formerly of Tamlaght.

Rvd Canon Maurice Armstrong and Rvd Canon Ian Ellis
Rvd Canon Maurice Armstrong and Rvd Canon Ian Ellis are thanked for providing emergency cover during August.

Mrs Ellen Stevenson
Mrs Ellen Stevenson is thanked for providing service cover during August.

Parade
Barr Orange Parade was held on the beautiful warm and sunny afternoon of Sunday, 16th July. A good congregation was present to hear the band play from the hall to the church and the Pipe Major, Mark Henderson, played a solo verse of a hymn during the service. Members of the band helped with readings and the service liturgy. Afterwards everyone enjoyed a very tasty afternoon tea and wonderful fellowship in the hall. A word of thanks was proposed by the Grand Master, James McConnell.

Fashion Show
Fashion Show on Tuesday, 14th November at 8pm in the Silver Birch Hotel. Tickets £12.50 including refreshments, proceeds in aid of church funds. Contact Florrie Telford on 07955382189.

Parish Sale and Craft Fayre
Parish Sale and Craft Fayre on Saturday, 25th November from 10am to 2pm in Donacavey church hall.

Parish Register
Burial of Ashes
23rd July 2017 in Donacavey Graveyard
Robert Moore, Donaghadee
2nd August 2017 in Donacavey Graveyard
Warnock Rodger Plenderleith
Services
3rd September, The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Donagh Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion
12.00noon Tyholland Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion
10th September, The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Donagh Parish Church – Morning Prayer
12.00noon Errigal Truagh Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion
17th September, The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Donagh Parish Church - Morning Prayer
3.00pm Tyholland Harvest Thanksgiving Service. Preacher; Revd. Canon Geoffrey Bridle. Harvest Supper will be provided

Donagh & Tyholland with Errigal Truagh
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Harvest Thanksgiving Services
Errigal Truagh Parish Church, 1st October, at 3pm: Harvest Supper will be provided after the service in Blackwater Valley Learning Centre. Everyone will be made welcome.
Donagh Parish Church - Sunday, 8th October, at 3pm Revd. John Woods. Harvest supper will be provided in the Church Hall after the service. Everyone will be made welcome.

Mothers Union
The opening Service will take place on Wednesday, 20th September at 7.30 in Donagh Parish Church. New members will be made welcome.

Sunday School
I would like to sincerely thank Marina, Edna, Robert, Deborah and the leaders who help with the Sunday School throughout the year. They are dedicated and committed to ensuring that the young people enjoy and learn from the activities planned week by week on Christian faith. We are grateful to Ethne McCord for her dedication and enthusiastic approach to working with the Junior Choir and the young musicians who have now progressed in their musical ability by accompanying the congregation on the organ in the singing of hymns.

Senior Choir Practice
The choir have a full calendar for the incoming months. Choir practice will commence on Monday, 4th September at 8pm in Donagh Church. New members will be made welcome.

P.S.A.L.M.
The month of August has been a busy month with music tuition taking place in Donagh Parish Church. Our thanks to Kathy and Ethne.

Congratulations To
Ronnie and Joan Berry on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary and to Cecil and Eleanor Stewart on the birth of a baby grandson in Australia.

Prayers
Prayers: We remember those of our parishes who have been ill over the past months, those who are recovering from treatment and those in Nursing Homes. We pray that God's peace and presence will be with them.
Services
N.B. Over the next few months we will be having the main service at 11am, instead of 11.30am. This is on a trial basis.

3rd September
9.00am HC 2, “Opposite spirit!” (Romans 12:9-21)

10th September
11.00am S o W, “Prayer – Kingdom” (Luke 10:1-16)

17th September
11.00am HC 2, “Prayer – Daily bread” (Matt 7:7-11)
7.30pm Praise & Ministry Service
24th September
11.00am MP 2, “Prayer – Deliverance” (2 Corinthians 1:3-11)
S o W – Service of the Word
HC 2 – Holy Communion, Form 2
MP 2 – Morning Prayer, Form 2

‘Our Rock’
A century or so ago, a ship in a storm was dashed against the rocks in Cornwall, at the South West corner of England. A fifteen-year-old sailor swam to safety on an offshore rock. He climbed up and waited all night until he was rescued the next morning. A reporter interviewed him and commented, ‘You must have been shaking all night as you clung to that rock.’ ‘Yes,’ the sailor boy said, ‘I trembled all night with fear and cold.’ Then he added, ‘But the rock never trembled once.’ Day 110, BIOY

In both the Old and New Testaments, God is referred to as ‘the Rock’. In Deuteronomy, God gets Moses to teach the people a song in which they are reminded (Deut 32:4):

He is the Rock, his works are perfect,
and all his ways are just.
A faithful God who does no wrong,
upright and just is he.

In 1 Corinthians 10:4 Paul helps us to see the context of ‘the rock’ in the Old Testament:

‘and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ.’

The children of Israel were sustained by the water that flowed from the rock in the wilderness – and that rock was Christ. The image also brings with it the unchanging nature of God – he is faithful and one on whom we can depend. Like the boy in the story we need to cling to him – our Rock!

PYMS and Holiday Bible Club
Some of our youth and youth leaders completed a Practical Youth Ministry Skills Course (PYMS) ran by Jonny Phenix (Diocesan Youth Officer) and his wife Janet. At the end of the course the participants ran a Holiday Bible Club for 7 – 12 year olds (as part of their practical assessment for this
The theme for the Holiday Bible Club was Daniel in the lion’s den. Through games, songs, Bible story, memory verse, quiz and craft the children learnt that they can trust God—just as Daniel did. We are hoping that the youth who completed the course will be involved in assisting with the running of youth and children’s ministry activities within the parish. The 4 – 6 year olds also had fun learning about Daniel (see pictures of the children making lion masks and playing games). We are hoping to run several Holiday Bible Clubs over the next 12 months with the help of our newly trained youth.

Praise and Ministry Service, 17th September at 7.30pm
This all-age service (normally on the 4th Sunday of the month, but this month on the 3rd Sunday) is more informal and may vary in format from month to month. Opportunity will be given within the service to receive prayer ministry for anything (including healing). Come along and enjoy a less liturgical style of worship, learn some of the new songs that the Church is being blessed with and grow in your passion for God, His Word and His Works. There will be tea and coffee afterwards. What on Earth am I here for?

At the beginning of October we will be starting a six-week course aimed at helping people discover their purpose is this world—answering the big question, “What on Earth am I here for?”—using six video sessions with teaching from Pastor Rick Warren, along with workbooks. Dates and times will be on the notice sheets and on Facebook towards the end of September. We would encourage everyone to try to come along to what could be a life-changing course for many.

Drumkeeran, Muckross and Templecarne

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Services
Sunday, 3rd September
10.00: Templecarne MP
11.30: Drumkeeran HC
Friday, 8th September
8.00: Muckross - Harvest Thanksgiving. Preacher, Revd John Woods. Tea after the service.
Sunday, 10th September
11.30: Drumkeeran MP
Sunday, 10th September
7.00: Muckross - Harvest Thanksgiving. Preacher, Revd Alan Irwin. No service in Dernasesk in September due to Muckross Harvest Thanksgiving.
Sunday, 17th September
11.30: Drumkeeran MP
Sunday, 17th September
7.00: Templecarne Harvest Thanksgiving. Preacher, Mr Karl Saunders. Tea in the church after the service.
Sunday, 25th September
10.00: Muckross MP
Sunday, 24th September
11.30: Drumkeeran Harvest Thanksgiving. Preacher, Dean Raymond Thompson. Tea in the church after the service
Thursday, 28th September, Annual Diocesan Synod commencing at 4.30 in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen. Sunday School will resume on 1st October.
Sunday, 15th October 7.00 - Dernasesk Harvest Thanksgiving. Thursday 19th October - Templecarne Annual Concert.
As you can see, September is the month of Harvest Thanksgivings in the group. I hope that there will be a good attendance at all the services and a sharing together in each church. 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 for a Harvest Thanksgiving service where the symbols of nature are all around the place.

Marriage
Good wishes to Daryll Boyd of Drumkeeran Parish and Gillian McClaughlin of St Macartins Parish, Enniskillen, who were married in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen on 15th July. The service was conducted by Dean Kenny Hall. As a parish we wish the young couple well for the days and years ahead as they settle into a new
life together. The Boyd family have always been faithful supporters of the church and the groom's mother, Irene, is the organist in Drumkeeran. I'm delighted that it was such a pleasant occasion. Due to being on holiday I missed sharing in the event.

Mission Work
Gillian Stevenson has returned to Kenya after her summer break. We pray that God will continue to bless her and the work of Kindfund in its care for children in that part of Africa.

Holiday Cover
I am grateful to those who provided cover when I was on holiday. Services were conducted by Alison Irvine, John Irvine, Jack Watson, Colin Brownsmith, Eileen Cutler and Abraham Storey. The Orange Parade service on 9th July was conducted by Mr Abraham Storey. The RBP service was held on 30th July. I am also grateful to the Revd Phillip Bryson, curate assistant in Magheraculmoney Parish who provided cover in the group of parishes when I was on holiday.

Good Wishes
The new rector of Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale, the Revd Paul Thompson will be instituted on 15th September. May God be with the new rector and with the members of the two parishes as a new phase in the work of the church around Irvinestown and Castle Archdale begins.

September 2016
September is like a ‘New Year’ in the life of the parish. It is an opportunity to begin again with renewed commitment and the resolve to be more regular in worship. During the summer months of June, July and August, attendance in church tends to be less than normal. Perhaps the absence of Sunday School in a way 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 Century. In this better standard of living we all rejoice. The weather has been reasonable and the farming community has been able to prepare for the winter. 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 the Harvest Thanksgiving services an opportunity to share with each other in all three churches. 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.

Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum

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Services
Sunday 3rd September The Twelfth
Sunday after Trinity
9.45am Aghabog M.P.
11.00am Rockcorry M.P.
"Drum 8.00pm Harvest Service
Sunday 10th September The Thirteenth
Sunday after Trinity
" Aughnamullen Harvest Thanksgiving Service 3pm
11.00 Dartrey M.P.
Sunday 17th September The Fourteenth
Sunday Trinity
9.45am Aghabog H.C.
11.00am Rockcorry H.C.
12.15pm Drum H.C.
Sunday 24th September The Fifteenth
Sunday after Trinity
9.45am Aughnamullen H.C.
*3.00pm Dartrey Harvest Service
1st October
8.00pm Rockcorry ,Harvest Service.
8th October
8.00pm Aghabog, service of thanksgiving for harvest.

Dartrey/Rockcorry Picnic
A good turn-out of bands, a good crowd and favourable weather all contributed to another successful picnic at Dartrey hall and grounds on 16th July. The ever popular barbecue was in the capable hands of Margaret and Christina with refreshments served in the parish hall. The children too had their time out with a variety of games. Thanks to all who had any input into the success of this event. (See photo)

Children's Day Service
The young people of the Sunday school took a major part in the service on the day. This is always a family occasion as parents and relatives come along to enjoy and support the young people as they engage in and lead the worship. The prizes presented on the day were of excellent faith based quality and full of activities. Thanks to Tommie, Christina and others who helped in the Sunday school during the year, also to Audrey who helps out with the music. After the service refreshments were served.

Rockcorry (old) School
This is a lovely old stone building located in Rockcorry village. It is good to see it has been given a new lease of life with the external painting of doors and windows. Thanks to those responsible for the overseeing of this work.

Holy Baptism
In Dartrey parish church on Sunday 9th July we were delighted to receive baby Joshua Alexander William, son of Jason and Julie Coalter, Druminton, Dartrey. It is a joy to welcome Joshua into the family of Dartrey church and also his parents who now have moved to this area. We trust they will feel at home with us.

Good Wishes
Once again we remember those parishioners who have been unwell at home or in hospital. We also think of those who have been recently bereaved.

Harvest Services
It is hard to believe that the summer with its long care free sunny days (with a mixture of rain of course) is coming to an end for another year. Young folk will be setting off to school for the first time, with others changing classes and going to new schools. Summer is ended and harvest is upon us once again.
Harvest is an important occasion in the life of most churches, giving thanks to God for his provision of food on the land as well as the sea.
Dartrey Harvest Service will take place on Sunday 24th September 3pm. We look forward to Rev Canon Mark Lidwell coming to minister to us. Rockcorry Harvest service will be on the following Sunday Sun 1st October 8pm when Revd Daryl Edwards will be the preacher.

Aghabog
Newbliss Eldron RBP 33
Newbliss Eldron RBP 33 held their annual service in Aghabog on Sunday 6th August at 3.30pm. Prior to and after worship, the Mullaghacavan Accordion band paraded to and from the church. It was encouraging to see such a full church and to hear the singing from so many male voices gathered on the day. Thanks to Roy Crowe for his challenging address, who is your master based on the reading from Jeremiah and the potter.
Thanks to those who read the lessons. People who had travelled a distance voiced their appreciation of the service and the hospitality afterwards.

Soup morning and cake Sale
This event will be held in the parish hall on Saturday 16th September from 11am-2pm. All are welcome to this social as well as fundraising event.

Harvest Service
Harvest Service will be held in Aghabog parish church on Sunday 8th October 8pm. Speaker: Revd Stanley Stewart.

Bowling Club
The club will be resuming in September and new members are welcome.

Aughnamullen

Wedding
The wedding took place in Aughnamullen parish church of Trevor Jordan and Julianne Doran on Saturday 5th August. The weather was favourable to the couple and their guests. The event was followed with a lovely meal in the pleasant surroundings of Slane Castle. We wish the couple every blessing in their marriage.

Tus Worker
We are delighted and grateful that we have been allocated the services of Eamon Donaghy for the next year to care for the church and look after the graveyard.

Bereavement
We extend our sympathy to Valerie Mahony and her family on the death of her mother Margaret known as Peggy Crawford, Ballybay. She passed away in her 93rd year. Peggy was well known by many people. As long as she was able, she gave generously of her time and talents to her church and the surrounding community of Ballybay.
We have just learned of the death of Sir Richard Tenison (Lough Bawn) age 92 years, whose death has taken place in England. We extend our sympathy to the Tenison family.

Pride of Place
Latton & Bawn were nominated to represent Co. Monaghan in the Pride of Place 2017 competition. It was a pleasure to be invited to this great event in the lives of Latton & Bawn and surrounding areas. I was delighted to see George Montgomery and Alice Forde, members of Aughnamullen parish actively participating as well as representing the COI community.

We await the results from the judges later in the year.

Illness
We are ever mindful of those who have health issues and hope they continue to improve.

Barbecue
This year it is the turn of Aughnamullen and Drum to host the annual charity barbecue. This will take place on Saturday 19th August. Everyone welcome.

Harvest Service
This is scheduled for Sunday 10th September. Preacher: Revd Jim Hegan.

Drum
Mother’s Union
Eight members have signed up to attend the ‘The Big Sing’ in the National concert hall in Dublin on Saturday 9th September. The bus will be leaving McNally’s car park in Monaghan 9.30am to arrive in Dublin 11am.

Barbecue
The joint parish fund raising event will take place in Drum village hall Saturday 19th August 8-9pm. Music by John and Jason. Adults €15. Proceeds will go towards Monaghan Cancer treatment Support.

Harvest Service
This service is scheduled for Sunday 3rd September 8pm. Speaker: Revd Stanley Stewart.
Please come and brings a friend/friends.

The band playing at the Rockcorry/Dartrey picnic.
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Services
Sunday 3rd September The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Holy Communion
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Thursday 7th September
11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 10th September The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Morning Prayer
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Thursday 14th September
11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 17th September The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Holy Communion
7.00pm – Evening Prayer

Thursday 21st September
11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 24th September The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity - Back to Church Sunday
9.00am - Holy Communion
11.00am - Morning Prayer (Family Service and Registration for Sunday School)
7.00pm – Holy Communion

Thursday 28th September
11.00am – Holy Communion
1.05pm – Healing Service
4.00pm – Diocesan Synod Service

Holy Baptism
22nd July
Macil Mia McKinney
23rd July
Troy Alexander Morrison
30th July
Ben William Clendenning
Bently John James McCordick

Christian Marriage
1st July
Robert Reginald Armstrong and Kathleen Margaret Magee
15th July
Karen Gillian McClaughlin and Darryl Thomas Boyd
17th August
Danielle Maxwell and Nathan William McDonnell

Christian Burial
30th June
Emma Marjorie Walker, 91 Riverside, Enniskillen.
2nd July
Emily Mary (Minnie) Allen, Tilery Nursing Home, formerly Dublin Road, Enniskillen.
4th July
Sarah Jane Ogle, Millcroft Nursing Home, formerly Lisgoole Park, Enniskillen.
20th July
Julie Sharon Jones (nee McBrien) formerly Killynure Park, Enniskillen.

Thursday’s at 11.00
Service of Holy Communion each Thursday at 11.00am. This is a 30-minute service which includes two hymns, followed by a cup of tea or coffee and a chat. Do drop in and encourage others to do likewise!

Back to Church Sunday
Back to Church Sunday is based on the simplest and shortest step in evangelism – that we should invite someone we already know to something we love; invite our friend to our church. “I have wanted to come back for some time and this just gave me the nudge I needed.” Success isn’t a percentage, a number, or a line on a graph. Success is one person inviting one person.

Back to Church Sunday began in 2004 in the Diocese of Manchester. In 2009 Back to Church Sunday mobilised around 4,650 churches in the UK to invite their friends to church. As a result over 80,000 extra people attended church on Back to Church Sunday, with a long-term result of around 10,000 people added to the church in one day.

Back to Church Sunday at St Macartin’s Cathedral is on Sunday, 24th September at 11.00am where a warm welcome awaits you at our Family Service followed by tea, coffee or juice and a chat. But you do not have to wait until 24th September. You can come now!

Services - Sunday: 9.00am, 11.00am and 7.00pm and Thursday: 11.00am

Crèche
The Crèche Room is available during Sunday Services to any parents or guardians of small children. We love having babies and toddlers in the Cathedral with us, but we understand that at times you might prefer to use the Crèche Room, at the top of the stairs from the back porch.

We are interested to know if there would be demand for a Creche service during the 11am Sunday Service. This would operate on a rota basis, allowing adults with children below Sunday Lights age (primary school age) to leave little ones in the care of designated crèche leaders. If this service would make it easier for you to worship with us on Sunday mornings, please express your interest by emailing Revd Chris or calling the Curatage on 028 66 322805.

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Sunday School
‘Sunday Lights’ Forming Faith in Children A Special Family Service will be held on Sunday, 24th September and details of Sunday Lights’ recommending will be announced at the service. Registration will take place after the Family Service.

Sunday Lights Leaders
Sunday Lights Leaders are invited to a planning meeting in the Devenish Room, Cathedral Hall on Thursday, 14th September at 7.30pm. We are appealing for extra leaders on a rota basis. Anyone interested in helping out is welcome to attend the meeting. Please help!
Messy Church

Messy Church does just what it says on the tin. It’s Church, so we meet together and worship God through Bible stories and songs. And it’s Messy! There’s always glue and glitter, food and fun.

Messy Church is open to all children of primary school age and their parents and guardians. The rule is: no child without an adult, and no adult without a child.

Now that we’re back in the Cathedral Hall, we are looking forward to meeting new friends! So even if you’ve never been before, even if you or your children aren’t parishioners of the Cathedral, you are very welcome to join us!

Messy Church Programme 2017-18

4.00-6.00pm in the Cathedral Halls
Sept. 21st – Back to Messy Church!
Oct. 19th – Messy Harvest
Nov. 16th – Messy Science
Dec. 21st – Messy Christmas
(no Messy Church in January)
Feb. 15th – Messy Valentine’s Day
Mar. 17th – Messy St. Patrick’s
Apr. 19th – Messy Earth Day
May 17th – Messy Ascension
June 21st – Messy Sports Day & BBQ

Confirmation

A Confirmation service will be held in the spring of 2018 for young people of school Year 9 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.

Adult Faith Formation in St Macartin’s

Pilgrim is our adult formation group. It is a relaxed, café-style night where we can get to know each other a bit better and explore our Christian faith.

Some Pilgrim members like to speak a lot, and some prefer to sip coffee and listen. Some are reasonably sure about things and others are still thinking. The format is open and welcoming, and every opinion is respected. There is space for people at all stages of their Christian journey.

Last year, we had two groups (Established and New). These two groups will combine from September, and will meet twice a month from 7.30-9pm in the Devenish Room. We also hope to start a day-time group soon.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Cathedral. Please sign up to give us an idea of numbers and to receive more information.

Dates for your diary ...

Tuesday 19th Sept. 7.30-9 pm Opening Night
A chance to sample Pilgrim. Come along and see for yourself, even if you aren’t sure just yet if it’s for you.

Course Dates: October 3rd and 17th, November 7th and 21st, December 5th

Pilgrim Christmas Gathering: December 12th

Parochial Organisations

Choir Practice
Choir practice takes place each Wednesday evening in the Cathedral commencing at 7.30pm. Practices will resume on Wednesday, 6th 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 Glenn or 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 7-8pm and new ringers will be warmly welcomed to send out the call to worship on Sunday!

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. We commence a new season, refreshed after a summer break, by inviting you to an evening of “Fizz and Fashion” in our splendid newly refurbished Cathedral Hall on Monday, 11th September at 8pm.

Everyone welcome both new and existing members to the new season.

Cathedral Life Men’s Group

Men’s Harvest Supper
7:30pm - Thursday 5th October 2017
in the Saddlers Restaurant
with guest speaker
Revd Rob Clements

On Thursday, 5th October we launch our new Men’s Life group.

Our hope is to regularly bring together all the men of the parish for an evening of fellowship, activities, and guest speaker. We are delighted that the Revd Rob Clements has agreed to come and speak at our opening event, a Men’s Harvest Supper, and we look forward to hearing about his life and his faith. Admission is free, but as we need to confirm numbers for supper, you are asked to reserve a place in advance by contacting Gordon Jackson, Karl Saunders, Ewan Richmond or David Graham.

... the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart [1 Samuel 14]

Tuesday Club

Recommences on Tuesday, 26th September from 2pm to 4pm in the Hiliary Room. There will be a service of Holy Communion celebrated by the Dean. Come and meet other parishioners - a good friend could be someone you have yet to meet.

Bowling Club

Bowling Club recommences on Wednesday, 13th September – Mornings 10.30am to 12 noon and Evening 7.30pm – 10.00pm. St Macartin’s Bowling Club is in Section C of the Church League and now we are back in our refurbished hall we are appealing for NEW MEMBERS to join in the fun and fellowship of bowls.

Scouts and Guides

Details of start up dates and venue will be announced on Pew News and in the October Cathedral News.
We will tell some grisly and ghoulish stories of the town’s spookiest sites where Halloween Walk in the Dark will take us to A Walk in the Dark. Do you dare? Our pre-Monday, 30th October and drink and have some fun. before (2015-16), whether or not you decided to get confirmed in the end. Bring your friends! A chance to catch up over food young people who attended Confirmation Classes this year (2016-17) or the year before (2015-16), whether or not you decided to get confirmed in the end. Bring your friends! A chance to catch up over food and drink and have some fun.

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Cathedral Garden of Remembrance

With the increased number of people choosing cremation, St Macartin’s Cathedral needed to make provision for the burial of ashes in the Cathedral grounds. A Garden of Remembrance at the rear of the Cathedral is under construction. We hope it will be completed and dedicated on Sunday, 20th September after the morning service. The plan is to erect a memorial stone on which to engrave names of committals and also to provide a summer seat for relatives to have a private and quiet area in which to remember. This may be of particular interest to certain parishioners who may be willing to help finance this project. It may also be of interest to former Cathedral parishioners who have moved away from the area (maybe overseas and large cities where cremations are more common) and may want the Cathedral grounds to be the resting place for their ashes. Please make this widely known and donations would be gratefully received towards this project – ‘The Cathedral Garden of Remembrance Fund’.

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Prayer

Almighty God, you have made us members of Christ and of his Church here in this Cathedral Parish of Enniskillen. May we as a congregation reach upwards to your throne in worship and adoration; inwards to one another in understanding and fellowship; and outwards to the world in evangelism and social compassion.

Make this Cathedral Parish like a city set on a hill, whose light cannot be hidden, so that men and women may find Christ as the light of the world, and his Church as the family of the redeemed, and eternal life as the gift of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Youth Club
The Cathedral Youth Club, Saturday Night Live reopens on Saturday, 16th September from 7pm-9pm in the Cathedral Hall for Year 7 upwards. For more information contact Ronnie at ronniecarson@hotmail.com or by text to 07872900852.

Xplore
Xplore is a relaxed, café-style venue for young people in Years 10-12. We want the young people of St Macartin’s to feel they belong to the wider church family, to know that they are valued, and to have a safe space to ask questions about faith as a teenager and young adult. We meet in the Upper Room (youth wing) of the Cathedral Halls.

Upcoming events ...

Monday, 18th September @ 7.30 – 9 pm
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Kind regards, Canon Hanlon

**Teddy Bear’s Picnic**

A Teddy Bear’s Picnic was held on Saturday, 1st July, in St John’s parish hall hosted by MOPS a ministry for young mums, in support of Spud Bear Ministry, a Northern Ireland based ministry in providing small soft toys too sick children in hospitals, and Orphanages across Africa; Spud Bear Ministry also provides talking Bears which help educate children and adults in Health Care, Reading, sharing Bible stories, and the Gospel message. Families came along with their teddy bears and picnic’s, paying £5 per family at the door and leaving a small soft toy for Spud Bear ministries. They enjoyed a fun filled morning of craft, photo booth, bouncy castles and Maud’s ice cream donated by Beatty’s local Spar store in Fivemiletown. A big thank you too everyone who helped in organizing the Teddy Bear’s picnic, from Spot the Bear competition, putting the craft packs together, setting up the photo booth, and hall the night before, for all who helped on the day, especially with the tidying up. The final amount raised was £400, and three big bags of small soft toys are on their way to children across the continent of Africa.

**One Day Free Uniform Shop**

One day free school uniform shop has been up and running for a few years now, it re-opened on Wednesday, 9th August, helping families by providing pre loved uniforms for Fivemiletown College, Fivemiletown Primary and Nursery school, plus St Ciaran’s College Ballygawley and Carnhall Primary School. Help and support from local businesses in the town make this possible; Ballylurgan Hardware provided the bins for storing the uniforms, Beatty’s Spar and the Co-op became collection points for the uniforms from the end of June into July. Local business man provided a shop for the day, and the Fivemiletown Community Development Association provided tables from the Market Yard. Remaining uniforms are passed on to a charity shop in Markethill and shipped out to a school and orphanage they support in Africa. A huge thank you too all involved in helping to sort and set up the shop on the Wednesday.

Mamie Alexander

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**Galloon, Sallaghy and Drummully**

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**Service Times**

09:00 Drummully
10:30 Sallaghy
12:00 Galloon

**Sunday School Times**

Drummully: 9:00-10:00am in Drummully Church
Sallaghy: 10:30-11:30am in Sallaghy Church Hall

**Monthly Cycle of Services**

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

**Good News Group**

Our Good News Group continues to meet for Prayer, Bible Study and Fellowship, following the “E 100”. Join us to talk to and about God, to listen to Him and each other over a “cup of tea”. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 6th September in the Sunday School Hall Newtownbutler at 8.00pm. All Welcome!

**Confirmation**

Our Confirmation Programme resumes on the second Thursday of the month and will run through until Confirmation on Easter Sunday 1st April 2018. The first class of the term is on Thursday 14th September at 7.00pm in Galloon Sunday School Hall. Our theme for this month is ‘Prayer’. Our themes for each month this term include; Prayer, Worship, Church and Apostle’s Creed, Mission, Faith and finally Making a Difference in the World. We are so blessed as a group of parishes to have such a wonderful group of teenagers please pray for them and their journey with Christ.

**Choir Practice**

Choir practices resume on Wednesday 13th September at 8.00pm in Sallaghy Church, when we will begin preparing for our Harvest Services and the Songs of Praise in Sallaghy on 29th October 2017.

**Group Service**

There will be a group service in Sallaghy on Sunday 29th October at 7.00pm.
Harvest Celebrations in Galloon Group of Churches
Harvest Celebrations in Galloon Group of Churches extend over three weeks from 24th September - 8th October. During this time we as a church family seek to look deeper, wider and higher. We are delighted to have as our guest speakers from Crosslinks, The Pantry (Lisnaskea) and Thrive Ireland (Tearfund). We will be joined at our Harvest Service Celebrations by our Group Choir.

Sunday 24th September at 11:00
Sunday 24th September at 11:00, we begin with our Sallaghy Harvest Service. Our speaker Mr Colin Morris will bring us a ‘Word’ from Scripture, a ‘message’ from Crosslinks, and an opportunity for ‘any questions’ during our Harvest lunch in the church hall.

Sunday 1st October at 7pm
Sunday 1st October at 7pm, we will celebrate our Harvest in Drummully. We look forward to hearing our speaker Val Irvine tell us the amazing journey the Pantry in Lisnaskea has been on in the last four years. God’s providence and provision for those near us in need. Linda Lindsay is our special guest Soloist on the evening. Harvest Supper served in Church Hall.

Sunday 8th October at 11:00
Sunday 8th October at 11:00, we have our final harvest Service in the Group in Galloon Parish, and what a finale! We are delighted to have Diane Holt from Thrive Ireland (Tearfund) to share with us ‘Umoja’ a community development process which helps local churches to realise their local and global mission and vision. Diane is also a professional singer and she will share her amazing voice along with her message to us all.

Galloon Parish
Galloon Parish Auction
The next auction will be held on Saturday, 9th September 2017 at 12.00noon in The Church Hall, Newtownbutler.

Any contributions of items to sell would be welcome. Collection and storage of items can be arranged if necessary. Contact William Little (028) 67738676

Galloon & Drummully Mothers’ Union
Our Mother’s Union opening service will be held on Monday 25th September at 8pm in St Mary’s Drummully. This will be a service of Holy Communion as we bring our Mother’s Union into God’s presence and place ourselves in the Almighty’s hands. All welcome

Baptism
Jonathan Ivan Little, son of Ross and Caroline Little, Corlatt, was baptised on Sunday 18th June 2017. Our baptism service was a wonderful celebration of God’s goodness on life’s journey, as we welcomed Jonathon Ivan, into our church family. May God continue to watch over and bless you.

Sympathy
We extend our sympathy to all the members of the Phair family on death of their beloved father Billy on Saturday 8th July. Billy and Maisie were so much part of the Church life in Galloon and they are both remembered with great affection. “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, trust also in me.”

Sallaghy Parish
Clavinova
A new Roland clavinova has been purchased for use in the parish church. It will provide greater opportunities for the younger musicians to play in church as well as enhance worship for all alongside the existing organ. Thanks are expressed to those who worked on this project.

Church Upkeep
Over the summer months an induction loop for use by people with hearing aids has been installed in the church. Work to improve disabled access to the church by replacing the step at the church door by a gradual slope from both the road and the Church Hall has also been carried out. Thanks are expressed to all those who help with the coordination of this work in any way.

Bowing Club
The Bowling Club will recommence for the new season on Tuesday 12th 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.

Mothers’ Union
The Mothers’ Union Opening service of Holy Communion will be held in Sallaghy Parish Church at 8.00pm on Thursday 14th September.

“Songs of Praise”
The October Group Service (5th Sunday) will be held in Sallaghy in the form of a “Songs of Praise” Service on Sunday 29th October 2017 at 7.00pm. The theme of the service will be “Music which moves you”. Parishioners in each of the three Group Churches will have an opportunity to submit their choice of favourite hymns. Everyone is invited to come along and celebrate an evening of music followed by supper.

Dance
A Parish Dance will be held on Friday 10th November 2017 in the Church Hall. The music will be provided by Robert Brown with dancing from 10.00pm – 1.00am. The cost will be £5 including Supper and all proceeds are in aid of Church Funds. Everyone will be made most welcome.

Marriages
Alison Violet Little and Michael James Jackson on Saturday 29th July 2017. This ceremony took place in Bridge of Allan Parish Church, Scotland. Alison Jayne Crawford, 8 Sydenham Crescent Belfast and Michael James Hutchinson, 127 Castlehill Road, Belfast on Thursday 3rd August 2017. This ceremony took place in Sallaghy Parish Church and was conducted by Rev Anita.

“Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder.”
Services

Sunday 3rd September
Garrison 10am HC
Slavin 11.30am HC

Sunday 10th September
Kiltyclogher 10am HC
Belleek 11.30am HC

Friday 15th September
Slavin Harvest Thanksgiving at 7.30pm (see notes)

Sunday 17th September
Garrison 10am MP & FS
Slavin 11.30am MP & FS & HT

Friday 22nd September
Belleek Harvest Thanksgiving at 8pm

Sunday 24th September
Kiltyclogher 10am HC
Belleek 11.30am HC

Friday 29th September
Garrison Harvest Thanksgiving at 8pm

Sunday 1st October
Garrison 10am HC & HT
Slavin 11.30am HC

Sunday 8th October
Kiltyclogher Harvest Thanksgiving at 7pm

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Fund Raising Events –Summer 2017

Thanks to everyone who supported Church sales over the summer period and the bag packing event for Slavin Church. Many thanks to all who helped with Garrison barbecue at the 5th Sunday group service. A special thanks to Neville Elliott and Dominic Sharp who prepared the food. Grateful thanks also goes to Jane Weir who gave a presentation at this service and the previous Family Services on the history of the Chernobyl Charity. Jane and Dominic hosted two children over a three-week summer period which is such great benefit to them in extending their lives by at least six years. If you would consider hosting children next summer, speak to Jane or Eveline Smith from Dromore parish for more details. Jane extends her thanks to all who gave her gifts of clothes and toiletries for the children to take back to their country.

Dates for your Diary

Garrison Parish are hosting a three- course Supper Dance in the Gilaroo Centre on Friday, 3rd November at 7.30pm. Tickets available from any Vestry member.

Keep up to date with news for our Group of Parishes on www.belleek.clogher.anglican.org. The web manager is Jenna Earls. Photos & articles etc. for the website to be e-mailed to Doreen Earls at Social Networking: Follow us on Facebook using the name Garrison Group of Parishes. Simply ‘Like’ our page to receive updates on events.

End of the Summer Holidays

As we come to the end of the summer holidays – everything starts up again as we approach autumn. Our services revert back to their usual time of 11.30am. Sunday school will recommence on Sunday 17th September at 10.30am. Our Sunday evening services will be on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sunday of the month. There will be a meeting of the select vestry in the Stables at 8.00pm on Wednesday, 6th September.

Mother’s Union

Our Branch was pleased to celebrate with two of our long standing members who both had special birthdays. We were honoured to be a part of Katie Byers’ special celebrations for her 100th birthday. Katie is an Indoor Member of our Mothers’ Union Branch. A special celebration for family and friends was held in the Tiley Nursing Home where Katie resides. The many visitors she received included Bishop John McDowell, Mothers’ Union Chaplain; Canon David Skuce, Rector; the Diocesan Mothers’ Union President, Mrs Irene Boyd and Dr. Margaret Knox, Mothers’ Union Indoor Members’ Contact together with Branch Members. Katie received many cards including a card from the Queen, All Ireland Mothers’ Union President, Mrs Phyllis Grothier and Worldwide Mothers’ Union President, Mrs Lynne Tembey.

Our Branch was also pleased to celebrate with Mabel Hassard on the occasion of her recent 90th birthday. Mabel is a faithful and active member of our Branch and received a 60-year Membership Certificate two years ago from Dr. Margaret Knox, the then Diocesan President.

Our opening Branch Meeting will be held in Inishmacsaint Parish Church on Monday 25th September 8pm. New Members will be most welcome.

Please note change of date for next years’ trip. New dates are now 11-14th May 2018. Names and deposits by November. Contact Robena, Telephone 68641569
The Revd Rosemary Logue

Kilskeery and Trillick

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Services
Sunday 3rd September: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Holy Communion
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Holy Communion

Sunday 10th September: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday School resumes today
10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Morning Prayer
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Sunday 17th September: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Trillick Parish Church – Morning Prayer
11.30am Kilskeery Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th September: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30am Trillick Parish Church – Morning Prayer
11.45am Kilskeery Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Church Groups/Organisations
Sunday School During our morning services
Crèche During our morning services
Girls’ Brigade Mondays 6.30 - 8.00pm (Gwen 89561763)
Mothers’ Union The 3rd Monday of each month (May 89561291)
Craft Group Mondays as arranged (Gwen 89561763)
Kilskeery Silver Band Mondays 8.00pm
Kilskeery Senior Citizens’ Group Tuesdays 2.00 – 4.30pm (Emily 66388683)
Choir Tuesdays 8.30 – 9.30pm (Art 89561457)
Boys’ Brigade Wednesdays 7.00 - 8.30pm (Adele 89561932)
Youth Club Fridays and as announced (Gwen 89561763)
Bowls Club Saturdays 8.00pm (Marlene 89561285)

Service Times
Revert to our usual 10.30am Trillick and 11.45am Kilskeery from September.

Holy Matrimony
Warmest congratulations to Trevor Irvine and Ausra Juodenyte who were married at Kilskeery Parish Church on June 28th. This was a wonderful occasion made even more so as the Rev. Rosemary invited Trevor’s father, Adrian (Parish Reader) and his grandfather, John Irvine MBE (Diocesan Reader) to take part – see photo!

All praise and glory to you most gracious God, for in the beginning you created us man and woman.

Grant your blessing then, we pray, to Ausra and Trevor so that in marriage they may be a source of blessing to each other and to all, and live in holy love until their lives’ end.

Sunday School
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 and for all that they do throughout the year, especially to our Sunday School Teachers - Vicki, Joan and Pauline (Trillick) and Judith, Gwen, Joyce and Elizabeth (Kilskeery) together with those who look after our Crèche and ‘Messy Kids Group’ at Kilskeery, Alison, Clare, Leona and Sandra.

Dates for the diary
Senior Citizens Club resumes on September 5th at 2.00pm in Kilskeery Parish Hall and looks forward to an even wider programme and with our usual weekly dinner for our Senior Citizens. A warm welcome is extended to all who might wish to join us.

Messy Kids Club: resumes on Saturday, September 16th from 11.30 – 1.00pm at Kilskeery Parish Hall.

Mothers’ Union meet for a celebration of Holy Communion in Trillick Parish Church on September 18th at 8.00pm.

Choir resumes on Tuesday, September 12th 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, October 6th at 8.00pm, Sunday, October 8th at 11.00am. Trillick Parish Church, Sunday, October 15th at 11.00am and 8.00pm.
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Lisbellaw with Coolbuck

Services
Sunday, 3rd September 2017 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
Lisbellaw: 11.00am Holy Communion
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Holy Communion
Sunday, 10th September 2017 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
Lisbellaw: 11.00am Morning Prayer with commissioning of Sunday School and Bridge teachers and their helpers. Sunday School begins today.
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Evening Prayer
Sunday, 17th September 2017 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
Lisbellaw: 9.45am Holy Communion, 11.00am Holy Baptism
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Compline
Sunday, 24th September 2017 Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Lisbellaw: 11.00am Morning Prayer
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service
Monday, 25th September 2017
Coolbuck: 8.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service with speaker Mrs Valerie Irvine from Oasis Christian Bookshop and ‘The Pantry’ community food bank.

Mothers’ Union
Mothers’ Union and friends have a very enjoyable outing to Belfast in May.
Mothers’ Union begins on Tuesday, 26th September with a service of Holy Communion in Lisbellaw church at 8pm followed by a quiz in the Parish Centre.

Choir Practice
Choir Practice on Thursday, 28th September at 8pm in Lisbellaw church.

Sympathy
The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Jimmy Morrison formerly of Lisnaskea, Marjorie White formerly of Enniskillen, Mervyn Hall formerly of Preston and Cecil McKeown formerly of Lisbellaw.

The Rector and Select Vestry
The Rector and Select Vestry would like to thank everyone who supported their fund raising efforts on 12th July during the parade in Lisbellaw. To those who used our car park, bought tea and a bacon butty at our stand near the field or partook of refreshments in the Parish Centre, we thank you for your support.

Revd Chancellor John Stewart Rector
Revd Chancellor John Stewart Rector is thanked for providing emergency cover during August.

Eileen Cutler, John Irvine and Walter Pringle
Eileen Cutler, John Irvine and Walter Pringle are thanked for providing service cover during August.

Parish harvest barn dance and supper
Parish harvest barn dance and supper on Saturday, 14th October at 7.30pm. Music and calling by Jason Kilfedder.

Parish Sale and Auction
Parish Sale and auction on Saturday, 4th November from 10am to 2pm followed by auction of sticks and miscellaneous larger items.

Lisbellaw Rainbows
Lisbellaw Rainbows on their outing to see ‘Boss Baby’ in Enniskillen

Lisbellaw Rainbows celebrate their fifteenth birthday!

Parish Register
Baptism
30th July 2017 in Coolbuck Church
Alexander James Henderson, son of Ivan Henderson, Weavers’ Lane, Lisbellaw
Services for September and Harvest

Sunday 3rd September
11.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 10th September
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer - Mr Walter Pringle
(Children’s Church resumes)

Sunday 17th September
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer - Mr Walter Pringle

Sunday 24th September
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer - Mr Walter Pringle
(Collection for sponsored children)

Harvest Thanksgiving Services
FRIDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER
8.00 p.m. - Evening Prayer

Sunday 1st October
11.30 a.m. - Family Service
6.00 p.m.-7.00 p.m. - Favourite hymn singing

Burial
21st June
Basil Gawley, Attybarn, Lisnaskea.
(Buried in Colebrooke)

28th June
William James Morrison (Jimmy)
Carrickmacusker, Lisnaskea.
Our sympathies and prayers are with all bereaved families at this time.

Holy Baptism
16th July
Alistair William Johnston, Drumbadbeg, Lisnaskea.

30th July
James Thomas Latimer, Station Road, Maguiresbridge.

13th August
Aimee Elizabeth Hall, Hollybrook, Lisnaskea.
Congratulations to all the families.

Catering

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with the catering this year on Twelfth July and again in August, both in The Archdale Centre and on the burger van.

“Crafty Harvest”:
Plans are being put in place for a Harvest with a difference this year.
We are encouraging everyone from the parish and indeed the wider community to display their talents, let it be painting, pottery, knitting, needlework etc. Over the weekend these items will be incorporated with the usual displays of fruit, flowers and vegetables. The church will be open on Saturday from 12.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. and Sunday 2.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. so local people can come along to view our work. Refreshments will be available. The church will be prepared on Thursday, 28th September so please bring everything along then or leave into Parish Office beforehand. Any help will be much appreciated.

Our weekend will come to a close on Sunday evening with the singing of hymns from 6.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. It would be lovely to have a good crowd in attendance at this and everyone is welcome to leave a note of their favourite hymn with the Churchwardens over the next few weeks.
Any queries please contact Linda in the parish office 028677 23977 or Lena on 028677 22229.

Those of you who frequently use The Trinity Hall or car park will notice the new pillars recently erected at the entrance. They really enhance the look of the gateway and we are very grateful to Winston Jackson for building them for us.
**Youth Fellowship**

In August, nine of the Youth Fellowship group attended the Castlewellan Holiday Week. With excellent weather, they enjoyed watersports, outdoor activities, and a programme of teaching and worship. We look forward to hearing about it at our “Ice Cream Sunday” service on 10th September. Also in early August, Erica Fyffe attended a camp in Belgium with a group from the church which she attends in Durham. Erica was able to explain her work to us at morning worship in Magheracross when she returned.

**Bowling Club**

The Bowling Club reopens for the 17/18 season on Wednesday, 6th September and new members are welcome on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8pm. The annual triples Tournament begins on Monday, 11th September with the finals on Thursday, 14th September. All the Scouting groups (Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts) will be starting in the week following the bowls tournament. GFS will begin on Tuesday, 26th September at 6:30pm for girls aged 3 ½ to 18.

Mothers’ Union begins its season with a celebration of Holy Communion at 8pm in the Parish Room on Thursday, 7th September 7th. This will be followed by the AGM which was adjourned from earlier this year. Our Wednesday morning prayer service begins again on 6th September at 10:30am in the Parish Room.
Rectors Thought

Having just returned from a sabbatical it is good to be back into the life of the church. Many people have asked me how was the holiday and it was great but it was not really all holiday. I say ‘all holiday’ because a sabbatical is intended to be in part a holiday but it is all about much more than that. A sabbatical for a minister of the church is offered after 10 years in ministry and is a time with some or all of the following elements:-

1. A time of extended rest away from the normal routine of life.
2. A time to reflect on the journey of ministry to date.
3. A time to deepen our relationship with God.
4. A time of re-envisioning for ministry
5. A time to undertake some further study.

For me, my time on sabbatical brought us to Canada, a country I had always wanted to visit but thought I would have to wait until I would retire to have enough time to see it, but the sabbatical provided that window that allowed for nine weeks to travel across Canada and see a variety of churches, fit in a conference on church renewal, and find time to rest in the beautiful surroundings of the Rocky Mountains.

As I now re-enter into the life of Clogher Diocese and Ardess Parish, I am looking for that window of opportunity to reflect on the experience of the last 12 weeks and discern how it will affect us as we move forward. One key thing that has clearly shone through is that if we want to see a healthy vibrant church then prayer is the key, nothing moves the hand of God more effectively or quickly than the fervent prayers of his people.

God bless you as you pray
Henry

Women of Faith

On Thursday 22nd June 2017, we held our Women of Faith event which was attended by around 120 people. Revd. Philip Bryson opened with prayer and Viola Bryson led the uplifting worship. Our speaker, Maureen Ross-Jones (Emmanuel Church, Lurgan), spoke about two women of the bible - Mary and her cousin Elizabeth. How they encouraged each other and how we women of the church today could encourage each other and build each other up. We had a wonderful evening.

Afterwards, we enjoyed an amazing supper with an array of delicious desserts which were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. We are delighted that the event raised £317 for Open Doors and we wish to thank everyone for their kind donations.

Men’s Adventure Day

Men from the parish had an enjoyable weekend at the start of July stopping over in Carrick-on-Shannon and then attending Bona Borg Quest Challenge at Lough Key Activity Centre. This is a fabulous adventure venue for people who wish to test their physical and mental abilities, competing against each other in teams and striving to complete the course in the time availa-
ble. Teams choose different physical and mental tasks. They had to complete the task to be able to progress to the next task or else they returned to the start! Our team managed to get an above average of three stars so were very pleased with their achievements. Afterwards, they enjoyed an interesting tree-top walk and a well deserved rest in the park before returning home to Kesh.

Kesh Carnival 2017 (5th - 13th August 2017)
Approximately 65 children attended on Monday, making painted stone animals, chickens from paper plates, pigs with peg legs, mosaic animals, bead necklaces/bracelets, jar painting, card animals with moving legs, colouring in and painting. The children had a fantastic time trying to make as many things as possible!

Share Ardess
On Tuesday for the Kesh Carnival our Share Ardess team provide tea/coffee and a chat to any-one who wishes to come along. Our team provides this facility every Tuesday and also pro-vides practical, emotional and spiritual support for those who need it.

Children’s Novelty Sports
Over 75 children attending on Wednesday for novelty sports (egg and spoon race, duck race, hobby horse race etc ). Fun and laughter was had by all and everyone received a medal pre-sented by the Maid of Lough Erne, Molly Parkinson.

Thursday Night Fun
‘The Bare Necessities’ (Jungle Book) was shown for the Family Movie Night at The Fountain Centre. There was around 60 people who attended and popcorn and other refreshments were served. We then had a children’s quiz half-way through and then, not to make the adults feel left out, we had a quiz for the adults at the end of the film.

Puppet Training and Puppet Show
A variety of ages attended the puppet training on Tuesday and Wednesday. The children prac-tised songs and jokes with their sock puppets and finished with a Puppet Show which brought in a crowd of 60 people.
The show showed off the skills the puppeteers had acquired and the crowd really appreciated the fun songs and jokes which finished with ‘Everybody Dance’ with everyone joining in.

Plate Painting

Over 100 plates were painted by the young (and old!) who stencilled and free handed artwork onto the plates (there was a selection of different animals, cupcakes etc). The plates were then painted and individually personalised. There was great concentration on everyone’s faces as they studied hard to get their plates exactly how they wanted. Some even made gifts for others. There was great artistic flare and the finished plates were amazing.

Second Chance Clothing Sale

On Friday and Saturday, we held our Second Chance Clothing Sale which we hold annually and the funds are provided to Orphan’s Hope which cares for abandoned babies and children in China and is dedicated to providing exceptional opportunities for transforming their lives. We thank everyone who came along to support us.

Healing on the Streets

Again this year, we had set-up a prayer area in the Old Bistro, Kesh, to allow people to come for healing prayer and offered prayer on the streets. We were amazed at the results and are thankful to God for those that came for prayer and received His blessing. We also provided a variety of Christian literature and books.

Sewing Bee / Textile Workshop

The Sewing Bee group made beautiful cushions with appliqué patterns and on the Textile Workshop made personalised fabric wall-hangings. It was great fun to get creative with fabrics and great craic!

Community Service of Thanksgiving for Kesh Festival

We celebrated and give thanks to God for the Kesh Festival with a Community
You're warmly invited to our

**Harvest Celebrations**

We welcome prize winning Floral Artist, David McConkey as he weaves his way through the season of Thanksgiving with the theme “Time & Eternity”

Saturday 30th September...
Viewing 10am to 4pm
Refreshments £3.50
to book ring 02866322244
Harvest Services
Sunday 1st October
11.30am & 7pm
Supper
ALL welcome!

Enniskillen Methodist Church, Friday 29th September 2017 @ 7.30pm Admission FREE

Service of Thanksgiving held at The Fountain Centre. We had an opening welcome by Robert Anderson and readings/prayers from Jayne Thompson, Alison Armstrong, Molly Parkinson (Maid of Lough Erne), Father Frank McManus and a talk by Alex Atwell. Kerri Neville provided us with a beauti-ful solo of ‘Oceans Where Feet May Fail’ and Alan Crawford concluded the event with prayer and grace.

Thank you to everyone who attended and the Ardess Worship Band for the music and The Mayfly and Friar’s Mac for providing the supper.

**Parish Auction, Saturday, 21st October 2017**

As you tidy up after the summer, do remember to set aside anything you no longer need for the Parish Auction on Saturday, 21st October 2017 this year. Auction will be open to view from 12noon with auction starting at 1pm. If you have anything that you would like to pledge for the auction, or anything you want collected, please contact Sonia in the parish office. This is always a great annual event and it is wonderful to see how everyone joins together to make the day a great success.

**September dates for your diary:**

**9-9-9 Prayer**
At the start of a new term, it is vital that we begin with a time of prayer. Ardess Parish Church will be open from Friday, 1st September 2017 for nine days from 9.00am - 9.00pm (which we therefore have called our 9-9-9 prayer!). Different sheets of prayer points will be provided each day together with short services at various times throughout the day - we trust that everyone will find a moment to drop in and pray.

Our 9-9-9 prayer will lead us into “It’s Time” which is a day of Prayer for Ireland held at Nutts Corner on 9th September starting at 1pm. With political stalemate and lack of government that we have at the moment, it is essential that we come together to pray for the future of our country.

**Our Youth**

New Term commencing Friday, 8th September 2017 @ The Fountain Centre
Blaze Youth Club (Year 8 - 10) 7.00pm - 8.30pm
Flame Youth Club (Year 11+) 8.30pm - 10.30pm

New Term commencing Sunday, 10th September 2017
Children’s Church (3-13 years old) 11.00am @ Ardess Parish Church
Connect Youth Fellowship (EVERYONE Year 8-14) 7.00pm - 9.00pm @ The Fountain Centre

**Future Events for your diary**

**Mullaghfarne Harvest**
Sunday, 8th October 2017 @ 3.30pm

**Ardess Harvest Weekend**
Friday, 13th October 2017 @ 8.00pm
Sunday, 15th October 2017 @ 9.30am and 11.00am

**Parish Auction**
Saturday, 21st October 2017
**Baptisms**
25th June 2017 - Ollie James Bratton son of Graham and Sonia Bratton of 30 Nedsherry Road, Ederney
11th July 2017 - Ruby Elizabeth Weir daughter of Malcolm and Gilliam Weir of 23 Roscav View, Kesh
30th July 2017 - Charlotte Rose Graham daughter of Brian and Helen Graham of the Deerpark, B5 Recall Road.

**Weddings**
We offer our congratulations to the following couples:-
24th June 2017 - Rachael Martin of 2 Mountain Road, Lack, and Keith Guy of Glenarn, Lack
21st July 2017 - Ruth Graham of 99 Cloy Road, Edennagee, Ederney, and Darren Farrell of 77 Rossfad Road, Drumsluice, Ballinamallard

**Funerals**
We extend our sympathy to all the families that are affected by bereavements at this time and in particular to the family circles of the following:-
2nd August 2017 - Eveline Beacom (91) of Augharainey, Kesh
3rd August 2017 - Ruby Weir (5 weeks) of 23 Roscav View, Kesh
4th August 2017 - William Lafferty (57) of 17 Market Street, Ederney
9th August 2017 - Barbara Breen (70) of 4 Crevenish Park, Kesh.

**Events**
Great Famine Commemoration Sunday, 10th September at 7pm at Ardess Parish Church (remembrance, re-flections and music by Fermanagh Choral Society followed by a light supper in the Parish Centre).
European Heritage Open Day - Ardess Famine Pit, Saturday 9th September 2017 (2.00pm - 5.00pm) and Sunday 10th September 2017 (2.00pm - 4.00pm).
For ALL our events and further information, please see our websites www.ardess.org and www.thefountaincentre.org or contact Ardess Parish Office on 028 6863 2695/office@ardess.org. Please join our Facebook pages for regular updates: ‘Ardess Parish Church’ and ‘The Fountain Centre’. 
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Fancy getting out, meeting new people and building on your existing skills? Thinking of starting your own business?

The Dream • Dare • Do programme is a FREE initiative designed for women to foster personal growth and empowerment.

Through training, workshops, activities, guest speakers, treats and excursions you are invited to step out and experience new ideas and an array of taster sessions to start you on your personal development journey.

The programme will take place in Clones town and is open to women living in Clones or the surrounding rural area including cross border.

The programme will run two mornings per week from late September through to late November 2017 and is open to women aged 18 years and over. A limited number of places are available. For more information or to book a place contact Dara at 047 52919.

In certain circumstances child care and travel costs may be offered.

This project is funded by the International Fund for Ireland under Clones Family Resource Centre CLG

Parish Register
Baptism
Mellissa Anne, daughter of Geoffrey McCoy and Amanda Smith.
Kayla Lily, daughter of Jason Clarke and Katie Tubman.

Sophia Rose, daughter of Conal Smyth and Lyndsey Clarke.
Both Parishes would like to express sympathy to all who have been recently bereaved. Our thoughts and prayers are also with those who are sick at home or in hospital.

Rectory Refurbishment Fund
The proceeds of refreshments served at a Flower Festival which was held at Munville House, Lisnaskea, during the first weekend in July have been donated to the Rectory Refurbishment Fund. A total of £1100 was raised. Thanks to all the helpers from both Derrybrusk and Maguiresbridge Parishes who helped serve tea with a special note of thanks to Mrs Olive Elliott for organising this fund raising event.

Derrybrusk Harvest Moon Walk
Keep free Friday, 29th September when members of Derrybrusk Parish are organising a Harvest Moon Walk. The walk will leave Belle Isle Hall at 10pm. Proceeds to Rectory Refurbishment Fund. For further details please contact Mrs Tori Graham. Derrybrusk Harvest Service will be held on Sunday 8th October. Details to follow.

Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore

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Services
3rd September Trinity 12
St Patrick’s 10.30am Holy Communion
Kilmore 12.15pm Holy Communion
Clogher Cathedral 7pm Ordination of Deacons

10th September Trinity 13
St Patrick’s 10.30am Service of the Word
Kilmore 3pm Harvest Thanksgiving

17th September Trinity 14
St Patrick’s 10.30am Morning Prayer
Ballinode 12.15pm Morning Prayer

24th September Trinity 15
St Patrick’s 11am All Age Harvest Thanksgiving

1st October Trinity 16
St Patrick’s 10.30am Holy Communion
Ballinode 3pm Harvest Thanksgiving
A note from the Rector

September is a time of getting back to normal activities after the summer and planning for the Autumn term in church. It is also a time of change and one which we are really looking forward to is having Lindsey Farrell join us as a deacon-intern. She will be taking part in weekday activities in the parish for three days per week. Deacon-interns are also completing their Masters level degree and so Lindsey will spend two days per week studying and is also required one week per month at the Theological College in Dublin. We have benefitted much from the ministry of deacon-interns in the past and we look forward to getting to know Lindsey and her family – we trust they will soon feel at home in Rossorry. Her ordination is on Sunday, 3rd September at 7.00pm in Clogher Cathedral – all are welcome to attend the service and I know that a good many parishioners are planning to come along to support Lindsey and another deacon (David Moses assigned to Monaghan parish) in this momentous step in their lives. During the month we are planning to hold a Back to Church Sunday – to reach out to the parish and make a big effort to encourage families back into the pattern of church-going again. More details to follow - keep an eye to the Facebook page and the Parish New Sheet. Every blessing for the new season.

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Rector

Rossorry Parish Church
175th Anniversary
(1841— 2016)
FORTHCOMING EVENTS
Late October / early November 2017
“Hooley in the Hall “
Parish Auction Saturday 7th October 2017

Welcome to our new Intern Deacon

On Sunday 25th June, Lindsey Farrell our Deacon Intern from September this year was introduced to the congregation at the 11am service. Lindsey and her husband Keith, children Grace, Emily and Harry will be with us for her third year of training. She will be taking part in our Sunday services and experiencing parish life during the week while continuing with her studies. She is sure of a warm Rossorry welcome!

See photo of Lindsey Farrell and family (see photo).

Organisations

Time to start up the organisations again after the holidays! There will be fuller
details in next month’s magazine. Most will begin again during September and if you want to get involved or just want information - please feel free to use the contact numbers to speak to someone.

Parish Contacts

Sunday School
Carol Livingstone 6632 3041

Crèche
(Each Sunday 10.45am-12noon) Diane Armstrong 6632 8286

Wednesday Club
(Wednesday 10.30am - 12noon) Ethel Oldcroft 6632 6339

Beavers
(Tues. 6.30-7.30pm) Ruth Beaumont 07761 471 227

Cubs
(Wed 6:45 - 7:45pm) Keith Rutledge 07812214176

Scouts
(Tues 7:30-9:00pm) Roger Clarke 07714 232 645

Explorer Scouts
Each 2nd Tuesday Garry Clarke 07808 585 657

Rainbows
(Mon. 6.15-7.30pm) Joy Coalter 07879 999 536

Brownies
(Mon. 6.15-7.30pm) Claire Fleming 6632 2870

Guides
(Wed 8-9.15pm) Avril Armstrong 6632 9589

Mothers Union
(3rd Thurs. in the month) Lorraine Simpson 6632 9469

Bowling Club
(Mon. evening) William Stevenson 07719662473

Parent & Toddler Group
(Wed. 10-11.30am) Avril Armstrong 6632 9589

Arts & Crafts Classes
(Wed. pm. or as announced) Yvonne Elliott 6634 2514

Prayer Group
(2nd & 4th Wed. 7.30pm) Neville Gamble 07771 701280

The Prayer Group resumes after the summer break with our first meeting in the Parish Office at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 27th September next. Feel free to come and join us - everybody is welcome. It is an informal group (nobody has to perform !!) which meets to pray for the parishioners, young and old, as well as other good intentions that arise. We finish with the fellowship of a cuppa and a chat.

Rossorry Mothers Union
Some of the members attended the 130th anniversary celebrations of the Clogher Diocese (Indoor Members) Mothers’ Union in on 8th June past at Garvary Parish Hall. See photo of Rossorry Mothers’ Union members.

**Save the date** - Wednesday, 4th October 2017, “Come on Board,” a Ladies Evening in South West College, Enniskillen, the start of our winter programme. More details next month.
The meetings of the Club are every Wednesday at 10.30 am, from September onwards. Everyone is welcome - there is always room for new members.
If you want to know more give Ethel Oldcroft a ring at 66 326339

Services
Sunday 3rd September
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 am Holy Communion.
7.00 pm. Evening Prayer
Sunday 10th September
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.
Sunday 17th September
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.
Sunday 24th September
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Arts & Crafts Classes
Classes will open again in September – acrylic painting and basket weaving.
All are welcome – no level of skill is required – novices welcome!!
For information – now is the time to speak to Yvonne Elliott on 02866 342514

Bowling Club
The Bowling Club meets on a Monday evening and occasionally on a Thursday in the Parish Hall at 8pm.
Always looking for new members for the club – come along, have a look, try it out!
For information:- contact William Stevenson on 07719662473.

Parish Register
Marriages
MORTIMER –22nd June 2017 - The marriage has taken place of Sarah (nee Hicks) and Paul Mortimer. May they know the blessing of God upon their life together.
Mc GAHEY –1st July 2017 – The marriage has taken place of Pearse and Sandra (nee Mavitty). May they know the blessing of God upon their life together.
HOSKER – 11th August 2017 – The marriage has taken place of Thomas and Fionnuala (nee O’ Shea). May they know the blessing of God upon their life together.

Christian Burial
LUCY –William Scott, died July 4 2017 (peacefully) at South West Acute Hospital, Enniskillen, late of 78 Moybrone Road, Letterbreen, Enniskillen. Funeral took place from his home on Friday 7th July 2017 at Mullahdun Parish Church, where he was a parishioner, followed by burial in Rossorry Parish Churchyard.
McCUSKER – John Joseph Gordon, died July 8 2017 (peacefully) at his home, 29 Lisgoole Park, Enniskillen. Funeral service on Monday (10th July) in Rossorry Parish Church at 3.00pm (approx.), followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.
COFFEY – James Thomas (Jimmy) ,died July 10 2017 (peacefully) at South West Acute Hospital, Enniskillen, late of 9 Drumgallon, Enniskillen. Removal took place on Tuesday (11th) to Rossorry Parish Church. Funeral service was in Rossorry Parish Church on Wednesday (12th) at 11.00am, followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.
DEVERS, Albert - July 27 2017 (peacefully) at Drumclay Care Home, Enniskillen, late of 4 Cooper Crescent, Enniskillen. Removal took place on Saturday 29th arriving to Rossorry Parish Church Funeral in Rossorry Parish Church on Sunday at 2.00pm, followed by burial in the adjoining Churchyard.
ELLIOTT, David- died July 31st 2017, (peacefully) at South West Acute Hospital, (Silverhill and formerly Rossorry Church Road).Funeral Service on Friday 4th August at Rossorry Parish Church, Enniskillen , followed by burial in the family plot in the adjoining Churchyard.
WILSON, Mary Kathleen, died 5th August 2017, (peacefully) at South West Acute Hospital, late of Millcroft Nursing Home and formerly Rossole Road, Enniskillen. Removal took place on Monday 7th August 2017 to Rossorry Parish Church. Funeral service was on Tuesday 8th August 2017 at 2pm followed by burial in the family plot in Rossorry Churchyard.
The congregation of Rossorry offers their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the departed.

Contact Us
Our Website is rossorryparish.com
We are also on Facebook as - Rossorry Parish Church and we update, regularly, on events in the church as well as weddings and christenings.
You can contact by these means or by e-mail at rossorryoffice@btinternet.com or indeed by Telephone at 02866 329889.
Sunday School
The annual Sunday school prize giving was held in June. The speaker at both services was James Armstrong who worked as an intern with Fermanagh schools E3 Scripture Union. The theme of the service was ‘The Race’ with scripture readings based around that theme in both Parishes.

In Clabby the Sunday School members sang, ‘The Lions they grow weak and hungry’ and ‘Hosanna’. They also led the prayers. The poems were – The Prayer Rock and I’ve a friend in Jesus. The music group accompanied by Ryan Crawford and James Armstrong, led the singing.

The prize giving also marked a special occasion this year, as Canon Maurice Armstrong was 30 years ordained. To mark the occasion Kath Turner wrote a poem to celebrate the Rector’s 30th anniversary since his ordination.

In Tempo the Sunday School members did a dramatised presentation of the various characters they had learnt about during the year. The congregation joined the Sunday School members in singing ‘Hosanna’. The children and young people also read the prayers, readings and poems, ‘The Prayer Rock’ and ‘I’ve a friend in Jesus’ based on the theme of the service.

The organist was Carole Graham. At both services the Rector thanked the school teachers for their dedicated work throughout the year and to everyone who contributed to the success of the services.

Restoration events
Midnight Walk
Friday 8th September at Clabby Church Hall, starting at 11.30pm

Vintage Tractor Run
Saturday 7th October. Leaving Clabby Church Hall at 10-300 a.m. For further details contact Vera 028 895 21160 or David on 02889522134

Funeral
8/7/17 Cecil Herbert McDowell, Killyliss Road, Clabby

Harvest Services
Tempo
Friday 22nd September 8pm Mr David Charleton.
Sunday 24th September 11:30am Family Harvest service with Mr Paul Cameron (Scripture Union).

Clabby
Friday 29th September 8pm Rev Eddie Coulter (Lambeg)
Sunday 1st October 10:15am Family service with Rev William Orr (St Mark’s Portadown).

At 7:30pm there will be the Annual Leader’s Dedication service led by the Rector.

Mother’s Union
The branch activities for the year will commence on Tuesday 12th September at 8pm in Clabby Church Hall.

Advance Date
Sunday 22nd October 7pm – Voices and Brass in Tempo Parish Church with Churchhill Silver band, guest organist Glenn Moore and St Macartin’s Cathedral Choir, along with guests introducing their favourite hymns. Donations towards Church funds.

God’s provision and promise was made to Noah and to us, “As long as the earth endures, seedtime and Harvest, cold and heat, summertime and winter, day and night will not cease.”

We may complain that the seasons are mixed up and we did not really receive the good, hot summer we would have liked. But God has still provided for our needs. The farmers have been able to do their work on the land, the harvesting continues to progress now into the Autumn.

This promise reminds us that we have a God who is faithful in keeping his promises to us to provide for our needs at all times. As he has provided for our material needs as long as the earth lasts, so this also reminds that at some time God will call a halt to this earth and time. Therefore we are called to be ready for such a time. We are called to purpose to meet God as our judge.

As we wait we can now trust in him as our Saviour.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart”, (Proverbs 3:5). “Believe (trust) in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved”, (Acts 16:31).

Then we are ready should God end this earth and time. We will be ready for the new heaven and earth where all is perfect and times and seasons no longer exist.
Trory and Killadeas

The Revd Canon Mark Watson

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Dear Parishioners

Harvest Festivals

Killadeas Harvest Festival
Killadeas Harvest Festival will take place on Friday, 29th September at 8pm and on Sunday, 1st October at 10am in the Priory. The Friday evening preacher is to be confirmed.

Trory Harvest Festival
Trory Harvest Festival is scheduled for Friday, 13th October at 8pm and Sunday, 15th October at 11.30am. The Friday evening service preacher will be the Revd. Dave Clawson, Minister of West Kirk Presbyterian Church, Shankill Road, Belfast.

Killadeas
At present the date for return of tenders for the restoration has just passed. These will now be scrutinised by Heritage Lottery, the Diocesan Architect and the Select Vestry. Once an agreed tender has been organised, work will commence at the Priory.

Country Gospel Praise service, Sunday 27th August in Trory
Thanks to all who took part in the service especially Robbie and Florence and Barbara. I hope that God is glorified in the beauty of our worship.

Sponsored Walk
Trory had planned a sponsored walk from the Church to Riversdale and on to the Ballycassidy hall. This is for another time because Alison Jackson and Samuel Watson are going to run a 10 mile race called Sligo Coast to Coast in aid of parish finances. Sponsor sheets are available in church and we wish both runners all the best.

Trory Parish Hall
The Select Vestry are looking into the possibility of extending the school house to create a modern onsite parochial hall for parish needs. The success of the Flower Festival has helped to this end.

New Rector in Irvinestown and Castlearchdale
Friday, the 15th of September will see the institution of the Revd. Paul Thompson as rector of our neighbouring parish. We wish him and his family well as they move to the area and pray God to bless his ministry.

Harvest Supper & Barn Dance

Saturday, 14th October 2017

7.30pm in Lisbellaw Parish Centre
Music and calling by Jason Kilfedder

£7.50 in aid of church funds (children under 12 free)

Planning a visit to Co. Fermanagh

Catering is available at Aghavea Parish Church
(just off the A4 between Brookeborough and Maguiresbridge)

For Lunches, Afternoon Teas, Suppers, etc

For details please contact:
Valerie Crawford
02889531421 / 07783472649
Shirley Morrison
02867722042 / 07747888883
or
Frances Cartwright
02889531495 / 07884477179

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I'm sure as most of us are aware, our world is one where young people find themselves increasingly under pressure to conform and acquiesce to changing societal expectations. We, as the church, find ourselves with the opportunity, and responsibility to encourage and support them by addressing these subjects through initiatives and programmes, which not only reflect good biblical teaching but also contain practical training and everyday guidance.

With a view to being proactive and in seeking to provide a response and support for our young people and those for whom these are burning and pressing issues, the Diocesan Youth Council are partnering with “Love For Life” to provide some much needed support and training. Our partnership with this nationally recognised organisation will provide key presentations and training programmes in selected locations throughout the diocese in the coming autumn term. These programmes will be tailored specifically for younger and older teens, with information and training evenings for clergy, parents and youth leaders. Please see the programme schedules below for full details.

Bishop John McDowell
“Open Up” Initiative launch
Clergy and Youth Leaders are warmly invited to attend the Diocesan launch of this exciting new initiative on;

Thursday 14th of September at 7:30pm, Cathedral Halls, Enniskillen.
The evening will be introduced and guests welcomed by Bishop John McDowell followed by an informative presentation from Judith Cairns from “Love for Life” detailing this initiative and what to expect from it.

Parents & Youth Leaders Nights
An essential element of the initiative is to provide the opportunity for parents and youth leaders to access valuable information, help and guidance on the burning issues at hand. The Parents Night information and training evenings (combining sessions on “Birds & Bees” & “Face to Facebook”) will take place in;

Kesh on 19th September, 7:30pm in The Fountain Centre Kesh.
Newtownbutler on 21st September, 7:30pm in The Galloon Parish Church.

Youth Programmes
“Game On” (12-14yrs) & “Picture This” (15-16yrs)
These two different age-tailored programmes will run simultaneously in each venue. They consist of three sessions of two hours and they will run on alternate weeks. This is to provide an accessible opportunity for as many of our young people as possible. The programmes will be available in two different phases as detailed below.

Phase 1
Venue: Newtownbutler and Kesh (Sunday Evenings)
Programmes: “Game On” & “Picture This”
Dates: 24th Sept 8th Oct 22nd,Oct
Time: 7:00 - 9:00pm in both venues
Galloon Church Newtownbutler and The Fountain Centre Kesh

Phase 2
Venue: Fivemiletown and Rossmore (Sunday Evenings)
Programmes: “Game On” & “Picture This”
Dates: 5th Nov 19th Nov 3rd Dec
Time: 7:00 - 9:00pm in both venues
St. John’s Fivemiletown and Rossmore Church Halls

If you would like any further information or support materials please contact Jonathan Phenix (Clogher Diocesan Youth Officer)
Email: dyo@clogher.anglican.org Tel: 07850881712
CHILDREN’S SECTION

Colour

JESUS EXPLAINS WHY HE USES PARABLES
Read

**READ – Jesus explains why he teaches using parables**
(You can read this in Matthew chapter 13 verse 10 to 17)
Stories are great – we listen to stories, we read stories and we watch stories. We get to use our imaginations and learn new things through stories. We also have an easier time remembering things we learn when we learn them through a story. Stories stick with us.

Jesus told a lot of stories. Jesus is a really great teacher. He taught important lessons in a lot of different ways but one of the ways he used a lot was through telling stories. The stories Jesus told in order to teach us important things are called parables.

One day his disciples asked Jesus, “Why do you speak to the people in parables?”
Jesus explained to the disciples that he did this to help people understand. Some of the things Jesus was teaching were difficult to understand and a story helped. Also, some people didn’t really want to understand, they had ‘closed minds’ and ‘hardened hearts’.

The opposite of having a closed mind is to have an open mind that is willing to learn from God. We are willing to change the way we think about things so we can think like Jesus does.
The opposite of a hardened heart is a soft heart, one that is willing to let belief come in and change the way we feel. We are willing to change the way we feel about people and the world so we can feel like Jesus does. Humble hearts are soft hearts.

So in order to understand the parables, we have to keep an open mind, be eager to learn new things about God and the Kingdom of Heaven, and we have to have soft, humble hearts, willing to change the way we feel and therefore the way we act around people and situations in our lives. We also need to ask God to help us understand the Bible. We ask God for help by praying.

Over the next months we will look at different parables Jesus told. Try to read them with open minds and humble hearts to learn the important lessons Jesus is teaching.

**Work your way through this Maze**

**PARABLE - An earthly story with a heavenly meaning**

Sometimes understanding a parable can seem like being in a maze. By looking at the story a different way, reading it again, asking God to help us understand can make it clearer, just like trying different paths through a maze helps us to solve the puzzle.

**Colour** all the squares with any of these letters in them: STORY to reveal the name of a special type of story.

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Fun Day

To celebrate 130 years of Mothers’ Union in Ireland, Clogher Diocesan Mothers’ Union held a Fun Day on Saturday, 17 June in the Bawnacre, Irvinestown. The Fun Day was opened by Diocesan Mothers’ Union President Irene Boyd and this was followed by the judging of the Fancy Dress Competition.

Under Eight Category

Most Original
‘Jack & Jill’ - Jessica and Joshua Bennett from Fivemiletown.

Best Homemade
‘Sponge Bob’ - Lewis Coalter from Colebrooke.

Book/Film Character
‘Jurassic Park T-Rex’ - James Moore from Maguiresbridge

Best Group
‘Bull & Calf’ - Daniel and Luke Waller from Glaslough (Donagh Group)

Prize winners for the ‘Most Original’, Jessica and Joshua Bennett from Fivemiletown as ‘Jack and Jill’.
Age Eight and Over Category
Best Homemade; ‘Robert the Robot’ - William Moore from Maguiresbridge.
The Bouncy Castle was very popular as was the Balloon Artist, Ryan Tracey, from Omagh - semi finalist in Britain’s Got Talent.

There was also a puppet show, storytelling, a disco, jumping clay, face painting and a colouring activity.
As the weather was so beautiful, the outdoor football, hockey and fun games were also enjoyed by many of the children.
The Trustee Board are grateful for a grant received from Fermanagh and Omagh District Council and from All Ireland Mothers’ Union, Mums in May Fund and wish to thank everyone who supported the event and helped MU show their ‘Faith in Action’, the theme for this celebratory year.

Joan Acheson from Derrygonnelly with her grandchildren, Martha, Oliver and Ross Thompson from Kesh.

Vicky and Ava Brennan from Castleblaney

Ryan Tracey, Balloon Artist, from Omagh, semi finalist in Britain’s Got Talent.
Bishop’s Tea Party

This year, we had the Tea Party in Garvary Hall. This was preceded by Holy Communion celebrated by Bishop John McDowell, MU Chaplain, assisted by Chancellor John Stewart.

In total, present were 45 MU members, 24 of whom were Indoor Members. Garvary MU prepared a beautiful afternoon tea. Dr Margaret Knox brought a cake specially made and decorated with the MU logo to celebrate the 130th Anniversary of MU in Ireland.

After tea, the ladies enjoyed singing some favourite hymns. Thanks was expressed to all who had helped in any way, and gifts were presented to Bishop John, Chancellor John and Valerie Stewart, Mrs Norma Bell, All-Ireland Indoor Members Contact and to Garvary Select Vestry.
Copyright Meeting
Clogher Diocese to host information evening on copyright for churches
Reproducing hymns and worship songs on service sheets or projecting the words of hymns and songs on screens in churches necessitates the payment of a licence fee to CCLI, Christian Copyright Licensing International.
CCLI offers a range of licences, resources and support to help churches make the most of multimedia in the course of their worship while staying legal.
But does your parish meet the relevant requirements of CCLI?
A special information meeting is being organised by the Clogher Diocesan Music Bursary Committee in Aghavea Parish Hall, near Brookeborough, Co, Fermanagh on Thursday, 14th September 2017 at 8pm for parish representatives when they will be updated on the regulations by Chris Williams, of CCLI.
The meeting will be of interest to all parishes who reproduce the words of hymns onto screens or in orders of service for singing by the congregation, where hymns are photocopied from authorised publications, where music is performed live or from a sound recording, where services are recorded on audio video for use by others or where song lyrics are downloaded.
It will be necessary for parishes to be represented at the event to be familiar with the regulations. Those attending should contact Ethne McCord from the Clogher Diocesan Music Bursary Committee by email; david.ethne@btinternet.com

Holy Land Pilgrimage
Clogher diocese pilgrimage to Holy Land
A reminder for those considering taking part in the Clogher Diocese pilgrimage to the Holy Land in early 2018, the deadline for booking is approaching.
The 10-day trip led by Bishop John McDowell and Canon David Skuce will take place from 2nd February to 12th February 2018 and will include Tel Aviv, Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea and Jerusalem. Further details from Canon David Skuce; Tel 028 68641235 or email; inishmacsaint@clogher.anglican.org

Magazine Treasurer Retires
Mrs Mabel Black (centre) receiving a gift from Brian Donaldson, Editor of the Clogher Diocesan Magazine, on behalf of the Magazine Committee, to mark her retirement as Treasurer following more than nine years in the role. Looking on is Mrs Eleanor Lynn, Chairman of the Committee.

Important training for Sunday School teachers
Training for Sunday school teachers - All Sunday school teachers and leaders involved in Children’s Ministry will be most welcome at a training evening in September 2017
Julie Currie, Children’s Ministry Development Officer in Down and Dromore Diocese, has agreed to present the training in both Enniskillen and Monaghan on two consecutive evenings: Tuesday, 12th September 2017 in St Patrick’s Hall, Monaghan at 8.00pm and repeated on Wednesday 13th September 2017 in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm. The event concludes each evening with light refreshments.
Clergy are asked advertise this with their children’s ministry leaders and encourage them to attend please. Obviously clergy are also welcome.
A Handful of Light: a retreat for Advent

Clergy and lay people are reminded of a retreat for Advent; ‘A Handful of Light’ organized by the Commission on Ministry at Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre, Newry, Co. Down from 16th-18th November, 2017 with speaker, Canon Michael Mitton.

Canon Michael Mitton works as a freelance speaker, writer and spiritual director and is also the half-time Fresh Expressions Officer for the Diocese of Derby. He is the self-supporting Priest in Charge of St.Paul’s, Derby and an honorary canon of Derby Cathedral. He has written a number of books including A Handful of Light, Dreaming of Home and Travellers of the Heart. His latest book Seasoned by Light, Dreaming of Home and Travellers of the Heart. His latest book Seasoned by Light, Dreaming of Home and Travellers of the Heart. His latest book Seasoned by Light, Dreaming of Home and Travellers of the Heart. His latest book Seasoned by

News from Standing Committee

General Synod Dates - The 2018 General Synod will be held in the Armagh City Hotel, Armagh, from 10th to 12th May, it was stated at the Standing Committee which met in Dublin in June. Looking ahead, the 2019 General Synod is to be held in the Londonderry City area and then returning to the Dublin area in 2020.

Appointments - The following members were appointed to the Church and Society Commission of the Church of Ireland: the Archbishop of Armagh (ex–officio), the Archbishop of Dublin (ex–officio), the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe, Mr Ken Gibson (Honorary Secretary), Mr Neville Armstrong, Mrs June Butler, the Revd Rob Clements, the Revd Dr Rory Corbett, the Revd Matthew Hagan, the Very Revd Maria Jansson, the Revd Martin O’Connor, and the Ven Andrew Orr.

In relation to the Irish Council of Churches, the Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry was appointed to its Executive and the Revd Dr Adrian Empey and Ms Maxine Judge were appointed to its European Affairs Committee.

The Ven Brian Harper was appointed to the Commission on Ministry. The Archbishop of Dublin was appointed to attend the meeting of the Governing Body of the Church in Wales, to be held in Lampeter from 13th to 14th September.

The Archbishop of Armagh paid tribute to the late Bishop Donald Caird, formerly Bishop of Limerick, Bishop of Meath and Kildare, and Archbishop of Dublin.

New Book - A book, “The Church of Ireland and its past: history, interpretation and identity” will be published by Four Courts Press and members of Standing Committee were invited to attend its launch in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, on 20th October 2017.

Daily Prayer app - A grant of €20,000 from the General Synod Royalties Fund to the Central Communications Board was approved for the development of a Daily Prayer app for use on mobile devices. The app will be developed in consultation with the Liturgical Advisory Committee.
New head of Scottish Episcopal Church
The Episcopal Synod of the Scottish Episcopal Church has elected the Right Revd Mark Strange, Bishop of Moray, Ross and Caithness as Primus. Bishop Mark, 56, is the youngest member of the College of Bishops and was consecrated in his current diocese in 2007. He succeeds the Most Revd David Chillingworth, who was educated at Ennistkilen and who stepped down this month after eight years in post. Brought up in Aberdeen, where he was both a choirboy and server at St Andrew’s Cathedral, Bishop Mark studied Divinity at the University of Aberdeen, attended Theological College in Lincoln and has served in both the Diocese of Worcester and in the Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness. For a number of years Bishop Mark was also Convener of the church’s Youth Committee and ran the annual summer youth camps at Glenalmond. He is married to Jane – a teacher in Inverness – and they have a son and two daughters.

New CEO appointed at Anglican mission agency USPG
The Revd Duncan Dormor, Dean of St John’s College, Cambridge, will be the next CEO (General Secretary) of USPG (United Society Partners in the Gospel). He succeeds Janette O’Neill, who retires after six years in post, taking the helm of a mission agency that has played a transforming role in global Anglicanism for well over 300 years.

Church of Ireland Archbishop helps lead workshop in Myanmar
The Archbishop of Dublin, Dr Michael Jackson and Church of England vicar, Dr. Joshva Raj from the Diocese of Birmingham, have led a four-day training workshop on cross cultural mission and research for theological educators in Myanmar, formerly Burma. Some of the 25 theological educators who attended the programme travelled for two days to reach the Association of Theological Education in Myanmar (ATEM) training complex in Yangon from different parts of the country. ATEM has grown from its initial membership of 12 churches and eight theological institutions in 1986 and now serves some 34-member schools: 22 are based in Yangon and 12 are spread across the regions. ATEM provides faculty development for member schools, organises training, workshops and seminars, provides resource materials, and helps to develop theological college libraries. Archbishop Michael said that he had “learnt a lot” while speaking about cross-cultural training to the lecturers from Myanmar.

Synod to consider gifting Christchurch Cathedral to New Zealand government
The Synod of the Diocese of Christchurch will consider donating its earthquake-ravaged cathedral to the country’s government as a gift to the people of New Zealand. This new option will go alongside two existing options – to reinstate the existing cathedral or to demolish and replace it with a modern building – when the Synod meets to decide the building’s future on the last day of its three-day meeting from 7-9th September. The iconic cathedral occupies a prime site in a major square in the city. But it has stood derelict since the 2011 earthquake because a local heritage group, the Great Christchurch Buildings Trust, has consistently challenged the diocese’s plans to demolish the cathedral and replace it with a modern purpose-built building. The cathedral’s worship has been taking place in a temporary “cardboard cathedral”.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Make the world a little friendlier!
Welcome an adult international student to your home for a day, weekend, or three nights at Christmas and a help a lonely student feel at home, under a scheme promoted by HOST, a charity set up by the British Council in 1987. Many international students in the UK feel isolated and would love to spend a short time with you, learning about British culture, experiencing UK home-life, and telling you about their own country. Hosting is a voluntary position suitable for all ages and available throughout the year with HOST.

To find out more or to be put in touch with your local organiser, please visit www.hostuk.org, email info@hostuk.org, or call 0207 739 6292.

Consider volunteering with Home-Start Lakeland
Home-Start Lakeland is a family support charity that has been working in Fermanagh since 1999, recruiting, training and supporting family visiting volunteers (who have parenting experience) to support families with young children, in the family home for 2-3 hours per week. This parent to parent support can really make a difference to families experiencing difficulties in these crucial early years. The most crucial element of our work is having the volunteers to support families and this is primarily why we are contacting you. We are asking for help in recruiting volunteers. This could be done by promoting this volunteering opportunity through Church notices, newsletter, website, presentations, word of mouth or perhaps you know someone absolutely ideal for the role of helping others in this way. We can provide you with the wording and appropriate information.

Volunteers receive full training to assist them with their role and are carefully matched with the families they support. Volunteer training courses are held in our Ennistkilen office, and are planned for early Autumn 2017. If you want any further information or have anyone that is interested, please get in touch.

Please also consider that if you have a family who you feel would benefit from the support of a Home-Start Volunteer, you can refer them to us on their behalf with their consent (please call or e-mail us for a referral form) or pass on our contact details for them to get in touch with us directly: Diane Noble, Co-ordinator, Home-Start Lakeland, Belmore Mews, Ennistkilen, BT74 6AH (Tel 028 66346818). Email: info@homestartlakeland.com
A Call to Prayer!
Divine Healing Ministries (DHM), an interdenominational ministry of healing and reconciliation led by Canon Bro. David Jardine, has recently held special ‘Days of Prayer to find God’s Peace and Healing’ at St Anne’s Cathedral, Lisburn Cathedral and Clonard Monastery.

Since the beginning of this year DHM has been holding ‘Prayers for Our City and our Land’ each weekday morning in St George’s Church, High Street, Belfast. Clergy and lay people, drawn from a number of denominations, have led the prayers. These prayer sessions, often held in silence, offer a time to give thanks for God’s blessings, to pray for revival, peace; our country’s future, our politicians and to seek God’s guidance in addressing the many ills in our society.

Silent prayer also offers an opportunity to listen to God, to say sorry and to lay down our burdens from the past.

On many occasions those attending have turned to powerful words of scripture as inspiration for their prayers, for example, 2 Chronicles Ch7 vs14-15 are referred to almost daily:

‘…if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers said in this place’.

DHM is encouraging clergy and their church members across the Diocese of Clogher to set aside time on a regular basis to pray for their towns, villages and our land. These could be held on a monthly, weekly or weekday basis according to circumstances. Psalm 133 vs1 tells us ‘How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity!’ Joining in prayer with Christian brothers and sisters from other denominations can enhance the experience. By keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, through obedience to His teaching, and by focusing on prayer, lasting peace will come to our land:

‘O High King of Heaven, have mercy on our land. Revive your Church. Send the Holy Spirit for the sake of the children. May your kingdom come to our nation. In Jesus’ mighty name. Amen’ (Caleb Prayer from Ffald-y-Brenin, Wales).

For further information please contact: Divine Healing Ministries 32 Townsend Street Belfast BT13 2ES Tel: 028 9031 1532 e-mail: divinehealing@live.co.uk web: www.divinehealingministries.org facebook: www.facebook.com/ DivineHealingMinistries

What season of harvest means to Malawi farmers
In this season of Harvest, most of us across the country are not in the fields gathering or gleaning, but with our families and friends, giving thanks for God’s plentiful gifts. As we celebrate and praise God for providing all we need to eat, we also stand with our sisters and brothers in Malawi whose harvests are uncertain.

We stand with Frank, a farmer in Malawi, who was taught a planting calendar by his grandfather based on the regular seasons, but the ever-changing climate means he can’t depend on this knowledge any longer. He used to rely on growing maize to feed his family, but this crop is now unsuited to Malawi and fails easily when the rains don’t come.

Our partner, the Evangelical Association of Malawi, has been helping Frank and his family to thrive in such hostile conditions where he now grows a special variety of pigeon peas, high in protein and its deep roots ideal for southern Malawi’s dry soil. Frank has already had a bumper crop of pigeon peas, but he still hasn’t been able to make a profit. Many farmers like Frank work individually and often lack the space to effectively store their peas, meaning selling their harvests to unscrupulous middlemen.

With your support, this project will bring farmers together into Farmers’ Clubs, where they will learn vital business skills and work together to plan their planting to ensure a good balance of crops and methods of storage.

For Frank, this could mean he is able to make a profit – enough to feed his family and even send his four children to school. Jesus tells us that he has come so that we may have life and have it abundantly. Through giving, acting, and praying this harvest, you will help Frank and farmers like him not just to survive, but to thrive.

Christian Aid Ireland’s Harvest Appeal worship resources, prayers and children’s activities can be downloaded from the website. To find out more about how you can get involved this harvest, please visit christianaid.ie/harvest or contact the Dublin offices (01 406 5540) or Belfast offices (028 906 48133).

South Sudan Church Leaders Attacked
CMSI recently received a troubling update about an incident in Yei town, South Sudan, in which church leaders were attacked and injured. The attack took place around midnight on 25th July. In all, five households were targeted, with eight people badly injured and their money and possessions stolen.

This is the latest in a series of brutal attacks on church leaders in Yei and surrounding areas. The Bishop of Yei, Right Reverend Hilary Luate Adeba, is certain that the Church has become a specific target for violence.

CMSI facilitates partnership links between dioceses, parishes and individuals in Ireland and four dioceses in South Sudan. These relationships have been a significant source of encouragement and support for the Church at this time of upheaval. For example, emergency donations made through CMSI have been used to support Yei Diocese by:

- Providing food and shelter for pastors and families in Yei town
- Providing food for children attending primary school
- Establishing an operational base for the diocese in Arua, Uganda
- Providing logistical support for Bishop Hilary’s work in refugee camps in Uganda

Despite the many obstacles and obvious risks, the Church in South Sudan continues to be a source of love, life and hope for those whose lives have been devastated by conflict and famine. They need our continued prayers, friendship and support.

Donations are still welcome for CMSI’s South Sudan Appeal and can be made via the CMSI offices or on the CMSI website – www.cmsireland.org. Gifts are used in their entirety to support the global Church as it responds to this crisis.
General Synod in review: 2015-2017

As a new triennium of the General Synod begins in 2018, it may be useful to look back at the Synods of 2015-2017, and at some of the legislation passed during those three years. In 2015, Synod was held in Armagh, which is a familiar venue to Synod members, but in 2016 and 2017 travelled to new venues – Dún Laoghaire and Limerick. During the triennium, Synod has welcomed ecumenical guests from 17 different churches, and has marked its remembrance of significant anniversaries and events. Synod has linked in with the work of the Church of Ireland with communities in Ireland and abroad in a number of ways.

Legislation

Legislation is the primary purpose of the Synod, and the legislation it enacts is for the whole Church of Ireland. In 2015, the Dignity in Church Life Charter was adopted in statute by Synod. This Charter commits the Church to promote harmonious relationships across all the structures of the Church of Ireland, to uphold the right of all to be treated with dignity and respect, and to seek reconciliation where there is disagreement or conflict. Synod also adopted an Environmental Charter as a resolution which charges members of the Church of Ireland as individuals and as part of the worshipping community, to exercise stewardship of God’s creation, locally, nationally and internationally.

In 2016, a bill to provide for changes in the procedure for episcopal elections was passed in 2016. Other significant bills include one to ensure compliance of select vestries with state legislation in both the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland and one to alter the terms of the Church Fabric Fund (now known as the Church Fabric and Development Fund).

Resolutions passed included one proposed by the Council for Mission, which asks the House of Bishops to remind the Irish Government to implement the key recommendations of Protection, Resettlement and Integration: Ireland’s Response to the Refugee and Migration ‘Crisis’. Another resolution affirmed the importance of children’s ministry as a central, fundamental and integral part of the life of the Church of Ireland.

Bills in 2017 included special bills (which are brought to two successive Synods for approval) to amend The Book of Common Prayer by including An Order for Morning and Evening Prayer for use on Sunday, and by authorising the use of new Collects of the Word.

New triennium: 2018-2020

Elections to General Synod for the new triennium take place at diocesan synods this year. The venues for General Synod are Armagh in 2018, Derry in 2019, and Dublin in 2020. The Honorary Secretaries of diocesan synods are always very pleased to hear from people who would consider allowing their names to go forward to represent their diocese at General Synod. If you would like more information on serving as a member of General Synod, please contact one of your diocesan Honorary Secretaries or your diocesan office.

Priorities Fund now open for applications

The Church of Ireland Priorities Fund is now open for applications. The closing date for receipt of completed applications is 31st October 2017. The Church of Ireland General Synod Priorities Fund provides resources for growth within the Church of Ireland and the wider community. In the 37 years since its inception, over 17 million Euros has been distributed in grants. In Clogher Diocese, three projects were supported by Priorities Fund in 2016. These included Magheraculum Parish for the funding of £8,000 for a screened off area at the rear of the side aisle for use as a quiet room to attract more young families for church services, St. Macartin’s Cathedral M.U., Enniskillen, for financial assistance towards the installation of new kitchen to serve the needs of the parish (£5,000) and Vortex Youth Group, Monaghan Parish, funding of 10,000 Euros for the provision of comfortable space for the group to meet in the church hall, make friends and grow in faith. These were all funded under the section of Areas of Need. For applications in 2017, only projects which comply with the criteria are eligible for funding. There are a number of subject areas where grant aid is paid for projects:

- Training; Lay or Ordained; Post ordination; clergy in-service, lay ministry, youth ministry; children’s ministry and student chaplaincy.
- Christian education; Development of RE in schools, children’s ministry, youth work and adult education.
- Outreach initiatives; To encourage creative and innovative projects which reach out to the communities where parishes serve.
- Innovative ministry in a rural context.

To encourage creative and innovative ministry projects in sparsely populated areas of the country in rural or village settings.

The Priorities Fund encourages applications for grants for ‘seed capital’ and applications for grants which will have a significant influence in attracting other funding.

The Fund tries to avoid restoration projects for cathedrals and church buildings or routine renovations and repairs, discourages applications yet at a planning stage or funding for salaries or for financing debts and avoids funding recurrent grant aid.

Application forms for grants can be obtained from Mrs Sylvia Simpson, Priorities Fund Office at Church of Ireland House, Church Avenue, Rathmines, Dublin 6 D06 CF67 or by emailing; priorities@ireland.anglican.org. Tel. 00353 1-4125607.

The forms can also be downloaded from www.priorities.ireland.anglican.org

Completed applications must be submitted by October 31 2017

Charity Registration and Reporting Seminar

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September 2017

Sunday 3rd September – Ordination of Deacons in St Macartan’s Cathedral, Clogher by the Bishop of Clogher at 7.00pm. Ordinands: Lindsey Farrell and David Moses. Preacher: The Archdeacon of Derry, the Ven Robert Miller.

Tuesday 5th September – Clogher Diocesan Council meeting at 2.00pm.

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Friday 8th September – Midnight Walk at Clabbey Church Hall, starting at 11.30pm.

Saturday 9th September – Aghavea Parish Football Competition on the Hunter Playing Field in Maguairebridge to raise funds for Aghavea church building repair fund. An entry fee of £50 per team with each team consisting of at least six players plus as many substitute as needs be rolling on and off. We would hope as many churches as possible would enter at least one team as this will be a great opportunity to come along and join together in supporting your church team while supporting a worthy cause. A BBQ and refreshments will be available on the night. Kick off will be at 5pm. Contact Alan Johnston on 07977108850 or ajagri@hotmail.co.uk to get your team entered before the end of August.

Saturday 9th September – Galloon Parish Auction will be held at 12 noon in the Church Hall, Newtownbutler.

Sunday 10th September – Ice Cream Sunday in Magheracross Parish Church, Ballinamallard, when nine of the Youth Fellowship Group who attended the Castlewellan Holiday Week, speak about their experiences.

Monday 11th September – Stroke Services at South West Acute Hospital public meeting on the future of stroke services between 6.30pm-8.30pm in the Lisgoole Suite, Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen.

Tuesday 12th September – Children’s Ministry Training for Sunday School Teachers and leaders involved in children’s ministry in St Patrick’s Hall, Monaghan, at 8pm. Led by Julie Currie, Down and Dromore Diocesan Children’s Officer. This has been organised by Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education.

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Saturday 16th September – Table Quiz in the Reade Hall, Monea, at 8pm with proceeds to Reade Hall Project.

Saturday 16th September – Soup morning and cake sale in Aghabog Parish Hall from 11am to 2pm.

Sunday 17th September – Ordination Service of Alison Irvine, a member of Garvargh Parish, as Intern Deacon by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, Most Revd Pat Storey in St. Catherine’s Parish Church, Tullamore, Co. Offaly, at 6.30pm.

Sunday 17th September – Carleton Summer School Evening Concert in St. Patrick’s Church, Augher Road, Clogher at 7.30pm. Featuring Eilís Lavelle(harpist), Revd. David Bell, Desertcreet Parish(guitar) and Clogher W.I. Choir.

Thursday 21st September – Clogher Clerical Association meeting in Dromore Church with Holy Communion at 10.30am. Afterwards Revd Andrew Quill will speak on Film Ministry.

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Saturday 23rd September – Crafty Church in Aghadrumsee Church between 3pm-4.30pm and open to all children aged 2-7 years. Craft activities, games and songs based on the Bible story of the day.

Sunday 24th September – Commissioning Service of Alan Hill as Diocesan Reader by Bishop John McDowell in St Finbarr’s Parish Church, Carrickmacross, at 7pm. Refreshments to follow in Jackson Hall.

Sunday 24th September – Back to Church Sunday in St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen, in the form of a family service at 11am followed by tea, coffee and juice.
Thursday 28th September – Clogher Diocesan Synod at 4.30pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral and Hall, Enniskillen.

Friday 29th September - Sunday 1st October 2017 – Crafty Harvest in Holy Trinity Church, Lisnaskea to reflect talents in painting, pottery, needlework.

Friday 29th September – Derrybrusk Harvest Moon Walk leaving Belle Isle Hall at 10pm. Proceeds to Rectory Refurbishment Fund.

October 2017

Sunday 1st October – Mullaghdun 200 years anniversary service in Mullaghdun Parish Church, Letterbreen at 11am when Bishop John McDowell will unveil a plaque to mark 200 years of ministry at Mullaghdun followed by a celebratory meal in the Parish Hall, Letterbreen.

Thursday 5th October – Men’s Harvest Supper in Saddlers Restaurant, Enniskillen, to launch St Macartin’s Cathedral Parish new Men’s Life Group. Speaker; Revd Rob Clements.

Friday 6th - Sunday 8th October 2017 – Harvest Services with Reformation Theme in Colaghty Parish Church beginning on Friday, 6th October at 8pm and finishing on Sunday, 8th October at 7pm. Church open on Saturday, 7th October between 2pm-6pm. All proceeds to mission projects.

Saturday 7th October – Vintage Tractor Run leaving Clabby Church Hall at 10.30am. For further details contact Vera 028 895 21160 or David on 02889522134

Saturday 14th October – Parish Harvest Barn Dance and Supper in Lisbellaw Parish Centre at 7.30pm. Music and calling by Jason Kiffedder.

Thursday 19th October – Clogher Clerical Association meeting in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen with Holy Communion at 11.00am. Afterwards Laurie Randall, who works for Mediation Northern Ireland and Connor Diocese, will speak on ‘Handling Conflict in the Parish’ in the Cathedral Hall.

Friday 20th - Saturday 21st October 2017 – Marriage Preparation Weekend Course: in Fivemiletown Parish Hall. Friday: 7.30-9.30pm; Saturday 9.30am-1.30pm. Hosted by Fivemiletown and Dromore Parishes. For further details and to book a place contact Canon Kyle Hanlon.

Saturday 21st October – Maghera culmoney Parish Auction At Ardess Hall with viewing from 12 noon and auction to begin at 1pm.

Sunday 22nd October – Voices and Brass in Tempo Parish Church at 7pm with Church Hill Silver Band, guest organist Glenn Moore and St. Macartin’s Cathedral Choir, along with guests introducing their favourite hymns. Donations towards Church funds.

Tuesday 24th October – Launch of Slavin Poetry Book of the late Katherine C. Elliott by Vivienne Ferguson in the Warke Hall, Belleek at 7.30pm. Bishop John McDowell will launch the book.

Sunday 29th October – ‘Songs of Praise’ at the October group service in Sallaghy Parish Church at 7pm with the theme; ‘Music which moves you.’ Everyone invited to celebrate an evening of music followed by supper.

Monday 30th October – A Walk in The Dark pre-Halloween event organised by St. Macartin’s Cathedral Parish, Enniskillen between 7.30pm-9pm visiting some of Enniskillen’s spookiest sites where there will be stories of some grisly and ghoulish tales from local history with the surprise twist of the Christian message about life after death.

Tuesday 31st October – Priorities Fund deadline for applications.

November 2017

Friday 3rd November – Police Male Voice Choir in concert in Donacavey Parish Hall. Supper served afterwards.

Saturday 4th November – Table Sale and Auction at 10am in Lisbellaw Parish Centre.

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December 2017

Wednesday 6th December – Clogher Clerical Association Christmas Lunch in St Patrick’s Church, Monaghan with Holy Communion, Tea/Coffee and AGM at 10.30am. Afterwards Bishop John McDowell will speak on a topic of his choice.

Friday 24th November – Kenny Archer and Friends Gospel Concert in Clogher Cathedral on Friday, 24th November 2017 at 8pm.

February 2018

Friday 2nd - Monday 12th February 2018 – Pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by the Bishop of Clogher, Rt.Revd John McDowell. Visits to Tel Aviv, Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea and Jerusalem. Further details from Canon David Skuce; Tel 028 68641235 or email; inishmacsain@clogher.anglican.org

March 2018

Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th March 2018 – The Bible Comes to Life exhibition will be hosted by The Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hal. This unique exhibition returns again after 25 years to Enniskillen.
Whether you are new to helping children know God or have been teaching for a while, you are invited to an evening of ideas, support and advice.

Julie Currie (Down and Dromore Diocesan Children’s Officer) has been invited to lead this event offering practical help on a range of topics for all those involved in working with children. (Julie was last with us in 2014)

An excellent opportunity to refresh your skills, learn some new ones, share ideas and be enthused for the year ahead.

Tuesday 12th September 2017 in St Patrick’s Hall, Monaghan at 8.00pm

and repeated on

Wednesday 13th September 2017

In St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm

Concluding each evening with light refreshments

All Sunday School Teachers and Leaders involved in Children’s Ministry will be most welcome.

Organised by Clogher Diocesan Board of Religious Education