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Front Cover
The ‘Bible Comes to Life’ Exhibition takes place from 8-11 March 2018 in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen. See page 56 for more details.
In last year’s Diocesan Magazine for March I wrote a short piece about St. Patrick and some of the books which have been written about him. I think I pointed out that the books written about him are far greater in size and in number than the two very short pieces of writing which Patrick himself left to us - a short book and a medium length letter. However Patrick’s book in particular is so full of interest that each time I read it something new and interesting stands out. It is possible to read the whole of the Confession in about 30 minutes. Reading it again this year I noticed that Patrick refers to Ireland frequently as “the very ends of the earth”. And Ireland was indeed a very distant and obscure place to Patrick’s contemporaries. Some people still regard it as rather out of the way in more senses than one. In one of his poems about holidaying in the West of Ireland John Betjeman called those who live on the western seaboard “the last of Europe’s Stone age race”.

However I imagine that in Patrick’s case the phrase was suggested by his great familiarity with the Scriptures. In Luke’s Gospel Jesus talks about “the queen who came from the ends of the earth to hear Solomon’s wisdom”. However it is in the Acts of the Apostles that we learn about the Holy Spirit inspiring the apostles to be witnesses to the resurrection right out “to the ends of the earth”. Indeed in the Letter to the Romans, St. Paul quotes Psalm 19 that the voice of the gospel “goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world”.

So we can be fairly certain that these references provide Patrick with a sense that he has been sent, first by God’s judgement as a punishment, then by that same God as a vocation, to the last place among all the lands, the furthest out nation. It is probably this idea of the finality of his mission that adds an urgency and a depth to all that Patrick does. The probability is that Patrick thought of the “shape” world in the following way. Towards the centre of the land mass of the earth was the city of Jerusalem and around it the Promised Land. Around the Promised land were ranged “the Nations” or “the Lands of the Gentiles” and their lands stretched out to the ocean. In Patrick’s day most of these places were still held by the Romans, but on it’s fringe was one place outside the orbit of Rome and (at least until Patrick had finished his work) also outside the influence of Jerusalem: Ireland.

In God’s will as Patrick understood it, Ireland was to be the outer limit of the preaching of the Gospel, and he was working at the utmost extreme of that land “by the wood of Foclath on the Western Sea.” He even goes so far as to add two words to a quotation from Matthew’s Gospel to include the other two extremities of the earth, now made complete by his work in Ireland. His is the final frontier.

From one extreme of the world to the other people are being summoned to the Lord’s Banquet and Patrick is one of the last offering invitations to the feast of the Lamb. Through his work the message of the gospel, which originated at the centre in Jerusalem and had been carried to the nearby nations by the first apostles as recorded in Acts, was now brought out to the very last piece of land.

This theme is even announced by Patrick in the middle section of his little book. These are indeed the “last days” and Patrick is the instrument that God is using to bring the gospel to the last people on earth who hadn’t yet heard it. In Patrick’s mind there seems to be a logical sequence: preaching followed by completion, preaching followed by judgement, preaching followed by the end. And now that everyone has heard the gospel there is nothing to delay the end. He has finished the work which the Apostles began.

Of course we know that things didn’t turn out as Patrick supposed they would. However he was true and steadfast to the vocation which had been awakened in him first as a slave and later as a bishop. His vocation was to bring as many people as possible to the obedience of the gospel. That St. Patrick’s Day always falls in Lent is perhaps no mere coincidence as his rather stern message chimes with the Lenten emphasis on a deepening of our communion with Jesus Christ, focussing, not on what might be peripheral or disputed, but on the very centre and the lode star of our faith and the faith of the Church, the Cross and Resurrection.

In whatever way you approach St. Patrick’s Day I trust it will truly honour a great confessor of the faith and I pray also that your pilgrimage with the Suffering Servant throughout Lent will lead to the joy of the resurrection in your families and in your lives.

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Services
Sunday 4th March
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Holy Communion
Clogh 10.45 am Holy Communion
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Holy Communion
Sunday 11th March
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 18th March
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Morning Prayer
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer
Palm Sunday 25th March
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm All Age Service
Clogh 10.45 am Morning Prayer
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Morning Prayer
Maundy Thursday 29th March
Clogh 8.00 pm Holy Communion
Good Friday 30th March
Aghadrumsee Service of Reflection
Easter Sunday 1st April
Aghadrumsee 12.05 pm Holy Communion

Clogh 10.45 am Holy Communion
Drumsnatt 9.30 am Holy Communion

Bible Study Lent Group will conclude during the month of March. This year we looked at John Ortberg’s study ‘God is closer than you think’, where he helps us to discover and enjoy a vibrant, moment-by-moment relationship with God the Father. The group would like to express their thanks to Captain David Hamilton for his research and hospitality each week.

Aghadrumsee and Cooneen with Mullaghfad

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Services
4th March
10.45am Colebrooke Holy Communion
12.15pm Cooneen Holy Communion
11th March
10.45am Colebrooke Morning Prayer
12.15pm Cooneen Morning Prayer
18th March
11.00am Colebrooke Holy Baptism
25th March
11.00am Cooneen Palm Sunday

Lent Services
(Wednesdays in Lent)
7th March
8.00pm Colebrooke
14th March
8.00pm Colebrooke
21th March
8.00pm Colebrooke – in hall, An Evening with Voice of Recovery

Holy Week Services
27th March
8.00pm Cooneen (Tuesday)
28th March
8.00pm Colebrooke (Wednesday)
29th March
8.00pm Cooneen Maundy Thursday Communion
30th March
8.00pm Colebrooke Good Friday
1st April
11.00am Colebrooke Easter Day Holy Communion

Voice of Recovery
On Wednesday 21st March at 8.00pm, in place of our usual format of Lenten Service and our regular Mothers’ Union meeting, we will be welcoming Voice of Recovery to Colebrooke parish hall. Voice of Recovery will be telling their story of helping those with addiction overcome their struggle through poetry and music. The following is an extract from their Facebook page:
“Voice of Recovery are a singing group of people in recovery from addiction. Some of them met through a rehabilitation centre in Newry, Co Down, through a series of singing workshops that were initiated by the Arts Council Northern Ireland. Their performances are deeply moving, and they tell the story of addiction to recovery through the creative arts of poetry, music and composition. They are a committed group of people who have found their victory song and their musical voice encourages others who struggle with addiction to do the same.
“Their Musical Director is Sheila Smyth from The Right Key CIC. Sheila is a composer, musician and music teacher. Voice of Recovery have performed at health conferences, theatres and concert halls both at home, Belfast, London, Cardiff...
and Astros in Greece. They have been instrumental in challenging the stigma of addiction within the UK. Their story encourages others to move from weakness into strength. Their courage in going public with their recovery, has made them true heroes, and earned them respect at every performance. They give people hope, that they too can be free from the prison of addiction.”

This evening is open to everyone from both our own parishes, and also visitors, and there will be no price of admission. Donations may be received to help with this very worthwhile ongoing work.

**GFS**

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

**Colebrooke/Cooneen Scout Group**

The Group meet every Tuesday from 7pm-8.30pm for boys and girls aged 4-11 years, and on Fridays for 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)

**SNATCH**

Sunday Night At the Church Hall) Youth Ministry Aghavea and Colebrooke All young people of secondary school age welcome. Facebook: www.facebook.com/snatchyf Website: snatch.colebrookeparish.org

**Bowling Club**

Thursday Evenings at 7.45pm At present the club are currently playing matches within the churches league. New members of all ages are welcome at any stage of the indoor bowling season.

**MOTHERS’ UNION**

In January the members met to share a Holy Communion service led by the Rector. Then the branch leader encouraged all present to think of how each member could walk in Mary Sumner’s Footsteps as the theme for the year states. After the fun of trying to match members to the variety of lovely shoes on display, each member was reminded that the footprints they make are important and have an impact on many lives each day. Mary Sumner answered the call from God to reach out to families in Victorian England. She gave selflessly to help improve life for families and women in her day. Mothers’ Union members are challenged today to step out in Faith, following God’s call and reach out in whatever way possible, to bring ‘Christian Care For Families’ locally and globally. At the February meeting members looked forward to welcoming Noreen Little, Unit co-ordinator for Action and Outreach in Clogher Diocese, when she shared the work being done and how each member could participate in this outreach activity. On 21st March, at 8pm, members are sharing their night with an outreach to the Parish and beyond. A choir ‘The Voice of Recovery’ from County Down, plans to share their experiences of overcoming addiction and how music and fellowship have brought them through many difficult days. Their leader, Sheila Smith, will conduct the evening. Everyone will be made welcome.

**Services**

- **Sunday 4th March** - The Third Sunday in Lent
  11am Holy Communion and Sunday School
  Sunday evening 7pm SNATCH Theme: take up the cross
  Wednesday 7th March 8pm Discovering Christianity
  Sunday 11th March - The Forth Sunday in Lent
  11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School
  Wednesday 14th 8pm Discovering Christianity
  Sunday 18th March - The Fifth Sunday in Lent

- **Sunday evening 7pm SNATCH**
  Theme: PALM SUNDAY PRACTICE

- **Wednesday 21st March 8pm** Discovering Christianity
  **Sunday 25th March** - The Sixth Sunday in Lent
  11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School
  **Sunday Evening 7pm SNATCH Palm Sunday Service in Clabby Church**

- **8pm Wednesday 28th** - Discovering Christianity

- **8pm Maundy Thursday**, Joint service in Methodist Church Brookeborough
- **8pm Good Friday**, Joint Service with Methodist in Aghavea Church
- **Sunday 1st April - Easter Day** - The First Sunday of Easter
  6.30 Dawn Service- (followed by a full Irish breakfast)
  11am – All family Holy Communion Service

**Happy 100th Birthday**

Bishop John McDowell with Mr. Robert McElroy who celebrated his 100th birthday in February.
Organisations

G.F.S
Wedgesdays at 6.30pm Church Hall. Girls of three years upwards are welcome. Mothers’ Union: Next meeting 13th March on theme, Open and Outreach. Speaker: Mrs Noreen Little.

Bows
The Bowling Club meet in the Parish hall each Monday at 8pm New members are very welcome.

Sunday School
All children of primary school age welcome.

Fundraising Events
We will be catering for the 12th July 2018 in the Brooke Memorial Orange hall, Brookeborough. Details later.

Ballybay, Clontibret & Muckno

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Ballybay
Youth club met during February and we did lots of exciting things especially on 11th of February where we had a special Valentine’s theme and also we had lots of pancake treats as Pancake Tuesday was the following week. Thank you to Jerry Grimes and Eric Dickson who helped assemble the new youth club items over the last few weeks.

Clontibret
On Wednesday, 14th February we celebrated the 10th anniversary of the opening of our new National School at Clontibret. Mrs Julie Crawford, Principal, gave a brief history of the old school which is now our church hall, to a packed audience of children, parents and grandparents before everyone took part in a Beetle Drive. There was much fun and laughter as the players waited to get the right throw of the dice for a body and the various other parts. After the fun and games everyone enjoyed a hearty supper in the knowledge that they could have a lie in the next morning as it was half-term. We wish all involved with the school every blessing for the future.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all who are unwell including Jim and Robert Graham and Esther Dunne. We extend our heart-felt sympathy to the Geary family on the death of Ronnie’s uncle William McCully. We trust that they and the wider McCully family will know God’s comfort in the days ahead.

There has been a good level of interest in tickets for our Country Gospel Evening in Clontibret Parish Church on Friday, 9th March with Kenny Archer and guest Billy McFarland together with Stuart Henderson on organ, Wilson Jebb on bagpipes and the Gilsen sisters on harp and violin. Walter Pringle will be MC on the night. The Evening commences at 8.00pm and we look forward to an evening of ministry through music and song.

Muckno
We continue to remember Ian Collie in our prayers.

Carrickmacross Union, Magheracloone and Ardragh

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Services

Sunday 4th March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 9.00 am
Morning Prayer St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Morning Prayer Magheracloone 12noon

Wednesday 7th March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 10.30 am

Sunday 11th March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon
Morning Prayer Ardragh 11.30pm

Wednesday 14th March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Lent Service Magheracloone 8.00 pm

Enjoying the pancake evening
Sunday 18th March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 9.00 am
Arise and Shine St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Service of the Word Magheracloone 12noon

Wednesday 21st March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Sunday 25th March
Holy Communion St Finbarr’s 10.30 am
Holy Communion Magheracloone 12noon
Holy Communion Ardragh 1.15 pm

Tuesday 27th March
Easter ‘Messy Church’ – Jackson Hall 6.00 pm

Wednesday 28th March
Holy Week Service – “Perfume” – Ardragh 8.00 pm

Thursday 29th March
Holy Week Service ‘- “Agape Meal” – St Finbarr’s 7.30 pm

Good Friday 30th March
‘An Hour at the Cross’ – St Finbarr’s 12noon
‘Crucified’ – Magheracloone 8.00 pm

Easter Sunday 1st April
Dawn Service – God’s Acre Cemetery 6.45 am (followed by breakfast)
‘Surprise’ Family service with Holy Communion – Magheracloone 8.00 am
‘Surprise’ Family service with Holy Communion – Magheracloone 12noon

Youth Group
Our new Youth Fellowship Group met again in January with an evening of games, challenges and worship around the theme of choices. In February we looked at Lent and the challenge faced by Jesus in the desert. Our games were based on the challenges of the game Our February Teen Evening meets in the Parish Room on Wednesday 14th March at 6.30pm in the Parish Room.

Men’s Breakfast
We held our first Men’s Group event with a breakfast in the Rectory on Saturday 10th February. It was great to see a number of men from our group of parishes gather together to enjoy a full ‘Ulster Fry’. Following breakfast Philip Keegan shared some insights and slides on his trip to South Africa to help with a building of a school.

Pancake Tuesday

Thanks to everyone who came out on a cold evening to support our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Evening. We had great fun cooking and flipping the pancakes, which were then filled with a variety of delicious savoury and sweet fillings. There was great fun and laughter and plenty of full stomachs as we celebrated the tradition of preparing for Lent.

Lent, Holy Week And Easter
Throughout Lent this year we are going to alternate between a series of short services and Bible Studies. We are delighted that once more Lorna and Carl Moy have offered the use of their home for our studies. Our studies and services will be based on the ‘Pilgrim Course’ series focusing on the Ten Commandments.

For Holy Week we have a variety of services to help us journey with Jesus to the cross. On Tuesday we have our first ever ‘Messy Church’ with crafts, songs and worship for the whole family. This will be followed by a meal together, we meet in the Jackson Hall at 6.00 pm. On Wednesday we meet at Ardragh at 8.00pm when our theme will be ‘perfume’. Thursday sees us meeting together for an ‘Agape Meal’ in St Finbarr’s at 7.30 pm. On Good Friday we have ‘an hour at the cross’ in St Finbarr’s at 12 noon and ‘crucified’ in Magheracloone at 8.00pm.

On Easter Day we begin the celebrations with a Dawn Service on the steps of God Acre’s Cemetery at 6.45 am, followed by breakfast. We will then have family services with Holy Communion entitled ‘Surprise’ in St Finbarr’s at 10.30 am and Magheracloone at 12noon.

Jewel’s Women’s Group
In February our Jewel’s Women’s Group were joined by Emma Rothwell, youth officer of Meath and Kildare Diocese, who told her story of mission work in India with the Leprosy Mission.
Jewel’s meets again on Thursday 15th March in St Finbarr’s at 7.15pm for a celebration Service followed by a meal in the Court House Restaurant.

Easter General Vestry
Ardragh Easter General Vestry will take place on Sunday 11th March immediately following the service. A full attendance of vestry people is requested.
St Finbarr’s Easter General Vestry will take place on Tuesday 20th March at 8.00 pm in the Parish Room. On the evening we will hear reports on the affairs of our parish over the past year and select a new vestry. Our Vision Group will give a presentation of their recommendations for where our focus should be as a Parish over the coming years as well as introducing our new vision statement. Easter General Vestry is a very important evening in the life of our parish, please come along and join us.

Celebration
Congratulations to Mrs Bertha McMahon, our oldest parishioner, who celebrated her 97th birthday on the 12th February. After a period of illness it was wonderful to see Bertha surrounded by family and friends enjoying her big day.
Cleenish & Mullaghdun

Services
Church Services for March / Easter 2018
Sunday 11th March
10.00 a.m. M.P & Baptism. Mullaghdun
11.30 a.m. Family Service & Baptism. Cleenish

Wednesday 14th March
10.00 a.m. Monthly H.C. Mullaghdun Hall
08:00 p.m. Mullaghdun Vestry Meeting

Sunday 18th March
10.00 a.m. H.C. Mullaghdun
11.30 a.m. H.C. Cleenish

Wednesday 21st March
08:00 p.m. Cleenish Vestry Meeting

Sunday 25th March
10:00 a.m. M.P. Mullaghdun
11:30 a.m. M.P. Cleenish

Thursday 29th March, Maundy Thursday
08:00 p.m. H.C. Mullaghdun
Friday 30th March, Good Friday
08:00 p.m. E.P. Cleenish

Sunday 1st April, Easter Sunday
06:00 a.m. Sunrise Service, Cleenish Centre
08:00 a.m. H.C. Cleenish
09:30 a.m. H.C. Mullaghdun
11:00 a.m. H.C. Cleenish

Please note:- Services may change from time to time, updates in Church Porch.

Dates for your Diary
Thursday 8th – Sunday 11th March
Bible Comes to life Exhibition, St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall
Friday 30th March, Good Friday
Sunday 1st April, Easter Sunday
Tuesday 3rd April, Mullaghy Flute Band, Annual Concert
Tuesday 10th April, Mullaghdun General Easter Vestry
Thursday 12th April, Cleenish General Easter Vestry

Monthly Healing Service
The next monthly Healing Service takes place on Wednesday 14th March, in Mullaghdun Parish 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 14 March, Mullaghdun
Wednesday 21st March, Cleenish

Cleenish Parish Supper Dance
The Annual Supper Dance which took place on Friday 9th February in the Unionist Headquarters, Enniskillen was very successful, with 150 patrons attending. After a delightful supper, Balfour Hoey auctioneered a number of items, followed by dancing to the Singing Digger Man. Sincere thanks to all who helped or assisted in any way, and to the ladies of the Parish who provided and served the food. Final details of the profits are not yet available.

Cleenish and Mullaghdun Mothers’ Union
The annual Visitors Evening was held on Tuesday 20th February in Mullaghdun Parish Hall. We were delighted to have Evelyn Hassard as guest speaker. A special thanks to Joan Nixon who created a display for both Cleenish and Mullaghdun, to illustrate how the Branch works “In Mary Sumners’ footsteps”. The evening was co-ordinated by Caroline Watterson which contributed greatly to its success. A number of members went back in time, and dressed as attending a Branch meeting in Mary Sumners’ Day. Thanks to all members who provided a delightful supper served.

Parish ladies serving the meal.

Volunteers, Balfour Hoey; Clive Smyth; Ossie Clements and Ian Sheridan at the Supper Dance.

Canon Bridle sits beside a cake made by Rachel Balfour, featuring a replica of Cleenish Church.
in the finest of china cups and saucers, the tables dressed with linen cloths and napkins in candlelight. Members expressed their sincere sympathy to the extended family of the late Annie McConnell, long time faithful member and indoor member of Mullaghduin Branch. Annie delighted in having a chat and always expressed appreciation to members who visited and was delighted in recent times to participate in the telecommunication Mothers’ Union Group within the Diocese.

Cleenish Mother and Toddler Group
Mother and Toddler Group continues each Tuesday morning between 10am-12 noon following half term break. The Group continues to grow with mums, dads, baby minders, and grandparents attending regularly, with their babies and toddlers. The Group received an invitation to the Community Awards event in the Manor House, on Monday 12th February. Margaret Crawford, and Lettie Coulter represented the Group.

Cleenish Brownies
Brownies attended the Thinking Day Service, in St John’s, Florencecourt, on Sunday morning 25th February. On Monday evening 26th February, they attended the District Thinking Day celebrations in Rosssory Church Hall. The girls meet in Cleenish Parish Hall on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm until 7:45pm.

Bereavement
Annie McConnell Annie came to Corraglass over 20 years ago to reside at Corraglass near her sister, Celia Hazlett. Known to everyone as “Annie” or “Aunt Annie” she had a friendly nature which endeared her to all those she came in contact. Church attendance was important to Annie, and when health issues prevented her from attending, she greatly appreciated receiving Holy Communion in her home each month. She was also a long-time member, and indoor member of Mullaghduin Mothers’ Union. Following a short period of hospitalisation Annie died peacefully on Tuesday 23rd January, just under six months following the death of her sister, Celia. During a Service of Thanksgiving in Mullaghduin Parish Church, the Bible readings were read by her grand-niece, Ruth and grand-nephew, Andrew, and her grand-nephew, John, read a special Prayer. The Service was led by the Rector, Canon Geoff Bridle, and the organist was Elizabeth Hazlett. Following the Service, Annie was buried alongside her late husband, John in Dromahair Churchyard. The parishioners of Mullaghduin extend sympathy to Annie’s nephews, nieces and to the wider family circle.

Cleenish Centre
The beautiful grounds outside the Cleenish Centre. It is pleasing to state week end bookings are continuing to come in for the Spring season. All are very welcome to the Annual Service at 6am on Easter Sunday morning 1st April. This will be held in the courtyard weather permitting. Please join us after the Service for a light breakfast, and fellowship in the Devenish Room. 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.

Sympathy
Ina Frazer
The parishioners of Mullaghduin extend deepest sympathy to the family members of Ina Frazer, nee Armstrong who was born on 10th January 1934 in the Kesh area. When she was just four years old, her mother passed away. Both she and her siblings were raised by their grandparents, whilst her father sought work in England to support the family. Following her marriage to James Frazer in Ardess Parish Church in 1956, they made their home at Skreen, Letterbreen where their daughter, Gwendoline was born. The family attended Mullaghduin Parish Church until they moved to Enniskillen, from which time they attended Enniskilien Cathedral. Following some years of declining health, Ina required professional care, and she died at the South West Acute Hospital on Monday 12th February. Mourners gathered at Mullaghduin Parish Church to hear Dean Kenneth Hall speak of Ina’s talents in craftwork, her keenness to engage in conversation in spite of severe breathing difficulties, and the devoted care she received from her daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren. The organist was Elizabeth Hazlett, and a solo was sung by Lynda Lindsay. Burial was in the adjoining graveyard. We extend sympathy to Ina’s daughter, Gwendoline, son-in-law, Ray, grandchildren, Rachel and Ciaran, and the wider family circle.

Sale of Firewood
A number of volunteers from Cleenish Parish spent almost three days cutting up storm damaged timber within the Rectory Grounds. Jumbo bags ready for the fire are now on sale at £45 per bag. Contact Ossie Clements 0778 578 1215, or Balfour Hoey 0777 566 6122. Sincere thanks are due to the volunteering party for all their hard work.

Bellanaleck Community Group
The Group held their first meeting of the New Year on Wednesday 24th January. An email was received from Group member, Caroline Nicholson who was unable to attend, stating she had recently carried out a considerable amount of work in the Community Garden. Two persons have given up renting the allotment plots, with one re-allocated, leaving a vacancy at time of writing.
Members agreed the Childrens’ Christmas Party held on Saturday 9th December was very successful, as reported in last month’s edition. Those present were informed a “new ground level roundabout” has been provided by Fermanagh and Omagh District Council in the “Children’s Play Area”, which has become very popular with the younger age group.
Bus Eireann had recently stated in the media, that the Donegal to Dublin bus would only stop on every second occasion in the Village. This was strongly rejected by members, as time stopped if required is limited, and with reduced services, would only cause confusion. It was agreed that representation should be sent to their local councillor.
The Visitor Monitor showed 7045 pedestrians used the Loughshore Path from 1st October to 31st December. The next meeting is on Wednesday 28th March. Enquiries to Group Secretary Owen Wilson, E Mail:- owenjwilson@btinternet.com

Christian Burials
Dromahair Churchyard
Friday 26th January 2018 Annie Esther McConnell. Corraglass, Letterbreen (formerly Fivemiletown, Carrickford) Aged 85 years
Mullaghduin Parish Church
Wednesday 14th February 2018 Alice May Thomasina (Ina) Frazer 1 Coleshill Park, Enniskillen. Aged 84 years


**Mothers’ Union**
The Mothers’ Union Opening Service of the year was held in the Cathedral. Revd Olivia Downey conducted a Service of Holy Communion. The Lesson was read by the Branch Leader, Mrs Iris Moffett and the pianist was Mrs Sylvia McClung. Following the Service, supper was served by Mrs Hilary Keys and Mrs Moffett. A short business meeting was held at which Mrs Moffett distributed the new programmes for 2018. The minutes of the December meeting were read by the Secretary, Mrs Ann Graham. Members were also informed of the MU Prayer Breakfast in the Killyhevlin Hotel on 3rd March addressed by Mrs Phyllis Grothier, All-Ireland President. The Treasurer, Mrs Diane Domer, presented a meticulous financial report for the past year. In conclusion, Mrs Moffett expressed prayerful support to members who have been ill or bereaved and whom she has visited recently.

A Mothers’ Union meeting took place after the Lenten Service in Augher Parish Church on 21st February when the speaker was Mr James Armstrong on the Scripture Union.

**Table Quiz**
Newtownsaville Sunday School will be hosting a Table Quiz on Saturday, 10th March in Augharonan Hall (kindly granted) with prizes and refreshments! We look forward to welcoming visitors from all the local churches.

**Lent Services – March 8 p.m.**
Wednesday 7th Newtownsaville
14th – Clogher
21st – Augher

**Holy Week – 8 p.m.**
Tuesday 27th – Newtownsaville
Wednesday 28th – Augher
Maundy Thursday – Errigal Portclare
Good Friday – Clogher
Easter Sunday – Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. – Errigal Portclare/ Augher
11-30 a.m. Clogher / Newtownsaville.
Mothers’ Day 11th March – Family Service in all Churches.

**Clogher**
13/02/18 (Burial of Ashes) Elizabeth Stewart, Formerly England and Daisy Hill Clogher.

**Why Did Jesus?**
“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was Lost”. (Mark 19 v 10)
Jesus is the Son of man an old Testament name for the one who would come to rescue his people. He came to seek out those who were lost. As he told the parable about the shepherd looking for his lost sheep, so Jesus came to seek out mankind lost in sin. His task was urgent, necessary and vital because the lost were in danger which could lead to further separation and then death. We are separated from God by sin, we are lost to God without receiving the benefits of Christ’s death for ourselves.

The verse quoted at beginning of these thoughts came the end of the meeting of Jesus and Zacchaeus. Jesus came to Jericho he sought out the lost Zacchaeus and saved him from his wrong lifestyle.

When Jesus died on the cross he fulfilled the purpose God sent him into the world for. “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

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Vacant: The Rural Dean, Revd Alan Capper is in charge and is providing pastoral cover along with Walter Pringle, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant.

Services

Sunday 4th March
10.00 Clones HC
11.30 Newbliss HC

Sunday 11th March (Mothering Sunday)
10.00 Currin HC/FS
11.30 Killeevan HC/FS

Sunday 18th March
10.00 Clones MP
11.30 Newbliss MP

Sunday 25th March (Palm Sunday)
11.00 Newbliss MP

Thursday 29th March (Maundy Thursday)
8.00pm Currin

Friday 30th March (Good Friday)
8.00pm Killeevan

Sunday 1st April (Easter Sunday)
11.00 Clones HC

Illness

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

Prayer meeting ‘Exploring our faith together evenings’, recommenced on Tuesday’s at 8.00pm at Roy and Etta Crowe’s home and will continue to meet every Tuesday until further notice.

We would love to see new people coming along, everyone is invited both young and not so young.

Easter General Vestry

The Easter Vestry meeting will take place on Wednesday 21st March 2018 at 8.00pm in the Parish Hall. Parishioners are encouraged to be present for the presentation of church accounts and election of Select Vestry for 2018/19.

Women’s Fellowship

The February meeting welcomed Gary Kearns who spoke on his trips to Romania and with a variety of slides showed the work that has been completed in the area as part of the mission team. Members were encouraged by his informative talk, to pray for the continual outreach in the area and for faithful leaders to take up the mantle in advancing God’s kingdom. The next meeting on 12th March will be the visitors’ night with a ‘bring and buy’ sale and guests the Strule River Band.

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Services

4th March Holy Communion 11.30am
11th March Family Service 11.30am
18th March Morning Prayer 11.30am
25th March Morning Prayer 11.30am
29th March Maundy Thursday 8.00pm
30th March Good Friday 8.00pm
1st April Easter Holy Communion 11.30am
8th April Family service 11.30 am
15th April Morning Prayer 11.30am
22nd April Morning Prayer 11.30am
29th April Morning Prayer 11.30am

Farewell

On Sunday, 4th February in Clones Parish we had our last Holy Communion Service with Revd. Lorraine Capper as she is leaving our Group to take up an appointment in the Glaslough area. She will be missed by many in our Group but we wish her well in her new position.

Bereavement

Our condolences and prayers are with the McCracken and Johnston families on the death of Sylvia McCracken, a sister on Ronnie Johnston. We are deeply saddened by the death of Mrs Beryl Moore, wife of Mr Leslie Moore. Our sympathy goes to Leslie and the wider family circle.

Pastoral Care

As and from 1st March, Mr Walter Pringle, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant will commence duty in the Clones Group of Parishes.
Due to the weather, our speaker was unable to be present at the party night held recently, but DV will be with us on Friday 23rd March. The leaders, as dynamic and creative as always, had a variety of games and activities for the children to engage in throughout the night. The Rector gave the children’s talk on how sin can drag us down if we don’t allow Jesus into our lives. A short quiz was held with the children as the leaders prepared the hot chocolate and cookies for all. Many thanks are extended to everyone who assists with and arranged the activities for our children and young people.

This year we have encouraged our young people 13/14 upwards to take up the FUEL challenge over the Lenten period, a resource provided by the Church of Ireland Youth Department. In addition others have taken up the Christian Aid challenge where they take something up and give something in return that will bring assistance to others.

Young@Heart
The group continues with its monthly meetings providing fellowship and informative talks along with lunch on the third Wednesday of each month. In February a very enlightening meeting took place highlighting the need to be very careful in relation to both postal and telephone scams. Members were further advised on how to make safe payments when paying by cash, cheque or plastic. Reference was also made for members to be vigilant in relation to security within their homes and on their farms.

Colaghty Bowling Club
The club have finished playing most of their matches now within the league and have had good results both at home and away. Bowls will still continue every Thursday night and preparations are well advanced for the club dinner. Please take note of weekly announcements for any changes to the church and group activities.

Dates for the diary
Saturday 26th May - Parish Auction
Sunday 3rd June - Confirmation
Saturday 28th July - Parish Barbecue
Services

Sun 4th March
Castle Archdale, 10.15am Holy Communion
Derryvullen North, 11.30am Holy Communion

Sun 11th March
Derryvullen North, 10.30am Family Service
Castle Archdale, 11.45am Family Service

Sun 18th March
Castle Archdale, 10.15am Morning Prayer
Derryvullen North, 11.30am Morning Prayer

Sun 25th March
Castle Archdale, 10.15am Palm Sunday Service
Derryvullen North, 11.30am Palm Sunday Service

Lenten Services continue each Wed at 7.30pm in Derryvullen North using the Late Evening Office.

7th March, Week Three: Am I Accepted? John 8:1-11
Even with our flaws, Jesus loves and accepts us as beloved children of God.

14th March, Week Four: Where Is God? John 1:1-5, 14
Although God is not limited to working through people, God primarily works through human instruments.

True fulfilment comes from serving others.

Although God does not prevent suffering, the crucified God fully enters human suffering and works to redeem that suffering.

Holy Week Services
Wednesday 28th March 7.30pm
Late Evening Office (Derryvullen North)
Maundy Thursday 29th March 7.30pm
Holy Communion (Castle Archdale)
Good Friday 30th March 7.30pm
Liturgy of Good Friday (Derryvullen North)

Easter Day 1st April
Dawn Service – There will be an early morning service for churches in the area at the Lough shore organised by Canon Henry Blair. The Rector and other clergy will be taking part in this service. This will be followed by a breakfast. There will be further details in the parish announcements.
Castle Archdale, 10.15 Holy Communion
Derryvullen North 11.30 Holy Communion
Women's Group
The members met on 17th January for the annual Fireside Auction which was followed by a very informative talk on Multiple Sclerosis (MS) by Siobhan Allister. She is the lead support volunteer for the MS Society Fermanagh branch. Even though there was a heavy fall of snow at that evening a good number attended. For more information about MS and the MS Society readers can log on to this site. www.mssociety.org.uk

Bowling Club
On 19th January there was a home match with Aghavea Club and then on Tuesday 6th February there was a further home match with St Macartan’s Club. On Monday, 12th February there was an away match with Aghavea. The Club is always welcoming to new members and to enjoy things you do not need to be up to match standard – plenty of help will be given and as in all Clubs, the chat and friendship is as important as the bowls.

The current church at Castle Archdale.

Musicians at the Senior Citizens’ dinner.
The Senior Citizens Dinner
The Senior Citizens Dinner was a united event of the Parishes of Derryvullen North and Castle Archdale and was funded by the two Select Vestries. It was held on Tuesday 23rd January 2018 in the Parish Hall, Derryvullen North with the wonderful meal prepared and served by Saddlers Restaurant of Enniskillen. There was a good choice of main course carvery meats with Saddlers Staff being very attentive - anyone who found it difficult to get up to the serving area was served their meal at the table. Following the main course there was a choice of dessert and coffee served at the tables. Dr Margaret Knox carried out the organising of the event and was assisted by a number of parishioners who contacted the senior citizens of the parishes to issue invitations. All the work was greatly appreciated and paid off with almost 90 attending the event. At the end of the meal local singers, Gerry McNulty and Richard McGonigle performed and the evening finished with some hymn singing led by Dr Margaret on the keyboard.

Tuesday Club
Unfortunately the meeting that was due to be held on 12th February had to be cancelled due to the bad weather.

Boys’ Brigade
1st Irvinestown Boys Brigade Junior Section had a thoroughly enjoyable football tournament in Newtownstewart at the end of January. The competition was organised by the West Ulster Battalion and had a record turnout of boys. Irvinestown had two teams, an A and B team. After some very close competition from Mountjoy, 1st and 2nd Castlederg, Ardstraw and Omagh, the A team won all three matches and proceeded to the final on the following week. Competition was tougher at the final with them winning one match and losing two. Great sportsmanship was shown by all boys. A special thanks to the leaders in transporting and coaching the boys. The Boys Brigade are now looking forward to their Annual display on Saturday 17th March where there will be six boys receiving their Queen’s Award which is the highest award in BB and four will receive the President’s Award.

Mothers’ Union
On 24 January there was an informal evening with auction with Mrs Paula Moore as auctioneer. Opening reflections and prayers were led by Dr Margaret. Mrs Avril Stubbs reported on plans for further work in the coming months for Days for Girls group and more notice of this work will be given in the parish announcements sheets.

At Derryvullen North Parish Church, Mrs Violet Noble is stepping down at the end of March 2018 from her role in cleaning the Church. She has carried out this job for 40 years and we thank her for her commitment and dedication over all of that time. All that she has done has been greatly appreciated and valued by the clergy and parishioners.

By the time you read this, the Women’s World Day of Prayer will have taken place on Friday 2nd March. This year it is being hosted by Derryvullen North Church and the order of service used internationally was prepared by women from churches in Suriname, a country on the south American coast of the Caribbean. Mrs Florence Barrett is the organist for the Service and the local organising committee is led by Mrs Carol Clarke. This act of worship is actively supported by women from the Church of Ireland, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic and Methodist Churches.

For the diary
On Sunday 11th March 2018 – After the 10.30 Family Service in Derryvullen North there will be a Coffee Morning in Church Hall in aid of the Jengana Association. In July a young member of our congregation Henry Miskimmin will be part of a team from Ballinamallard Youth Fellowship who will travel to Nairobi, Kenya to assist in the Jengana charitable work in the slums of Nairobi. The motto of Jengana is “We seek not to change the world, but the world of one person at a time.” More information about the work of this Christian Charity can be found at http://www.jengana.com/about-us/
Services

11th March
10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary

18th March
10.30 Morning Prayer Garvary
12.00 Holy Communion Derryvullen South

25th March
10.30 Morning Prayer Derryvullen South
12.00 Morning Prayer Garvary

30th March
7.30 Evening Prayer Derryvullen South
Good Friday 8.30 Evening Prayer Garvary

1st April
8.30 Holy Communion Derryvullen South
Easter Day 10.30 Holy Communion Garvary

Christian Burial

On Saturday, 10th February 2018 the funeral service for Gordon Richard McGowan, 11 Crichton Park, Tamlghat, was conducted by Chancellor Stewart in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, followed by interment in the adjoining churchyard. Gordon Richard (Gordy) was born on 19th August 1943 on Boa Island, the eldest son of Harry and Florie McGowan. In 1955 the family moved to Whinnegen Glebe and then Killyvannon. After arriving at Killyvannon, Gordon continued his education for a short time at Enniskillen High School before leaving school and working at Ronnie Crawford’s Mill, followed by a spell at an oil rig at Derrygonnelly and the North Sea. Returning home he worked with Jason Graham, then in forestry before travelling to Liverpool to work in the building trade. Back home again he was a member of the B Specials and 21 years on the UDR before finally working with the Irvine Brothers and later with Robert Irvine on building projects. For a man who was regarded as a quiet man, it is quite a history of a very active and full life which only came to an end recently with his admission to hospital. But it wasn’t all work; he enjoyed dancing and particularly enjoyed Country and Western music. He was sadly predeceased by the loss of his son David. We extend sympathy to Gordon’s children Michael and Gaynor; his grandchildren, Mark, Matthew, Keri, Marianne and Tom; his brothers and sisters, Jim, Frank, Walter, Alistair, Anne and Valerie; his nephews and nieces, and the wider circle of family and friends.

Acknowledgement

Garvary Select Vestry acknowledge with thanks the sum of £1000 from the estate of the late William Robert Hurst, Ballydoolagh.

Mothers’ Union

The next branch meeting takes place in Garvary parish hall on Monday 19th March 2018 at 8.00 pm when the speaker will be the MU Diocesan President in the neighbouring diocese of Kilmore, Mrs Hazel Speares.
Presentation

Following the Chancellor’s last service in the parish church of St Tighernach, Derryvullen South, attended by over 100 parishioners, everyone went to the parish hall where there was a lovely display of refreshments including a delightful cake. Before the tea, the congregation were treated to an appropriate song by the young people of the Sunday School and a series of presentations followed. Introducing the presentations with kind words, the Chairman, Robert Boles, presented an envelope to the Chancellor on behalf of the select vestry and parishioners. Further presentations were made to the Chancellor and Mrs Valerie Stewart by Kathleen Kettyles on behalf of the parish; Freda Burleigh and Rosemary Watts on behalf of the Mothers’ Union, Lewis Nixon and Harry Ingram, on behalf of the Sunday School. In his reply, the Rector expressed his thanks for all the hard work which went in to preparing for the event. He drew attention to the fact that he was the second longest serving rector in the history of the present churches of both Derryvullen South and Garvary.

Bereavements

We extend sympathy to all who are bereaved including Bella Forde, Mullyknock, on the death of her brother-in-law George McAdoo, Cloghtogle; and Ena McGowan, Mulrod, on the death of her cousin, Dessie McKeown, Lisbellaw.

Clothes For Clobber

Hilda is organising another fundraising event by gathering up secondhand clothing. Please keep this in mind. The collection will take place at Garvary parish hall on Tuesday 20th March 2018. Any queries please get in touch with Miss Hilda Lucy 02889541267.
The congregation in Derryvullen South Parish Hall for the farewell event for Chancellor Stewart.

Midweek Services In Lent
The services continue on Wednesday evenings at 8 pm and are led by Mr John Irvine. During his time as rector two parishioners were ordained, Charles Eames, Derryvullen South, and Alison Irvine, Garvary.

Tributes
The following is a tribute from Mr John Irvine MBE to the Revd Chancellor John Wesley Stewart on the occasion of his retirement, following his farewell service in Garvary Parish Church on Sunday, 11th February 2018.

"Revd. Chancellor Stewart, today is the day you decided to retire and thus has ended another chapter in the history of Garvary Parish. It is my sad duty this afternoon to pay tribute and say farewell to you, Chancellor Stewart, our esteemed rector since September 1990, 27 and a half years, a record unsurpassed in the history of most parishes today. This tribute marks the end of your full-time ordained ministry in the Church of Ireland spanning almost 41 years, 32 of them in Clogher Diocese in just two incumbencies. Well done good and faithful servant!

"There’s a phrase which occurs a small number of times in the Bible and I think it aptly describes you as Chancellor of the Diocese and as our rector and that is ‘a man without guile,’ a plain spoken man with no airs or graces, honest and true to your vocation, a man of integrity, modest and unassuming.

"You have been a good servant of the Diocese throughout your membership of
the various Boards and Committees, but even more so you have been a faithful Pastor to your parishioners in Garvary who have been enriched from your compassionate ministry.

Your services of public worship have always been conducted in a dignified manner, your sermons, which I have not counted but reckon to be in excess of 1500, have always been carefully and extensively researched, often containing personal reminiscences and anecdotes, well chosen quotes from notable writers, interesting, informative and most important, Biblically based, spirit-filled and culturally relevant. You never failed to display an affirmation of your unwavering faith and unyielding love to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

“Visiting the unwell in hospital or at home and your systematic visits around the parish generally were a regular practice. Your homely and friendly conversations with the aged and housebound were looked forward to and much appreciated. As regards other aspects of parish life the building of our new church hall, the re-roofing and redecoration of the church and the production of the booklet in 2015 on the “Celebration of the 150th Anniversary of Laying of the foundation stone of the Most Holy Trinity Parish Church, Garvary”, are but a few of your accomplishments that shall stand to serve as mementoes of your time with us.

“Chancellor Stewart, we have valued your friendship, delighted in your company and enjoyed your preaching. However, it would be remiss of me if I neglected to say thank you to your wife Valerie for her contribution to the Mothers’ Union both as former Diocesan President and Enrolling Member of Garvary and Derryvullen South Branch for 27 years.

“I now wish you, Chancellor, a long healthy, and enjoyable retirement in the days ahead where you will find more time to spend with your family, doing some gardening and pursuing your interests in reading and music. Thank you both for everything you have done for Garvary Parish over the years we have been privileged to know you.”

Following the tributes paid by John Irvine and Derek Wilson on behalf of the parish, and Paul Trimble on behalf of the Sunday School, gifts were presented to Chancellor Stewart by Derek Wilson, Rector’s Church Warden, Zoe Wallington from the Sunday School, Freda Beacom from Mothers’ Union, Hilda Lucy from Garvary Bowling Club, and Margaret Porter, People’s Church Warden presented a bouquet of flowers to Mrs Stewart. Chancellor Stewart cut the cake and responded thanking all for their gifts. Refreshments were served.

**Devenish & Boho**

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**Services**

**Sunday 4th**

10.00 am Holy Communion, Boho Parish Church
11.30 am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church

7.30 pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

**Sunday 11th**

10.00 am Mothering Sunday Service, Boho Parish Church
11.30 am Mothering Sunday Service, Devenish Parish Church

7.30 pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church.

Sunday 18th

10.00 am Morning Prayer, Boho Parish Church
11.30 am Holy Communion, Devenish Parish Church
7.30 pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

Sunday 25th

10.00 am Palm Sunday Service, Boho Parish Church
11.30 am Palm Sunday Service, Devenish Parish Church
7.30 pm Evening Service, Devenish Parish Church

**Holy Week Services**

**Monday 26th March**

8.00 pm Devenish

**Tuesday 27th March**

8.00 pm Boho

**Wednesday 28th March**

8.00 pm Devenish

**Thursday 29th March**

8.00 pm Maundy Thursday, Boho

**Friday 30th March**

8.00 pm Good Friday, Devenish

**Lenten Services** will continue each Wednesday night at 8.00pm, alternating between Devenish and Boho churches.

**Baptisms**

**Sunday 28th January 2018** in Devenish Parish Church, Lily Grace, daughter of Ross and Sandra Cathcart.

**Sunday 11th February 2018** in Boho Parish Church, Joshua Sealeaf, son of Chris Sealeaf and Rachel Irwin.

**Sunday 11th February 2018** in Devenish Parish Church, Logan Paul, son of Paul and Judi Humphries.

We remember in our prayers all who have been baptised, their parents and godparents.

**Mothers’ Union**

Despite having to reschedule our meeting due to very poor weather conditions, we had a good turnout on Tuesday, 23rd January to hear Jean Corrigan speak on her recent trip to Mongolia. Jean, who had returned from her sixth visit to the country, explained that she was part of the Good Neighbour Society in Ulaanbaatar which had been set up in 1993 in an effort to overcome the cycle of poverty and homelessness in the country. Using a power-point presentation she shared with us a variety of projects which were operating with the aim of giving homeless people a new sense of purpose in life so that they can move forward and integrate into society. Carole thanked Jean for her attendance and presented her with a small donation which Jean said would be passed on to the GNS in Ulaanbaatar for the use of their Feeding Project.

On Tuesday 20th March we look forward to welcoming the Rev. Ngozi Njoku to our meeting. Anyone who wishes to hear the Rev. Njoku will be most welcome.
Christmas Lunch

Emily Hall, Dorothea and James Kells at the Christmas lunch.

Vonnie Elliott, Ivy and John McClure at the Christmas lunch.
Services

Sunday, 4th March 2018 - 3rd Sunday in Lent
10.30 am: A joint Celebration of Holy Communion in Donagh Parish Church to welcome the Revd Lorraine Capper

Sunday, 11th March 2018 – 4th Sunday in Lent - Mothering Sunday
10.30am: Donagh Parish Church – Morning Prayer
12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh – A Celebration of Holy Communion

Sunday, 18th March 2018 – 5th Sunday in Lent
10.30am: Donagh Parish Church – Morning Prayer
12.00 noon: Tyholland Parish Church – A Celebration of Holy Communion

Sunday, 25th March 2018 – Palm Sunday
10.30am: Donagh Parish Church – Morning Prayer
12.00 noon: Errigal Truagh Parish Church – Morning Prayer

Thursday, 29th March 2018 – Maundy Thursday
8pm: Donagh Parish Church – Joint Service of Holy Communion

Friday, 30th March 2018 – Good Friday
8pm: Donagh Parish Church - Joint Service of Reflection

Easter Vestry Meetings: to be held in the Rectory, Glaslough at 8pm

Tuesday, 10th April 2018 – Donagh Parish
Wednesday 11th April 2018 – Tyholland with Errigal Truagh

Sympathy
We offer our prayerful support to the Roberts family on the death of Mrs Annie Leith (nee Roberts). A service of Thanksgiving for Annie’s long life, led by Archdeacon Andrew Foster, took place on Tuesday 13th February in Errigal Truagh Church followed by burial in the adjoining churchyard. Although, in recent years, Annie was a parishioner of St. Anne’s in Dungannon, she had retained a lifelong interest in her home parish of Errigal Truagh.

Grant from ETB
The youth of St. Salvator’s have benefitted from an ETB grant which has enabled the purchase of a colour Photocopier, a laminator and accessories which have been situated in the Rectory office. This is a very welcome addition to parish resources and will be extensively used by the Sunday School and Junior Choir.

Evening of thanksgiving for ministry of the Revd Betty Thompson
On Saturday, 19th February an Evening of Thanksgiving for the ministry of the Revd Betty Thompson within the Group of Parishes took place in the Oakland Centre, Glaslough. A large number of parishioners and friends gathered to show their appreciation of the hard work and dedication shown by the Revd Betty over the last four and a half years. The evening began with a sit-down supper followed by presentations from the Joint Select vestries, the Sunday School and the Mothers’ Union.

The Reverend Betty was presented with an Antique Coalport bowl and a cheque by Churchwardens, Jean Wallace.

The large turnout of parishioners and friends at the farewell presentation.
Revd Betty Thompson receiving a painted flower pot from the Sunday School. (Donagh) and Willie Singleton (Tyholland with Errigal Truagh). Dorothy Boyd and Eleanor Stewart presented a book of daily readings on behalf of the Mothers’ Union branch while the Sunday School presented a hand painted plant pot with seeds and a bouquet of flowers. Dean Raymond was presented with a model of Errigal Truagh Church (manufactured by Kevin Treanor) for his garden.

Jim Keith acted as M.C. and kept the audience entertained with his jokes. Speeches from the floor reflected the high esteem in which the Revd Betty and her husband Dean Raymond have been held and included Robert Wilson representing Tyholland with Errigal Truagh, Monsignor Joe McGuinness representing the Roman Catholic community and the Revd Stephen McNie who spoke on behalf of the local Presbyterian community.

Revd Betty and Dean Raymond both said how much they had enjoyed their time in the Donagh Group and thanked everyone for the warmth and support they both had received.

An excellent entertainment programme followed. The Sunday School children performed “Colour inspirations” and “Forget me not” followed by 10 young musicians of the parish playing on tin whistles, trumpets, flute and piano. The Junior choir sang “Spring Chicken” and “Don’t forget to tell your wife you love her” while the Donagh Community choir sang “My Forever Friend”, “You raise me Up”, “Guide my feet”, “Beautiful Glaslough” and a specially composed song entitled “It’s a long way to Derryvullen.”

The evening concluded by Revd Betty saying that she and the Dean were “overwhelmed” by the response and that they would never forget the evening. She thanked everyone for taking part and giving of their talents. The choir then sang a closing blessing entitled “Go in Peace”.

We wish the Revd Betty and Dean Raymond God’s richest blessing as they both continue their ministry within the diocese of Clogher.
Miracle On The River Kwai

Ernest Gordon’s tells a story in Miracle On The River Kwai about Scottish soldiers, forced by their Japanese captors to labour on a jungle railroad. Under the strain of captivity they had degenerated to barbarous behaviour, but one afternoon something happened.

“A shovel was missing. The officer in charge became enraged. He demanded that the missing shovel be produced, or else. When nobody in the squadron budged, the officer got his gun and threatened to kill them all . . . It was obvious the officer meant what he had said. Then, finally, one man stepped forward. The officer put away his gun, picked up a shovel, and beat the man to death. When it was over, the survivors picked up the bloody corpse and carried it with them to the second tool check. This time, no shovel was missing. Indeed, there had been a miscount at the first checkpoint.

“The word spread like wildfire through the whole camp. An innocent man had been willing to die to save the others! . . . The incident had a profound effect. . . The men began to treat each other like brothers. “When the victorious Allies swept in, the survivors, human skeletons, lined up in front of their captors . . . (and instead of attacking their captors) insisted: ‘No more hatred. No more killing. Now what we need is forgiveness.’” Sacrificial love has transforming power.

As we approach Good Friday we are reminded that Christ – who was without sin (Heb 4:15), or as Peter puts it in the passage below (the righteous) – died to save us (the unrighteous), in a ‘once for all’ act, in order that we could come back into a relationship with the Father. It is the ‘Miracle on the Cross’!

‘For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.’ 1 Pet 3:18a

Prayer Ministry Training, Saturday 10th March

We believe that God heals today. We want courageous and expectant prayers – completely dependent on the presence and power of God to transform lives and situations. We want to see more people being healed and set free in our streets, schools, churches and homes. We long for more of God’s Kingdom come, today, in this place.

This is a practical course, which trains and equips people to pray like Jesus prayed. It will include worship, Biblical teaching and practical guidelines for this ministry, whether at home, in the work place, at church or in any situation. This is for anyone who wants to explore this ministry and be equipped and encouraged to do it. Come on your own or with some friends. This will be a valuable training for individuals, leaders, ministry teams, youth teams and kids volunteers. The course starts with registration at 9:15am and finishes at 3:30pm. Cost: £11.19 through the New Wine Ireland website (https://www.newwineireland.org/events/prayer-ministry-training-dromore/) or £12 on the door. Please remember to bring your own lunch.

Gospel Concert in aid of Fields of Life

We will be holding a Gospel Concert on Saturday 24th March 2018 @ 8pm in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore, featuring the well-known Gospel singer and recording artist, Rev David McBeth. Listen to a sample on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0cmjKKck6xg. Tickets £8, are available from any of the Dromore Fields of Life team or at the door on the night.

Praise and Ministry Service, 25th March @ 7.30pm

This all-age service (normally on the 4th Sunday of the month) 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.

Dromore Seniors, Fridays, 12pm – 1pm

Over the next few weeks, Aimee Davies will be coming to do armchair exercises and boccia bowls in Holy Trinity Church Hall. This is a great opportunity for fellowship as well as a bit of fun and exercise.

Keeping up to date

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

- Visit our website www.holytrinitydromore.org
- Like our page ‘Holy Trinity Dromore’ on Facebook
- Follow us on Twitter @HTDromore.
- Get a recording of the service on CD every week
- http://holytrinitydromore.sermon.net (to download and listen to sermons)
Services
Sunday 4th
10.00 am Templecarne, Holy Communion.
11.30 am Drumkeeran, Holy Communion.
7.00 pm Dernasesk monthly service
Sunday 11th
10.00 am Muckross, Morning Prayer.
Sunday 18th
10.00 am Templecarne, Holy Communion.
11.30 am Drumkeeran, Morning Prayer.
Sunday 25th
10.00 am Muckross, Holy Communion.
11.30 am Drumkeeran Holy Communion.

Lent
During the season of Lent there will be a short service of Holy Communion at 11.00 am in Drumkeeran Parish Hall, followed by a cup of tea, on March 8th, 15th and 22nd.

Services during Holy Week at 8.00 pm as follows:-
Wednesday 28th in Templecarne.
Thursday 29th in Muckross, Good Friday
30th in Drumkeeran.

Women’s World Day of Prayer Service for the Kesh area is being held in Drumkeeran Church this year on 3rd March. I hope it will be well supported. Both men and women are welcome. Easter Vestry meetings. Dates will be announced later.

Holy Baptism
Carter Andrew Clarke was baptised in Drumkeeran Parish Church on 20th January. We pray that God will continue to bless and guide his parents, godparents and all who will have an influence on him in days and years ahead.

Sympathy
Edward James Allen, late of Boa Island, Kesh, died in the South West Acute Hospital on Sunday 21st January and after service in St John’s Church, Muckross, on Tuesday 23rd was laid to rest in the family plot in the adjoining churchyard. Eddie had lived all his life on the family farm on Boa Island. He was a faithful member of Muckross Church and attended every Sunday for as long as health permitted. For much of his life he was a member of the Select Vestry, serving as churchwarden for many years. He was the last Muckross parishioner living on the island. We extend our sympathy to his sisters and to the wider family circle.

Ash Wednesday
A service was held in Drumkeeran Church on the evening of Ash Wednesday to mark the beginning of Lent. There was a good attendance. Thanks to all. It is a way of marking the beginning of this important season in the liturgy of the Church.

Confirmation
An advance notice of the next service of Confirmation in Drumkeeran on Sunday 21st October at 11.00 am.

Farewell
By the time you read these notes I will have retired. I would like to say a very big ‘Thank You’ to all who have helped and encouraged me in my ministry in the Drumkeeran Group. I have enjoyed the experience, all of it, over the past 10 years and I hope that in some small way I may have been of help. As I look back over my many years of ministry, wherever I have served, I am so grateful to God that I have found it both fulfilling and enjoyable, as I have certainly found it in the Drumkeeran group. May God be with you all. And again, thanks.

My good wishes to my successor, the Revd Charles Eames. He will have commenced his ministry in the group on 1st March. I hope he finds it as fulfilling and enjoyable as I have. During March the rota of services will continue as before.

Cecil Pringle.

Ematris with Rockcorry, Aghabog, Aughnamullen and Drum
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and Mr Colin Brownsmith
Rural Dean: Revd Alan Capper
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Services
Sunday 4th March
9.45 Aghabog MP

Aghabog
Our annual carol service held on Sunday 17th December was very well attended. Our grateful thanks to Mr Abraham Storey who conducted the service. Thanks to the Sunday School choir and their teachers for their musical pieces, to the senior choir and organist for their singing. Also we were delighted to welcome Mrs Laura Hall and her son, Ian for their solo pieces and also to all who read the lessons. Refreshments were served in the hall afterwards and thanks to all who brought food and helped in any way.

Christmas Party
This year our group Christmas party was hosted by the Dartrey and Rockcorry parishes and held in Rockcorry school. We were delighted to see a good crowd of adults and children. Thanks to Mr Walter

Catering
The food was delicious and the service efficient and pleasant. Special thanks to Miss Maura Duddy and her staff who carried out the organisation of the event and kept all happy and well fed. Thanks to all the helpers from the Back of House who served the refreshments and helped in any way necessary. "Thank You" to all.

Church News
The Christmas service was held on Christmas Eve at 11.00pm in Drumkeeran Parish Church on 24th December. The service was attended by a good number.

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Pringle and helpers for entertaining the children. After supper Santa arrived with a gift for each child. Our thanks to the folk in Rockcorry for all their work in preparation for this event.

**Illness**
We continue to remember in our prayers all who are unwell at home or in hospital at this time.

**Sympathy**
We extend our deepest sympathy to the Steenson family and family circle on the recent death of their brother Thomas in Toronto, Canada and late of Drumate, Aghabog.

**Special Services**

The St. Patrick's Day service will be held in Aghabog Parish Church 17th March at 11am, conducted by Mr Colin Brownsmith.

Maundy Thursday, 29th March service in Drum at 8pm.

Good Friday, 30th March service in Rockcorry at 8pm.

Easter Day Joint group service on Sunday 1st April in Aghabog at 11am HC conducted by Canon C McCollom.

**Aughnamullen**
Our annual carol service was held on Sunday 10th December 2017 and was well attended. Our thanks to Mr Abraham Storey, Diocesan Lay Reader, who conducted the service, and to our guest soloist, Mrs Dorothy Hawthorne who sang a lovely piece, also to our organist Mrs Ethel Ritchie and to those who read the lessons.

After the service refreshments were provided in the school house and again thanks to the ladies who provided and served them and also to those who decorated the church so tastefully for the occasion. Our Christmas Communion service was held on Christmas Eve morning and our appreciation to Dean Ferguson for conducting it and Mr Abraham Storey who read the lesson.

Our thoughts and prayers at this time with those who are in Residential Care and to those who have been in hospital or homes been unwell.

We were delighted to hear of the safe arrival of a baby daughter to Trevor and Julie Jordan and another grandchild to Wm and Edith Jordan.

**Sympathy**
We offer our prayerful sympathy and support to Mrs Josephine Patterson and the family circle on the death of her brother, Mr Brendan Lee and also to Mr Robbie Jordan on the death of his father-in-law, Mr Patrick Clerkin.

**Crossduff**
Crossduff Parish Church held their annual Carol Service on Sunday 3rd December 2017. We were delighted to have Ballybay Country Gospel Group to come along and provide the special music for the service which was most inspiring and we had a record attendance for the service.

Thanks are due to Mrs Doreen Monahan, Parish Reader in the Carrickmacross Group of parishes who conducted the service, also to Revd Colin McConaghie, Rector of Carrickmacross Group for his special message for the Christmas season, and to Mrs Wendy Sloan, our guest organist, and to Father Shane McCaughey and to the other readers for taking part in the service. Refreshments were provided afterwards in the old stables and thanks to those ladies and others who provided and served them.

A special word of thanks to all who brought and erected a lovely Christmas tree, and to those who decorated it and the rest of the church so tastefully making it a great start to the Christmas season.

**Drum**
Our carol service was held on December 8th. We thank Colin Brownsmith for conducting our service, with special thanks to Killeshandra Group Choir who travelled quite a distance to be with us and sang some beautiful pieces. Our Sunday school children acted out a lovely play about the Christmas traditions that we sometimes take for granted, we congratulate them on the stellar performance onstage and to those of them that read their lessons so well. The night finished off with mulled punch and festive goodies.

The Mothers' Union annual dinner was held on 25th January in the Side Street café in Cootehill. It was well attended by members and their friends and family. We thank Catriona and her staff for a lovely meal. There was musical entertainment by Sandy, Davy, Megan and Anita on accordions, as well as Anita playing her guitar, keyboard and tin whistle!! An enjoyable night was had by all.

The next MU meeting will be in Rockcorry Sexton's house on February 22nd when local chiropodist, Emma McAdoo will be giving a talk on her profession.
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Services
Sunday 4th March – The Third Sunday in Lent
9.00am – Holy Communion
11.00am – Holy Communion
7.00pm – Evening Prayer
Wednesday 7th March
7.30pm – Service of Compline
Thursday 8th March
11.00am – Holy Communion
Sunday 11th March – The Fourth Sunday in Lent (Mothering Sunday)
9.00am – Holy Communion
11.00am – Morning Prayer
7.00pm – Evening Prayer
Wednesday 14th March
7.30pm – Service of Compline
Thursday 15th March
11.00am – Holy Communion
Sunday 18th March – The Fifth Sunday in Lent
9.00am – Holy Communion
11.00am – Holy Communion
7.00pm – Evening Prayer
Wednesday 21st March
7.30pm – Service of Compline
Thursday 22nd March
11.00am – Holy Communion
Sunday 25th March – The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)
9.00am – Holy Communion
11.00am – Morning Prayer
7.00pm – Holy Communion
Holy Week Monday
7.30pm – Service of Compline
Holy Week Tuesday
7.30pm – Service of Compline
Holy Week Wednesday
7.30pm Service of Late Evening Office
Holy Week – Maundy Thursday
11.00am – Holy Communion followed by a cup of tea/coffee
7.30pm – Holy Communion
Holy Week – Good Friday
7.30pm – Service of Meditation
Sunday 1st April – Easter Day – The First Sunday of Easter
9.00am – Holy Communion (Traditional Form)
11.00am – Holy Communion
7.00pm – Evening prayer
Holy Week – Visitors welcome!
Some churches throughout the Diocese may not have services every night during Holy Week and if that is the case you are very welcome to come and visit Saint Macartin’s Cathedral any night at 7.30pm.

Christian Burial
13th February - Ian Craig (Taff) Jones, 56 Cleenish Park, Enniskillen.
14th February - Alice Mary Tomasina (Ina) Frazer, Millverne Private Nursing Home, Enniskillen, late of Colerishill Park, Enniskillen.

Jack Watson to Retire
There will be a presentation made to Mr Jack Watson on Sunday 4th March at the 11.00am service to mark his years of outstanding service to St Macartin’s Cathedral. We wish Jack and his wife Ethel every blessing for a long, happy and healthy retirement and look forward to seeing them together in the Cathedral for many years to come.

Bellringers
Due to illness and injury the bellringers are running short of helpers! If you could assist, please speak to Jim Lucy or any bellringer.

Sunday Lights/Sunday Lights Café (formerly Sunday School)
On the second Sunday in February, the Dean announced at the commencement of the service that on that particular Sunday he would leave with the young people to visit and to see what the set up was at Sunday Lights/Sunday Lights Café. The curates would continue with the church service. He returned to the Cathedral near the end of the service and just before the Blessing reported on his findings.
The Dean said: “I was mightily impressed with the atmosphere and joyful faces of the young people. The younger section (Sunday Lights) began with a game (I had no other option but to join in which I enjoyed but was easily outrun by the young folk!) and then they had their lesson with the interactive making of visual aids. The older children (Sunday Lights Café) had hot chocolate with marshmallows and scones (I had to indulge – too good to resist) at the new coffee bar in the foyer before settling down to something more serious (a bible lesson). The young people of both groups were very well behaved, relaxed and with happy smiling faces. This is a big change from a former system of sitting in the pew with a teacher in the pew in front! It is a sign of changing times and even learning systems in schools have now much different approaches.
My visit was ‘eye opening’, thoroughly beneficial and rewarding to see an enthusiastic group of teachers performing different roles, and not one single teacher doing it all. We as a church appreciate the time and effort of those who prepare and teach. Thank you to all involved and to the parents for bringing their children to church – it would be nice if we had a higher percentage turn out every Sunday!’ As part of our Safeguarding Trust policy Mr David Nixon, a Safeguarding Trust Officer, accompanied the Dean on his visit. It is important from a Church point of view to see that the children are happy and taught in a safe environment.

The Bible Comes To Life Exhibition
The Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission are hosting “The Bible Comes To Life” - Exhibition in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall from Thursday 8th March to Sunday 11th March 2018. This unique exhibition returns again after 25 years to Enniskillen! It was highly popular and very well attended when held in September 1993.

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St Macartins’s Cathedral Choir
It is incredible that recently St Macartin’s Cathedral Choir featured on Songs of Praise for three consecutive weeks. That’s six television appearances in the past four months. Thank you and well-done Glenn, Jayne and all choir members.

Messy Church
This month, we learn about St Patrick. Why do people wear shamrock? What happened to all the snakes in Ireland? Why do we remember him today? Come along to the Cathedral Halls from 4.00-6.00 pm on Thursday 15th March, for singing, crafts, games, food and fun! New friends are always welcome. Messy Church is open to all children of Primary School age and younger, whether you attend any church or not. It is free of charge. All children must be accompanied by an adult throughout. If there is anything we can do to make the event more accessible to your child, please email Rev Chris at criostoir316@gmail.com in advance.

Confirmation Class
During January and February, we watched The Incredibles in two parts. On the first night, we talked about how the various characters were unhappy and frustrated because they couldn’t be themselves and do the type of work they wanted to. Then we thought about our own future hopes and dreams, including how to make career choices, and we wrote a letter to our future selves. On the second night, we watched the second half as we thought about spiritual gifts. The various characters in the movie have super powers, but in order to defeat the baddie ‘Incrediboy’ they have to work together as a team, using their talents together to help each other. Likewise, God has made us all different and given us different gifts. In order for the Church to be healthy and effective, we all need to work together and use our gifts to help each other. In Confirmation Class, we have learned so far about the structures of the Church of Ireland (not an easy thing to comprehend!), and crucially that all baptised people are part of the Church, not just people with plastic collars and titles! Now in March, we start thinking...
more about what it means for us to be active members of our Church and how to find our place within it.

As we approach Holy Week and Easter, we have no Xplore this month, but here are some other dates for your diary:

- Monday 26th Holy Week – no class
- Monday 19th Bank Holiday – No Class
- Sunday 11th Service for Mothering Sunday, starting at 11am in the Cathedral and ending in the Cathedral Hall at the Bible Comes to Life exhibition
- Monday 12th Confirmation Class, 6.30 – 7.30 pm
- Monday 19th Bank Holiday – No Class
- Monday 26th Holy Week – no class but we encourage our young people to attend Holy Week services during this ‘Week of Weeks’.

**Pilgrim**

Pilgrim is our adult formation course. In February, we rounded off our six-part exploration of ‘Church and Kingdom’. Over the past months, we’ve thought about prayer, Sabbath, generosity, relationships, generosity and tending creation. Quite a lot for us to keep thinking about and put into practice! On March 6th, we begin a new series. If you think you’d like to explore Christian faith in a relaxed format over coffee, come along! Pilgrim is suitable for people who are just considering Christianity, who are new to the faith or returning after a ‘break’, as well as people who are already regular worshippers wishing to drill down deeper into what the Church says and does.

We meet in the Devenish Room (coffee lounge) in the Cathedral Halls from 7.30pm to 9.00pm on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. This month we meet on 6th and 20th. All welcome!

**Mothers’ Union**

Our February meeting was opened by the Revd Chris with a reading and prayers. A beetle drive followed, organised by branch leader Stephanie Hamilton as part of our “All Sorts” activity night. We then moved into the main hall for bowls kindly set up by Gerry Vennard and various other games, including Connect 4 and Jenga. Most people took part, some were happy to just sit and watch. Violet Vennard and Maud Shaw give their expert advice on the bowling. A lively and enjoyable evening was had by all, a number of prizes were distributed. The meeting closed with a prayer from Mary Sumner Resources and The Mothers’ Union Prayer.

The Women’s World Day of Prayer will be held in Enniskillen Cathedral on Friday 2nd March and all are encouraged to attend.

Our next meeting will be on 12th March with Valerie McMorris on Faith and Policy.

**Tuesday Club**

Revd Chris opened the January meeting with a reading of Psalm 8 and prayers. A few minutes silence was observed to remember Iris Thompson, a member who died on 10th January 2018. A new member, Joan Haw, was warmly welcomed. The speaker was Andrew Humphreys from NI Water. He gave a detailed and interesting talk on the procedures required before drinking water reaches its destination and also on what we can do to prevent sewers blocking. Each member received a ‘Water is Precious’ bag with information on using and saving water. Members contributed to a collection for Water Aid and a cheque for £100 has been donated. Afternoon tea brought the meeting to a close. The next meeting took place on 27th February with Norma Ferguson from Chest, Heart and Stroke. There is no meeting in March as it is Holy Week.

**Bowling Club**

St Macartin’s Annual Mixed Pairs Tournament will take place on Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st March with the Final on Thursday 22nd March 2018 in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall at 8.00 pm sharp.

Entries to Maud Shaw – 02866322133 or Mobile 07720081175.

**Home Holy Communions for Easter**

Any housebound parishioners wishing to receive Holy Communion for Easter should please contact Beth in the parish office (6632 2917). Those who received Holy Communion before Christmas will automatically be on the list and will be contacted to arrange a suitable time.

**Easter General Vestry**

Wednesday, 21st March at 8.15pm (after the Midweek Lenten Service).

All are welcome to attend but only registered Vestry Members are eligible to vote.

**Prayer**

Almighty God, you have made us members of Christ and of his Church here in this Cathedral Parish of Enniskillen. May we as 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
Ash Wednesday 14 February 2018

Winter and Spring, Lent taking a hold, leading us to a Holy Week and the expectant hope of Easter. Today is Ash Wednesday. It has been a curious mix of chocolates and cakes for St Valentine’s Day, along with thoughts of the beginning of Lent. Someone asked me what I was giving up for Lent. This year, I hope I have made the wise move to give up nothing, and instead try to take on an additional commitment. Perhaps I am influenced by the pull of chocolate and sugar in my diet, or perhaps the experience on most other years of not staying the course!

Outside this afternoon, the temperature reached the heights of eight degrees. Snowdrops in the Rectory lawn are in their prime, and each day I watch as daffodils planted along the lane push their way into the light. And yesterday I took a few minutes to stop and watch a resident wren frittering through leaf litter in the yard, and a pair of rather fat looking blackbirds searching through the soil. Although Lent involves a fast, nature seems keen to do quite the opposite. There are signs of feeding, and growth, and gorging on the extra daylight and any spare food put out for the birds.

A curious mix then also of both winter wanting not to let go, and Spring pushing to become established. Days with three and four inches of snow, and days when the sunlight is bursting through. Days which require an additional layer of clothing as well as days allowing for moments in the sunshine.

Perhaps Parish life reflects that mix. We have had Sundays where there has been an unexpectedly large congregation, for no reason other than we all have gathered. And also evenings when only a few have come. Yet the prayer and worship at each has been meaningful. People gathered because they wanted to. Hymns were uplifting, and bread and wine were sincerely taken.

Mothers’ Union

Members of Fivemiletown Branch of Mothers’ Union following their opening service on 10th January 2018. They are back row (from left); Mrs Irene O’Malley (new member), Mrs Jennifer Bennett (35 years service), Mrs Irene Boyd (Diocesan President) and Revd Canon Kyle Hanlon. Front row (from left); Mrs Renee Lendrum (45 years service), Mrs Margaret Cowan (50 years service), Mrs Florence Brunt (45 years service), Mrs Elvina Funston (Branch Leader). Missing from photograph is Mrs Eileen Johnston (50 years service).

Retirements

We have had the busyness of a very positive parish youth weekend at the Castle in Castlewellan, as well as the sadness of learning that Mrs Edith Robertson was retiring from keeping the Parish Halls after more than 40 years. Also, Mrs Margaret Cowan retired after 10 years of sharing the work involved in providing catering at the time of a bereavement. We are pleased that Mrs Muriel Henry has kindly agreed to take on this shared role. During this week we also received the news that Revd Alan Moore and Mrs Sally Moore are to leave their role with the local Presbyterian churches, and moving to Randalstown. We have sent our kindest regards to them. And there has been the joy of Holy Baptism, as well as the sad awareness of much illness, and many people undergoing prolonged periods of medical treatment.

Events

Winter and Spring, Lent taking a hold, leading us to a Holy Week and the expectant hope of Easter. During lent we hope to follow a series of teaching from St Paul’s letter to the Ephesian Christians. This will be the pattern each Wednesday evening followed by the sermon on Sunday. Men’s Ministry have planned a series of
special events, including a Heart Matters evening with Dr Walter Boyd on Friday, 2 March, and a series of movie evenings. The diary also includes a fundraising event for Church Lads Brigade, ‘Coffee, Cakes and Flowers’ planned for Saturday 10 March in the Parish Hall. Also, I am delighted that Mrs Julie Corbett plans to travel to Uganda in July. Julie will host a fundraising lunch in the Parish on Sunday 18 March.

Quietly and calmly
There is much else we might reflect on and plan for, but perhaps that is enough for now. I recently read a verse which I have beside the desktop in the Parish office. It reads, ‘Never rush. Do everything quietly and calmly.’ While that is not always a possible, it reminds me of the value of appreciating the things in hand, to notice the people and events which are taking place in the present. As a previous Bishop of Clogher once said to me when we were discussing the pressure we sometimes sense if a service runs over the hour, ‘This is what we are doing at the moment.’

I finish with a reminder of the value of meeting for prayer. For us this is possible at services on Sunday, and during the time of intercession set each second month, and at the quieter times each first Sunday evening, at Breathe.

Reflective Morning
Canon Raymond Fox hopes to be with us on Saturday 12 May for a Reflection Morning, hosted by the Fellowship Of Contemplative Prayer. The morning begins with coffee and 9.30am, times for prayer between 10am-12noon, ending with a short service of Holy Communion. Do bring a packed lunch. The morning is open to the parish and members of the diocese. Booking with the Parish Office please: 895 21030.

Winter and Spring, Lent taking a hold, leading us to a Holy Week and the expectant hope of Easter.

Kind regards,
Canon Hanlon

£300 is Enough Money To Sponsor This Class Of Puppies!
Each of our three churches will be able to share in their adventure as they grow from tiny puppies into responsible Guide Dogs. Our Sunday Schools will receive regular “pup-dates”, stickers, photos, lesson plans activity sheets, wall charts and poster. Our Confirmation Candidates understand this is a team event. It is not a competition or an ‘outing’ but is part of our Mission as a church (a body of people not a building) to reach out and help others less fortunate than ourselves. Therefore each of us hope to raise £20 towards the target £300 to sponsor a class of three puppies to become Guide Dogs.

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.

Confirmation Mission Event
Based on the theme “The Good Samaritan” (Luke 10: 25-37), the confirmation candidates will be taking part in a Sponsored Mountain Big Cycle or Dog Walk on Saturday 10th March 2018 from 10:00-2:00pm in Blessingbourne Estate, Fivemiletown.

Confirmation
Galloon, Sallaghy Drummully Confirmation will be on Easter Sunday at 11:00 in Galloon Parish Church.
This marks the culmination of an 18-month journey following the Church of Ireland programme, “I Believe”. It has been both a joy and a privilege to share the Gospel which such wonderful, lively, interesting and interested young people as they grow in faith and love and goodness.

**Easter Vestry dates**
Galloon: Monday 19th March 8pm in the Sunday School Hall
Sallaghy: Tuesday 20th March 8pm in the Church Hall
Drummully: Wednesday 21st March 8pm in the Church Hall

**Holy Week Services**
Palm Sunday (25th March) - Group Praise Service at 7.00pm.
Maundy Thursday – The group congregation will join our friends in Newtownbutler Methodist Church for a service based on the theme “The Easter Story” featuring special music with a joint celebration of Holy Communion.
Good Friday - ‘Reflective Service’ in Sallaghy Church at 8.00pm.
Easter Sunday - Confirmation Service at 11.00am in Galloon Church.

**Galloon Parish**
**Galloon Parish Auction**
The next auction will be on Saturday 7th April 2018 at 12 noon in The Church Hall, High Street, Newtownbutler. We have the part contents of a local residence for sale, including a quantity of Royal Albert, Old Country Roses China, a quantity of cut glass ornaments, household items and furniture, including a carved and upholstered three-piece suite. There will also be a wide selection of other items including boxed lots suitable for car boot sellers and traders. We would appreciate donations of other items to sell. All we ask is that they are clean and in working and sellable condition. Large items can be collected and we can store items if necessary. We aim to have 500 lots. There are no fees or VAT. Refreshments will be available on the day and everyone is welcome. Contact William Little on 02867738676, for information or help.

**Sympathy**
We extend our sympathy to the Kennedy family on the loss of their aunt, Eileen Kennedy, late of Drumclay Nursing Home, Enniskillen. Our thanks to Dean Kenneth Hall who conducted the funeral, in the absence of Revd Anita. The parish sympathises with the Moncrieff family on the loss of their much-loved mother and grandmother, Bridget, who passed away peacefully at the family home in Enniskillen.
Our deepest condolences to Richard and the Devlin family on the loss of his beloved wife Jan. Richard and Jan moved to Newtownbutler seven years ago from Birmingham. Jan was a faithful witness to her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and a good friend of many in the parish. She will be greatly missed.

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

**Mothers’ Union**
The Mother’s Union look forward to an evening of fellowship, friendship and great fun as we go on an outing to Irvinestown for 10-pin Bowling on Monday 26th February 2018. All welcome!”Wedding Weekend”
A “wedding weekend” will commence on Friday 27th April with a fashion show, followed on the Saturday with a Festival of Wedding Dresses. On Sunday 29th April there will be a Group Service of Marriage Blessing in Galloon Church at 11.00pm. All money raised over the course of the weekend will go towards the organ fund.

**Sallaghy Parish**
**Mothers’ Union**
A special thank you to Mrs Heather Harpur, the Mothers’ Union Enterprise Representative for the Diocese who stepped in at very short notice to speak about her work at the February meeting.
On Thursday 8th March at 8.00pm in the Church Hall, Catherine Little who is General Secretary of the Bible Society in Northern Ireland (BSNI) will speak about her recent travels.

**Holy Baptism**
Emily Isabel Crawford, daughter of Richard and Jenna, Screevagh, Lisnaskea on Sunday 4th February 2018. Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these”. Mathew 19 v 14.

**Drummully Parish**
**New Baby**
Congratulations to Eoin and Jacqueline on the birth of their son, Marcus, baby brother to Joshua and grandson of John and Hazel Robinson.

**Dance**
We are holding a dance in the Protestant Hall in Clones on Friday 6th April. Music is by Robert Brown. Admission €10, including supper. Proceeds go towards Drummully Parish funds. Everyone welcome.


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Services

Sunday 4th March
Garrison 10am HC
Slavin 11.30am HC

Sunday 11th March
Kiltyclogher 10am MP
Mothering Sunday- Belleek 11.30am MP

Sunday 18th March
Garrison 10am MP & FS
Slavin 11.30am MP & FS

Sunday 25th March Palm Sunday
Kiltyclogher 10am, Belleek 11.30am (both H.C.)

Holy Wednesday 28th March
Slavin EP at 8pm

Maundy Thursday 29th March
Belleek HC at 8pm
Good Friday 30th March Kiltyclogher- EP at 8pm

Easter Day -Sunday 1st April
Garrison 10 am, Slavin 11.30 both HC

Sunday 8th April
Kiltyclogher 10am HC
Belleek 11.30am HC

Mothers’ Union

The opening service of the MU year was held in Belleek Church on Wednesday 17th January. The service was conducted by the branch leader, Dot Barlow and Holy Communion administered by the Rector, Rev Ngozi. A short talk was given by Mrs Isobel Cleary who has formed a new cross-border group and is starting workshops in the local areas. The March meeting will be held in Slavin Church on Tuesday 20th March at 8pm when the speaker will be Canon David Skuce.

Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with those from our group of parishes who have been in hospital or unwell in recent weeks. We particularly remember Holly Gregg and Christina Breen.

It is with regret that we have learned of the death of Charles Easthope, a founding member of the UK Belleek Collectors’ Group. He passed away on Monday 12th February. Charles travelled from his home in Wolverhampton for the Dedication of the poem ‘Slavin Church’ by Katherine Elliott in September 2016 and has been regularly in touch with us since that. Owing to his illness he was very disappointed to be unable to attend the Dedication of the Memorial Stone and the Poetry Book Launch in September and October last year. However he was delighted to be able to purchase the book and the DVD which were posted to him. Charles funeral takes place on Monday 12th February. His family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Diary Date

Garrison parish are holding a “Friends” Service on the 5th Sunday of September; 30th September at 4pm. Past and present church members and friends are welcomed back to church for this special service of reunion and fellowship. Strule River String Band will be performing at the service and light refreshments will be served.

Keep up to date

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.
As we enter the season of Lent, it is always good to reflect over the pilgrimage to the Holy Land or as the Archbishop of Jerusalem said; ‘The Land of the Holy One’. While we were in the Judean desert we went to the mount of Temptation and as we went up the mountain we saw below us the green fertile land of the lowest and oldest city on earth – Jericho. Here you were reminded very much of the importance of water – where you have so much greenery, you have water and you have life. Near the top of the mountain we had a service of Holy Communion and we were reminded very much of Jesus being in the wilderness, in the scorching heat, alone and being tested by the devil. On our first Sunday we were away, we worshipped in the Anglican Church in Haifa. We had been there a number ago. Even though, I had sent them an email – it did seem to have arrived and all of a sudden as their service was about to begin – 25 pilgrims from Clogher diocese arrived as the service was about to begin. We were made very welcome and were asked to take part in the service and I had to tell the parishioners a bit about ourselves. As I spoke, an interpreter translated what I was saying and it was interesting whenever the rector’s wife started to interject and add to what I was saying (in Arabic). The rector’s mother-in-law was from the parish of Derrybrusk and had gone to work in Nazareth as a nurse. Before the service started, I found out that the father of one of the pilgrims had officiated at the wedding of Yvonne. It made us very much aware of the worldwide church. As we joined together in worship, it was fascinating to sing the hymns both in Arabic and English at the same time. As we sang together the music kept us going at the same speed. Whenever we came to saying the Creed and Lord’s Prayer in our native tongue – we found that we speaking in English, were finished a lot sooner. At a service like this, I am reminded very much of the Day of Pentecost whenever the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples like tongues of fire and they were able to speak in different languages. The Gospel – the Good News was for all the world. After the service was over, we were invited to the church hall for coffee and tray bakes. We were made very welcome and the local Christians were delighted that we came along to join with them in their worship – in the Land of the Holy One.

Lenten Services
These services continue each Wednesday during lent when there will be a service of Holy Communion at 10.30am and at 8.00pm there will be the service ‘Compline’. After the 8pm service everyone is invited to stay for a cup of tea and then half hour bible study. During Holy Week there will be a service of Holy Communion at 10.30am (10.00am on Maundy Thursday and ante Communion on Good Friday. In the evening at 8.00pm there will be Compline and on Mandy Thursday there will be a service of Holy Communion and on Good Friday there will be a collection of hymns, bible readings and prayers.

St. Patrick’s Day
St Patrick’s Day, 17th March – Service of Holy Communion at 10.30am. Those in Hospital We remember in our prayers two of our parishioners who are in hospital, Mrs Mabel Hassard and Mrs Dorothy Elliott. We wish them a speedy recovery

Women’s World Day of Prayer
This year Inishmacsaint is hosting this service on Friday 2nd March at 8pm

Mothers’ Union
In January our Branch members enjoyed a meal in the Killyhevlin Hotel. We were pleased that our Rector Canon Skuce was able to join with us together with a few guests. A delicious meal was served. We had a few interesting quizzes to begin the evening and Doris and Eileen then entertained us with a little drama, written for the occasion. The evening concluded with a few games. We are sorry to learn that two of our faithful members have been in hospital and wish them a speedy recovery.
Services

Sunday, 4th March 2018 Third Sunday in Lent
Lisbellaw: 11am Holy Communion
Coolbuck: 3pm Holy Communion

Sunday, 11th March 2018 Fourth Sunday in Lent
Lisbellaw: 11am Family Service for Mothering Sunday and enrolment of new Mothers’ Union members
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Service of the Word for Mothering Sunday

Sunday, 18th March 2018 Fifth Sunday in Lent
Lisbellaw: 9.45am Holy Communion Form One
11.00am Holy Baptism
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Evening Prayer

Sunday, 25th March 2018 Palm Sunday
Lisbellaw: 11.00am Morning Prayer
Coolbuck: 3.00pm Evening Prayer

Lent Services
Lent services every Wednesday at 8pm in Lisbellaw church. Dates: 21st and 28th February and 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th March.

Easter Vestry
Easter Vestry on Thursday, 5th April at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

Mothers’ Union
Mothers’ Union on Tuesday, 27th March 2018 with speaker Noreen Little speaking on MU Action/Outreach.

Sympathy
The parish extends its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the late Olive Beacom formerly of Brookborough, the late Oliver James Duncan formerly of Kesh and the late Christy Muldoon formerly of Ardess.

Parish Breakfast

Some of the catering team who prepared a delicious cooked breakfast on 10th February.

Marion Farris, the speaker from Marie Curie who spoke at the parish breakfast, pictured with Adele Moore, Jean McElroy, Hazel Thompson and Renée Moore.

Members of the Barr family who enjoyed the parish breakfast.

Ian Hood tempts Winnie Orr and Phyllis and Gail Taylor showing his toast making abilities.
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Services
Sunday 4Th
11.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Mothering Sunday 11Th
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
Wednesday 14Th
3.00 p.m. Holy Communion in Trinity Hall
for senior citizens.
Sunday 18Th
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
Palm Sunday 25Th
11.30 a.m. Family Service
(Collection for sponsored children)
Maundy Thursday
8.00 p.m. Holy Communion

Good Friday
8.00 p.m. Evening Service
Easter Sunday 1St April
11.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Parish Dinner
This was a very enjoyable evening with a lovely meal provided by “Saddlers” followed by dancing to Doreen Crozier.

Women’s World Day of Prayer
The service this year will be held on Friday 2nd March in Lisnaskea Presbyterian Church and everyone is very welcome to attend. The theme for the service which has been prepared by the women of Suriname is “All God’s creation is very good”.

Mothers’ Union
Our February meeting was our Visitors Night and we were delighted to welcome all our visitors from other MU branches and members of other church organisations. It was lovely to see a full hall and we thank everybody for coming. We were delighted to have Irene Boyd our Diocesan President with us but this time, also in her no lesser role as Branch Leader of Colebrooke MU. She told us about future events and information on ways our branches could help to further the work of MU. As usual Irene spoke with such enthusiasm that we all left the hall feeling “Yes, if we all do a little we can make a difference.”

Our speaker Mrs Evelyn Smith and her son Matthew from Dromore parish gave us a very interesting and thought-provoking insight into how they as a family have been working with children from Chernobyl. Their commitment and that of others in the team makes such an impact on the lives of these children and their families. We were delighted to give Evelyn not only a donation from our own branch but also a very generous donation from everyone in the hall. Thank you everyone. A copy of Evelyn’s receipt will be sent to each branch.

Our April meeting will be our AGM and in May there will be no branch meeting but we will attend the Area Service in Sallaghy. We also hope to have our dinner in May.

Confirmation
There will be a service of Confirmation and Holy Communion on Sunday 15th April. Classes for this have begun and will continue on Sunday mornings at 10.30 a.m. in The Trinity Hall. There are 13 candidates this year.

Defibrillators
There is now a defibrillator at the back of the church and also one in each of the church halls. These were purchased and fitted by Dr. Roy Leary on behalf of the late Elaine Crawford. There will be a short training course on their use in due course. We very much appreciate this invaluable gift.

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Mothers’ Union
Our meeting took place in the Archdale Hall on Thursday, 1st February. After a hymn, bible reading and prayers, Norma introduced Wendy and Louise, volunteers from The Red Cross. They gave us a very interesting and informative talk about the work of the organisation. We were shown how to carry out CPR and given a very useful demonstration on how to use a defibrillator. They were happy to answer any questions we had and we were totally amazed at the amount of work which is carried out by the members of The Red Cross on a totally voluntary basis.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 1st March when our speaker will be the Revd Paul Thompson speaking on Life as a Prison Chaplain.

Presentation to Charlie
Sadly for us, the Revd Charlie Eames begins a new ministry this month in the parishes of Drumkeeran, Templecarne, and Muckross. On February 18th, the parishioners presented Charlie with a cape and a gift as a token of their thanks for almost 10 years of service to Magheracross, including the vacancy in 2011/12. His wife, Shirley was also presented with a bouquet. He has shown willingness and flexibility in his delivery of pastoral care and organisational skills. The morning service was followed by a light lunch.

Charlie with the cake to mark his move from Magheracross parish to the grouped parishes of Drumkeeran, Templecarne and Muckross.
Celebration of Sport

Once again, Ballinamallard United Football Club has held its annual service in the Parish Church on the evening of February 18. This act of worship has united sportsmen and women from across the community. The theme this year was “Strength, Stamina, Skill and Wisdom.” The rectors and club chaplain spoke of these qualities necessary in sport and in faith.

Other participants were footballers James McKenna and Richard Clarke, members of the Mallard Flyers by video link from their cycle race in Portugal; Phil Mitchell, broadcaster and NI representative of Sports Chaplaincy UK; Club Chairman, Gordon Lee and some friends from Dergview who travelled with Ambassadors for Sport last summer.

Churchwardens Warren Kerr and Jenny McCrea presenting gifts to Revd Charlie Eames and his wife, Shirley Eames.

One Thing

I was recently at a conference where the challenge was given to us, that we should seek to find ‘one thing’ from the conference that we would take away and apply to our lives. It is so true that we hear so many good things, we write them down, we think about them, but rarely do we end up putting them into practice. The challenge for us this Lent (as you read this two weeks will have passed) is not what are we giving up but rather what is the one thing that you would want to do that would improve the quality of our lives?

The psalmist found himself looking for the ‘one thing’ that would change his life, we find him saying - One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple (Psalm 27v4). The one thing he desired was to live in the presence of God for his life and for eternity.

Jesus has opened the way for us to God when he tells us clearly “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me (John 14:6).”

The bible lets us know that the one thing that does make a difference to our life is our relationship with God, and the New Testament shows us that this relationship comes only through Jesus Christ, everything else in life will fail us and fall into irrelevance if we live long enough and certainly nothing but Jesus can take us into eternity.

What is the one thing that you think you need today? What makes Lent real is our relationship with Jesus Christ. May this Lent deepen your relationship with God through Jesus.

Canon Henry

Friends In The Afternoon

On 9th January, Viola Bryson gave a brief introduction on Germany’s reunion, population and its current set up. They were then taken on a journey to the lesser known North of Germany to her hometown, Cuxhaven, and were then introduced to the city of Hamburg with its tourist attractions. We had a good chat during and after the presentation about German customs and a Dutch lady who was present enriched the talk with some information on customs in her country. On 23rd January, we had over 30 ladies and men coming together to sing their favourite hymns and sharing why they liked each one. Helen Blair provided the music giving God the praise and glory for such beautiful words in each one.

Mothers’ Union

The first meeting of 2018 in the Mothers’ Union calendar was the annual January communion service. The service was conducted by Canon Henry who spoke on Mark 1:29-34 thinking about how the response of Peter’s mother-in-law was to serve the group by helping prepare a meal. The branch leader, Mrs Sylvia Philips, also enrolled Mrs Caroline Neville as a new member and welcomed back Mrs Gloria Sheeran, who had previously been a member. The service was followed by a cup of tea and a short meeting.

Messy Valentine

To celebrate the ultimate love (God’s love for us) on Valentine’s Day, our ‘Messy Church’ enjoyed various love heart arts and crafts based on John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. The message of God’s love for us was told in the minecraft
devotional of the Parable of the Lost Son and we finished the day with soup, sandwiches, crisps, tea and coffee...and not forgetting the highlight of the day... the chocolate fountain with love-heart marshmallows and chocolate mini-doughnuts for dipping!

Ad Kingdom
Approximately 20 men joined together to watch two episodes of the series we have continued to play each month. We opened in prayer, sang worship songs and got a poke of salted popcorn and a can of pop for watching the series. Afterwards, we had home-made fruit soda bread, tea and coffee and Glenn Johnston gave a brief talk on the episodes that were shown.

Youth Alpha
On Sunday 21st January around 20 young people started the Youth Alpha Course at The Fountain Centre. Youth Alpha explores the big questions of life and faith using the newly released Film Series and discussion groups to explore a different topic each week. The young people have enjoyed the opportunity to listen, share, ask questions and enjoy food together. We are looking forward to a day out together in March and completing the course before Easter.

Adult Alpha
It was great to see Alpha start again in the parish and we have a wonderful group who are seeking to learn more about God. The course lasts 10 weeks and over that time covers all the basics of the Christian faith. Each night the course starts with a cup of tea and a light supper, followed by a video about the weeks topic and finishes with a short discussion around the topic and then everyone is on their way home at 9.30pm.

Dates For Your Diary
Prayer Ministry Training (New Wine Ireland)
Saturday 10th March 2018: 9.15am - 3.30pm (bring your own lunch)
See website to book: https://www.newwineireland.org/events/prayer-ministry-training-dromore/
This is a practical course, which trains and equips people to pray like Jesus prayed. It will in-clude worship, biblical teaching and practical guidelines for this ministry, whether at home, in the work place, at church or in any situation. This is for anyone who wants to explore this mini-try and be equipped and encouraged to do it. Come on your own or with some friends. This will be a valuable training for individuals, leaders, ministry teams, youth teams and kids volunteers.

Mothers’ Day Church Service
Sun 11th Mar ‘18, 11.00am @ Ardess Parish Centre

St Patrick's Night Gathering
Sat 17th Mar ‘18 Movies (The Quiet Man/ Song of the Sea), Easy Listening Live Music, Space to relax and chill out and crafts and activities for all of the fam-ily @ The Fountain Centre

Palm Sunday Church Service: Sun 25th Mar ‘18, 11.00am @ Ardess Parish Centre
Palm Sunday Messy Church Easter: Sun 25th Mar ‘18, 4pm to 6pm @ The Fountain Centre

Holy Week Services: Mon 26th to Fri 30th Mar (Every night @ 8pm) Teaching on Mark’s gos-pel’s account of the crucifixion. Please do come along and join us each evening for a variety of services during the week.

Easter Sunday Services (Sunday, 1st Apr ‘18):
6.00am Dawn Service @ Muckross Quay, Kesh. Everyone is welcome to come along for this beautiful service which will be followed by breakfast. 9.30am & 11.00am Church Services

Regular Events
Church Services @ Ardess Parish Centre
Sunday Services: 9.30am Morning Prayer and 11.00am Family Worship
Regular Prayer @ Ardess Parish Centre
Revival Prayer: Mon 8.00pm - 9.00pm
Wednesday Prayer: Wed 9.30am - 11.00am
Healing Ministry: Fri 7.30pm - 8.30pm
24 Hour Prayer: Mon 8.00pm - 9.00pm
24 Hour Prayer: Wed 8.00pm - 9.00pm
24 Hour Prayer: Fri 8.00pm - 9.00pm
11+): Fri (weekly) Blaze 7.00pm - 8.30pm / Flame 8.30pm - 10.30pm

Regular Events @ Other Venues
Share Ardess Drop-In Centre: Tues 11.00am - 1.00pm @ Main Street, Kesh Tel: 07542 827 127
Waterworks (P3 - P7): Thurs (term-time only) 3.15pm - 4.30pm @ Kesh Primary School
Life Groups: Various dates/times throughout the week. Contact Henry if you wish to join one.

Baptisms
11 Feb 2018 - Sienna Maisie Newell, daughter of Grace Simpson and Peter Newell of 25 Ulster Avenue, Annalong.

Funerals
Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of the bereaved at this time. 17th Jan ‘18 William Oliver Walsmey (91) Tullycaldrick, Kesh. 18th Jan ‘18 William Ian Smith (65) Ardvarney, Ederney. 5th Feb ‘18 Christopher Charles Muldoon (79) Ardess, Kesh. 6th Feb ‘18 Robert John Noble (70) Drumadraghey, Kesh.
Dear Parishioners,

Who would have thought that a month could be so busy. Saying goodbye in Trory and Killadeas, moving to Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk, the institution service, the boxes packed and unpacked and settling into a new community and parish. The domestic and logistical arrangements are incredible but more incredible is the love, care and faith which has surrounded the family every step of the way. We wish to thank everyone for all that they have done as we continue the journey of faith.

Mark, Rona, Samuel and Peter.

Institution service

Thank you to the Churchwardens, Select Vestry, organists, choir, lesson readers, caterers, Bishop, Archdeacon, preacher, clergy and diocesan readers and all who attended the service. May I say that I felt so close to God and lifted up spiritually as the rite of institution was conducted into the parish.

Services

Parishioners should note that Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Sunday of the month in Derrybrusk at noon.

Mid-week Lenten and Holy Week Services

Lenten services will take place each Wednesday in Lent at 8.00pm in Christ Church, Maguiresbridge. The talks will be on women in the Bible. The Holy Week services will be held at 8.00pm on Wednesday 28th March (Compline), Thursday 29th Maundy Thursday (Holy Communion).

Good Friday 30th (Tenebrae) The word ‘tenebrae’ is Latin for shadows. The purpose of the Tenebrae service is to recreate the emotional aspects of the passion story. This is done in similar format to the nine lessons and carols used at Christmas to tell the story of Jesus birth with scripture readings leading us through Holy Week.

Easter Day

Derrybrusk Churchyard: Dawn Outdoor Agape Service (weather permitting if not in St. Michael’s Church) at 7.00am (Dawn 7.03am)

Details will be announced in Church.

Holy Communion in Maguiresbridge at 10.30am

Holy Communion in Derrybrusk 12.00pm

Confirmation Class

Classes have begun on 21st February at 7.00pm in Maguiresbridge Church. The rite will be conducted by the Bishop on June 24th at 7.00pm.

Women’s World Day of Prayer

This year hosted by Maguiresbridge Mothers’ Union in Christ Church at 8.00pm on the 2nd March. The theme is All God’s creation is very good by the women of Suriname

Maguiresbridge Mothers’ Union

Canon Mark and Rona attended the annual dinner in the Valley Hotel on the 12th February and an enjoyable evening was had by all. We enjoyed much fine food and great craic.

Derrybrusk Mothers’ Union

At the February meeting in Belle Isle Castle, the Rector spoke on faith and dementia, looking at it from a relative’s point of view.

Parish Dance with Curtis Magee

On Friday 16th February the parish was looking forward to a parochial dance in the Parish Hall. Many thanks went to the organising committee.

Parish Celebrations

Molly and Tom Alexander celebrated 60 years of Holy wedlock since their marriage in February 1958 at All Saints, Mullaghfad.

Elma Nelson has been awarded a British Empire Medal by the Queen.

Fermanagh Parkinson’s group

On January 21st Myrtle Hempill received a cheque in Derrybrusk on behalf of Fermanagh Parkinson’s group for £650.
Monaghan, Tydavnet and Kilmore

Services
11th March Fourth Sunday in Lent
St Patrick’s Holy Baptism 10.30am
Ballinodie Morning Prayer 12.15 pm
18th March Fifth Sunday in Lent
St Patrick’s Morning Prayer 10.30am
Kilmore Morning Prayer 12.15 pm
25th March Palm Sunday
St Patrick’s All Age Worship 10.30am
Ballinodie Holy Communion 12.15pm
1st April Easter Day
St Patrick’s All age Holy Baptism and Holy Communion 10.30am
Kilmore Holy Communion 12.15pm

Ladies’ Group
The Ladies’ Group January meeting was cancelled due to weather conditions. They will meet in the Hall on Tuesday 20th March when the guest speaker will be Ms. Karen Ashton and her theme will be from “Fashion Design to Farming”.

Congratulations
Congratulations to James and Leanna Evans on the birth of their daughter Zoe.

Mothers’ Union
The Mothers’ Union met on Tuesday, 6th February in the Church with guest speaker, Mrs Jennifer Leathem, Diocesan Mothers’ Union Social Policy representative for the South. The evening concluded with business meeting and refreshments. Their next meeting will be on Tuesday 6th March and will be the branches’ night. The guest speaker will be Ms. Lynda Keating on “Dementia” and all are welcome.

Easter Dawn Service
Easter Dawn service will be at the Collegiate School, Corlatt, Monaghan, at 7am followed by breakfast and all are welcome.

Pancake Party
We held a parish pancake party on Shrove Tuesday with quizzes, games and pancakes. Many thanks to all who helped and organised and came along on the night.
Lenten and Holy Week Arrangements
Services will be held each week as follows during lent:
Wednesday Service in St. Patrick’s
7:30pm.
Fridays Holy Communion in St. Patrick’s
12:30pm.
The Holy Week services will be held in St.
Patrick’s Church from 26th-30th March at
8:00pm each evening. As is customary
there will be a celebration of Holy
Communion on Thursday night and all are
welcome at these services.

The Postal Bible School
The Postal Bible School annual prize
distribution was held in St. Patrick’s
Hall on Tuesday 6th February – when
schoolchildren came to receive their
prizes, sing and learn.

Illness
Our thoughts and prayers are with those
from our Group of Parishes who have
been ill or recovering, those in residential
care and the housebound, and their
families.

Retirements
We wish the Venerable Cecil Pringle
Archdeacon Emeritus and Chancellor
John Stewart every blessing and
happiness as they retire from parish
ministry at the end of February.
They both have given loyal and
outstanding service to the church and
diocese over a long number of years and
their wisdom and expertise will be greatly
missed.

Wednesday 21st March
8.00 pm Lenten Service 5 ‘with Jesus in
the Upper Room’

Sunday 25th March
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.

Lenten Services 2018
Wednesdays at 8pm
Theme: With Jesus in the Upper Room

Readings from St
John’s Gospel
14th February Ash Wednesday John 13:
1-30
21st February Lent 1 John 13: 31 – 14:24
28th February Lent 2 John 14:25 – 15:21
7th March Lent 3 John 15:22 – 16:24
14th March Lent 4 John 16.25 – 17:16
21st March Lent 5 John 17:17 – 17:26
25th – 31st March Holy Week Services

A note from the Rector
You are invited to join us for our Lent
services on Wednesdays at 8pm in
Church for the next six weeks. We began
with a service of Holy Communion on
Ash Wednesday. This year we shall be
following some readings from St John’s
Gospel which record the conversation
between Jesus and his disciples on the
night before he died. You may wish to
read through the readings at home in
preparation and then during the service
there will be a short address reflecting on
aspects of the passage.
Lent offers us time to slow down and set
some time aside for spiritual refreshment
and learning. The services will last about
45 mins and take the form of Compline –
a short service of evening prayer. Please
do think about joining us and make this
Lent a special time of drawing nearer to
God.

Services
Sunday 4th March
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 am. Holy Communion.
7.00 pm. Evening Prayer.
Wednesday 7th March
8.00pm Lenten Service 3 ‘with Jesus in
the Upper Room’

Sunday 11th March
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesday 14th March
8.00pm Lenten Service 4 ‘with Jesus in
the Upper Room’

Sunday 18th March
9.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.
Tear Fund Visit

On Sunday 11th February we were delighted to welcome Helen Mills from Tear Fund telling us about their project in Rwanda supporting local people in developing sustainable community projects. A wonderful story of hope in a land recovering from the years of genocide.

She gave a very informative Children’s talk before they went to Sunday School, followed by a talk to the parishioners about the wonderful work Tear Fund is doing in many parts of the world.

Ian.
Canon IW Ellis
Rector

Fashion Show

The Parish is holding a Fashion Show (kindly sponsored by S.D. Kells) on Wednesday 18th April 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Killyhevlin Hotel.

Latest fashions and styles are on show. Everyone is welcome. Tickets available from Lorraine Simpson, (Tel: 07974929303) or The Parish Office (Tel: 02866 329889) or S.D. Kells Shop.

Funds raised will go to the Rossoory Parish Building Fund, as we prepare to expand and improve our facilities.

Prayer Group

The next meeting of The Prayer Group is Wednesday, 11th April 2018 (after the Lenten Wednesday night series of services)

It will continue then throughout the year with meetings on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

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, for the world, as well as other good intentions that arise.

We finish with the fellowship of a cuppa and a chat.

Parent and Toddler Group

The parents and toddlers group is growing in Rossoory and has become very popular. The group were delighted to hold their 3rd Birthday Party in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 7th February last. A large group attended.

For information – ring Avril Armstrong at 02866 329589
Rossorry Mothers’ Union

The speaker at the February meeting was Tyga Gebler from Gateway Social Work team. Tyga informed the group of her work in relation to families facing difficulties and the role of the social worker in helping to cope with their problems.

Wednesday Club News

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.

Over the last few weeks the members were honing their craft skills working on book-folding and Valentine crafts.

This month’s Programme: -

7th March - A morning with Revcd. Lindsey Farrell.

14th March - Volunteering NI.

21st March - Old Enniskillen (Photos and stories ) with Benny Cassidy

28th March - Holy Week.
If you want to know more give Ethel Oldcroft a ring at 028 66 326339

Arts & Crafts Classes

Classes are open again for acrylic painting and basket weaving.

All are welcome – no level of skill is required – novices welcome!

These classes are very popular – but there is always room for someone else - so be sure to speak to Yvonne Elliott on 02866 342514 for information.

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.

Scouts

Rossorry Scout troop (Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) have been very busy, as usual, as their wonderful leaders teach them life skills, fellowship and teamwork, whilst having lots of fun doing it!

They are preparing for their Founders’ Day / Thinking Day Parade on 25th February 2018.

The Beavers had a visit from Kindfund Africa on 23rd January and learned a lot about the culture of Africa, whilst
having fun dressing up and sampling African food.

The Cub Scouts had a visit from the Police on 24th January to learn the skill of safety on the Internet using the SMART principles. Many thanks to the officers who presented this very important topic.

On 31st January, the Cubs had a visit from St John’s Ambulance to learn some basic first-aid and the principles of CPR. A very helpful and informative session for these young people. Many thanks to the volunteers from St John’s Ambulance for this important visit.

One of our Scouts attended the NI Climbing Championships (Senior Section) on 28th January and came away with first prize!

If you want to know more about our Scout Troop call in to a meeting (Beavers - Tues 6.30pm) (Cubs – Wed 6.45pm) or (Scouts – Wed 7.30pm) or ring Garry Clarke on 02866 323653

**Mother and Baby Exercise Class**

A very successful Mother and baby exercise class has been running now for over a year at Rossorry Parish Hall on a Tuesday morning at 10.am. This is a very sociable class where mums bring babies along while getting fit while also meeting other mums. Contact Jackie Cassidy (Facebook) to put your name down or if you want any further details.

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**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.

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Cub Scouts learning SMART principles.

Cub Scouts learning about CPR.

Mother and baby exercise class.
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**Services**

Lent Services – March
7th and 21st Clabby

14th Tempo
Palm Sunday
25th S.N.A.T.C.H. Praise Service 7p.m. – Clabby Parish Church.

Holy Week Services
Wednesday 28th 8 p.m. Clabby
Maundy Thursday 8 p.m. Holy Communion Tempo
Good Friday
12 noon - 1 p.m. Tempo
8 p.m. Clabby

Easter Sunday
1st April Services at the usual times.

**Future Events**

Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th March: Bible Comes to Life Exhibition in Enniskillen Cathedral Hall from Thursday 3-5 p.m., Friday 3-5 p.m., Saturday 1-30 p.m. – 5 p.m and Sunday 3-00 p.m. – 7 p.m. Closing Service.

Friday 9th March – Marching Bands Concert 8 p.m. in Tempo Church Hall featuring Manorcunningham Pipe Band, Ballinnamallard Accordance Band, Brookeborough Flute Band and Ballyreagh Silver Band, Admission £10.

Tuesday 13th - Mothers’ Union 8p.m. in Clabby Church Hall, “Overseas night,” with speaker, Miss Catherine Little, Bible Society.

**Trory and Killadeas**

Vacant

During the vacancy the Ven Brian Harper is in charge with Mrs Sue Hogg, Diocesan Pastoral Assistant, assisting with pastoral care.

Services

Sunday 4th March
10.00 Killadeas HC
11.30 Trory HC

Wednesday 7th March
8.00pm Killadeas Joint Lenten Service
Sunday 11th March (Mothering Sunday)
10.00 Killadeas MP
11.30 Trory MP/Bpt

Wednesday 14th March
8.00pm Killadeas Joint Lenten Service
Sunday 18th March
10.00 Killadeas MP
11.30 Trory MP

Wednesday 21st March
8.00pm Killadeas Joint Lenten Service
Sunday 25th March (Palm Sunday)
10.00 Killadeas MP
11.30 Trory MP

Wednesday 28th March
8.00pm Trory
Thursday 29th March (Maundy Thursday)
8.00pm Trory
Friday 30th March (Good Friday)
8.00pm Trory
Sunday 1st April (Easter Sunday)
10.00 Killadeas HC
11.30 Trory HC

**Killadeas**

Coffee is served in the church hall after the service on the third Sunday in the month. Sunday school: As usual Sunday school will leave during Morning Service

**Parish Register**

Christian Burial: 19th January 2018 - Mr Ian Bailey

Trory

Sunday School as usual. Keep in touch with leaders with reference to school holidays, etc. Our thanks to all our visiting clergy and lay readers for their contributions during the vacancy.

**Parish Register**


Holy Baptism: 21st January, 2018. We welcome to our church family, Joshua James, son of James McMurry and Stacey Agnew.

**Ladies Keep Fit**

This will continue until Easter every Wednesday evening at 7:30pm at Trory Parish Hall (come along and join the fun).

**Trory Bowling Club**

Meets every Thursday and Saturday at the Church Hall, Ballycassidy (Everyone welcome).

**Tuesday Club**

Having incorporated a lunch out at the last meeting will meet again on 13th March at 2.30pm when everyone is looking forward to a talk on Lough Erne Heritage.

**Mothers’ Union**

This meets again at 8pm on the second Monday for likeminded people enjoying a variety of visitors, topics, fun and the inevitable cup of tea. Barbara will be delighted to welcome new members.

**Smartie Box Donations**

Please return before Easter.

**Tempo Soup Lunch**

Thank you to those who organised the soup lunch and to those who attended the event. The proceeds were given towards the work of Crosslinks through the Watson family, our link missionaries in Sweden. It raised £476 for this important work that they are called by God to carry out in the church in Gothenburg. As we continue to move through the season of lent, towards Holy Week and towards Good Friday did you ever think what it cost Jesus to come into this world and finally submit to death on a cross? Read Philippians Chapter 2 v 5-11. He was equal with God, He was God. He gave up his place in Heaven, He left its splendour, glory and perfection. He came down to earth, with all its sin, wars, bitterness, hatred etc. He would be misunderstood, rejected by his own people and finally put to death as a criminal on a cross even though he had done no wrong. This was all for you and me, so that we could be forgiven our sins only He can forgive our sins. When we invite him to become our Saviour. God then rewarded Jesus’ faithfulness and obedience by reinstating him on throne of Heaven. Our reward will one day to be with Jesus in Heaven when we trust in him by faith alone and live by faith or trust in each day.

**Baptisms**

28/01/18 Nathan Smyton, Son of Alan and Cheryl Smyton, Ramaley Crescent, Clabby.
11/02/18 James David Son of David and Jill Hunter, Tullyreagh Road, Tempo.

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Delivering the Promise
Commemorative tree planted at first parish with an MU branch in diocese

The morning began with a beautifully served morning tea in the parish hall by the ladies of Clontibret Mothers’ Union. The branch leader, Ethel Coulter, then outlined the history of the Mothers’ Union in Clontibret and now more recently the Ballybay group.

Irene Boyd, Diocesan President, spoke on how pleased she was to see that so many had travelled to the event and how appropriate it was to have the tree planted in the church where the oldest MU Branch was founded in 1900. Phyllis then informed everyone present of some of the events that she had been involved with throughout the year. She was then presented with a small gift from the branch.

The tree planting then took place in the church grounds, where Phyllis read some verses from Esther and the Revd Neal Phair led in prayer before Phyllis planted the tree. We were blessed with a lovely dry but cool morning.

The morning finished with a small number of members joining Phyllis for lunch before she travelled back to Carlow.

MU members from across the diocese who travelled for the tree planting.
The launch of the new Fuel resource for young people took place at the recent Church of Ireland Youth Department’s Youth Forum in Dublin. Timed to coincide with the start of Lent this book is designed as a tool for biblical reflection for teenagers through the period of Lent. Importantly it is not dated and so can be used over any period of 40 days.

The resource is also an excellent way of introducing young people to the spiritual discipline of holy reading or what is traditionally known as Lectio Divina. In many respects this is probably the best way to start young people in the practice of contemplative prayer. This Benedictine monastic tradition will invite our young people to prayer through mediation on passages from St John’s gospel. Whilst it is undoubted good for them to be reading scripture, Fuel goes a step further than a bible reading plan and invites them to reflection and the expectation of meeting with God as one who loves them.

Each gospel reading is accompanied by seven questions for consideration as an aid to contemplative reflection.

- What word, phrase or sentence stood out to me as I read?
- How does it make me feel? What does it lead me to think about?
- What does this scripture say to me about who God is?
- What might God be trying to say to me through it?
- How do I want to respond to what God is saying to me?
- How will what God has said impact or change my life?
- What would I most like God to do in my life today? (Ask Him!)

These are challenging questions and if done well will not only require time and thought but they will also lead to great spiritual nourishment. At a time when so much time, energy and effort is being expected of our young people from academic studies, sports, arts, proficiency awards and social pressures here is a resource that will help build the most important quality into their lives, a relationship with Christ.

Each day there is space for writing responses to these key questions and on the opposite page there is encouragement to;

- Use this space to respond to God. You might like to make some notes of what’s been happening in your life lately and how you feel about it.
- Fuel introduces young people to the concept of “Thin Places” where God seems closer than anywhere else. Places where young people sense God most strongly. It might be at school, church, in their bedroom, with a friend or outdoors. The early Irish church found these places as they sought to draw near to God and they are still to be found today.
- Finally, and importantly Fuel encourages the sharing of thoughts and feelings together with trusted friends. This process adds the divine insight and support that comes again from God through fellowship with others who know and love them well. In many respects this Bible reading and prayer resource has much merit for us all. The discipline of reflection and contemplation on God’s word, taking time to listen and hear Him speaking to us and sharing together was very much a part of the early church.

How good to see our young people being encouraged in such a devout and ancient practice!

If you would like to receive copies of the Fuel resource for your parish young people please contact;

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Read

READ – The Parable of the Lost Sheep (You can read this in Luke chapter 15 and in Matthew chapter 18)

Do you collect anything? Maybe you have a collection of favourite football cards, cuddly toys, holiday souvenirs, photographs...? Or maybe you love animals and have lots of pets – a cat, dog, rabbit, guinea pig...? When we have a collection of something, it's something we take care of, something we'd hate to lose. Imagine how you would feel if you lost part of your collection - or if one of your pets ran away?

In the Bible some people questioned Jesus about who he was spending time with and who was important. To help them understand, Jesus told a story about a shepherd and a sheep:

A shepherd had a flock of 100 sheep. He loved and cared for his sheep. Once he was counting his sheep, “1...2...3...” he counted, and on he went until he got to “...97...98...99... only 99!” Where was the other one? The shepherd could have thought, “Oh, it doesn’t matter, I have 99 other sheep, I won’t bother about that missing one.” But the good shepherd cared for all his sheep so he left the 99 sheep where they were safe and went looking and calling for the one that was lost.

When he found his sheep he was so pleased and excited that he carried it all the way home. Then he invited all his friends and neighbours to a party to celebrate the sheep that was found.

Then Jesus told the people what the parable meant: we are the sheep in the story and the shepherd is Jesus. Sometimes we wander away from Jesus - but he doesn’t give up on us - he’s always calling us, hoping we’ll come back to him. He wants all of his sheep to be safely in the fold.

Just like there was a big party over the one lost sheep, there will be as big a party in heaven over just one person who repents than over ninety-nine people who think they are perfect and don’t need to repent.

Just imagine - when you say “I’m sorry” to God, all of heaven has a big party. God is much more excited when we say we’re sorry than when we act like nothing has happened and don’t think we need to ask forgiveness at all.

Do you know that you are important to God? Have you wandered away? Tell him you’re sorry and let him carry you back to his fold.

Maze

Cross out every other letter

Start by crossing out the second letter. Write the remaining letters on the lines to reveal the hidden message.

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Canon Mark Watson instituted as Rector of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk parishes

The institution of the Revd Canon Mark Watson as Rector of the Grouped Parishes of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk by the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Revd John McDowell, took place on Wednesday evening, 31st January 2018 in Christ Church Parish Church, Maguiresbridge.

Canon Watson had previously been Rector of Trory and Killadeas Parishes, also in the Diocese. A large number of parishioners were joined by invited guests and clergy from within Clogher Diocese and beyond for the occasion.

The hymns sung at the service included: “Behold, the mountain of the Lord,” “The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want,” “I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice,” “Jesus, keep me near the cross” and “When peace, like a river, attendeth my way.” The organist was Timothy Elliott.

Revd Canon Mark Watson (second right), who was instituted Rector of Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk Group of Parishes with (from left) Mrs Jean Kennedy, Churchwarden; Revd Alan Irwin, Rector of Colaghty Parish who preached the sermon; the Bishop of Clogher, Right Revd John McDowell; Revd John McClenaghan, Registrar; Archdeacon Brian Harper and Mr David Graydon, Churchwarden.

Canon Mark Watson meeting members of the Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk parishes; Harold Nelson, Ivan Kettyle, David Graydon and Joe McAlpine.

Revd Alan Irwin, who preached the sermon.

Representatives from both parishes within the Group read the lessons; Mervyn Johnston, Alan Morrison and Andrea McIlveen with other parishioners taking part in the Act of Institution. The preacher was the Revd Alan Irwin, Rector of Colaghty Parish, also in Clogher Diocese.

The collection was taken up for the Clogher Ministry Fund which facilitates the development of lay and ordained ministry in the Diocese.

Following the service at a reception in Christ Church Parish Hall, where the congregation joined the new Rector and his family and other clergy for refreshments, an official welcome was extended by representatives from both parishes and from the local community. Firstly however, Barbara Johnston, speaking on behalf of the Trory and Killadeas group of parishes, spoke of the many initiatives which Canon Watson led while Rector of those parishes and she wished Canon Watson and his family best wishes in this new chapter in his ministry.

Jean Kennedy and David Graydon, Rector’s Churchwardens from Maguiresbridge and Derrybrusk Parishes, welcomed Canon Watson and his family to the area and the Revd Rodney Beacom, Minister of Maguiresbridge Presbyterian Church, brought greetings from his church.

Canon Watson, in his short address, thanked everyone from both parishes for their devotion and hard work to make the transition to his new parishes as easy as possible.

Bishop McDowell closed proceedings by thanking everyone involved in the process of nomination and making the arrangements for the Service of Institution.

Canon Watson, a native of Omagh, served as a Curate in the Grouped parishes of Ballymoney, Finvoy and Rasharkin in Connor Diocese between 1995-1998 and served as Rector of Brackaville, Donaghendry and Ballyclog (Coalisland) in Armagh Diocese between 1998-2001. Following this he was appointed Rector of Killesher (Florencecourt) in the Diocese of Kilmore in 2001. He was then appointed Rector of Trory and Killadeas parishes in Clogher Diocese in 2006, where he has served for the past 11 and a half years.

Canon Watson and his wife, Rona have two sons, Samuel and Peter.
Diocese hosts

**BIG SING**

The congregations in parishes across the diocese love taking part in events such as **Favourite hymns**.

But now, they have the opportunity to take part in the Clogher Diocesan BIG SING.

**This new event takes place on Sunday 18th November at 7.00pm in St Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen.**

Email your favourite hymn to bigsing@clogher.anglican.org or submit it in writing to the Diocesan Office.

A selection of favourite hymns from people across the diocese will be included in the selection of hymns at the event.

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Pilgrims return from Holy Land visit

The group who undertook the pilgrimage to the Holy Land from Clogher Diocese are pictured gathered in St. George’s Anglican Cathedral, Jerusalem. The trip under the leadership of Canon David Skuce was a great success. There will be a full story with photographs in the April edition of the Diocesan Magazine.

Lunchtime Healing Services

From February onwards, the Lunchtime Healing services will take place in the Iona Room, St Macartin’s Hall, Enniskillen. They take place on the 4th Thursday of the month from 1-1.35pm. There will be no service in December 2018.
Archbishop Clarke visits
CMSI projects in Zambia

The Archbishop of Armagh, the Most Revd Dr Richard Clarke, has joined CMSI’s Mission Director, Jenny Smyth, and the society’s President, the Revd Adrian Dorrian, on a partner visit to the Diocese of Northern Zambia.

As part of the programme, Dr Clarke was preaching at a Confirmation Service in St James’ Parish, Buchi, and participated in the confirmations alongside the Most Revd Albert Chama, Archbishop of Central Africa and Bishop of Northern Zambia.

Archbishop Clarke and Mr Dorrian also contributed to teaching sessions at St John’s Seminary in Kitwe, where CMSI Mission Partners the Revd Keith and Lyn Scott are based.

Speaking ahead of the visit, Archbishop Clarke identified his hopes for his time in Zambia. He said: “I am looking forward to deepening the growing relationship between CMS Ireland and our partners in Zambia. As part of our ongoing journey of faith together, we can learn and support each other through prayer, faith and devotion. We have much to offer to each other, and I believe that this visit will enable our shared fellowship to move to a deeper and better understanding of each other’s needs and strengths.

“Mission is not simply something that happens in far-away places, but should be the cornerstone of our relationship with God, and I look forward to being challenged and encouraged by the faith and determination of our partners to reach out to their own people, and to ask what we can do better to facilitate that mission. Having known Archbishop Chama as a fellow Anglican Primate for some years, it will be a personal delight to enjoy his hospitality;”

CMSI seeks to nurture deeper connections between different parts of the global Church, to encourage mutual sharing and support. Central to this approach is a commitment to facilitate visits from Church leaders in Ireland to CMSI’s Global Partners in Africa and Nepal. These visits often include opportunities to participate in teaching and training with theology students or clergy.

In 2017, visits were made to CMSI’s Global Partners by the Revd Malcolm Kingston, Sister Myrtle Morrison, Canon Dr Maurice Elliott, Canon James Carson, and a team from the Diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry that included Bishop Patrick Rooke and four of his clergy. In addition, CMSI hosted visits to Ireland by Church leaders from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, South Sudan, Rwanda and Zambia. The society is currently preparing to welcome Bishop Seth Ndayirukiye of Matana Diocese, Burundi.

A café that has set up in a cathedral

An organisation that campaigns for an end to rules that prevents asylum seekers in Ireland cooking their own food has found a new home in Dublin’s Christ Church Cathedral.

Christ Church was been designated as Ireland’s first Cathedral of Sanctuary at a launch dinner on Friday to mark Our Table’s new home. Under Ireland’s Direct Provision system, asylum seekers are not allowed to work or cook and are forced to “eat food prepared at set times on an industrial scale by companies profiting from the system,” Our Table said.

An Our Table café will operate at the cathedral every Thursday, Friday and Saturday. “I am delighted with both the initiative and the compassion shown within the city of Dublin,” the Dr Michael Jackson, the Archbishop of Dublin, said. “As a city we now have a University of Sanctuary (Dublin City University) and a Cathedral of Sanctuary (Christ Church). Both are places of welcome with a strong sense of community, local and international.”

Under the Direct Provision system, adult asylum seekers are not allowed to work and are given just €19.10 Euros (approximately £16.92 GBP) per week; with just €15.60 per child. “This cruel and unnecessary system needs to end, but in the meantime, Our Table is advocating for the rights of people in Direct Provision to cook for themselves and their families,” the organisation said on its website. “Banned from cooking in their rooms, some people secretly cook in toilets just to prepare something they want to eat. People living in Direct Provision report being hungry at night or being presented with low quality or culturally inappropriate food.”

At the Our Table café, founder Ellie Kisyombe and her team of staff and volunteers will “prepare and serve fantastic food as well as spark change through conversation about Direct Provision,” a spokeswoman for the united dioceses of Dublin & Glendalough said.

“Sharing food with others is one of the most human things in the world. So much of our cultures revolve around the preparation, sharing and ritual of food. However, in Direct Provision, people are denied the chance to cook and share food in the ways that matter to them.

“Our Table is trying to change that along with campaigning for the right to work. It started when Ellie along with other women came together to cook their favourite recipes, taste each other’s food and learn about each other’s culture.” Kisyombe arrived in Ireland from Malawi eight years ago and was placed on Direct Provision. At the launch dinner on Friday, she spoke of the loneliness and anger experienced by the 5,000 people living in Direct Provision. “If you don’t like something, change it. If you can’t change it, change your attitude,” she said. “We don’t want to kill our dreams. We do everything to carry our hope. This is reality and this is me. This is real for over 5,000 people [in Direct Provision] who have found a home in Ireland. We can’t call it home but it is home and we will call it home,” she stated.

The Dean of Christ Church, Dermot Dunne, said that the cathedral’s spirituality was balanced by its social concern. “Our Christian witness seeks to embrace the issues of our times and engage with the social problems of our wider community,” he said.

“It is a natural yet extraordinary departure for our community to engage with the ‘Our Table’ project. I am very pleased that we continue to engage with the Direct Provision issue and endeavors to bring the issues to an audience that would not be aware of or engaged with those who live in Direct Provision.

“I couldn’t think of a better way of sharing experiences than sitting down together and sharing food.”
ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY UPEAT ABOUT ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Archbishop of Canterbury upbeat about Anglican Communion

In a wide-ranging interview with the Church Times to mark five years in office, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has said that the Anglican Communion is in “a better place” than it was five years ago.

He described the question as “a hostage to fortune”; but said that the improvements in the communion were “building on what was already happening” and he said: “I’m not taking credit for it in any way.”

Speaking of the improvements in the Communion, Archbishop Justin said: “We’ve had two good Primates’ Meetings. They were jolly difficult at times, but they were good. And they were very, very moving, and I still look back at moments in each of them — particularly prayer together, the eucharist together — and am bowled over by what I saw and participated in, and just think what a privilege that was to have been there. And a good ACC [Anglican Consultative Council] in Lusaka; and we’ve got plans for a Lambeth Conference.”

Lenten Quiet Day

The members of Affirming Catholicism are hosting a Quiet Day on Saturday, March 10th at St Mary’s Church, Navan, Co Meath by kind invitation of Canon John Clarke.

The service will be led by Revd Grace Clunie, Priest in charge at Lisnadill, and the Director of Celtic Spirituality in Navan (Armagh). She is also a teacher and writer on Celtic Spirituality and those attending are looking forward to a quiet reflective day as they prepare for Easter.

There is no charge but those attending are asked to bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. To book, email affcathire@gmail.com or telephone Margaret Ainsworth at 012885932.

ANGLICAN COMMUNION NEWS

Help for parishes to meet new Data Protection requirements

An information pack is now available to help parishes meet the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which is coming into effect on 25th May 2018.

This will affect all parishes, in both the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland, as it replaces existing law on data protection and gives individuals more rights and protection in how their personal data is being used by organisations.

The pack is available on the Parish Resources section of the Church of Ireland website (http://bit.ly/2DQV09z) and includes a guide to GDPR, an information poster, a compliance checklist, and sample templates and forms.

Personal data is information about a living person which is capable of identifying them e.g. their name, date of birth, address, Personal Public Service Number or National Insurance Number. Parishes must comply with the GDPR’s requirements, in the same way as any other charity or organisation.

If charities are not compliant, they can face a fine of up to 4% of their turnover or €20m (or the equivalent in sterling), whichever is larger. Charities will also face fines if they cannot tell individuals what information they are holding about them.

If you have any questions please contact Rebekah Fozzard, Special Projects Manager at the Representative Church Body, by email at rebekah.fozzard@rcbdub.org

NI Parishes Only

The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (CCNI)

The point of contact registered with CCNI for each parish should already have received an email from CCNI indicating that the year has just finished for the parish accounts purposes and that the parish annual monitoring return, trustees’ annual report and accounts need to be submitted on-line to CCNI by 31st October 2018.

The Diocese will be inviting a representative from CCNI to speak at an information evening later in the year which will provide guidance to parish personnel on submitting these documents to CCNI. We will inform parishes of the exact date and time in due course.

Please note also to ensure that the charity’s point of contact and e-mail address which is registered with CCNI is also correct and up to date as reminders and correspondence from CCNI are sent by e-mail

On-line Parish Resources

For finance guidance you should refer to the Parish Finances section in the resources part of the Church of Ireland website: https://www.ireland.anglican.org/parish-resources

NEWS FOR VESTRIES

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MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE NEWS

Bible Comes to Life Exhibition ready to open to public

With just days until the opening of the ‘Bible Comes To Life’ Exhibition, hundreds of schoolchildren have already booked their places for this unique event. The exhibition is being hosted by Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall from Thursday 8th March until Sunday 11th March 2018. This exhibition returns again after 25 years to Enniskillen when it was highly popular. The exhibition introduces an understanding of Biblical Jewish life, culture and religion and helps in understanding the roots of Christianity. A significant collection of historic artefacts is used as part of this educational work. By working closely with local churches, schools, children’s workers and youth leaders the team can bring a taste of the Biblical Middle East within the framework of local teaching programmes or curriculum. The emphasis can either be on exploring Judaism—referencing Biblical Festivals, worship ritual, and the Bible narrative of the Jewish people—or on talking about early Christianity and its links to Judaism. On the basis that an audio-visual experience helps people to remember teaching more effectively than just talking about a subject, the exhibition provides effective illustration, especially through a spectacular 3m x 2m model of the Jewish Temple in the time of Jesus; LED lighting helps to explain the various sections and a smoking altar adds to the effect. The Temple Model is a 2m x 1m scale model of the Desert Tabernacle with illustrative coverings, ritual furniture and animals, illustrating Jewish Life and a unique Middle Eastern clothing collection with some garments dating back 150 years. Some of the clothing is used in giving character or costume themed Bible talks (eg The Shepherd, The Tribal Leader, The Middle Eastern Bride).

Where practical, children are encouraged to try on the costumes. All the artefacts have a fact sheet of explanatory notes by using a multisensory approach they aim to give our exhibition visitors an insight into the Biblical world. This is the only venue for the exhibition to be held in Ireland in 2018 and entrance is free. The opening times are:
- Thursday, 8th March: 3pm-5pm and 6.30pm -9.30pm.
- Friday, 9th March: 3pm-5pm and 6.30pm-9.30pm
- Saturday, 10th March: 9.30am – 5pm.
- Sunday, 11th March: 11am – 12.30pm (incorporating Morning Service) and 3pm – 7pm followed by the closing service.

Entrance is free but donations to cover costs are welcome. There is no need to book but anyone attending in groups or parishes should contact some of the organising team.

Offset your carbon footprint with #Jars4Journeys

The Church of Ireland Bishops’ Appeal, Eco-Congregation Ireland and the Representative Church Body of the Church of Ireland (RCB) have joined forces to promote the Lenten initiative called #Jars4Journeys.

Bishops’ Appeal Education Advisor, Lydia Monds explained: “We are inviting people to save an old jam jar or other recyclable container and every time they make a journey that is not by foot or by bike, they can donate to offset the impact of their carbon footprint. The money raised will go towards three conservation projects around the world that support and help build resilience in communities who are most affected by climate change. “Bishops’ Appeal and the RCB are match-funding the first €1,000/£1,000 raised. Join us this Lent in being mindful of the impact of our lifestyles on others and on all of creation.”

The three projects supported include:
- solar-powered ovens for Amazonian communities adversely affected by climate change in Bolivia (Christian Aid);
- conservation farming for self-help groups affected by drought in Ethiopia (Tearfund Ireland);
- tree planting and water harvesting for communities affected by unpredictable rainfall, drought and deforestation in Kenya (Green Belt Movement).

Anyone can take part in #Jars4Journeys by downloading jam jar labels at www.bishopsappeal.ireland.anglican.org/campaigns/climate-change and donating every time a journey is taken by car, bus, tram, train or airplane.

Bishops’ Appeal regularly funds projects that build resilience for communities who are most affected by climate change. Eco-Congregation Ireland has a vision to see churches throughout the island of Ireland adopt an eco-approach to worship, lifestyle, property and finance management, community outreach and contact with the developing world.

The RCB has undertaken a number of environmental initiatives including ‘keep cups’ for staff, bee hives at the RCB offices and joining the Climate Action 100+ investment initiative.
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Clones celebrates St. Tigernach**
A community event to celebrate the life of St Tigernach will be held in St Tigernach’s Church, Clones on April the 9th at 7pm.
The evening will begin with a service in the church with Bishop John McDowell, Bishop Duffy, the children’s choir of St Tiarnach’s primary School, The Ballybay Country Gospel Group and gospel soloist, Lynda Lindsay taking part. The participants will be introduced by the Chairman of Clones Community Forum, Mr. Walter Pringle, who is a Pastoral Assistant with the Church of Ireland.
This is the first event of this type for the people of Clones, from all the churches, to come together to remember St Tigernach, his ministry, and his significance to this cross-border parish and to Diocese of Clogher as well as to the town of Clones.
His burial place is in the ancient round tower graveyard and while different spellings are used, not only the beautiful Church of Ireland church overlooking the town centre but also the primary school and even the Ulster gaelic football grounds are all named in his honour.
It should be remembered that St. Tigernach succeeded St. Macartin in whose memory our cathedrals in Clogher and Enniskillen are dedicated.
After the service in the church there will be re-enactment at his Sarrophagus which is believed to be his burial place under the shadow of Clone’s famous Round Tower and again young people from the wider community will take part.
Everyone is invited to join at this unique event.

**Lenten Lunches are held in local churches**
The Fermanagh Churches Forum is holding a series of Lenten lunches from 12.30 to 2pm in churches in Enniskillen during Lent.
They began in St Michael’s Parish Centre and continued last week in Enniskillen Methodist Church.
This Wednesday, 7th March, the Lenten Lunch takes part in St. Macartin’s Cathedral Hall followed on Wednesday, 14th March in the Bridge Centre at the Presbyterian Church.
As in previous years, those attending will share a simple lunch, provided by the church community, followed by Scripture reflection and prayer.
There is no entrance charge but a collection will be taken for Christian Aid and Trócaire.
The Lenten lunches are open to everyone.
The Faith and Friendship group, an interdenominational Bible study, fellowship and prayer gathering, will be sharing the reflections of Rev. Ruth Patterson, on Wednesday 21st March from 12.30 to 2pm, at the Riverview Room in the Bridge Centre.
All are welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided but bring your own sandwiches!

**Meeting on multiple deprivation measures**
There is a Multiple Deprivation Measures (NIMDM 2017) public dissemination event in Enniskillen on Monday afternoon, 12th March.
Events include a 45-minute presentation of the findings and a demonstration of resources, as well as provide an opportunity for questions.
Please register to ensure a place at the event at: https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/dof/registration-for-nimdm17-dissemination-events/
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

March 2018
Thursday 1st March – Mothers’ Union All-Ireland Holy Communion Service will take place in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin at 11.15am.
Friday 2nd March – Women’s World Day of Prayer ‘All God’s Creation is very good,’ in St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.30pm conducted by Revd Olie Downey. All women welcome to attend.
Friday 2nd March – Women’s World Day of Prayer service in Drumkeeran Parish Church at 8.00 pm.
Saturday 3rd March – Mothers’ Union Prayer Breakfast in the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen at 9.30am.
Monday 5th - Friday 9th March 2018 – Clabby Bowls Tournament in Clabby Parish Hall.
Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th March 2018 – The Bible Comes to Life Exhibition hosted by Clogher Diocesan Board of Mission in St Macartin’s Cathedral Hall. This unique exhibition returns again after 25 years to Enniskillen.
Friday 9th March – Country Gospel Evening with Yodelling Kenny Archer, Billy McFarland and local artistes in Clontibret Parish Church at 7.45pm. All welcome.
Tickets, 10 Euros available from Yvonne on Parish Church at 7.45pm. All welcome.
Tuesday 13th March – Women’s World Day of Prayer in St. Patricks Church Hall at 8pm. Learning about St Patrick.

Saturday 17th March – St.Patrick’s Night Gathering at the Fountain Centre, Kesh. Movie: The Quiet Man with easy listening live Irish music. Space to relax and chill out for all the family.
Saturday 17th March – St Patric’s Day Service in Aghabog Parish Church, Monaghan at 11am conducted by Colm Brownsmith.
Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd March 2018 – St Macartin’s Annual Mixed Pairs Tournament in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 8pm each night.
Wednesday 21st March – An Evening with Voice of Recovery in Colebrooke Parish Hall at 8pm. Voice of Recovery is a singing group of people in recovery from addiction who met through a series of singing workshops initiated by Arts Council Northern Ireland. Musical director is Sheila Smyth.
Thursday 22nd March – Lunchtime Healing Service in the Iona Room, St. Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen from 1pm - 1.35pm led by Miss Helen Humphries.
Saturday 24th March – Gospel Concert in aid of Fields of Life in Holy Trinity Church, Dromore featuring Gospel singer and recording artist, Revd David McBeth.

April 2018
Friday 6th April – Dance in the Protestant Hall, Clones with music by Robert Brown. Admission 10 Euros including supper. Proceeds towards Drummully Parish Funds.
Saturday 7th April – Parish Auction in Galloon Church Hall, High Street, Newtownbutler, at 12 noon to include a quantity of Royal Albert, Old Country Roses china and many other items.
Monday 9th April – Celebration of the Life of St Tigernach with a community event in St Tigernach’s Parish Church, Clones at 7pm to remember St Tigernach, his ministry and his significance to the cross-border parish and to the Diocese of Clogher and Clones.
Wednesday 11th April – Fashion Show sponsored by S.D.Keils organised by Rosssory Parish Church in the Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen at 7.30pm. Funds raised for Rosssory Parish Building Fund.
Saturday 14th April – Opening and Dedication of extension to the Reade Hall, Monea at 3pm.
Wednesday 25th April – Archdeacon Ruddell Prize and Bishop’s Medal Competition closing date for entries to be left at the Diocesan Office, Hall’s Lane, Enniskillen. Details in the February Clogher Diocesan Magazine.
Thursday 26th April – Lunchtime Healing Service in the Iona Room, St. Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen from 1pm - 1.35pm led by Canon Henry Blair.
Friday 27th - Sunday 29th April 2018 – Wedding Weekend organised by Galloon Group of Parishes Church beginning on Friday, 27th April with a Fashion Show followed on Saturday, 28th April with Festival of Wedding Dresses and finishing on Sunday, 29th April with Group Service of Marriage Blessing in Galloon Parish Church at 11am. All money raised is going towards the organ fund.

May 2018
Tuesday 1st May – Diocesan Council Meeting at 2pm.
Tuesday 1st May – Board of Education Committee Meeting at 10.00am.
Tuesday 1st May – Glebes Committee Meeting at 11.00am.
Friday 4th May – Mothers’ Union Diocesan Area Service hosted by Donagh Parish at 8pm.
Thursday 10th - Saturday 12th May 2018 – Church of Ireland General Synod in the Armagh City Hotel.
Friday 11th May – Diocesan Mothers’ Union Area Services hosted by Magheracross and Sallaghy Parishes at 8pm.
Saturday 12th May – Reflective Morning with Canon Raymond Fox hosted in St. John’s Parish Hall, Fivemiletown by Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer starting at 9.30am with coffee. Prayers from 10am - 12 noon.
Sunday 13th May – Service of Dedication of New Organ in St Mark’s Parish Church, Augher at 3pm by the Bishop of Clogher. Monday 14th May – Adult Confirmation on St Matthias’ Day. Please contact your Rector or The Dean.
Sunday 20th May – Diocesan Ministry of Healing Service in Donagh Parish Church, Glascnollagh at 7.30pm.
Thursday 24th May – Lunchtime Healing Service in the Iona Room, St. Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen led by Mr Abraham Storey.
Friday 25th May – Diocesan Mothers’ Union Spring Council Meeting in St. Macartin’s Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 8pm.
June 2018
Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th June 2018 – Colebrooke Home and Garden Open Days: Colebrooke Church will open for visitors with tea and refreshments provided in the Parish Hall. Proceeds towards charitable and philanthropic purposes.
Thursday 28th June – Lunchtime Healing Service in the Iona Room, St. Macartin’s Cathedral, Enniskillen, from 1pm - 1.35pm led by Canon Maurice Armstrong.

July 2018
Sunday 8th - Friday 13th July 2018 – NewWine Sligo Summer Conference: A week of worship, teaching and ministry for individuals, groups and families.
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