30th JUNE 2013

Trinity 5



We bid a warm <u>welcome</u> to visitors, newcomers and those returning home for the holidays.

Meeting with God in <u>worship</u> can be comforting but also very challenging.

We <u>prepare</u> for our worship with a prayer:

God our Father, as we come into worship help us to focus on you. Take away all thoughts which might distract us. May we now attend to you and to your word. And as we go out from this church may that word be reflected in our daily lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THIS WEEK		
TODAY	 Summer edition of magazine available and also Connor Connections. Scripture Union Bible Readings for next quarter also available. Interim Financial Contributions Report for 2012 - copies at back of churches. 	
TUESDAY	 Healer Prayer Group at 7.15 pm. Fit for Life. A walk, refreshments and a reflection. Meet at St Patrick's Hall at 7.15 pm. 	
WEDNESDAY	• Holy Communion in St Patrick's at 10.30 am. Refreshments following.	

SATURDAY	Time of Prayer - 8.00 - 9.00 am.
NEXT SUNDAY	Services as usual for 1 st Sunday in month.
OVER THE SUMMER	 No Family Service July/August. Children's Church in St Patrick's during 11.30 am service. Fit for Life each Tuesday night. Community Bowls each Thursday at 7.30 pm except when otherwise notified by Ann Agnew. <u>The Twelfth</u> List for volunteers at back of churches. Preparation 11th July at 10.00 am. Helping on the day from 9.30 am onwards. <u>Summer Scheme</u> For Primary School children. Monday 12th August - Friday 16th August. To book a place contact Lucy 077 5995 0497.
EACH WEEK	• <i>Prayer for Healing</i> - In St Patrick's on Sunday after evening service.
FOR THE FUTURE	 <u>Castle Players</u> See details regarding the new Castle Players in the magazine. For further details contact Lorraine 074 4921 7349. <u>September</u> Volunteers required to participate in a project with parents and children in Dunclug Primary School - see Sandra Duke.

READINGS ST PATRICK'S

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Galatians 5: 1 and 13-25 (Page 187) and St Luke 9: 51-62 (Page 67)

TRINITY 5 - St Columba's

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A reading from the Second Book of Kings chapter 2 beginning at verse 1

¹When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel.

⁶Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. ⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' ¹⁰He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. ¹³He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck

the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

This is the word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD A reading from the gospel according to St Luke chapter 9 beginning at verse 51

⁵¹When the days drew near for him be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹To another Jesus said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶²Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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TRINITY 5 - Ballyclug

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A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Galatians chapter 5 beginning at verse 1

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh

with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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