

27th October 2013

Trinity 22



WELCOME In our three churches to any newcomers and to visitors.

WORSHIP We trust that we are coming to the living God as we come to worship.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Heavenly Father, as we gather together in your presence, may we leave our personal thoughts aside, and come before you with clean hands and pure hearts, that serving you with reverence and humility, we may now and always be acceptable in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THIS WEEK

TONIGHT Living Faith Service in St Patrick's at 6.30 pm.

MONDAY Ladies' Circle in St Columba's at 8 pm - 'From Potatoes to Pak Choi' by Robin Cherry.

TUESDAY Healer Prayer Group at 7.15 pm.
Bible Fellowship meets at 8.00 pm.

SATURDAY Prayer meeting at 8 am.
Hope Centre breakfast 8.30 - 10.30 am.
Antiques and Collectables Fair in First Ballymena from 11 am - 5 pm.

NEXT SUNDAY Choral Evensong in St Patrick's at 6.30 pm. All welcome.

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Census commencing next Sunday in all Church of Ireland churches throughout the land and continuing on 17th and 24th November.

**PARISH
QUIZ**

A big thank you to all who supported the annual Table Quiz. To date £720 has been raised - a tremendous effort by all involved.

EACH WEEK

**MINISTRY OF
PRAYER**

This is taking place after the 11.30 am service as well as the 6.30 pm service in St Patrick's.

**THE CASTLE
PLAYERS**

A list has been placed at the back of the church on which you have put your name if you wish to reserve tickets for The Castle Players production of two one act comedies - *'You Never Know Your Luck'* and *'The Doctor and Mrs Macauley'*.

**PRAYER
SUPPORT**

Team Leader - Eleanor Burnett, Tel. No. 075 1736 5589.

FOODBANK

Collection trolley in both St Patrick's and St Columba's.

**SHOE BOX
APPEAL**

Now closing - please leave any remaining boxes at the back of church as soon as possible.

FOR THE FUTURE

**RELIGION
AND SCIENCE**

At West Church on Saturday 23rd November 9.30 am - 5.00 pm a one day conference 'Has Science Buried God' led by Professor John Lennox of Oxford University.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18 (Page 211)
St Luke 18:9-14 (Page 78)

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A reading from the prophecy of Jeremiah chapter 14
beginning at verse 7

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. ⁸O hope of Israel, its saviour in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveller turning aside for the night? ⁹Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

¹⁰Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. ¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. ²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonour your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²²Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

This is the word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD

**A reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to Timothy
chapter 4 beginning at verse 6**

⁶I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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A reading from the Gospel according to St Luke chapter 18 beginning at verse 9

⁹Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰‘Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, “God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.” ¹³But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner!” ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.’

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