

**10th NOVEMBER
2013**



**Third Sunday before
Advent Remembrance
Sunday**

WELCOME To all of you on this solemn occasion.

WORSHIP Remember that in Christ there is no death.
Praise be to God!

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord Jesus Christ, you made the greatest sacrifice of all. Through your death you give us new life. As we commemorate today the deaths of so many, encourage us and sustain us with your death-defying love. Amen.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY Ministry Team meet in the Choir Vestry at 7.30 pm.

TUESDAY Select Vestry meet at 7.30 pm.
Healer Prayer Group - 7.30 - 8 pm.
Bible Study - informal - 8 pm. Everyone welcome.

WEDNESDAY Mothers' Union. Speaker Melanie Phillips -
Coordinator of Belfast Child Contact Centre.

FRIDAY AND The Castle Players present two one act comedies

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SATURDAY ‘*You Never Know Your Luck*’ and ‘*The Doctor and Mrs Macauley*’ - at 7.30 pm each evening in St Patrick’s Hall. Admission £7 (including a bowl of Irish Stew at the interval). Tickets available from the Office or News Rack, Ballymoney Street. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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.

PRAYER SUPPORT Team Leader - Millicent McClelland, Tel. No. 2564 6407.

FOODBANK Collection trolley in both St Patrick’s and St Columba’s.

FOR THE FUTURE

CHRISTMAS GOSPEL CONCERT Presented by Dunclug Partnership in association with the Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul. Thursday 5th December at 7.30 pm in All Saints, Broughshane Road. Tickets £5 - available from Salvation Army Shop, Broughshane Street or All Saints Parish Centre. Proceeds to Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul Christmas Family Appeal.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK’S

Ecclesiasticus 44:1-10 (Not in the pew bible)
St John 15:9-17 (Page 106)

ANTHEM IN ST PATRICK’S - *O FOR A CLOSER WALK WITH GOD* *Stanford*

O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.
So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

3rd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT - St Columba's

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**A reading from the book Ecclesiastes chapter 3 beginning
at verse 1**

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter
under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;

a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

a time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;

a time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones
together;

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

a time to seek, and a time to lose;

a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

a time to tear, and a time to sew;

a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

a time to love, and a time to hate;

a time for war, and a time for peace.

This is the word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD

**A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
chapter 6 beginning at verse 10**

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

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3rd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT - Ballyclug

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A reading from the book Ecclesiasticus chapter 44
beginning at verse 1

¹Let us now sing the praises of famous men,
our ancestors in their generations.

²The Lord apportioned to them great glory,
his majesty from the beginning.

³There were those who ruled in their kingdoms,
and made a name for themselves by their valour;
those who gave counsel because they were intelligent;
those who spoke in prophetic oracles;

⁴those who led the people by their counsels
and by their knowledge of the people's lore;
they were wise in their words of instruction;

⁵those who composed musical tunes,
or put verses in writing;

⁶rich men endowed with resources,
living peacefully in their homes -

⁷all these were honoured in their generations,
and were the pride of their times.

⁸Some of them have left behind a name,
so that others declare their praise.

⁹But of others there is no memory;
they have perished as though they had never existed;
they have become as though they had never been born,
they and their children after them.

¹⁰But these also were godly men,
whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten.

This is the word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD

**A reading from the Gospel according to St John chapter 15
beginning at verse 9**

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.

¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

This is the word of the Lord

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