

27th APRIL 2014

Easter 2



WELCOME To visitors and newcomers.

WORSHIP We value our freedom to worship and remember those less fortunate.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God as we come together help us to focus on the one who is risen from the dead; and thus putting aside all our cares may there be rejoicing in our hearts and may we join together in praise and worship. Amen.

THIS WEEK

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

MONDAY Ladies' Circle meet in St Columba's at 8.00 pm. The speaker is Jayne Dickey talking about her trips to Ethiopia.

TUESDAY Table Quiz with a musical theme at 7.30 pm in St Patrick's Church Hall. Sponsored by St Patrick's Church Choir, proceeds to team going to Ethiopia.

WEDNESDAY Holy Communion in St Patrick's at 10.30 am followed by tea/coffee.
Parish Annual General Meeting at 7.30 pm in Minor Hall. Please come to participate in elections and hear reports.

SATURDAY Prayer gathering at 8.00 am in Jubilee Room.
Hope Centre Breakfast.
Nepal Focus Evening at 7.30 pm - a chance to meet
Pastor Babu Kaji and his family from Sundar Dhoka
Church in St Brigid's Church Hall, Mallusk.

EACH WEEK

MINISTRY OF PRAYER This takes place after the 11.30 am service
and the 6.30 pm service in St Patrick's.

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

ADVANCE NOTICE

SAFEGUARDING TRUST Safeguarding Trust - training for all leaders on
Tuesday 6th May at 7.45 pm.

CHRISTIAN AID Christian Aid Lunches will be held in St Patrick's
Church Hall and St Columba's Church on Sunday
11th May after morning service. Everyone welcome.
Assistance with door-to-door collection still needed.
Please contact Mrs Mary Campbell, Tel No. 2564 6701
or speak to one of the Clergy. Christian Aid Week
takes place from 11th - 17th May.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S

1 Peter 1:3-9 (Page 229)

St John 20:19-31 (Page 112)

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A reading from the First Letter of St Peter chapter 1
beginning at verse 3

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

This is the word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from the gospel according to St John chapter 20 beginning at verse 19

¹⁹When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'

²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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