## **31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2014**

### **Trinity 11**

**WELCOME** We trust that we can welcome

back many after the holidays and

a welcome to any newcomers.

**WORSHIP** The wow factor is at play - we seek to

acknowledge the majesty of God and His great

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love.

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God our Father, help us to focus now on you and how you revealed yourself in Christ and the way of the cross. May we give ourselves to this act of worship, and thus encouraged, may we go out, together with our fellow Christians, to bring hope to our hurting world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

#### **WITH GOD**

SUNDAY SCHOOL Resumes next Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> September.

**PRAYER TIME** Next Saturday at 8.00 am in Jubilee Room.

BIBLE

Resumes at 8.00 pm on Tuesday week 9<sup>th</sup> September.

**FELLOWSHIP** 

**BLESSING** Prayers of Blessing for the town. West Church, Friday,

5<sup>th</sup> September from 12.45 pm - 1.30 pm. All welcome.

MINISTRY OF

This takes place after the 11.30 am service

**PRAYER** and the 6.30 pm service in St Patrick's.

### **WITH EACH OTHER**

**LEADERS** Sunday School leaders meeting tomorrow at 7.30 pm.

PARISH Restarts on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm.

CHOIR Holy Communion and practice.

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**MEETING** St Columba's Committee Meeting will be held on

Monday, 1st September at 7.30 pm.

HALL RE-GENERATION

**GROUP** 

Meeting - Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30 pm.

**BEAVERS** Starts tomorrow at 6.30 pm in St Columba's.

C.L.B. Resumes on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September. 4 - 10 years from 7

pm - 8 pm and 10+ years from 8 - 9 pm.

YOUTH CLUB Starts next Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> September. Primary School

age - 7 - 8 pm, Secondary School age - 8.15 - 10 pm. Senior members must enroll with a parent/guardian.

**MAGAZINE** September issue now available.

### **WITH THE WORLD**

**BREAKFAST** For Hope Centre clients and others - next Saturday at

9.30 am.

SUMMER BOWLS Over the summer as many as 70 folks - cross community - gathered in our halls to enjoy bowls

and donate £1,000 to the church. Thanks to

Ann Agnew for all her work.

#### **CHILDREN'S PRAYER**

Father God help us to follow in the footsteps of Jesus and to look after others and not be selfish. Amen.



### **READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S**

Romans 12:9-21 (Page 158)

Paul describes how to live the Christian life with the world's standards being turned inside out and love being the key - even of those who persecute.

St Matthew 16:21-28 (Page 17)

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### TRINITY 11 - Ballyclug

### 31 August 2014

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans chapter 12 beginning at verse 9

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Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.\* 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. 17Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' 20 No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' 21Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

# A reading from the gospel according to St Matthew chapter 16 beginning at verse 21

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From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' 23 But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

### TRINITY 11 - St Columba's

#### 31 August 2014

### A reading from the Book of Exodus chapter 3 beginning at verse 1

To know someone's name is to know who they are. For the first time in history God declares himself by name to Moses.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' 4When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' <sup>5</sup>Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup> and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup>So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Égypt.' 11 But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' <sup>12</sup>He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.' But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you." '<sup>15</sup>God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you":

This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.

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