

# 10<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015



## Easter 6

**WELCOME** To newcomers and visitors.

**WORSHIP** May we recognise that in worship we are as a faith family coming before God.

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God our Father as we come together in worship help us to put aside thoughts which might hinder that worship. Help us to open our hearts so that you may dwell within us; to reach out to others in your love and to lay down our needs and offer our lives in your service. Amen.

### MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

#### WITH GOD

**METHODIST ART COLLECTION** Official opening of this exhibition this afternoon. Worth viewing - 'The Braid, Monday' May 11<sup>th</sup>. Brochures about the exhibition and accompanying events now available.

**JUBILEE HOUSE GROUP** Tomorrow, Monday at 7.30 pm.

**HEALER PRAYER GROUP** Tuesday at 7.15 pm in Clergy Vestry.

**BIBLE FELLOWSHIP** Meet on Tuesday at 8.00 pm. All welcome.

**FAMILY SERVICE** Next Sunday at 10.15 am in St Patrick's - back in church.

**PRAYER** Team Leader - Adelaide Nimick.  
**SUPPORT** Tel No. 2564 0865.  
**WITH EACH OTHER**

**SELECT** Tuesday at 7.30 pm in Minor Hall.  
**VESTRY**

**MOTHERS'** Meet on Wednesday: The Parable of the Scones  
**UNION** (Meta Preston).

**MINISTRY** Monday week, 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm in Minor Hall.  
**TEAM**

### **WITH THE WORLD**

**NEPAL** Retiring Collection concludes today. Any who gift aid please use envelopes supplied. Cheques to St Patrick's Church. Our partners are grateful for all the support.

**CHRISTIAN** Soup and cheese lunches after morning service. Even  
**AID WEEK** if you have not signed up, you are welcome to come. Christian Aid envelopes available this week and next. Any further volunteers for house to house?

### **CHILDREN'S PRAYER**

Thank you God that you love us. Help us to love you and to show this love by loving each other. Amen.



### **ANTHEM AT ST PATRICK'S - *I give you a new commandment*** **(Peter Aston)**

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.  
If there is this love among you, then all will know that you are my disciples.

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

Isaiah 45:11-13:18-19 (Page No 685)

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## **Easter 6 - Ballyclug**

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**A reading from prophecy of Isaiah chapter 45 beginning at verse 11**

***The Lord declares his supremacy and that he works his purposes even through pagan leaders.***

Thus says the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and its Maker: Will you question me about my children, or command me concerning the work of my hands? I made the earth, and created humankind upon it; it was my hands that stretched out the heavens, and I commanded all their host. I have aroused Cyrus in righteousness, and I will make all his paths straight; he shall build my city and set my exiles free, not for price or reward, says the LORD of hosts. For thus says the LORD, who created the heavens (he is God!), who formed the earth and made it (he established it; he did not create it a chaos, he formed it to be inhabited!): I am the LORD, and there is no other. I did not speak in secret, in a land of darkness; I did not say to the offspring of Jacob, 'Seek me in chaos.' I the LORD speak the truth, I declare what is right.

***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

*We hear of the importance of Christ living in us as we live in him and that we are chosen by him to be fruitful in his work.*

Jesus said to the eleven, <sup>9</sup>‘As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I 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. <sup>16</sup>You 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. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.’

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