

13th May 2018

Sunday after Ascension Day



WELCOME To visitors and newcomers.

WORSHIP We worship our risen and living God.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, thank you for showing such loving care for each one of us. Help us to follow your example by showing kindness to others. May we always remember to give you thanks and praise for your goodness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

CMS IRELAND Roger Thompson (Partnership Co-ordinator for Nepal) will join us at Evening Prayer in St Patrick's today to speak about the good news in Nepal and Ireland.

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

BIBLE STUDY Meet on Tuesday at 8.00 pm in the Choir Vestry. Everyone welcome.

MID WEEK Holy Communion on Wednesday at 10.30 am in St Patrick's with refreshments afterwards.

PRAYER SUPPORT Team Leader - Sandra Thompson -
Tel No: 077 4641 8178.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER After morning and evening services in St Patrick's in the Prayer Space.

VISITING THE SICK Please inform the Clergy if you know of anyone who is sick and requires a pastoral visit either in hospital or in their home.

WITH EACH OTHER

STILL ACTIVE Annual outing on Wednesday.

Email - kilconriola@btconnect.com Web address - www.ballymena.connor.anglican.org

Northern Ireland Charity number: NIC103115

MOTHERS' UNION Many thanks to all who attended 'Mums in May Tea Party'. £135 raised for MU projects.

WITH THE WORLD

BLOOD TRANSFUSION St Patrick's Hall - Monday and Tuesday, from 1.30 pm - 4.00 pm and 5.15 pm - 8.00 pm.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK The door-to-door collection for Christian Aid Week begins tomorrow. A soup and roll lunch will take place after morning service today in St Columba's and St Patrick's.

SIMON COMMUNITY The Simon Community who help homeless people are holding collections at Junction One, Antrim, during June and July. If you can volunteer to help with these collections or require more information, please contact amandascott@simoncommunity.org or telephone Amanda, Brian or Victoria on: 028 9023 2882.

OVER 60? You are invited to attend the Mid and East Antrim Pensioners Parliament to make your voice heard on issues such as health and social care, community safety, cost of living, etc. on Tuesday, 15th May from 10.30 am - 3.30 pm in Tullyglass House Hotel, Ballymena, (lunch provided). To register, telephone 028 9031 2089 or contact www.pensionersparliament.org.

ARTHRITIS RESEARCH UK & ARTHRITIS CARE Learn how to manage your pain. A series of free courses will be starting on Wednesday in All Saints Parish Centre, Ballymena, from 10.30 am - 1.00 pm. For more information telephone the Training Team on (028) 9078 2940 or check the website - www.arthritiscare.org.uk. If you are interested, please see the poster at the back of church.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM

**Ezekiel 39:21-29 (Page 822)
St John 17:1-11 (Page 108)**

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**A reading from the prophecy of Ezekiel Chapter 39
beginning at verse 21**

I will display my glory among the nations; and all the nations shall see my judgement that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them. The house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God, from that day forward. And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt treacherously with me. So I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword. I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their transgressions, and hid my face from them.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob, and have mercy on the whole house of Israel; and I will be jealous for my holy name. They shall forget their shame, and all the treachery they have practised against me, when they live securely in their land with no one to make them afraid, when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have displayed my holiness in the sight of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the Lord their God because I sent them into exile among the nations, and then gathered them into their own land. I will leave none of them behind; and I will never again hide my face from them, when I pour out my spirit upon the house of Israel, says the Lord God.

This is the word of the Lord
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A reading from gospel according to St John chapter 17 beginning at verse 1

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

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A reading from Psalm 63 verses 1-4

A Psalm of David, when he was in the Wilderness of Judah

O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.
Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.
So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

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