28th January 2018

Epiphany 4

To all visitors and newcomers. WELCOME

We come to give praise to our God. WORSHIP

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, we give you thanks for this new day. May the light of your presence be ever with us and may our hearts be set on fire with love and praise for you. Amen

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

HEALER PRAYER

GROUP

Tuesday 7.15 pm in the Clergy Vestry.

BIBLE

Begins on Tuesday, 6th February at 8.00 pm in the

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

FELLOWSHIP

Choir Vestry.

MID WEEK

Holy Communion on Wednesday at 10.30 am in

St Patrick's with refreshments afterwards.

'THE WAY' YOUTH The first meeting will now be held on Sunday,

FELLOWSHIP

4th February.

ALPHA & 'LIFE WORTH LIVING' If you attended and enjoyed either the Alpha or the Life Worth Living course last year, you are invited to the Rectory on Friday, 23rd February at

7.30 pm for a cuppa and a chat about what's next.

PRAYER SUPPORT

Team Leader - Patricia McWhirter -

Tel No. 077 1611 0045.

MINISTRY OF

After morning and evening services in St Patrick's

in the Prayer Space. **PRAYER**

WITH EACH OTHER

TEA/COFFEE After 11.30 am service in St Patrick's today. **POLITE NOTICE**

We are trying to keep some parking spaces free during regular times of worship at St Patrick's for Blue Badge Holders. If you can keep these spaces free on Sundays for those who need them, we

would appreciate your co-operation.

The Rector/Select Vestry

TABLE QUIZ

St Patrick's Church Hall - Wednesday, 31st January at 7.30 pm. Proceeds in aid of Church Funds.

MEN'S **FELLOWSHIP** Thursday at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall.

LADIES' NIGHT

Monday, 12th February from 7.30-9.30 pm in the Worship Rooms at St Colmanell's, Ahoghill.

VESTRY PERSONS

REGISTRATION OF New signing-in forms for the Register of Vestrypersons are now at the back of each Church. If you are not registered to vote in Church elections, now is your opportunity - your name on the form is all that is required. A review meeting of our Register of Vestrypersons will take place at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 13th February in the Minor Hall.

SUMMER **MADNESS**

Please hand completed application forms together with the £35 fee to Lucy today! Fireside guizzes are now available, cost £2, to help the young people who are going to Summer Madness.

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 THE WORLD

FIRST AID COURSE First Aid Course on Monday, 5th February 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall. Those involved have been informed and the course is now full.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM Exodus 16:4-8 (Page 64) and St Luke 11:1-10 (Page 69)

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A reading from the Book of Proverbs Chapter 3 beginning at verse 1

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Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them round your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favour and good repute in the sight of God and of people.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

A reading from the gospel according to St Matthew, chapter 6 beginning at verse 25

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

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