

4th February 2018

Sexagesima - Second Sunday before Lent



WELCOME To everyone here today.

WORSHIP We come to worship our Lord and our God.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, may your love shine into our hearts, may your Holy Spirit renew our lives and may we rejoice and give you praise for all your goodness to us. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

'THE WAY' YOUTH FELLOWSHIP Tonight at 6.30 pm in the Minor Hall.

HEALER PRAYER GROUP Tuesday 7.15 pm in the Clergy Vestry.

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP 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.

CMSI PROJECT Crossing Bridges - CMSI boxes are available at the back of Church.

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 - Millicent McClelland -
Tel No. 077 9173 6117

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

WITH EACH OTHER

- YOUTH STEERING GROUP** Meet tomorrow at 7.00 pm in the Jubilee Room.
- ST COLUMBA'S** Committee Meeting tomorrow night at 7.45 pm.
- LADIES' NIGHT** Monday, 12th February from 7.30-9.30 pm in the Worship Rooms at St Colmanell's, Ahoghill.
- REGISTRATION OF VESTRY PERSONS** 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.
- THANKS** Sincere thanks to everyone who came along to the Table Quiz and helped to make it such a great night of fellowship and fun. Total raised (including donations) £545.
- SUMMER MADNESS** Please support our young people who going to Summer Madness by taking a Fireside quiz (£2). These are available at the back of Church.
- FLOWER ROTA** The rota for 2018 is now available in St Patrick's.
- LENTEN REFLECTIONS** A series of Lenten Reflections begins on Wednesday, 21st February at 7.30 pm in Ballyclug Church. These will consist of a short time of prayer, praise and preparation for Easter - All welcome.
- 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** Monday at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM

1 Corinthians 10:12-14 (Page 168) and St Matthew 4:1-11 (Page 3)

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beginning at verse 4

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This is the word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from the gospel according to St Luke chapter 11 beginning at verse 1

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.' And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

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