

6th May 2018

Rogation Sunday - Easter 6



WELCOME To all newcomers and visitors.

WORSHIP We worship our loving God.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, give us hearts to worship you with thanksgiving and wills to serve you with sincerity. May we listen to your word, confess our misdoings and find peace in your forgiveness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

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 - Adelaide Nimick - Tel No: 2564 0865.

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

SELECT VESTRY Tuesday at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall.

COFFEE MORNING SUMMER MADNESS Thank you to everyone for all the support for the Coffee Morning. We were delighted with the final total of £895.

MOTHERS' UNION Wednesday at 8.00 pm in the Minor Hall. A 'Mums in May 2018 Tea Party' is being hosted as part of a triennial fundraiser. The evening will include some fashion and surprises. Everyone will be most welcome!
Some copies of the new resource "Dear Lord ..." (a collection of prayers and poems) will be available costing £3.

DARKNESS TO LIGHT WALK The young people are taking part in the Darkness to Light Walk at the ECOS Centre on Saturday, 12th May to raise money and awareness for Pieta House (Preventing Suicide and Self-harm). If you would like to sponsor them, there is a sponsored form at the back of Church.

WITH THE WORLD

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK The door-to-door collection for Christian Aid Week begins on Monday, 14th May. If you can help please telephone Mary Campbell on 2564 6701 or email mer2201@ymail.com or contact the Parish Office: 2563 0741 and leave your name and contact details. A Soup and roll lunch will take place after morning service in St Columba's and St Patrick's on Sunday, 13th May. Please add your name to the list at the back of Church. Everyone welcome.

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.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM
1 John 5:1-6 (Page 238) and St John 15:9-17 (Page 106)

Easter 6 - St Columba's

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A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
Chapter 5 beginning at verse 22

Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Saviour. Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, so as to present the church to himself in splendour, without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind—yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish. In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, because we are members of his body. 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.' This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband.

This is the word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from gospel according to St Matthew chapter 25 beginning at verse 1

‘Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, “Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.” Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, “Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.” But the wise replied, “No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.” And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, “Lord, lord, open to us.” But he replied, “Truly I tell you, I do not know you.” Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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