

Parish of Kilconriola and Ballyclug



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Diocese of Connor - Parish of Kilconriola and Ballyclug

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	People's	Miss Elizabeth Peachey
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	St Columba's	Vacant

THE RECTOR WRITES



Rectory Ramblings

A THOUGHT FOR LENT

Many love the ideas of Jesus and the promised perfection of God's Heavenly Kingdom but the cry comes forth from Scripture and it is so appropriate for this Season of Lent, "But who will carry my cross?" St Matthew Chapter 16 v 24.

Many love Jesus when the going is good and life is sweet but what happens to that love when hardship comes? There is such liberating power in a pure love of Jesus, free from condition and self-interest. That is cross-carrying love.

Take up your cross and follow Jesus, this is the way of faith God delights in, this is the way, sometimes very narrow, where peace, hope and fruitfulness lie. This is the way of genuine transformative faith. Thomas à Kempis would dare to say, "If your faith is not a cross-carrying faith all you will prove is that you love yourself more than Christ." (The Royal Road of the Cross). The Lord Jesus bore the cross for you - will you bear it for Him? If you willingly follow Jesus in this way, He will lead you to where the suffering comes to an end and be with you on the journey. May God grant you a Holy Lent.

LENT REFLECTIONS

Ballyclug - each Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm

'Big Words for Lent'
7th March - Holiness
14th March - Mediator
21st March - Faith

A short time of prayer, praise and preparation for Easter
All welcome



Parish News

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION

Yes, its that time of year again when we encourage all who receive the magazine to make their annual subscription. You should find a subscription envelope in this month's magazine and this should, when filled, be returned to church. We are keeping the subscription rate at the same level and thus would like people to give at least £8. We do appreciate all who do return their envelopes - unfortunately many manage to avoid payment! Please try to do your best.

ON THE LOOK OUT FOR NEW SCHOOL GOVERNORS

The Education Authority has recently initiated a reconstitution process and we as a parish have the opportunity to have some governors sit in the boards of some local primary schools.

If you have a passion for the education of our children, if you have been blessed as a family by the care and wonderful skills of a local school, if you have a desire to see the Christian faith remain as part of our education ethos, if you have a particular skill and

enthusiasm to offer, then I would love to hear from you and have a further conversation as to how you might have an important role to play as part of a team of governors supporting the principal and staff in order to continue to deliver great education in local schools. Don't be shy, please get in touch.

Mark

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT CONCERT AND SUPPER - SATURDAY, 17 MARCH (7.30 PM)

The programme has now been finalized and will feature the following artists:

Reverend Jason Kernohan

Jason, our former Parish Reader, was recently appointed Rector of All Saints' Parish Church, Eglantine. He is an accomplished pianist, violinist and accordionist. However, his first love is singing and he is making a return visit to St Patrick's to do just that!

Emma Nevin and Diane McCullough

Emma (fiddle) and Diane (fiddle/accordion) held their audience spellbound as they performed a beautiful, haunting Slow

Air by Neil Gow on the Burns Night Concert, broadcast on BBC television on 25 January. We are delighted to welcome them on their first visit to St Patrick's.

Laura and Rachel Smyth

Laura and Rachel - no strangers to St Patrick's - now sing in the Belfast Philharmonic Choir. In addition to full-time music teaching, both girls work as musicianship tutors for the Belfast Philharmonic Youth Choir. We are in for a real treat!

Irish dancers from the Ollar School of Dance, Ballyclare

Our very own Erin McConnell, together with other Irish dancers, will display some of the fancy footwork which has helped to carry off numerous trophies in competitions throughout Ireland.

Castle Players

Our former rector, Canon Stuart Lloyd and local actress, Evelyn Riddel, will display their thespian talents in a short sketch written specially for the occasion by Barry Duke.

2 am

Those of a certain age may remember Gracehill man, Bill Wray (guitarist and vocalist) perform in Southbound Train many years ago! Bill and fellow musician, Paul Jordan, have recently teamed up to do some 2-piece acoustic music.

All of the above artists have hectic schedules so we are delighted that they have taken time out to

perform for us in this special fundraising concert in St Patrick's Church Hall.

Of course, no concert would be complete without an accomplished compère and our thanks go to Reverend Mark who has kindly agreed to fill this role.

A beautiful oil painting by Raymond Cochrane (kindly donated by the artist) will be the star prize in a Prize Draw.

Admission (including Supper of Irish Stew and Apple Tart) is £10. While you may pay at the door, it would be very helpful - to assist with catering - if you could please buy tickets in advance. Proceeds are in aid of Church Funds and Good Morning Ballymena. Everyone is welcome!

The Fundraising Committee

TABLE QUIZ

For 20 years the legendary Thompson/Stacey Quiz was firmly embedded in our diaries in the month of October. Consequently, it was only after much thought and discussion that we decided to organise this event.

We were absolutely overwhelmed by the turnout of 26 teams, particularly on this bitterly cold January night. Virtually all of our church organisations fielded a team and it was great to see parishioners interact with those from outside of the church in an evening of fellowship and fun.

Congratulations to the winning team, 'Dumb Bells' comprising Loraine, Colin, Ronnie, Alex, Alastair and Adam. Of course, as they say, "It's not only the winning but the participation that counts," so thanks to absolutely everyone who came along and entered into the spirit of the evening.

We are very grateful to those outside of the Committee who gave so willingly of their time to help make the evening a success. Our thanks go, in particular, to Hazel Davison and the Badminton Club who not only cancelled their weekly practice on that evening but also sent along a very strong quiz team. Special thanks, also, to Derek and Reverend Dennis

(quiz masters) and, also for Reverend Dennis' wonderful IT support. Thanks, also, to Barry Duke who helped with the organisation, Loraine and Sandra in the Parish Office and, as always, to Helen Weir who does such a wonderful job for us on Facebook. Our thanks also go to St Columba's for the use of their tables.

In particular, thanks to everyone who came along to participate in the quiz. We were delighted to see the 'old hands' Irene, Ivan, Rosemary, Trevor, Isabel and Nina field a team. Thanks, also, to those who were unable to attend but gave donations.

A total of £545 was raised for Church Funds.

The Fundraising Committee



Erin McConnell is a championship dancer for the Ollar School of Irish Dance. She has been dancing since the age of 4 years old and has competed all over Ireland. Erin will be performing at the St Patrick's Night Concert and Supper along with the Ollar School of Irish Dance. She is pictured along with her mum Cherith at the Ballymena Festival.

HOLY WEEK

26th - 30th March 2018

St Patrick's Church

Voices Round The Cross



Monday - Friday - each evening at 7.30 pm in St Patrick's, Ballymena. Each evening a dramatic monologue will bring to life some of the very different personalities and very different opinions on what was going on that first Easter. Our choir will be present on Thursday and Friday evening.

GOOD FRIDAY

St Patrick's	10.30 am	Family Service and 'Buns and Crosses'
	12.30 pm	Walk of Witness

EASTER DAY

St Patrick's	8.15 am	Holy Communion Form 2
	10.00 am	New Life Easter Day Holy Communion (Our first ever!)
	11.30 am	Family Communion Form 2
	6.30 pm	Prayers, poems and praise - A time to reflect at the end of a most important and Holy Day
Ballyclug	10.00 am	Holy Communion Form 1
St Columba's	11.30 am	Family Communion Form 2

Famous Prayers

Prompted by our recent mini-series of studies on the structure and content of the Lord's Prayer, I want to share some other great prayers from Christian history and a little bit about the people behind these famous prayers.

'Almighty God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless till they rest in you.

Grant us purity of heart and strength of purpose, so that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness from doing it.

Grant that in your light we may see light clearly and in your service find our perfect freedom.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.'

This extract from St Augustine's Confession has become a globally recognised and valued prayer. The famous Saint and Bishop had a rather turbulent journey in life and faith. Born of a pagan father and Christian mother, the young Augustine rejects his Christian Faith and sets out to become a lawyer. With Mother's Day not far off, we thank God for Augustine's Godly mum - Monica. She never stopped praying for her son. His journey back to faith came to a climax when he heard a voice like a child call out to him saying, "Tolle Lege" which means pick up and read. The Bible drew him back to God. Keep going godly mums everywhere!

Augustine of Hippo 354-430 AD.





Secretary's Notes

This month the Select Vestry has been thinking about the future, looking to a slightly longer time-frame than we usually try to plan for, and beginning to consider how the parish might change in the times to come and how we might prepare ourselves for such change.

To begin with the Finance Committee has been thinking about converting the tennis courts behind the rectory into something a little more useful as outlined below:

‘The Finance Committee has undertaken a feasibility study of using the space adjacent to the rectory in Galgorm Road. This entails the possibility of two semi-detached properties with options to sell or rent to provide an income to the parish (at this point it is thought that one would become a new curate’s house and the other would be available to let). Plans have been drafted and are currently with the Planning Office for their consideration. Once a decision is made by the planners the Finance Committee and Select Vestry will carefully consider how best to proceed for the good of the parish’.

The Select Vestry is fully behind this exploration, especially in light of the very poor returns which can be obtained on the parish’s investment funds, we think it would be a prudent option to turn this capital into property as an investment rather than keeping it in low yielding bonds and the like. Much of course depends on the view the Planning Department takes and whether or not they will be sympathetic to our proposal, and we’ll let you know the outcome of the above application in due course.

In the nearer term, this spring will see us asking all of you for some input into the way resources are allocated and where the emphasis should go

in what we do as part of our Parish Development project, so any and all ideas will be welcomed when the time comes, but you'll be getting full details of that closer to the date. For now though can we ask you to start thinking a little more deeply than usual about parish life and what you would like it to be, rather than what currently is.

Returning to the present - the uphill battle to sort out the wi-fi connectivity throughout the halls continues, as often happens what looked like an easy job turned out to be much tougher but God Willing the end is in sight. The long awaited screen and a revamp of the sound system in the main hall is getting nearer to reality each day. We hope all will be in place very soon.

We have had some complaints about the driving around St Patrick's again, especially over the speed with which some people still enter the grounds and travel around the east end of the church. Measures to reduce such problems are being considered and centre around re-instating a one way system through the grounds. Those of you with good memories might recall when Canon Lloyd proposed this in the past, but it never really caught on because it couldn't be enforced. However, we are looking at giving it another go, and making some alterations to the car park 'furnishings' and signs to encourage everyone to take heed this time. In the meantime though, can we appeal to all drivers around St Patrick's especially (but it applies to all of our sites just as importantly) to keep your speed down and exercise care to minimise the dangers.

Finally this month may I remind you that as Easter approaches again so does the Annual General Vestry meeting. If you intended to register to vote at the meeting but didn't get round to it then sorry but you've missed out for another year as the 2018 register is now closed. For everyone who is on the register it would be very good if you came along and at least heard for yourself what is happening, better still if you take part and make your views known, full details of the time and date will be widely available as the meeting approaches, but for now it will be held one evening in the week after Easter, so you'll be back from your Easter breaks by then.

*All the Best,
Alastair*

St Patrick's Church Hall

Castle Street, Ballymena

St Patrick's Night Concert & Supper



Saturday, 17th March 2018
at 7.30 pm



Music, Song, Dance & Drama

Rev Jason Kernohan (Soloist)

Irish dancers (Ollar School of Dance, Ballyclare)

Laura & Rachel Smyth (Soprano)

Castle Players

2 am (Acoustic Group)

Emma Nevin & Diane McCullough (Fiddle)



Tickets £10 available from Church Office (tel: 028 2563 0741)

Monday, Wednesday or Friday (10 am – 3 pm) and

Good Morning Ballymena, 23 William Street, Ballymena

Monday – Friday (9 am – 12.30 pm) or pay at the door

*Supper included
(Irish Stew
& Apple Tart)*



*Proceeds in aid of
Church Funds &
Good Morning Ballymena*





Around the Parish

SQUIRRELS

The Squirrels recently raised a fantastic £365.00 by collecting 20 pence pieces in empty Smartie tubes! This year their chosen charity was 'The Children's Cancer Charity Unit'. This is a charity close to leader Ann Hughes' heart. Ann's friend Pamela's grandson, Curtis has been receiving treatment and the charity has helped them greatly.



Pamela Campbell was able to come along to our Founders Day Service and receive the cheque on behalf of the charity.

Well done to all our Squirrels and leaders Ann Hughes and Paul Houston, we are so proud of your efforts.



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Thanks to everyone who helped and donated items for the Jumble Sale. This support from the parish is really appreciated. We are busy working towards our Parents' Night and completing Scripture Courses.

Dates for your diary:-

- Parents and Friends Evening - Friday 23rd March.
- 5-a-side football - Lisburn - Saturday 21st April.

Alan Ross

MOTHERS' UNION

Our meeting on 14th March is a visit to 'The Nest' in Broughshane at the earlier time of 7.30 pm. If anyone requires a lift please contact me. Please meet at 'The Nest'.



Sunday, 18th March, the Festival Service is in St Anne's Cathedral at 3.30 pm. We will be leaving the Church Car Park at 2.15 pm.

Patricia McWhirter: 028 2587 9071

MOTHERS AND TODDLERS



We wish Karin Agnew well and say Auf Wiedersehen as she returns to her homeland next month. Karin was a valued member of our catering team and we appreciated her help over several years.

More thanks are due to our wonderful team of car park attendants as this duty comes to an end; they braved all weathers to ensure that car parking went as smoothly as possible. We are delighted that some of the men will now help us to set up the room. It's good to have some extra muscle - at least this time the working conditions will be warm and dry!

March will be a busy month: -

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| 6th March | Ladies from Radio Cracker will bring some of their Easter craft for sale. |
| 13th March | Sure Start will do an art activity with the little ones. |
| 20th March | Easter Party including rolling of eggs. |

There will be no Mothers and Toddlers on 27th March and 3rd April.

Rota for March:

DATE	NAME	FUNCTION
6 th March	Rosemary Stacey, Sandra McKay and Jean Cunningham	Tea
	Bee Robinson	Welcoming
	Alex McKay	Hall Set Up
13 th March	Evonne Stinson, Eleanor Burnett, Vera Owens and Marlene Gray	Tea
	Mary Steele	Welcoming
	Derek Bell	Hall Set Up
20 th March	Dorothy Hegan, (Isabel Halliday)/ Eva McCarthy and Sandra Duke	Tea
	Ann Fisher	Welcoming
	David Oliver	Hall Set Up
27 th March	EASTER BREAK	

Dorothy (2589 2740), Anna, Anne, Catherine and June



GOOD FRIDAY



Family Service at

10.30 am in St Patrick's

And afterwards 'BUNS AND CROSSES'

For all the family - crafts and activities for young people with refreshments

'THE WAY' YOUTH FELLOWSHIP



'The Way' Youth Fellowship continues on Sunday 4th March when we will be thinking about living with social media from a Christian perspective. We've already had two brilliant nights thinking about relationships and later in the term we'll be looking at stress and anxiety - really helpful as our young people approach the grim exam time again! We are blessed to have a great group of leaders and we would love to see loads more young people coming along. The games, activities, craic and debate are always great and everyone is made to feel welcome and valued.

THE WAY
Youth fellowship

When: Sundays • 1830 - 1945pm
Where: St Patrick's Church • Minor Hall

4 & 18 Feb: 'The Way' to do.... relationships
4 & 18 Mar: 'The Way' to do.... social media
After Easter: 'The Way' to do.... coping with stress

SEXTON REQUIRED

ST COLUMBA'S PARISH CHURCH

A vacancy has arisen for the position of Sexton at the above Church. This person will be responsible for general cleaning duties (4 hours per week) and making ready the Church for Sunday Services.

Essential Criteria

- Ability to maintain premises clean and tidy to a high standard
- Willingness to undertake further training if and when required
- Ability to work on own initiative and unsupervised
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Must be punctual, dependable and in good health
- Must be in sympathy with the ethos of the Church of Ireland
- Must be flexible in terms of working pattern and hours required to complete the tasks on Saturdays

Desirable Criteria

- Experience in handling cleaning products in a previous role
- An understanding of Church life and the groups which use the premises
- A working knowledge of Health and Safety regulations
- Demonstrable organisational, communication and planning skills
- Be unrestricted by Northern Ireland Access in working with children and vulnerable adults

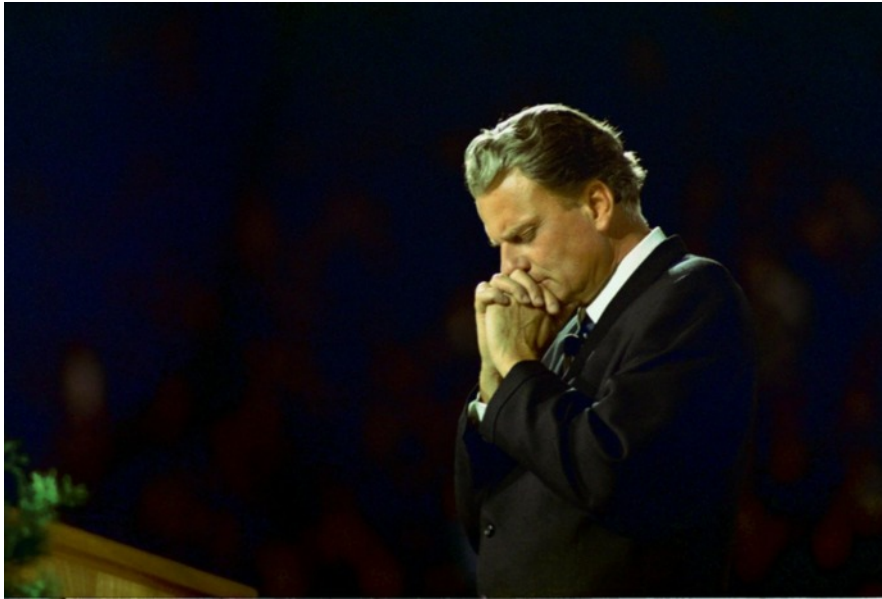
If you are interested in this position application forms are available from the Churchwardens or may be downloaded from the parish website - www.ballymena.connor.anglican.org.

Completed application forms must be returned on or before

Saturday 31st March 2018.



The Curate's Letter



The world-famous preacher Billy Graham went to be with the LORD this week. He was in his 100th year and he lived a life of utter devotion to sharing the word of God with anyone he could reach. And reach people he did. His first rally was in 1947 when Graham was not even thirty years old and over the next 58 years he would go on to hold 417 crusades in 185 countries across 6 continents.

At one rally in Moscow in 1992, it was reported that of the 155,000 people who attended, a quarter came forward to Graham's altar call to accept Jesus as their LORD and Saviour! His message never altered - repent of your sins and believe on the LORD Jesus Christ and you will be saved. He never wavered from the text of the Bible he would hold open at the lectern. He was a faithful husband, a loyal friend to the great, the not-so-great, the good and the 'bad', he was a campaigner for Civil Rights and was consistently listed on the Gallup annual poll as one of the '10 Most Admired Men in the World'.

A hard act to follow? Most definitely. The rest of us are left to ponder how we could ever live up to such a life. And yet God doesn't ask us to.

Yes, the LORD uses such influential men and women to inspire, challenge and remind us of His holiness, goodness and majesty, but He also tenderly calls each one of us to His side. To spend time with the creator of the universe is a wonderful thing - and yet it is a discipline that I struggle to prioritise. Perhaps during this period of Lent, as we prepare mentally for the road to Jerusalem, the upper room, the Garden of Gethsemane, the cross and the empty tomb, you and I can be reminded that our lives don't have to look like anyone else's for us to have a lasting impact for God. Micah 6:8 reminds us to 'seek justice, love mercy and walk humbly before your God'. This is how Jesus lived, this is the model Billy Graham chose to follow and it is one that we can submit to with the help of the Holy Spirit and our Christian brothers and sisters. You are one of a kind, made in God's image and when you were made, God was pleased. His plan for you is one filled with purpose and hope and, this Lent, let's walk together remembering He did it all for us.

Jenna



Coffee Morning Cake sale and Raffle

Saturday 28th April

10 am - 1 pm

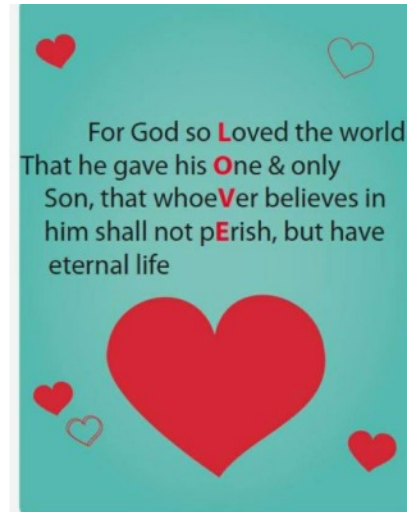
St Patrick's Hall

Donations in aid of Summer Madness/Youth Fund



The Youth Club have been busy learning about Valentine's Day and how our greatest Valentine is God.

We also were busy making pancakes and learning about Lent. We discussed different things we could give up for lent and also different ways we could help people ie: fill a bin liner with unwanted toys and clothes and take it to the charity shop/on the 40 days of Lent each day collect a food item put it in a box and then take to the Foodbank.



Everyone was shocked and saddened to hear of the tragic death of young Kayden Fleck from Ballymena. As a church community the young people donated some money to his fund. This money will go towards those who helped Kayden - the Community Rescue Service and the Clarke Clinic at the Royal Victoria Hospital. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family especially his brother Jayden.

The Sunday School is busy learning about the CMSI project 'Crossing Bridges'. The topics we will be learning about are God cares for his people and watches over them, God uses his people to help and bless others, God provides for his people's needs and God brings people together and restores relationships. We are learning all this through the story of Joseph and the country of Egypt. The children are collecting 20 pence pieces in Smartie tubes and there are CMSI boxes at the back of the church.

The young people going to Summer Madness are in the midst of their fundraising. Thank you to everyone who bought a fireside quiz. If you have not already got one they are still available.

Soup Lunch



A Massive thank you to all those who helped at the Soup Lunch, to the young people and their parents - a great team effort. Thanks to Andrea for making all the amazing soup and everyone for all the delicious deserts and tray bakes. It was great to see everyone working together as a church family and supporting our young people. We were delighted with the support of the parish with over 60 in attendance. We raised an amazing £500 and thank everyone so much for their generous support. This was fantastic - well done to everyone and thank you from Team Ballymena.



Engage - Big Connor Contest

11 of our young people took part in the big Connor contest at St Michael's in Belfast along with other parishes in Connor Diocese. We had two great teams from our parish who worked well together as they supported and encouraged each other in the sports activities. We were well fed and exercised and had a great time.



The youth are hoping to hold a raffle at their coffee morning on Saturday 28th April. If anyone can donate a raffle prize or know someone else that can please speak to Lucy.

**FREE
Family
Friendly
Event**



The poster features a central illustration of St. Patrick in a green and gold mitre, holding a book and a crozier. He is surrounded by a large yellow circular frame containing a world map with dashed lines. To the left, a pirate ship is on the sea with a pirate character. To the right, a church is on a hill with a green snake. The title 'Patrick's Mysterious Adventure' is written in large, bold letters across the center.

Patrick's Mysterious Adventure

Exhibition and Interactive Story Trail

**St. Patrick's Church of Ireland, Broughshane
14th -17th March 2018**

**Discover the adventurous life story of St. Patrick
from his kidnap by Irish pirates to his return to
serve the people of Ireland that he loved so well.**

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIMES	AVAILABLE TO
14-16th March 2018	Patrick's Mysterious Schools Adventure	10am - 2pm	Invited schools' groups
17th March 2018	Patrick's Mysterious Adventure	11am - 4pm	All Welcome Family Friendly

**If you would like any more information about this event please contact:
Connor Diocese's Children's, Development Officer,
Jill Hamilton | E: jillhamilton@connordiocese.org**

A view from the pew



Back row l-r John Lindsay, Philip Talbot, Don McLean, Roger Lindsay, Sam Letters, Jimmy O'Hara, Trevor Bailey (Bell hanger) and Andrew Hudson. Front row - Claire Hudson, Giles Hudson, Carole Watt and Maud Lindsay.

December 1987 saw the new set of bells installed, though the Belfry and Ringing Room were still not finished. The ringers and members of the Vestry were all called to a practice in early December to test out the bells. The above photograph is of the ringers who rang the first test on the new Twelve. It would be another three months before the dedication of the Restored Church Tower and the Recasting of the Twelve Bells and the refurbishment of the Church Halls.

‘God’s Mission and the Church today’

is the theme of the Bishop’s Lent talks 2018



The Bishop of Connor, the Rt Rev Alan Abernethy, has announced the dates and venues of his 2018 Lent Course.

The theme of this year’s course is ‘God’s Mission and the Church today’. Sessions, which begin each evening at 7.30 pm, are as follows:

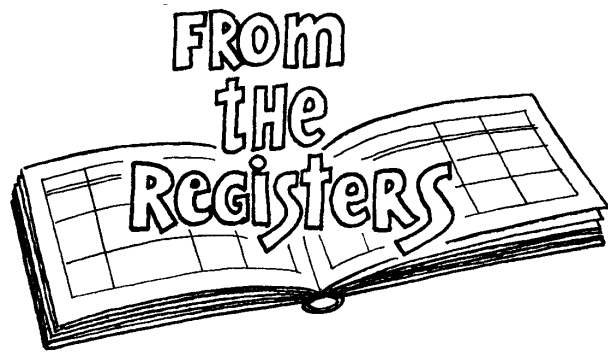
- † Monday 5th March - Bushmills Parish Centre
- † Thursday 15th March - Jordanstown Parish Centre
- † Tuesday 20th March - Lisburn Cathedral

For further information and booking details, please contact:

Rosemary Patterson (Bishop’s P A)

Tel: 028 9082 8870

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CHRISTIAN BURIAL



6th February	Iris Kathleen Mallon	Slemish Nursing Home, Ballymena
13th February	Robert Moore	41 Fenaghy Road, Ballymena
15th February	Molly Hayes	6 Brooke Park, Ballymena
23rd February	Kathleen Greer	Braefield Nursing Home, Connor

Iris Kathleen Mallon

Iris was born and brought up in Omagh and after leaving school she worked in a bakery. It was here that Iris met her future husband and they were married after a short time. They set up home in Antrim where Colin was born but they later moved to Ballymena. Iris took up a post as a bookbinder in the Tyrone Constitution and also worked as an usherette in the State Cinema. Iris loved her family and was most upset when her husband Jerry passed away. Her son Colin, daughter-in-law Lorraine and her grandsons Richard and Ryan were the most important part of her life and it is to them and Iris' sister that we convey our sincere sympathy at this time.

Robert (Bobby) Moore

Robert (Bobby) Moore was born in June 1934, the youngest of 10 children to Samuel and Elizabeth Moore, in Carndonaghy. Bobby was married to

Helen for over 40 years. Bobby was a quiet man who cared deeply for his family. He loved nothing better than the peace and quiet of fishing on the river. We pass on our prayers and sympathies to Helen and to all the close family circle and friends.

Molly Hayes

Molly was born on 20th November 1941. She was one of six children who lived at 71 Larne Street in Harryville. After primary and secondary school, Molly worked in Gallahers. One of her great loves in life was dancing and it was at one of these dances that she met Joey her future husband. They married and lived together for over 50 years and most of their married life was spent in Chichester Park. Molly's home was always an open house for her family, friends and neighbours and the wider community. She loved being at the centre of all activities. Molly and Joey had six children, eight grandchildren and two great granddaughters. Molly loved being busy and helping other people. In her later life she was supported by her family and we extend to them our sincere sympathy at this sad time.

Kathleen Greer

Kathleen Greer was born in May 1944, the youngest of 5 children to Robert and Madge Montgomery, in Ahoghill. Kathleen was married to Lyle for over 45 years before he passed away in 2008. They were blessed with 11 children, many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Kathleen is remembered as a loving family woman by her close family and our prayers and sympathies are passed on to all who were close to her.





OUR ACTIVITIES

SAINT PATRICK'S

	Day	Time	Venue
Bellringers	Friday	7.30 pm	Tower
Bible Fellowship	Tuesday	8.00 pm	Choir Vestry
Church Choir	Thursday	8.00 pm	Choir Vestry
Church Lads' Brigade			
YBC	Friday	7.00 pm	Parochial Hall
JTC	Friday	8.00 pm	Parochial Hall
CLB	Friday	8.00 pm	Parochial Hall
Girls' Friendly Society	Tuesday	7.15 pm	Minor Hall
Healer Prayer Group	Tuesday	7.15 pm	Church Vestry
Indoor Bowling Club	Monday	7.30 pm	Parochial Hall
	Thursday	7.30 pm	Parochial Hall
Mothers and Toddlers	Tuesday	10.00 am	Parochial Hall
Mothers' Union	2nd Wed.	8.00 pm	Minor Hall
Still Active Club	3rd Wed.	2.00 pm	Minor Hall
Men's Fellowship	1st Thursday	7.30 pm	Minor Hall
Junior Youth Club	Saturday	7.00 pm	Parochial Hall
Senior Youth Club	Saturday	8.00 pm	Parochial Hall
Badminton	Wednesday	7.30 pm	Parochial Hall
Sewing Group	Thursday	10.00 am	Parochial Hall

SAINT COLUMBA'S

	Day	Time	Contact
Beavers	Monday	6.30 pm	Mrs L McCullagh
Cubs	Monday	7.00 pm	Mrs H Clarke
Ladies' Circle	4th Monday	8.00 pm	Mrs L Hughes
Brownies	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Vacant
Guides	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Mrs K Black
Squirrels	Wednesday	6.30 pm	Mr P Houston
Senior Guides	Thursday	8.00 pm	Mrs K Black
Rainbows	Friday	6.30 pm	Mrs H Strain
Scouts	Friday	7.45 pm	Mr K Hughes



OUR WORSHIP

ST PATRICK'S PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICES

8.15 am

10.00 am

11.30 am

1st Sunday in the month

6.30 pm

3rd Sunday in the month

4th Sunday in the month

Holy Communion

New Life Service

Morning Prayer

Parish Communion

Evening Prayer

Holy Communion

Living Faith Service

EVERY WEDNESDAY

10.30 am

Holy Communion

ST PATRICK'S, BALLYCLUG

SUNDAY SERVICES

10.00 am

4th Sunday in the month

Morning Prayer

Holy Communion

ST COLUMBA'S, DUNCLUG

SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 am

1st Sunday in the month

11.30 am

2nd Sunday in the month

3rd Sunday in the month

Holy Communion

Morning Prayer

Family Service

Family Communion

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

ST PATRICK'S

10.00 am

Church

Leaders - Mrs L McLaughlin and Mr A Ross

ST COLUMBA'S

11.30 am

Church

Superintendent - Mrs S Foster

HOLY BAPTISM

At Sunday services by arrangement