

18th OCTOBER 2015

TRINITY 20



WELCOME

Good to see any newcomers, visitors or those 'tasting' our worship.

WORSHIP

There is the awe or wow factor as we mere creatures seek to take in our Creator.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Father God, as we gather before you the exalted One, help us to take our place not with self-satisfaction or importance of spirit. Rather may we come in weakness, ready to worship in humility and to serve in gratitude. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

HEALER PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 7.15 pm in Clergy Vestry.

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday at 8 pm in the Choir Vestry.

MID WEEK

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

PRAYER SUPPORT

Team Leader - Eleanor Burnett,
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MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Takes place after the 11.30 am service and the 6.30 pm service in St Patrick's.

NEXT SUNDAY

11.30 am Service in St Patrick's will be Holy Communion Form 1.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Services - 1st November
8.15 am Holy Communion Form 2 - St Patrick's
11.00 am Joint Service in St Patrick's
6.30 pm Evening Prayer Form 1 St Patrick's

STAINED GLASS There is now available a booklet which assists in making a pilgrimage around our stained glass windows.

WITH EACH OTHER

FINANCE COMMITTEE Monday 7.30 pm in Church Office.

STILL ACTIVE Meet on Wednesday in St Patrick's - Armchair aerobics - Linda Quail.

MEETING With Methodist Representatives on Thursday at 7.30 pm.

HARVEST SUPPER St Patrick's Church Hall on 28th October at 7.30 pm. Tickets can be obtained from: J. Greer, J. McMaster and L. Bell. Please note that tickets will also be available at the back of St Patrick's at the end of the service.

NOVEMBER MAGAZINE Material please by Wednesday.

WITH THE WORLD

SHOE BOXES Now available to be filled and passed to children in need via Samaritans' Purse for Christmas.

FOOD BANK Folk from St Columba's have helped to facilitate the opening of a food bank based in Ballyloughan Church. Items donated at St Columba's will go to this foodbank.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Dear God, help us not to want to be above others but rather to help and serve them. **Amen.**



READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM

Job 38:1-7 : page 494

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St Mark 10:35-45 : page 45

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A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah chapter 53 beginning at verse 4

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upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

This is the word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from the book of Job chapter 38 beginning at verse 1

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The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

‘Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

‘Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements - surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

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Hear the gospel of our Saviour Christ according to St Mark chapter 10 beginning at verse 35

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

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