

4th OCTOBER 2015

TRINITY 18



WELCOME

To former Archdeacon Barry Dodds in Ballyclug and St Columba's and to visitors and newcomers in all three churches.

WORSHIP

We come together to acknowledge the creator of all.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God as we gather, all equal before you, help us to appreciate our oneness in Christ. And as we acknowledge our faults help us to know our need of what you long to give - acceptance, healing and love. We ask it through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

HARVEST

In St Patrick's next Sunday. Preacher at 11.30 am the Revd Roger Thompson. Gifts - for the Church and then to be distributed to the housebound. Please bring them to Church on Friday from 10.00 am onwards. Sunday School children also to bring gifts next Sunday for distribution.

JUBILEE HOUSE GROUP

Monday night at 7.30 pm.

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 - Alex McKay,
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MINISTRY OF PRAYER

WITH EACH OTHER

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

ST COLUMBA'S CTE. Monday at 7.45 pm.

LEADERS' MEETING With Parish Panel on Tuesday at 8.00 pm - Minor Hall.

ADVANCE NOTICE The Harvest Supper will be held in St Patrick's Church Hall on 28th October at 7.30 pm. Tickets are available from: J. Greer, J. McMaster and L. Bell.

WITH THE WORLD

HARVEST ENVELOPE

Your contribution will go towards missions. While we have had to spend much money within the parish recently and will soon have to renovate the Rectory, we must also look out to others in need. We want to keep up our Mission and Charity giving - your envelope will help.

SYRIA APPEAL Final sum given - £751.60.

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

FIRE SAFETY WEEK Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service annual Fire Safety Open Evening tomorrow from 5.30 pm at Ballymena Fire Station, 22/26 Waveney Road.

HOPE CENTRE BALLYMENA Volunteer Open Day: 6th October: 11.00 am-1.00 pm 7-11 Broughshane Street, Ballymena.

FOOD BANK During August we contributed 130.9 kg. Our total so far 3575.5 kg.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Thank you God that you are a faithful friend. Help us to be faithful and true to you. **Amen.**



READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM

Hebrews 1:1-4 : & 2:5-12 page 215

Christ is praised as supreme in all creation, the one who glorified through suffering has opened to us the way to God and glory.

Mark 10:2-16 page 44

Jesus affirms that marriage is intended by God to be lifelong and that children and all who are childlike are welcome in his kingdom.

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04th October 2015

A reading from the Book of Exodus chapter 15 beginning at verse 22

The Israelites grumble, the Lord answers their complaint and calls for obedience.

Then Moses ordered Israel to set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur. They went for three days in the wilderness and found no water. When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter. That is why it was called Marah. And the people complained against Moses, saying, 'What shall we drink?' He cried out to the LORD; and the LORD showed him a piece of wood; he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet. There the LORD made for them a statute and an ordinance and there he put them to the test. He said, 'If you will listen carefully to the voice of the LORD your God, and do what is right in his sight, and give heed to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will not bring upon you any of the diseases that I brought upon the Egyptians; for I am the LORD who heals you.' Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees; and they camped there by the water.

This is the word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians chapter 10 beginning at verse 1

In Israel's past history God punished the bad behaviour of many of his people. This should be seen as a warning for today.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

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