

# 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2016

## Lent 5



### WELCOME

To those who are newcomers or visitors.

### WORSHIP

We gather together as a family to respond to God's love in our worship.

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear God, as we meet in church today help us to remember all that you have done for us. May we engage with you in our worship and offer to you our service in the coming week. Amen.

### *MAKING FRIENDSHIPS*

#### WITH GOD

#### HEALER PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 7.15 pm in Clergy Vestry.

#### BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Meet on Tuesday at 8.00 pm. All very welcome.

#### MID WEEK

Holy Communion on Thursday (St Patrick's Day) 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.

#### VIGIL

This Friday in St Patrick's 7.00 pm - 11.00 pm. Time apart for reflection. Come for as long as you wish. The theme will be: St Patrick - A Life of Prayer. Everyone will be most welcome.

#### WITH EACH OTHER

#### MAGAZINE

Material for the April issue will need to be in the Church Office by tomorrow. Thank you.

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**GFS DISPLAY** Tuesday night at 7.30 pm in St Patrick's Church Hall. Your support will be most appreciated and everyone will be very welcome.

**STILL ACTIVE** Visit to Lack on Wednesday. Bus leaving St Patrick's at 9.30 am sharp.

**FAMILY SERVICE** There will be no Family service next Sunday but there will be a Family Communion service on Easter Sunday at 11.30 am.

### **WITH THE WORLD**

**HOLY WEEK** On Maundy Thursday at 7.30 pm in St Patrick's there will be a service of Holy Communion Form 1, with washing of feet. At this service Deirdre Zimmerman will speak about Nepal. After the service there will be slides and a talk in the Minor Hall followed by refreshments.

**MR & MRS EVENING** 5<sup>th</sup> Ballymena (St Columba's) Scout Group is hosting a "Mr & Mrs Evening" (meal included) at St Columba's on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 7.00 pm. Tickets £12 (under 12's £6). Proceeds will be shared between Scouts and Parish funds. Three couples (including the Revd John & Margo) have kindly agreed to participate, so come along, relax, enjoy the fun and the food. Tickets available from Church Wardens at rear of church or from Scout Leaders or Liz Hughes.

**FOOD BANK** Thank you for all your donations. These are very much appreciated.

**REFRESHMENTS** After morning service today.

#### **CHILDREN'S PRAYER**

Dear God, when we have any problems at school or in our daily lives may we remember that you are there to help us. Amen.



#### **READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM**

**Isaiah 43:16-21 page 682**

**St John 12:1-8 page 102**

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A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah chapter 43 beginning at verse 16

Thus says the LORD,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honour me,  
the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

***This is the word of the Lord***  
**THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **A reading from the gospel according to St John chapter 12 beginning at verse 1**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

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