

# ***Parish of Kilconriola and Ballyclug***

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## WHO'S WHO IN OUR PARISH



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### CHURCH WARDENS

<b>St Patrick's</b>	Rector's	Miss Ruth Dixon
	People's	Mr Richard Cotter
<b>Ballyclug</b>	Rector's	Mr William Burnett
	People's	Mr Jackie Greer
<b>St Columba's</b>	Rector's	Mr Bert Kernohan
	People's	Mr Larry Cunningham
<b>Glebe Wardens</b>	Rector's	Mr Kenneth Hughes
	People's	Mr Peter Chestnutt

### SELECT VESTRY

**Clergy, Church Wardens, Glebe Wardens and:** Mr Alan Adair, Miss Nicola Burnett, Mr Barry Duke, Mr Dessie Dunlop, Mr Ronnie Fleming, Mrs Rosalie Grainger, Mrs Elizabeth Hughes, Mr Alex McKay, Mrs Patricia McWhirter, Mr Alastair Marrs, Mr Oliver Reid and Mr Richard Todd.

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**Organists** St Patrick's Mr Frank Hewitt and Mr Adrian Poston  
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THE RECTOR WRITES



# Rectory Ramblings

At 11 am, on the eleventh day of the eleventh month, the First World War formally ended. Over the years, this has been enshrined in the two minute silence at eleven o'clock on November 11th. At the Cenotaph Remembrance Service, Royalty, Politicians and the Armed Services lay poppy wreaths to remember those who died, fighting for our nation and in many churches on the nearest Sunday to WW1's 11/11/11 congregations will hold their own individual, sombre Acts of Remembrance.

Who can fail to be moved at the sight of poppy petals falling from the ceiling at the British Legion Annual Festival of Remembrance? Even the Tower of London has been immortalized by that art installation of ceramic poppies 'Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red', immortalizing all those who gave their lives in wars. The Last Post is played and the solemn words read.

*'They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
We will remember them'*

The first minute of silence is to remember those who gave their lives and died. The second minute is for us to remember those who came back from war and all the families affected by loss and the impact of fighting. But why is remembering so important?

A former soldier was arrested by detectives investigating the fatal shooting of fourteen people on Bloody Sunday 1972. That was a key trigger in three decades of violence that we remember as 'The Troubles' in Northern Ireland. Even more recently another serving soldier was arrested for illegally obtaining and stashing weapons for 'the other side', in Larne of all places. 'Spotlight' is a film picturing the Boston Globe investigations into child abuse cases in the Roman Catholic Church, which

led to the publication of horrific details of what some priests did in America, Ireland and throughout the world, not to mention the terrible consequences for the innocent victims of awful crimes.

I asked a friend what he was doing one afternoon and he told me that he was visiting his mother in a care home. He then said, “She used to be my mother.” One of the sad effects of early dementia is a loss of memory. Often someone vividly remembers details of their childhood and what they did, but they have no recollection of who you are and what they did ten minutes ago; never mind what happened yesterday. Tony Blair once visited one such care facility and he asked an elderly woman whether she knew who he was, she replied, “I don’t know, but the nurse at the desk will tell you.”

Memory is not just about who we are and what life we lead. It is about what makes us who we are as individuals; it defines us and all that has happened. God told the Israelites to remember that they were once slaves in Egypt and that the Lord God freed them. Nations, like individuals, need to remember the price so many paid for our freedom. We need to remember what we were, to appreciate fully what we are now. Remembering correctly, hopefully, means we will not repeat the sins of our fathers. We should emulate the good lives and examples others have set us. The apostle Paul would express it, “Remember and copy me, as I remember Christ and copy Him.” Remembering changes and affects our today and every day. 1 Cor 11:1.

*R.M.N.C. M*

## **Diocesan Christmas Gathering**



**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
7-10 pm**

**All Saints Parish Hall, Antrim**

**Featuring:**

**Incredible Christmas Snacks,  
Sharing the Message of Christmas  
and Classic Reindeer Games**



# Parish News

## TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

We're nearly running out of chairs! That's now a frequent comment as we gather in the choir vestry for Bible Study at 8 pm. What a wonderful hour to spend with prayerful, inquisitive, eager members of the church. Along with Dennis I have truly enjoyed and been deeply encouraged as I have tried to bring chapters 2 and 3 of the Book of Revelation to life. Not only do I hope we continue to run out of chairs, but run out of space and need to relocate! If you are not yet a regular you now have my personal invitation to come along, everyone is welcome, no prior expertise or multiple exam passes in Biblical theology are required, you, your Bible, a notebook and pencil and an open mind and open ears are what we want and welcome!

Hope to see you on a Tuesday soon.

***Mark the Minister  
(as the kids in the local schools  
have started to call me)***

## LEPROSY MISSION

At the end of November, I close the books and advise the Select Vestry of the amount donated in the little red boxes for the year. This is then passed on to The Leprosy Mission NI (TLM NI) as part of the parish's contribution to missions and charities.

Over the past year, TLM NI sent a total of £296,909 to hospitals and projects in five countries. In Ethiopia, funds were used to provide accommodation for 521 rural patients who otherwise would have had to travel to Addis Ababa. Funds were contributed to Shahdara and Purulia Hospitals in India to treat children and adults with leprosy.

TLM NI continues to support Anandaban Hospital and clinics across Nepal where 25,000 were treated including 5,000 affected by the earthquake.

Hospitals in Nigeria have been supported through feeding programmes and medical supplies. In

Tanzania, 26 houses have been completed in the village of Samaria and a water pump has also been installed.

Your support and help is always appreciated by TLM NI as it has made a difference to thousands of different individuals across the world.

*Christie Colhoun*

## PARISH AUCTION

The doors opened for viewing at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning, 24 September and, by 9.15 am, the hall was absolutely buzzing! Parishioners, dealers and other potential bidders mingled as they moved around the hall, examining the 140 lots on display. Many took a break to enjoy the lovely refreshments - served by the ladies from the Mothers' Union - while they studied their catalogues, ticking off items that had caught their eye and deciding how much each might be worth.

The Auction started in earnest at 11.30 am when Robert Stevenson, our auctioneer, took centre stage. Robert did a magnificent job and his enthusiasm and persistence generated some very intense bidding. However, as we all know, even the most talented performers like to surround themselves with glamorous assistants and this was no exception! The rector,

Reverend John and Barry Lorimer displayed strength and finesse in equal measure as they held up for all to see the heaviest items of furniture and the most delicate pieces of bone china and crystal.

It really was a wonderful team effort, with many people contributing to its success. During the 2 week period leading up to the auction, we were totally overwhelmed by the generosity of so many parishioners who donated a vast array of items. Sincere thanks go to John Linton, our caretaker, who painstakingly gathered together all of these donations and ensured that they were safely locked away until required. Thanks also to Helen Weir who took photographs and publicised the auction on the Parish Facebook; also, Peter Chestnutt who helped with the unenviable task of collecting the cash and issuing receipts at the end of the auction. Thanks, as always, are due to the staff of the church office.

Sincere thanks must go to the following businesses for their kindness and generosity in donating goods or vouchers for the auction: Adair Arms Hotel, Robert Adair Jewellers (Mill Street), Robin Adair Jewellers (Church Street), Avery, Boyz2Men Barber Shop, Freshways Fruit and Veg, Galgorm Golf Club, Gal-groom Dog

grooming, Gemini Hair and Beauty, J'adore Nails by Laura at the Sitting Room, Lawnmower Centre (Carniny), James McNeill (Broughshane), Mabel at Claire Fulton Hairdressing, Maine Bakery, Matthews Podiatry at Woodside's Chemist, Moore Electrics, Oasis Beauty Studio at Camerons, James O'Boyle School of Motoring (Ahoghill), George Orr Rugs, Spar at Galgorm, Specsavers (Fairhill Centre), Cameron Steele Physio (Galgorm), Style 'n' Sport, Tran-

quility (Rasharkin), Tullyglass House Hotel, Villa Rose Hotel and Spa (Ballybofey), John Wilson and Wyse Byse.

In particular, thanks to all of you who donated goods or attended the Auction. Thanks also go to those who were unable to attend but gave generous donations. The event was a great success, raising a total of £2,826.60. All of this will be used for Church Funds.

*The Fundraising Committee*

# **LADIES NIGHT**

**Pizza and DVD**



**Tuesday 6th December**

**7.00 - 9.00 pm**

**Minor hall**



**All welcome**





# Action Cancer 'Big Bus'

The Men's Fellowship group have arranged for the Action Cancer 'Big Bus', to be in the grounds of St Patrick's Parish Hall on Friday 25th November 2016, from 9.30 am - 4.30 pm. This will allow for a number of FREE health checks for the men and women of the parish and the wider community. The following appointments can be made:

- Men's **M.O.T. HEALTH CHECK**: Appointments are available for anyone aged 16+. Each appointment will last around 25 minutes and can include blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol, lung function and body composition analysis.
- **BREAST SCREENING**: Appointments available for ladies aged 40 - 49 and 70+. Those aged between 50 - 69 are excluded as this service is currently free on the NHS for that age group. Early detection via breast screening saves lives.

Appointments can be made easily online at [www.actioncancer.org/appointments](http://www.actioncancer.org/appointments), or call the appointment line on 028 9080 3344. Please read and be aware of the instructions and guidelines provided by Action Cancer during your booking.

The Men's Fellowship group would like the church members of all three parish congregations to take advantage of this free service.

3 John 1:2

*Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul.*







# Ballyclug Notes

Ballyclug Harvest Service was held on Sunday 2nd October with the church being beautifully decorated for the occasion. The Rev. Mark McConnell preached his first harvest sermon with us, Barry Duke led the service and Karen Burnett read the lessons. We are very thankful to St Patrick's choir for leading the praise, accompanied by Dr Iris Millar on the organ. Our thanks to Jackie Greer and his team for decorating the church and to everyone who participated in the service not forgetting the congregation and their excellent singing.



*St Patrick's choir attend Ballyclug Harvest*

The following Wednesday night we were delighted to hold the annual Harvest Supper. A good night was had by all, with a high standard of acts. It was great to see the three clergy making their debuts on the stage. Again, we must thank Jackie and Vera Greer so much for all their hard work in arranging everything, it really was greatly appreciated. Our thanks also go to everyone who helped from the car park attendants, sound and lighting personal, sexton, raffle ticket sellers, those who donated prizes, the ladies who prepared and served the supper, those on the door and last but not least Andy Kennedy for comparing the show with his wonderful sense of humour. The final amount of money raised will be announced at a later date, with proceeds being divided between the Salvation Army, Laurel House and St Patrick's Christmas Fair.

***William Burnett***



# Around the Parish

## CHURCH LADS' AND GIRLS' BRIGADE

A very warm CLB welcome to all our new recruits. We hope you are enjoying Friday nights and we encourage you to keep up regular attendance at the brigade and church. All Sections are busy with badge work and scripture courses along with the usual fun and games.



The CLB will parade at this years special Centenary Remembrance Day Parade on **13th November** in Ballymena and lay a wreath at the Cenotaph. Boys should meet at the Services Club at 10.15 am.

*Alan Ross*



## MOTHERS' UNION

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 9th November at 8.00 pm** when the speaker will be the High Sheriff of County Antrim, Jim Perry. We will also be having a 'Bring and Buy Sale' so members are reminded to bring a few items.

*Jean Kennedy, Secretary*

## GIFTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Anonymous donation to church - £500  
Donation to St Columba's for heat and light  
from the Ladies' Circle - £50  
Donation towards CD recordings of services - £50



Young people the from Youth Club have been busy putting shoe boxes together ready to send off to children who are less fortunate than ourselves.



In Youth Club and Sunday School we were looking at 'Jesus the light of the world' and how at Halloween it is important to remember light and how God shows love to those who live in darkness and wants us to shine like lights for him.





On Saturday 8th October, 14 young people went to the 'Kids Big Adventure' in Ballymoney - a great time was had by all through singing, drama, puppets, arts and crafts and a drumming workshop. Thanks to Andrea and Helen who came along with us.



On Sunday 15th October 'Energise' met at St Colmanell's, Ahoghill for a gaming night with 'For the Win' - we had a great night gaming. Congratulations to Sam McDowell who came first and Euan Hamill who was second. Our next evening together will be at 'Engage' in December.



The Parentalk course has ended. This course proved to be very informal and easy to follow through DVD and discussion. We covered 'It's not just me'; 'Love them and let them know'; 'It's good to talk'; 'Boundaries and battles' and 'Parenting with elastic'. The last session was 'Creating a sense of belonging' and we finished with a meal together. Thanks to those who came and joined in with discussions and for the fellowship we had together.

*Lucy*





Ballymena  
House of  
Prayer



24-7 PRAYER IRELAND  
PRAYER, MISSION & JUSTICE

# Spark 24-7

## SPARK<sup>24-7</sup>

*Ballymena Prayer relay for young people*

**DATE:** Friday 4th November 7.30 pm through to 7.30 pm,  
Saturday 5th  
**VENUE:** First Ballymena Presbyterian Church Meeting Room  
**TIME:** LAUNCH SERVICE at 7.30 pm Friday 4th November  
The Prayer relay: starts at 9 pm and runs until  
7.30 pm on the Saturday night

Spark Ballymena, in conjunction with the Ballymena House of Prayer, Without Walls, and 24-7 Prayer Ireland are organising a 24 hour prayer marathon/relay for young people from across the town and area. The idea is for lots of young people to come together from across the different churches, to pray together in groups for our town and area and for their friends, family, neighbours and schools.

It is open to young people of secondary school age (year 8) and above up to age 18. It doesn't matter if you haven't been involved with Spark before, this is for everyone in that age group who wants to come and join in.

The SPARK<sup>24-7</sup> Ballymena Prayer relay is about young people coming together in small groups in a dedicated and specially decorated space in groups to pray in one or two hour shifts through a 24 hour period. The event will run from Friday 4th November at





7.30 pm through until 8 pm Saturday 5th November. There will be musical worship interludes every two hours.

The event will be launched with a praise gathering for all involved from 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm on the Friday night. This will be a service of acoustic worship, a short talk and a commissioning of the prayer relay.

Further information and parental permission slips are available either from your church youth leader, or via email from [spark247@withoutwalls.org.uk](mailto:spark247@withoutwalls.org.uk). There will be supervision from team leaders at all times.



## Remembrance Sunday



**13th November**  
**Act of Remembrance at morning services**  
**in all three churches**

# Christmas Fair



*St Patrick's Church Hall*  
*Castle Street, Ballymena*



*Saturday, 26 November 2016*  
*10 am - 1 pm*

## Variety of Stalls

*Including Cakes, Bric-a-brac, Craft*  
*Christmas produce, White Elephant, Books*  
*Jams and chutney, Costume Jewellery*  
*Prize Draw*



*Refreshments will be served throughout*

*Admission:*  
*Adults £1*  
*Children FREE*



*All proceeds in*  
*aid of Church*  
*Funds*



# The Curate's Letter

Remembrance Sunday service for me is a very special time when we come to remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away in the cause of justice and freedom. I deeply respect these brave men and women and believe that it is not only today that we should be remembering them but every day.

I was reading an article referring to the history of the Poppy Appeal. The red petals of the poppy have become a familiar sight each November but do you know why we wear poppies to mark Remembrance Day?

Poppies were first suggested as a symbol of remembrance in the U.S.A. by Miss Moina Michael in November 1918 and it was adopted by the American Legion in 1920. In August 1921 Madame Guerin introduced her poppies which were made by French-American charity widows for the British Legion. The next suitable occasion for a poppy-united appeal was Armistice Day and so the first poppy appeal was born. They didn't know if it would work, but ordered nine million poppies just in case.

On the day itself, the first poppy was bought in London a few seconds after midnight. From that moment it was a seller's market: the poppies were on sale at an official price of three pence but before breakfast single petals were selling in the Smithfield Market for £5. All day long motor cars fetched poppies and crate after crate was emptied until supplies ran out. A message from Queen Mary brought sellers to Buckingham Palace, but hearing that poppies were in short supply she bought only two. A basket of poppies auctioned at Christie's raised nearly £500.

The first appeal raised £106,000 - nearly £30 million in today's terms - and all the poppies were supplied from France. In 1922 the 'Poppy Factory' was established in the United Kingdom to keep costs down, and employed just five disabled ex-Servicemen to make the poppies. Three

times as many poppies were ordered for the next appeal and it made £204,000 with lower overheads.

Please note that poppies were 'sold' when the appeal started, but charity legislation now requires them to be distributed in return for donations. Ninety years later the Royal British Legion is still making poppies and what a wonderful work they do. The poppy appeal is more important than ever. It helps us remember not just World Wars 1 and 2 but all the wars that have happened - and are still happening - since those two wars. It reminds us to think of all the people whose lives have been affected even if we don't know them. It also reminds us of how we can help by buying a poppy and wearing it with pride.

*John MacLure*

**Why are they selling poppies, Mummy,  
selling poppies in town today?**

**The poppies, child, are flowers of love,  
for the men who marched away.**

**But why have they chosen a poppy, Mummy,  
why not a beautiful rose?**

**Because, my child, men fought and died  
in fields where the poppies grow.**

**But why are the poppies so red, Mummy,  
why are the poppies so red?**

**Red is the colour of blood my child.**

**The blood our soldiers shed.**

**The heart of the poppy is black, Mummy,  
why does it have to be black?**

**Black, my child, is the symbol of grief;  
for the men who never came back.**

**But why are you crying so, Mummy,  
are your tears giving you pain?**

**My tears are my fears for you, my child,  
for the world is forgetting again.**

**Anon**





# Missions



## KOSHISH BOTTLE APPEAL

I am astonished and humbled by the amount of £1,528 which the people of the parish have contributed in the latest fundraiser for the Koshish homes in Nepal. Ian's Fireside Quiz brought in £130 profit and the bottles filled brought in £1,398. The parish made a further contribution of £1,000 to the appeal through Mis-

sions and Charities making the final total £2,528 less £25 bank fee. The money will be in Nepal early in November.

Each penny, each coin, and each note, was a blessing and in the act of giving we show our love to others less fortunate than ourselves. God gives us all every penny we have and its only with giving it to others we are blessed ourselves.

Stuart and Jane are just back from Nepal and spent some time in the male and female Koshish homes and assure me that the money will pay for solar panels to provide hot water, together with warm clothes and blankets.

The fund is now closed but please keep the Koshish family in your prayers. We hope as a parish to follow their progress in the years to come and remember we have still the Leprosy boxes and St Columba's Mission Hospital Boxes for giving.

***St Clair Beatty***



# What is a META?

A CMS Ireland META is a *Mission Experience Team Abroad*. METAs provide opportunities for individuals in Ireland to visit one of our partners in another part of the world, to experience life and work there and to sample something of a different culture. METAs can be a great encouragement to our partners and our hope is that they will inspire, challenge and enthuse participants to engage more deeply in global mission. METAs involve training prior to the visit, the visit itself and some follow-up in Ireland after the visit has taken place.

**Where:** Madi West Nile Diocese, Uganda  
**When:** Saturday 12th - 26th August 2017 (14 days)  
**Team Size:** Up to 10 people

**Cost:** £2,000 per person, this includes training, flights, visas, accommodation and food. It will not include the cost of your vaccinations.

**What will the team be doing?** The team will focus on:

1. Children's Centre Refurbishment - helping with painting and finishing touches
2. Children's Ministry - working alongside local leaders to run a one week kids club
3. There will be opportunities to help with youth and women's ministry, and wider church activities

**How will the team prepare?**

Expect at least 3 training sessions prior to departure, which team members are required to attend. One of these is an overnight residential for all 2017 METAs on Friday 3rd February 2017 in Kilcronaghan Activity Centre, Drapers-town.

**How to apply?**

**Application:** Fill in an application form and return it to CMS Ireland by **Monday 14th November**.

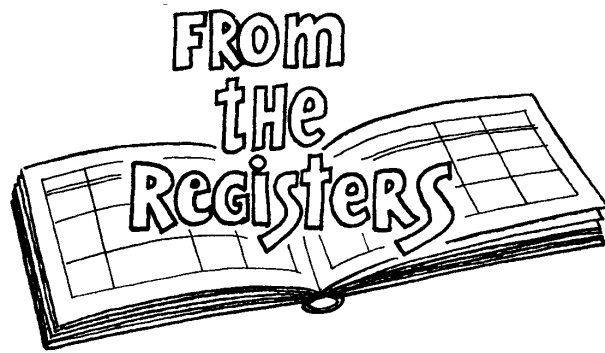
**Interview:** We'll then contact you with a date for an informal interview, likely to be the week beginning 21st November.

**Secure your place:** On accepting a place on the team a £50 non-refundable deposit will be requested.

**Note that applicants should be aged 18+, or travelling with a designated guardian, or family member.**

If you have any queries, please contact our Mission Personnel Manager, Gillian Maganda, [personnel@cmsireland.org](mailto:personnel@cmsireland.org) +44(0)28 9077 5020 [www.cmsireland.org](http://www.cmsireland.org).





## CHRISTIAN BURIAL



25 <sup>th</sup> September	Robert Henry	77 Railway Terrace
29 <sup>th</sup> September	Annabell Crawford	56 Orkney Drive
7 <sup>th</sup> October	Richard Wilkinson	20 Old Antrim Road
13 <sup>th</sup> October	George Burton	Massereene Nursing Home

### Robert Charles Henry

Robert was born on 19th November 1929. After leaving school he worked for the Braid Mineral Co and O’Kane’s. He was married to Jane on 1st July 1977 and they had one daughter Winifred and one son Isaac. Robert enjoyed fishing, darts, walking his dog and watching snooker on TV. Last November he became a resident of the Galgorm Care Home where he enjoyed taking part in the arts and crafts activities at the home. He loved his children and grandchildren and our thoughts and prayers are with all his family at this time.

### Annabell Crawford

Annabell (Annie) Crawford was born on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1930. She worked in the Braidwater Spinning Mill for most of her life. Annie had a great love for her children, Samuel, John, David, May and Helen. Sadly Annie’s son

Sammy died when she was 76 years old. Annie stayed strong for her family and she was a great support to them. She liked to watch television and was especially fond of hearing Daniel O'Donnell singing. Annie also kept a little dog. She was a very good natured person who would go out of her way to help others. Annie will be sadly missed by John, David, May and Helen and all of her grandchildren and her family circle.

### **Richard (Ricky) Wilkinson**

St Patrick's Church was full to capacity as we gathered on Friday 7 October to say farewell to Ricky. Several speakers as well as the rector paid tribute as they remembered Ricky's life and character. An old soldier, a bus driver, a jockey, Ricky had many different jobs during his life. Ricky had a magnetic way with him. He made friends easily and kept them firmly. His favourite place to be was Benone (I think many would share that fondness). Ricky showed courage and honesty as he faced his short battle with cancer and our sympathies go to Carol Ann, Kerrie Ann, Robert and the whole family at this difficult time.

### **George Burton**

George was born in Londonderry on 5th September 1923. He was the youngest of twin boys with two older brothers and one sister. After primary school he went to Foyle College and spent a year at Magee before going to Trinity College Dublin to study English and French. After graduating he taught at Dublin High School for one year before accepting a teaching post with Ballymena Academy where he taught English until his early retirement at the age of 62. Throughout his teenage years he enjoyed sport, especially cricket and rugby but another of his keen interests was table tennis and it was through this that he met and married his future wife Sadie. George and Sadie were married in St Patrick's Church in 1949 and they had three children, Heather, Michael and Ruth. Sadly after over 40 years together George was widowed in 1990. He continued to live in the family home until three and a half years ago when due to a serious fall he had to move into nursing care. George was a member of Ballymena Rugby Football Club and the Cricket Club where he mainly displayed his skills in cricket. In his 'spare' time he served on many committees but most notably he was cricket secretary for many years and latterly he was cricket chairman. He maintained a close interest with the club after he retired from playing. We extend our sympathy and prayers to all of the family circle.



# OUR ACTIVITIES

## SAINT PATRICK'S

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

## SAINT COLUMBA'S

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



# OUR WORSHIP

## ST PATRICK'S PARISH CHURCH

### SUNDAY SERVICES

8.15 am		<i>Holy Communion</i>
10.15 am	<i>3rd Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Family Service</i>
11.30 am		<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	<i>1st Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Parish Communion</i>
6.30 pm		<i>Evening Prayer</i>
	<i>3rd Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	<i>4th Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Living Faith Service</i>

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

10.30 am	<i>Holy Communion</i>
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## ST PATRICK'S, BALLYCLUG

### SUNDAY SERVICES

10.00 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	<i>4th Sunday in the month</i>

## ST COLUMBA'S, DUNCLUG

### SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 am	<i>1st Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
11.30 am		<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	<i>2nd Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Family Service</i>
	<i>3rd Sunday in the month</i>	<i>Family Communion</i>

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS

### ST PATRICK'S

11.30 am	<i>Church</i>	<i>Leaders - Mrs L McLaughlin and Mr A Ross</i>
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### ST COLUMBA'S

11.30 am	<i>Church</i>	<i>Superintendent - Mrs S Foster</i>
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## HOLY BAPTISM

*At Sunday services by arrangement*