26th March 2017

Lent 4 - Mothering Sunday



WELCOME To all newcomers and visitors.

WORSHIP Originally on Mothering Sunday servants were given

time off especially to return to their Mother Church

to worship.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear God, on this Mothering Sunday, we thank you for the love of our mothers, for their care and concern for us, for the joys and pains that they have shared with us and for all that they have given to us throughout our lives, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

JUNIOR ALPHA COURSE This evening at 6.30 pm in the Minor Hall. All young people of secondary school age are welcome and anyone hoping to go forward to Confirmation this year is required to attend.

HEALER PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 7.15 pm in Clergy Vestry.

PRAYER SUPPORT

Team Leader - Alex McKay, Tel No. 2564 4698.

MID WEEK

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

ALPHA COURSE

Continues on Tuesday in the Minor Hall with tea at 6.00 pm.

SPECIAL PRAYER

Following the Rector's Sermon in St Patrick's and Ballyclug on Sunday morning 12th March. If you prayed the "Special Prayer" and would like some encouragement, please contact any of the Clergy Team or leave a wee note with the Church Office. We would welcome an opportunity to pray with you and help you in any way we can as you begin your Christian journey.

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MINISTRY OF PRAYER

After morning and evening services in St Patrick's

in the Prayer Space.

WITH EACH OTHER

TEA After 11.30 am service in St Patrick's today.

LADIES' CIRCLE St Columba's tomorrow night at 8.00 pm.

MOTHERS' UNION Festival Service at 3.30 pm in St Ann's Cathedral on

Sunday, 2nd April. Coach will depart at 2.15 pm sharp

from the Church car park.

SUMMER MADNESS Saturday, 29th April, Coffee Morning in St Patrick's

Church Hall from 10.00 -12.00 pm. This is a

fundraiser for Summer Madness.

WITH THE WORLD

LUNCHES

STUDENT Every Thursday in St Patrick's Church Hall - 12.00

- 2.00 pm. Parishioners are also welcome to come for

tea/coffee and a chat.

CMS Boxes are now at the back of Church to support the

CMS project 'Growing in God' Kenya.

LADIES EVENT Tuesday, 18th May. Free to be - Ladies Event

Glenmachan Church of God, Belfast. Inspirational, practical ideas and a renewed vision to step out into

the life God has called you. Tickets £4

More details:

www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/other-

events/free-to-be

Contact Lucy asap if you would like to go.

Tel No: 077 5995 0497.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM Colossians 3:12-17 (Page 199) St John 9:1-7 (Page 99)

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A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians chapter 3 beginning at verse 12

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

A reading from our Saviour Christ according to St John chapter 19 beginning at verse 25b

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

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A reading from the gospel of our Saviour Christ according to St John chapter 3 beginning at verse 16

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'