

19th January 2020

Epiphany 2



WELCOME To everyone.

WORSHIP Our loving God.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, the wise men came to the manger to see Jesus the light of the world. May we by your saving grace be lights for others and may you guide us in all that we do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE Today at 10.00 am in St Patrick's Church Hall.

HEALER PRAYER GROUP Tuesday at 7.15 pm in the Clergy Vestry.

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP St Patrick's, Tuesday at 8.00 pm in the Choir Vestry and St Columba's on Wednesday at 8.00 pm.

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

PRAYER SUPPORT Team Leader: Millicent McClelland -
Tel No. 077 9173 6117.

GOOD BOOK CLUB Friday at 7.00 pm in the Choir Vestry. Everyone welcome.

CMSI IMPACT EVENT Sunday, 26th January, 2020 at 3.00 pm in the Minor Hall. Introduction of this year's project. 2nd Children's Resource '*In the Middle*' which introduces the country of Burundi and focuses on the role of the church at the centre of community life.

YOUTH SERVICE The next Youth Service will be held on 2nd February in the Minor Hall from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER	After morning and evening services in St Patrick's in the Prayer Space.
VISITING THE SICK	If you know of anyone who is sick and requires a visit in hospital or a pastoral visit at their home, please inform the Clergy.
<u>WITH EACH OTHER</u>	
SELECT VESTRY	Tuesday at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall.
MAGAZINE	Material for the February issue to office by Wednesday please.
REGISTRATION OF VESTRY PERSONS	Anyone wishing to become a voting member can do so by completing a short simple form available from Church Wardens.
CONFIRMATION PREPARATION	Meeting on Monday from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm in the Rectory. The Confirmation Service will take place on 24 th May in St Patrick's Church, Broughshane at 6.00 pm.
TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND	In order to ascertain whether we will have sufficient numbers to organise a Trip to the Holy Land or if we will have to join up with another church group, we would appreciate it if those who have expressed an interest in this trip would telephone, email or write to the office to reaffirm their interest. Please let the office know no later than the end of February.
SUMMER MADNESS	Friday, 26 th - Sunday, 28 th June, 2020. Anyone interested in going, please see Lucy as soon as possible to book a place.
<u>WITH THE WORLD</u>	
HEARING LOSS	A free hearing aid support clinic is being held at various venues. The dates and times of these Clinics are available on the poster at the back of church.
STRESS CONTROL COURSE	A free six week self-help stress management programme will be held on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 pm in the Adair Arms Hotel from 8 th January - 12 th February. Please see posters at back of church.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM

Isaiah 49:1-7 (Page 689) and St Matthew 2:1-12 (Page 1)

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A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah chapter 49 beginning at verse 1

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, 'You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'
But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God.'
And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—
he says,
'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'
Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
'Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

This is the word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from the gospel according to St John chapter 1 beginning at verse 29

John saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

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Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to St John, chapter 1 beginning at verse 29

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PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.