

# NOTICES



#### Ladies Zoom: Tuesday 7th July 7:45pm

It was lovely to see so many ladies during our last Zoom call. Please 'come along' and encourage other ladies in the parish to do the same. This is a great opportunity to catch up, encourage one another and have a time of prayer and devotion. It's BYOC - Bring Your Own Cuppa! This will be our last Ladies Zoom before we take a break over the summer months.

If you haven't joined before please contact Rev Emma for the details: revemaycarson@gmail.com

#### Friday Morning Coffee

Come along on Friday 10th July at 11am for Morning Coffee! We want to make the most of the technology available to us. On Friday, via Zoom, we'll meet for coffee and a chat. Open to everyone, this is a chance to catch up and encourage one another. Bring your morning coffee and all your biz! This will be our last Friday Morning Coffee before we take a break over the summer months.

#### Good Book Club

The Good Book Club continues this Friday 10th July at 7:30pm on Zoom. Together we're reading Living Life Backwards by David Gibson. If you're interested in joining in please email Richard Cotter at rjcotter@sky.com for further details. We would love as many as possible to join with us as we journey through Ecclesiastes this summer!

#### Blood Transfusion Service

The NI Blood Transfusion Service will be visiting St Patrick's Church Hall on 9th and 10th July. Sessions are 10:30am-1:30pm and 3pm-6pm each day. You must make an appointment in advance to order to attend. To book an appointment phone: 08085 534 653 (Mon-Fri between 10am and 4:30pm).

#### **Offerings**

**Offerings** can be made directly through **bank transfer or electronic payment** to:

Account Name: Select Vestry of St Patricks

Sort Code: 93-80-17

Account Number: 49968060

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Alternatively, payment by **cheque** made payable to "Select Vestry of St Patricks" can be sent to our Treasurer, Mr Richard Cotter at 6 Markstown Crescent Cullybackey, BT43 5PT

If you are a regular giver please indicate your envelope number.

For any further information please contact Richard by email on ricotter@sky.com or telephone

# Sunday Morning Worship

# 5th July 2020

# Fourth Sunday after Trinity



Please come with us on a journey of prayer, praise and worship this morning. Join in with us at home by using this service sheet.

"Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me...."

Revelation 3:20

## **Opening Prayer**

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

- His love endures forever.
- Tell of all His mighty acts,
- and make His praises heard.

Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting. Let all the people say Amen! **Amen.** 

## Opening Worship – He's mercy is more

#### Confession

Let us confess our sins to God and ask for His forgiveness:

Please join in with the response to 'in Your mercy' – 'forgive us, O God'

For all the wrong things we have done: in Your mercy, forgive us, O God.

For forgetting what we ought to have remembered, for failing to do as we promised, for turning away when we should have listened, for being careless when we should have been diligent: in Your mercy, **forgive us, O God.** 

For doing things we knew would annoy, for acting in ways we knew would hurt, for behaving in ways we knew would disappoint: in Your mercy, **forgive us, O God.** 

O God, when we look back we can see how foolish and wrong we have been. Forgive us, and help us not to do the same things again; in Your mercy, forgive us, O God.

Most merciful God and Father, give us true repentance for our sins. Open our eyes to recognise the truth; so that acknowledging our faults and weaknesses, we may receive Your forgiveness and find in Your love the encouragement to make a new beginning; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Affirmation of Faith

If you are able please stand as we affirm our faith: We join together to say: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

> Bible Readings – Isaiah 55 & Matthew 11:25-30 Sermon

#### Collect of the Day

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Prayers and Intercessions

#### Lord God,

You are Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Lord of Majesty, Holy Trinity of love and power. We pray accept and make holy, all that we are, all that we have and all that we have to offer You. Keep us firm in our faith and strong in Your service; create in us a new heart, that we may respond to Your great mercy: one God, our saviour, now and forever.

If you are able, please join in our intercessions this morning. The response to 'we bring you our worship' is 'and offer you thanksgiving.'

Heavenly Father, we come before You with thanksgiving and praise for all Your mercy and Your grace:

For the beauty of the world around us, we bring You our love and give You thanks and praise.

For our community and church family, for the fellowship we enjoy together, we bring You our love and give You thanks and praise.

For work and play, for food and shelter, for the warmth of home and the blessings of health, we bring You our love and give You thanks and praise.

For the joy of family and friends, for companionship and for the sharing of laughter and love, we bring You our love **and give You thanks and praise.**  Most of all, for Your Son Jesus Christ, for His wonderful birth, for the example of His life, for His death on the cross to save us, for raising Him from the dead to be our living Lord, and for sending us your Holy Spirit, we bring You our love **and give You thanks and praise. Amen.** 

#### The Lord's Prayer

Wherever we are now, we use the words that our Lord and Saviour Himself taught us to pray. Let's say together:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Closing Worship – Christ will hold me fast

## Closing Prayer and Blessing

The Lord God almighty is our Father: he loves us and tenderly cares for us. The Lord Jesus Christ is our Saviour: he has redeemed us and will defend us to the end. The Lord, the Holy Spirit, is among us: he will lead us in God's holy way. To God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be praise and glory today and forever.

## Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

# Challenge for the children (and for all you big kids!)

Look at the four dots at the center of this image for 30 seconds. Then look at a blank wall or close your eyes ... You should see something interesting! Let us know if you see it!



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