



Cross Talk

Dear Friends,

Spring is undoubtedly the best time of the year to think about growth. Our gardens, and indeed the whole countryside, are filled with abundant greenery and flowers blooming all around. It is a good time to start thinking about what we might do as a Parish to start growing in numbers as well as in faith. I shared some thoughts on that subject in my address to Easter Vestry which is included in this edition of Cross Talk.

But before we can really grow we need to make our churches as accessible and as inviting as we can and one way that we can do that is to simplify our Sunday Service Schedule. To that end I have obtained Select Vestry's permission to try, over the summer months, holding one service in each church on each Sunday. So for June, July and August that will mean that at 10:00 am every Sunday there will be a service in St John's and at 11:30 am every Sunday there will be a service in St Patrick's. Towards the end of the summer we will decide whether it has been a successful trial and, if it has, we can continue on with that schedule. It will then be so much simpler, when we send out information from church to the community, to let them know when our services are.

I know that many of you will be heading away on holidays, I wish you safe travelling, plenty of sunshine and time to relax and re-energize. I shall be taking my holidays from 20th July to the 8th August. Rev Wallace Fenton will be covering Sunday services for me and Rev Bill Boyce, Rector of St Brigid's, Mallusk, will provide emergency pastoral cover. Telephone numbers for each of them will be on the Vicarage answer machine (028 9443 2300) at that time. If you are looking for something inspiring to read over the holidays I recommend Rachel Joyce's *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* – I'll not say anything more about it, just that you will be glad you have read it!

Andrew

Can you find the 16 books of the Bible hidden in this passage?

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible (merely by fluke). It kept people looking so hard for the facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalised. But the truth finally struck home to various numbers of readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really difficult ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a Minister to find one of them. There may be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now, for there really are sixteen names of the Bible hidden in this paragraph. One preacher found fifteen books in twenty minutes, but it took three weeks to find the sixteenth one.

Margaret Moore



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Vicar's Annual Report 2014

What follows is billed as the Vicar's Annual Report, which is something of a misnomer as I am neither the Vicar, nor have I anything to report that happened more than 5 months ago! Perhaps Curate's first impressions might be a more accurate title!!

I want to start by reiterating a thank you that I expressed at my first Select Vestry in December and that is to the Parochial Nominators. It is no easy task that they take on, trying to discern whether the candidate before them is the right person to lead the parish for the foreseeable future and trying at the same time to help the candidate to decide whether this is the right parish for them and their family. In Stephen, Margaret, Norman and Chris you have four people who exercised that responsibility faithfully and wisely. Nuala and I really appreciated the time that they took to help our whole family feel that this is the right place for us to be.

I want to add to that my gratitude for all the expressions of welcome and hospitality that we have received over these last few months from the whole parish. You have been kind and generous to us as people and you have been warm and enthusiastic about the different things that I have wanted to do in church and in the parish. I also know that you hold us in your prayers as we settle into the rhythm of ministry in this place.

The top priority in my weekly schedule is Sunday Worship. It is the ultimate expression of church community, as we bring our cares and concerns from the week that is past, to gather together around the word of God and the Lord's Table and to find the strength and inspiration we need for the week that lies ahead. In our singing, our praying and our thinking we, together, deepen our relationship with God and my job is to help that to happen. That job is made so much easier with the people I have to help me.

Firstly I want to record my appreciation to our two organists Pat and Sally, with Mildred deputising, and also to our choir; the work and commitment they all put in is impressive enough but the quality and appropriateness of our music consistently lifts our worship and deepens the sense of holiness of what we do.

Our Church wardens, Des, Bill, Colin and Chris work away tirelessly, and (thankfully) don't need my prompting to ensure that not just our Sunday services but funerals and other irregular services (such as the Rural Deanery Lenten Service, and the Interdenominational Service) all ran smoothly. I appreciate their good humour and willingness to support everything that we have done over the past few months – and I also want to thank those who have covered for their holidays and other commitments.

Then there are our two Sacristans, Brian and Wilma. The work that they put in goes far beyond setting up and cleaning up for Holy Communion and they add a really special sense of place and significance to our worship. I also want to thank those who read lessons and who lead the intercessions – your contribution to our services gives our worship that proper sense of 'participation'. The congregation are not spectators, you are participants – and I would like to encourage more of you to join in that ministry of reading and praying. I will be organising an evening sometime before the end of June for anyone interested in finding out more. Another expression of that participation is the Flower Rota, I am well aware that

that rota expresses so much more than people simply taking it in turns to make the church look pretty – many of you use it to mark anniversaries in such a special and significant way.

One of the first things to strike me when I came here was the keenness and concentration of the children. There are many talents and much enthusiasm in our young people. I want to say thank you to Gail and Claire for their work in Sunday School and to Anne and all the helpers at Teenblast for all that they do, and to Catherine and the leaders in the Scouts and Guides. And also to Pat for the music teaching and directing that she does with the children. There is a great deal of work done behind the scenes in preparing and organising activities for our youngsters. For Teenblast we have been very fortunate in getting funding from the likes of Antrim Borough Council for some of the activities – and part of securing that funding going forward will require the development of a youth work strategy – a plan outlining what we are actually looking to achieve with our youth work. That is something that will get attention over the next few months, but I hope it will give us the opportunity to put together a consolidated programme for Sunday School, All Age Services, and Teenblast that will give us all a clear view of what we are doing for our young people as a church.

I was very keen, as you know, to start my ministry here on Advent Sunday as it set a context for what we are seeking to do Sunday by Sunday, week by week. Our schedule of readings in Church started a new cycle on that day and for this year our Gospel readings are predominantly from Matthew who leads us to see the life of faith as 'discipleship'. That has allowed us to grow as a worshipping community with some sense of purpose. It is the reason I want to tell the children a bible story every Sunday, it has inspired our Wednesday Evening gathering as we have followed the Scripture Union E100 readings, and it certainly appears to have prompted many of you into a deeper engagement with your faith. We will continue with that theme for the rest of the year, but we will come to see discipleship as not only about personal piety but also about our engagement with the world around us. And on that note, I was delighted that Select Vestry gave their approval to us focusing our charitable giving for this year on Kindfund and their work with children in Northern Kenya, especially as they are planning on bringing a group of kids to Northern Ireland this Autumn.

Another of my first impressions of this Parish was the Wednesday Community Lunch. Sometimes parish initiatives can be very parochial and not engage with anyone outside the parish family but the soup and cheese lunches are genuinely community events. It's lovely to see so many of our own folk there, but also regulars who love telling me that they are Presbyterians, others who are not church folk at all, and our regulars from the Dental Surgery and the Retirement Group. I know that a lot of work goes on to make those lunches happen but it is a really good and important part of the wider ministry of this church, so thank you to Alison and all the members of the Catering Committee, to Anne, Isobel, Margaret and Noreen and all the team members both for their work on Wednesdays and all the other times that someone decides that we should have food together. I want to make a special mention of the Agape meal we had on Maundy Thursday – I'm delighted at how

well received the whole evening was, especially by those who had never shared in an Agape Communion before.

The Ladies Fellowship and the Bowls Club also deserve a mention, they are both very valuable and enjoyable expressions of the community of the church. They provide opportunities for conversation and fellowship and often provide the chance for real compassion and empathy to be expressed - and the importance of that can never be underestimated. I want to thank Anne and Helen and the Ladies Fellowship committee for the work that they do and Isobel and the Bowls Committee for their work in helping those two organisations play such an important part in parish life.

Our challenge will be to expand and develop our community involvement. There are issues about healthcare, personal finance, employability, and family support that government is doing less and less about and looking for community groups and NGOs to fill in. I'm already getting suggestions from parishioners about areas where we could meet public need, fulfil our call to minister to those in need and get funding to do that. It's an exciting and challenging area for us to get involved in. There are many hoops to jump through before we would be in a position to do that work but I believe it's the sort of thing that we should be actively engaging in.

Our Parish magazine is one of those things that we probably don't value as much as we should, but I know from visiting some of the housebound parishioners that it is such an important part of our ministry and I want to thank Alan and Gail for all that they do each Quarter to get it compiled, printed and distributed, As well as to thank everyone who contributes reports, articles or whatever to it. And also to those who maintain the various rotas that keep the wheels turning in the Parish.

This is a special parish, with two very beautiful churches, a parish hall which, with its recent expansion, serves us very well and the vicarage. I want to thank our Glebewardens, Stephen and Michael for all that they do; Isobel for maintaining the Hall bookings and overseeing the church cleaning Rota and everyone who joins in the cleaning and maintenance of our buildings. Thanks also to Mrs Steele who was our Hall cleaner and to Mrs Ferguson who has now taken up that role. Especially I want to record my appreciation for the amount of work and money that has gone into the vicarage in the last 12 months with a new kitchen, bathrooms, carpets and a repaint job, as well as furniture for the office and a new computer and printer. All of these things have made it a pleasant place for me to work and a very comfortable place for our Wednesday Evening Group to meet.

Which leads me on to say thank you to the Fund Raising Committee, who have had to find the money to pay for all of that! We have had three excellent events so far this year, with the Queens Island Victoria Male Choir, the Glarryford Young Farmers play and the Variety Concert - and with the table quiz still to come. I know that there can be a bit of a sense of 'Oh no, not more tickets to sell!' but they have been very effective fundraisers and (certainly in the case of the variety concert) something of an eye-opener to the "talents" of various members of the Parish!!

As I draw this report to a Close I want to say thank you to the outgoing vestry for all the work they have done over the last year, especially to Ann and Norman for their work as Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer; they put in many long hours to ensure that not just Select Vestry meetings, but the whole parish runs smoothly and efficiently - I am indebted to you both. Equally to Isobel as FWO recorder and envelope secretary, Michael as Gift Aid secretary and Trevor as Auditor. There are also a number of people who, in spite of not being on Vestry, work tirelessly for the good of the Parish. Harry for looking after the burial records, Marian for distributing the Gazette, Edward and Molly as our representatives at Synod, Alan for keeping the Website up to date, Leah and the collectors who do Christian Aid Week, and a whole lot more who I probably don't even know are working away faithfully and quietly.

If this has felt too much like a 'thank you very much Mr Eastwood' I apologise, it's only when you start to say thank you to people that you realise just how many contribute to the life of this parish. If I have forgotten anyone, I am doubly apologetic.

Just before I finish, a word of thanks to Archdeacon Stephen for his mentorship and for chairing our Easter Vestry.

Finally, my deepest appreciation to my family, who not only tolerate my transition to fulltime ministry, but actively encourage and support it. Without them I really would be a banging gong and a clanging cymbal!

Andrew



The United Parishes of Templepatrick and Donegore
Diocese of Connor - Church of Ireland

The following were nominated or elected at the Easter Annual General Vestry meeting on Monday 28 April 2014

Vicar's Churchwarden: (St Patrick's) Mr D Smyth
People's Churchwarden: (St Patrick's) Mr W McAvoy
Vicar's Churchwarden: (St John's) Mr C Ovans
People's Churchwarden: (St John's) Dr C Lundy
Vicar's Glebewarden: Mr M Cooke
People's Glebewarden: Mr S McCollam

Select Vestry Members in addition to the above: Mrs H Boyd,
Mr K Egli, Miss A. Kerr, Mrs D Lucas, Mr D Mawhinney,
Mrs I McCollam, Mrs G McCoy, Mr T Michael, Mrs A Millar,
Mr N Shirley, Mrs M Walbridge, Mr R Young

Diocesan Synodsmembers: Mr E Cinnamon, Mrs M Finlay
Supplemental Diocesan Synodsmembers: Mr H Cinnamon, Mr J Sheldon

Parochial Nominators: Mr N Shirley, Mrs M Walbridge
Mr S McCollam, Dr C Lundy

Supplemental Nominators: Mr M Cooke, Mrs A Millar,
Mr J Sheldon, Mrs C Michael

Supplemental Glebewarden: Dr C Lundy
Honorary Auditor: Mr T Michael

**The following were elected by the newly constituted Select Vestry on
Monday 28 April 2014**

Honorary Secretary: Miss A Kerr
Honorary Treasurer: Mr N Shirley

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PARISH FINANCES

No 1 account (day to day income and expenditure)

At time of writing, this account has a surplus £3,500. Expenditure from this account is consistently higher than income, and hence the Select Vestry has to carefully monitor spending, particularly as the surplus in the fabric fund, has recently been significantly reduced.

No 2 Account (Fabric fund) - for upkeep and repair of property and buildings

This account has, at time of writing a surplus of £4,500. In the last year, £19,000 from this account has been used in updating the bathrooms and kitchen in the Vicarage, as well as internal painting, new carpets and purchasing a parish computer/printer and software. This account is proving very useful, in meeting costs incurred with the upkeep of the Church estate. The Select Vestry would encourage parishioners to continue to contribute to this account through monthly envelopes, donations and by support for fund raising events.

Financial details of both accounts for year ending 31st December 2013 are included with this copy of the parish magazine.

Norman Shirley
(Hon Treasurer)

Table Quiz

A thoroughly enjoyable night was had by all and
the evening raised:

£927.00 - for parish funds



Christian Aid Week 2014 was held from Sunday 11th May - Saturday 17th May. This year a total of **£1,017.00** was collected, which is an increase on last year!

A big thank you again to my fellow collectors for their help and as always I would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be willing to give a couple of hours of their time during this one week a year to help.

A Supporters Conference was held in Ballyloughan Presbyterian Church, Ballymena on Saturday 22nd February the keynote speaker being Stephen Lynas (Head of Press and Media Presbyterian Church in Ireland). Deborah and Helen from the Belfast office kept us up to date on various projects and relief work being supported by Christian Aid throughout the world.

Leah Lynas

The Evergreen Prayer Humility

Humility is the servant of all, and master of none.
For it was in humility that Christ washed our feet,
died for us and in doing so forgave our sins.
It was in humility that Mother Theresa
ceaselessly served the poor, the sick and the dying.
When we serve others, we serve God.
Pride and boasting flee in fear
when they are touched by the hand of humility.
And yet, there is softness and warmth that is
contained within the heart of humility;
a heart that has strength of its own,
for the gift of humility is owned by few but respected by many.
It has no enemies save in the jealousy of the sad,
for humility always gives and never takes
lest it be condemned by the hand of God.
Humility is reaching out to others
and asking for nothing in return.

DEREK DOBSON



Update on Kindfund Children's Outreach

As you may have read in the last Cross Talk, Kindfund are bringing a group of orphans from Kenya to Northern Ireland for three and a half weeks. The children will be staying in the Templepatrick area for four/five nights in mid October.

Plans are underway and the fundraising is going well. We would like to thank everyone for supporting us at the traybake sales at the soup lunches, which raised £385.

If anyone is interested in hosting some of the children for part of the time please contact Catherine McCutcheon or Daphne Lucas on catherine.mccutcheon21@hotmail.com

Further details in the next Cross Talk or see - www.kindfund.com/outreach

Daphne Lucas & Catherine McCutcheon

Sunday Club - SCLUB4

May we take this opportunity of wishing the children and their families a great Summer! Thanks for your support throughout the year - it is greatly appreciated and we look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Many thanks to Clare for her great ideas and artistic flare - keep them coming!

Some useful dates for your diary:-

Sept	7	AAW
	14	Sunday Club Returns

Gail

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Supplemental Glebewarden: Dr C Lundy, Tel: 9443 3720

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Mr T Michael, Mrs A Millar, Mr W McAvoy, Mr S McCollam, Mrs I McCollam,
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Choir: Practices on Thursday at 8pm.

St Patrick's, Templepatrick Organist and Choirmistress: Mrs Pat Maxwell,
Tel: 9443 9398

St John's, Donegore Organist and Choirmistress: Mrs S Cotter

Sunday Club: Co-ordinator: Mrs G McCoy Tel: 9443 2782

Helpers: Mrs C Clarke

Creche: (Sunday)

Youth Organisations

St Patrick's Young Singers/Instrumentalists: Rehearsal before AAW service, in the
Church - see Pat - Tel: 9443 9398

Rainbow Guides (4-7 years): Wednesday 6.00-7.00pm Joan Barkley
Tel: 07962 064734

Brownies (7-10 years): Wednesday 6.30-8.00pm Lauren McFerran
Tel: 07763 411306

Guides (10-14 years): Wednesday 7.30-9.00pm Lesley Anne Wetherspoon
Tel: 07753 445873

Guides Senior Section (14-25 years): Wednesday 7.30-9.00pm
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Beavers (6-8 years): Monday 6.30-7.30pm Catherine Michael Tel:9443 3123

Cub Scouts (8-10years): Tuesday 6.45-8.00pm Mr Jony Laverty Tel: 9446 1619

Adult Organisations

Choir: Practices on Thursday at 8pm. Mrs Pat Maxwell Tel: 9443 9398

Indoor Bowling Club: Friday 7.30pm.

Secretary: Mrs I. McCollam Tel:9443 2734

Ladies Fellowship: 3rd Tuesday in the month 7.30pm.

Secretary: Mrs H Sheldon Tel: 9443 3400

Yoga: Monday 6.30-8.00pm Gail McCoy, Tel: 9443 2782



Rotas



Readers and Intercessors rota for St Patrick's, Templepatrick

<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
01.06.14	All Age Worship	Gospel Prayers	Lucy Reid Sophie Clarke
08.06.14	Morning Prayer One	Old Testament	Mr H Cinnamon
15.06.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mr B McAvoy Choir Member Mrs C Michael
22.06.14	Morning Prayer Two	Old Testament	Mrs A Brobyn
29.06.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mrs J Egli Mrs E Smyth Vicar
06.07.14	All Age Worship	Gospel Prayers	Young Persons
13.07.14	Morning Prayer One	Old Testament	Mrs S Aitcheson
20.07.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mr D Smyth Mr J Sheldon Mrs L Leckey
27.07.14	Morning Prayer Two	Old Testament	Mrs I McCollam
03.08.14	All Age Worship	Gospel Prayers	Young Persons
10.08.14	Morning Prayer One	Old Testament	Mrs K Young
17.08.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mr A Kane Mr A Walbridge Mrs A Millar
24.08.14	Morning Prayer Two	Old Testament	Mr B McCrum
31.08.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mrs K Williamson Miss A Kerr Mrs W Brolly

If you are unable to do either the reading or the prayers on the day you are assigned please swap with someone else on the rota and then change the list at the back of the church and inform the Vicar that a swap has been made. Thank you.



Rotas



Readers and Intercessors rota for St John's, Donegore

<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
08.06.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mrs Margaret Bell Mr Colin Ovans Mrs Anne Cooke
22.06.14	Morning Prayer One	Old Testament	Ms Heather Boyd
13.07.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mr John Bradley Mrs Helen Bradley Mrs Elizabeth Smyth
27.07.14	Morning Prayer One	Old Testament	Mr John Jones
10.08.14	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Mr Michael Cooke Mrs Anne Cooke Ms Heather Boyd
24.08.14	Morning Prayer One	Old Testament	Mrs Molly Finlay

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Father's Day Quote


- 4 years: My Daddy can do anything!
- 7 years: My Dad knows a lot ... a whole lot.
- 8 years: My father does not know quite everything.
- 12 years: Oh well, naturally Father does not know that either.
- 14 years: Oh, Father? He is hopelessly old-fashioned.
- 21 years: Oh, that man - he is out of date!
- 25 years: He knows a little bit about it, but not much.
- 30 years: I must find out what Dad thinks about it.
- 35 years: Before we decide, we will get Dad's idea first.
- 50 years: What would Dad have thought about that?
- 60 years: My Dad knew literally everything!
- 65 years: I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more


Author Unknown

Rotas


St Patrick's

	
<u>Communion Rota</u>	
June	Mr N & Mrs W Brolly
July	Mr J & Mrs G Hamill
August	Mr T & Mrs C Michael

	
<u>Cleaning Rota</u>	
June	S Russell & D Gaffney
July	J Jones, S Aitcheson, H Boyd
August	I McCollam & M McConnell

	
<u>Flower Rota</u>	
June	1 st & 8 th Vacant, 15 th I McCollam, 22 nd D Lucas, 29 th S White
July	6 th Vacant, 13 th E Smyth, 20 th Vacant, 27 th F Blackbourne
August	3 rd Vacant, 10 th B Perris, 17 th L Lynas, 24 th & 31 st Vacant

St John's

	
<u>Communion Rota</u>	
June	Mr Bradley & Dr Lundy
July	Mr E Cinnamon & Mr C Ovans
August	Mrs F McElhinney & Mrs M Moore

01.06.14 The Seventh Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's
11.30 am All Age Worship – St Patrick's

Old Testament	Ezekiel 39: 21-29
Psalm	68: 1-10, 32-35
Epistle	1 Peter 4: 12-14; 5: 6-11
Gospel	John 17: 1-11

04.06.14 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

08.06.14 The Day of Pentecost: WhitSunday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's
11.30 am Morning Prayer One – St Patrick's

Old Testament	Numbers 11: 24-30
Psalm	104: 26-36, 37b
Epistle	Acts 2: 1-21
Gospel	John 20: 19-23

11.06.14 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

15.06.14 Trinity Sunday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St John's
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

Old Testament	Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-31
Psalm	8
Epistle	2 Corinthians 13: 11-13
Gospel	Matthew 28: 16-20

18.06.14 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

22.06.14 The First Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Morning Prayer One – St John's
11.30 am Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick's

Old Testament	Genesis 21: 8-21
Psalm	86: 1-10, 16-17
Epistle	Romans 6: 1b-11
Gospel	Matthew 10: 24-39

25.06.14 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

29.06.14 The Second Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Morning Prayer Two – St John’s

11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 22: 1-14
Psalm	13
Epistle	Romans 6: 12-23
Gospel	Matthew 10: 40-42

06.07.14 The Third Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s

11.30 am All Age Worship – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67
Psalm	45: 10-17
Epistle	Romans 7: 15-25a
Gospel	Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

13.07.14 The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s

11.30 am Morning Prayer One – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 25: 19-34
Psalm	119: 105-112
Epistle	Romans 8: 1-11
Gospel	Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

20.07.14 The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St John’s

11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 28: 10-19a
Psalm	139: 1-11, 23-24
Epistle	Romans 8: 12-25
Gospel	Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

27.07.14 The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Morning Prayer One – St John’s

11.30 am Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 29: 15-28
Psalm	105: 1-11, 45b
Epistle	Romans 8: 26-39
Gospel	Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

03.08.14 The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s

11.30 am All Age Worship – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 32: 22-31
Psalm	17: 1-7, 16
Epistle	Romans 9: 1-5
Gospel	Matthew 14: 13-21

10.08.14 The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s

11.30 am Morning Prayer One – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28
Psalm	105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b
Epistle	Romans 10: 5-15
Gospel	Matthew 14: 22-33

17.08.14 The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St John’s

11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Genesis 45: 1-15
Psalm	133
Epistle	Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32
Gospel	Matthew 15: 21-28

24.08.14 The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Morning Prayer One – St John’s

11.30 am Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament	Exodus 1: 8 – 2:10
Psalm	124
Epistle	Romans 12: 1-8
Gospel	Matthew 16: 13-20

31.08.14 The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Morning Prayer Two – St John's
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

Old Testament	Exodus 3: 1-15
Psalm	115
Epistle	Romans 12: 9-21
Gospel	Matthew 16: 21-28

From the Registers

HOLY BAPTISM

"He took them in his arms and blessed them"

St Patrick's, Templepatrick

23rd March 2014, Pixie-Bea, daughter of Graham McKeever and Katie O'Connor

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord"

St Patrick's, Templepatrick

26th March 2014, William Cecil Keegan

17th April 2014, Peter Graham

29th April 2014, Elizabeth Irwin

Safeguarding Trust

In accordance with the recommendations in 'Safeguarding Trust - The Church of Ireland Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children', a Parish Panel has been appointed (operating since June 1998) to implement some of the responsibilities identified in the Code.

The Panels responsibilities include:

- interviewing persons willing to serve as workers in the parish
- advising workers on their responsibilities in respect of the Code
- advising the Select Vestry in respect of its responsibilities
- being an immediate contact point for workers when a suspicion, complaint or allegation of child abuse is made about a worker or on parish premises in accord with the procedures set out in these guidelines.

The Parish Panel Members are:-

The Rev Andrew Ker, 926 Antrim Road, Templepatrick Tel:028 9443 2300
Mrs A Cinnamon, 27 Templarise, Templepatrick Tel:028 9443 2317
Mr M Cooke, 44 Rathmore Road, Dunadry Tel:028 9443 3183
Mr A Walbridge, 4 Broadacres, Templepatrick Tel:028 9443 2795



Notes for next issue of the Parish Magazine are due on:-

Wednesday 13 August 2014

Contributions from all parish organisations would be very welcome.

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Music in the parish

Musical talent within the parish was evident for all to see on Saturday 8 March, at our Parish Concert. It was a thrilling evening, full of surprises: the 5 little dancers who stole our hearts at the beginning, the parade of happy, confident and talented children who sang and played piano, flutes, clarinets, guitar and recorders, our own parish choir, and, to the delight of everyone, a gang of pirates who brought colour and antics to some sea-songs, as well as an amazingly good sound ! We all hope it will be the first of many such events, and I thank the large number of parents and helpers who supported rehearsals and ensured the smooth organisation of the evening, especially at supper time.

The church children continue to blossom and to enrich our AAW services: in April, Lucy Reid played a beautiful violin accompaniment for 'I'm special' and 'It is a thing most wonderful', while Nik Kane on guitar led 'Lord of the dance' . In May we welcomed Josh Brobyn into the recorder group. In the June AAW, the last until September, we will have violin, guitar, recorders and singers taking part. Thank you to all the children and parents for a great year making music in St Patrick's!

Once again, and on behalf of all parishioners, I express appreciation of the choral music we enjoy each week, and the enthusiasm and commitment of our choir members. There were many wonderful moments in the Lent, Holy Week and Easter Services. During the summer months, although choir practices will finish, the choir will continue to lead the worship each week. We will all enjoy our 'Thursday nights off', and hopefully return refreshed in September! Thank you, choir!

Pat
Tel: 9443 9398



St Patrick's & St John's Bowling Club

The bowling club held their AGM on Friday 2nd May 2014 in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm, with 27 members present, followed by presentation of prizes and supper.

We welcome the new committee elected and look forward to the start of the new season on **Friday 5th September 2014 at 7.30pm**. We had 2 new members this season. Come along, even if you haven't bowled before, and enjoy the fun and friendship.

On Saturday 16th August 2014, travelling by coach, we are having our 'annual' bowling outing to Dunluce outdoor bowling club, Bushmills, which will be followed by tea in Bushfoot Golf club.

Once again we had a great years bowling, thanks to the members who turn up each week.

Isobel McCollam
(Hon Secretary)

The United Parish of Templepatrick and Donegore Community Soup and Cheese Lunch



will resume on **Wednesday 1st October**
from 12 noon – 2pm
at Templepatrick Parish Hall, Old Coach Road

All welcome for food and fellowship

Teen Blast News

Teen blast continues to flourish with many very enthusiastic and energetic young people coming along to the Parish Hall on the third Saturday of each month. Our last get together before the summer break is on Saturday 17 May 2014. On this occasion we are having Cage Football (courtesy of Antrim Borough Council) and Climbing-Wall – provided by “Eye Feel Good” and funded by the Council. We will also have table-tennis, snooker, table games and challenges as well as crafts, food etc. This promises to be a fun evening for all!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers – young and not so young, who give so freely of their time. Also, thanks to the Borough Council, Safety Wardens, Community Police, Arts in the Community and to our guest speakers for their very informative messages.

I would also like to commend the young people who attend, for their co-operation, enthusiasm, fun and excellent behaviour. Well done all !!

Teenblast will recommence in October!

SEE YOU THERE !!

Anne C

Variety Concert

Thanks to everyone who supported the Concert in any way.

It was a very successful evening which raised –

£1,600.00

Ethiopia 2014

On the 25th June 2014 I along with fifteen other Year 13 and 14 pupils, 4 teachers from Ballyclare High School and a Doctor will be travelling to Ethiopia with the charity Stand By Me. This is the 3rd trip to Ethiopia by the school and we will stay at the Bethany School in Bekoji which is a remote village 250km south of the capital Addis. Bekoji is also known as the Town of Runners as it has produced some of the world's best long distance runners. There are about 450 children in the school ranging from 3-18 years old. The team will organise crafts, sporting challenges, drama and music all based around the story of Joseph. The team will also paint and decorate classrooms and other accommodation on the site.

Each pupil going on the trip has been asked to raise a minimum of £500 which will be used to buy arts and crafts materials, tee shirts for each pupil at the school and water filters. We are also allowed to fund raise towards the cost of the trip. So far the group has held bun sales, car washes and a table quiz. Some of us also abseiled down the Europa Hotel and along with another pupil I recently held an open mic night at a local coffee shop.

The Select Vestry are kindly allowing me to use the parish hall on Saturday 7th June to have an “Afternoon Tea” event from 2.00pm, where I will be able to provide more information about the project.

I am really looking forward to the trip and I would be delighted if you would come along and join us on the 7th June.

In the meantime if you would like any more information please do not hesitate to contact me on 07449964329 or mattybrolly@me.com

<http://www.ballyclarehigh.co.uk/cms.php?ref=89&p=82>

Matthew Brolly

Ballyclare High School – Ethiopia Trip

AFTERNOON TEA

in

Templepatrick, Parish Hall

Saturday 7th June 2014

from 2.00pm





SCOUT GROUP NEWS

Once again the Beavers and Cubs have had a successful and enjoyable year. We have taken part in District Events - quizzes, unihoc and indoor and outdoor football. The Cubs as last year's winners of the N. Ireland Football Competition will be competing again on 7th June to defend their title and we wish them "GOOD LUCK".

Our Parades for St George's Day and Remembrance Day were well attended and our Tea/Coffee Afternoon raised £800 which was divided between ourselves and the Guides/Brownies. Our thanks to all who supported the event.

Cubs will be going to camp in Crawfordsbum on the last weekend in May and we hope the weather will be kinder than last year.

I would like to thank all the Leaders, Michelle, Mandy, Judy, Jony, Steve and Keith for all their support and enthusiasm throughout the year and also the Parents.

It is with regret that we have to say farewell to Michelle who has been Beaver Leader for the past six years. I personally will miss her support and we all wish her well for the future and thank her for all her work in the Group.

We are actively looking for new Leaders and are hoping to re-start Scouts in September. At this moment we have a young leader coming to help us but we need two more people to run Scouts. Every year our Cubs are lost to Scouting and we cannot continue to run a successful Group this way. If anyone could spare the time and would be willing to help we would love to hear from you, a Scouting background is not necessary but enthusiasm is!

Catherine Michael
Group Scout Leader



1ST TEMPLEPATRICK SCOUT GROUP NEW LEADERS

Do you want to make a difference to the community by influencing the lives of young people?
Do you crave action and adventure and want to be a kid all over again?

If you have answered YES to any of these questions, then STOP and consider how you can change not only your own life, but also the lives of others. Templepatrick Scout Group is seeking new leaders - both male and female - to work with Beavers, Cub Scouts and Scouts, whose ages range from 6 to 14. We will provide you with all the necessary training, AND equip you with a variety of Life Skills including First Response Training.

So, if you're looking for a new challenge and have a few hours a week to give a little back, get in touch as we'd love to hear from you! Contact Group Scout Leader: Catherine Michael on 02894 433123.

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KATHRYN ♥ EDWARD

18 JULY 2014

Mark 10 : 7 KJV

*For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother,
and cleave to his wife ...*

Will you sink with me if I fall into valleys?

Will you climb with me when I soar over hills?

Will you be prepared for what the future rallies?

Will you take on board the mundane and the thrills?

Will you laugh with me when everything is funny?

Will you cry with me if tears are forming streams?

Will you look beyond horizons that aren't sunny?

Will you dream with me when I am dreaming dreams?

Will you save your smile for when you know I need it?

Will you put your arm around me, if it's bad?

Will you understand at times when I need lifted?

Will you be there if events have made me sad?

Will you feel the sheer excitement of the future?

Will you hold fast if a few things may go wrong?

Will you understand the blessings we must nurture?

Will you know that it's together we are strong?

I know, my love, to each and every question,

That you have answered with your heart a "yes",

And as I slip this ring onto your finger,

I'm sure – in life – our God will do the rest ...

Jeanette Egli

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Our president welcomed over 60 visitors to our open night in February, and that included one gentleman, all keen to hear our guest speaker, Dr. Marion Gibson. Using a vintage wicker basket of assorted items such as a silver teapot which had belonged to her mother and her child's red cross uniform she described her early years as the daughter of a prison chaplain and her desire from that early age to become a nurse. She spoke eloquently of her years as wife and then too soon widow of the rector of an east Belfast parish during the worst years of the troubles, producing a rubber bullet out of the basket as a reminder of their most difficult experiences. She subsequently trained as a social worker and became what she is now most recognised for - a volunteer trauma nurse whose work has taken her to some precarious places. The one she was open about was the Philippines in the aftermath of the tsunami and a tea light holder used in the commemoration service was brought out of the basket. She stressed that the mission of presence was the most important contribution one could make to one's fellow human beings and that what appeared to be coincidences in her life was God's guidance. She was a wonderful speaker. The catering team pulled out all the stops as usual and the success of the evening was evident from the positive feedback we still receive from that evening's audience.

Our March meeting was no less interesting. Now a missionary with OMF in Japan, local lad John Orme introduced himself as an Antrim man whose granny lived on the Old Coach Road. He brought along his Japanese wife Emily and his little daughter Anna who delighted everyone as she seemed perfectly content to spend the evening with us! John gave us a detailed introduction to Japanese geography and culture. Christians account for 0.1% of the population, while some 2/3s consider themselves to have no religion. Emily spoke about her family in Japan and her current study at bible college here before their return to Japan in 2015. It was very good to learn something about a country we know so little about and to establish a local link through such a delightful family.

We had our AGM in April and I have to report that there are no significant changes!

We plan to take the train to L'derry on 28th May for lunch and a tour. Good weather is requested.

Helen Sheldon
(Hon Secretary)
Tel: 94433400

Saints of the Church

Columba of Iona – Colm Cille

9 June -- Lesser Festival -- Missionary -- White

Born in Ireland in about the year 521, Columba was trained as a monk by St Finnian and then founded several monasteries himself, including probably that of Kells, before leaving Ireland to settle on Iona, off the coast of Scotland. He was accompanied by twelve companions and the number grew as the monastic life became more established and well-known. Columba seems to have been an austere and, at times, harsh man who reputedly mellowed with age. He was concerned with building up both the monastery and its life and of enabling them to be instruments of mission in a heathen land. He converted kings and built churches, Iona becoming a starting point for the expansion of Christianity throughout Scotland. In the last four years of his life, when his health had failed, he spent the time transcribing books of the gospels for them to be taken out and used. He died on this day in the year 597.

Barnabas the Apostle

11 June -- Festival -- Apostle -- Red

Though not named among the twelve apostles of the evangelists, Barnabas emerges in the Acts of the Apostles as one of the most significant of their number. He sold his estate and gave the proceeds to the Church, since all things were to be held in common, and clearly became a leader. He is described as a Levite from Cyprus so, like his friend Paul, was from the Greek world rather than that of Palestine, and he introduced Paul to the leaders of the Church in Jerusalem. He was sent to Antioch apparently to guide the Christians there in their relations with non-Jewish converts, promoting the concept of all being one in Christ. He broke with Paul to go to Cyprus and tradition has it that he was martyred there in the year 61.

The Birth of John the Baptist

24 June -- Festival -- White

The biblical story of John, the son of Elizabeth and Zechariah, begins even before his birth. His leaping in his mother's womb is seen as a great alleluia in anticipation of the birth of his Redeemer and the good news of Jesus Christ is related in all four gospels as beginning with John as Christ's forerunner. He seemed to have a predestined rôle akin to that of the Old Testament prophets, particularly in encouraging the people of God to live lives worthy of their calling and in imminent anticipation of the coming of the Anointed One. In the tradition of the early Fathers, John was seen as endowed with grace from before his birth, and consequently the Church has always kept the celebration of this day with greater solemnity than that of his death.

Peter and Paul, Apostles

29 June -- Festival -- Apostles -- Red

Peter has often been called the 'Prince of the Apostles' because of the words of Jesus re-naming him, from Simon to Cephas. This was the Aramaic form of the Greek word Peter, which means 'rock'. Jesus said that on this rock he would build his Church. But both Peter and Paul came to be seen as having different rôles to play within the leadership of the Church: Peter in witnessing to the Lordship of Christ and Paul in developing an understanding of its meaning for Christ's followers. Peter and Paul have been remembered jointly on this day since the very early days of the Church, it being regarded as the anniversary of their martyrdom in Rome in about the year 64.

Thomas the Apostle

3 July -- Festival -- Apostle -- Red

Thomas is mentioned among the number of the Apostles in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke but it is in John's gospel that his significance is revealed. Firstly, he is heard encouraging the other disciples to go to Judæa with Jesus; then, not knowing what Jesus meant when he talked about where he was to go elicited the answer that Jesus was himself the Way. But probably most famously he was the Apostle notably unconvinced by reports of the resurrection of Jesus, causing Jesus to show him the marks in his hands and feet and side. Thomas then proclaims the words that have been described as the great climax to John's gospel by saying to Jesus, "My Lord and my God!"

James the Apostle

25 July -- Festival -- Apostle -- Red

James, often called 'the Great', was a Galilean fisherman who, with his brother John, was one of the first apostles called by Jesus to follow him. The two brothers were with Jesus at his Transfiguration and with him again in the garden of Gethsemane. They annoyed the other followers of Jesus by asking to sit one on his left and the other on his right when he came into his glory and they were present for the appearances of Christ after the resurrection. James was put to death by the sword on the order of Herod Agrippa, who hoped in vain that, by disposing of the Christian leaders, he could stem the flow of those hearing the good news and becoming followers in the Way. James' martyrdom is believed to have taken place in the year 44.

Bartholomew the Apostle

24 August -- Festival -- Apostle -- Red

It has long been assumed that Bartholomew is the same as Nathanael though it is not a certainty. The gospels speak of Philip bringing Nathanael to Jesus and calling him an Israelite worthy of the name. He is also present beside the Sea of Galilee at the resurrection. Although he seems initially a somewhat cynical man, he recognises Jesus for who he is and proclaims him as Son of God and King of Israel.
