The organ in St Patrick's

At the end of November, the director of Wells Kennedy Organ Builders, David McElderry, came in person to tune and assess the organ in St Patrick's. He pronounced it "in remarkably good shape, considering its age".

The organ was built by G M Holdich "who was one of the last to work on the old fashioned English style" (Dr D Drinkell). It is the only known surviving Holdich organ in Ireland, and holds the Historical Organ Certificate from the British Institute of Organ Studies (awarded 1994). The organ was built c1850 as a chamber organ for Castle Upton. In 1889 it was a gift to the parish from Lord Templeton, and the East of the church was extended to accommodate it. It was rebuilt as the original organ, the work being paid for by

a Mrs Gray.

George Maydwell Holdich 1816-1896, began his own organ-building business in London in 1837, after an apprenticeship with JC Bishop. In his lifetime he built over 400 organs, mainly 1 and 2 manual organs for village churches, notably in Norfolk. One large project was the building of the grand organ for Lichfield Cathedral. He also built organs in Jerusalem, Australia and New Zealand.

Our H O Certificate has been duplicated, and now hangs beside the organ. I would encourage you to have a look! "The organ in Templepatrick Parish Church Co Antrim, built

by GM Holdich c 1850, has been listed in the Institute's register of historic pipe organs as being an instrument of importance to the national heritage and one deserving careful preservation for the benefit of future generations".

David McElderry has assured us that no major repair or restoration work is necessary in the near future. This is indeed good news!



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The Parish of Templepatrick & Donegore

"The meaning of Life?
To experience God's love,
to respond to that love
and to share it with others."

Easter Services

09.04.17	The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday) 10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's 11.30 am Morning Prayer One – St Patrick's 7.00 pm Interdenominational Service – St Patrick's
12.04.17	Wednesday in Holy Week 10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's
13.04.17	Maundy Thursday 6.30 pm Agape Meal - Parish Hall
14.04.17	Good Friday 12.00 noon The Three Hours – St Patrick's
16.04.17	Easter Day – The First Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) – St John's

11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

Rural Deanery Lenten Services

Dates and locations as below

All services start at 7:30pm

1 March Ballyclare (TBC)

8 March Connor

15 March Antrim

22 March Templepatrick

29 March Kilbride

5 April Drummaul

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Friends,

It is with a mix of relief and anticipation that I write to you this quarter because I am writing as Rector (and not as Curate) and because I am writing from my new home (the Vicarage). The relief is that after three years of 'interim management' we are now fully committed to each other. The anticipation is because, I believe, we have the potential for a very positive and meaningful future as we journey together in faith.

I do want to reiterate my appreciation to so many of you at this point. It has not always been clear to me that this is the right parish for me (it is now!) and I want to thank everyone who has supported me both by your words and your prayers over the last three years. I especially want to thank the Parish Nominators for all of the hours of work and prayerful consideration that they have put in over the last three and a half years as they also had to discern if I was the person to guide and lead this parish. I also want to thank everybody who made the service of Institution so significant and so joyful, it was a perfect mix of sacred and social.

My excitement, as I look forward to the future, is grounded in the genuine desire that you grow in prayer and in understanding of the bible. Those two will always be the foundation of my ministry and I know that many of you wish to deepen your spirituality in those ways too. Add to that the fact that we have such an appetite for new and fresh engagement with the community and we have the best recipe for 'meaningful church'.

On Sunday 26th February, just before our Lenten Lunch, we will present our Parish Development Plan for consultation within the parish. The Plan is intended to give us a set of shared objectives, which we can set out to achieve over the next few years. There are so many things that we could do, and would like to do, both in church and in the community and this will be successful if we work together and channel our energies into projects that we have the resources to deliver. The consultation period is to allow you to see what we propose as our main areas of attention and also for you to say how you would like to help and share in that work.

One of the best biblical images of 'new beginning' is that of Jesus standing beside the Sea of Galilee, watching four men who are at work in their boats. He is about to begin his ministry and is in the process of selecting twelve men who will be his closest followers. Jesus calls to them "Follow Me". They do not know what that will mean for them, but something about Jesus compels them to trust him and to embark on a journey of discipleship. Spiritually, Jesus calls us as he called them. We may not have the same impact on the world as Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John but we are called to be part of the same work. We are called to step out in faith and in trust to make God's love known to the world. We are called to use our skills and resources to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the community around us. We are called to be his people. The invitation is for you to follow him in fellowship with others who are seeking to do the same.

Andrew

Table Quiz

A table quiz has been arranged for **Thursday 27**th **April 2017** in the **Baker Stadium at 7.30 pm**.

We are once again hoping for good support.

Anyone who has previously attended can vouch for a good evening of fun.

Admission £5.00 per head, including supper.

Isobel McCollam

PARISH FINANCES

No 1 account (day to day income and expenditure)

At the time of writing (31st January), there is a surplus of £7,632 in this account. Generally monthly income to the account just covers expenditure, but the increase in giving, by a substantial number of Parishioners, should help improve this situation. The increase in the number of Parishioners subscribing by bankers order (now 80 families) helps the cash flow in this account. Gift Aid tax refund, later in March, will also be helpful, but the Select Vestry will still have to carefully monitor day to day expenditure.

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

During 2016 a number of very successful fund raising events, organised by the Select Vestry, raised a total of £5,413. Direct giving through monthly envelopes and one off donations raised £3,779. At time of writing there is a surplus of £8,360 in the account. Payments of £12,723 from this account proved very useful to cover costs of upkeep and repair of Church property and buildings during 2016, and to relieve pressure on the No 1 account above.

Norman Shirley

(Hon Treasurer)

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Our programme continued in October when we visited 'Simply Gifted' in Antrim. We managed to spend about 2 hours exploring the premises and getting a start on the Christmas shopping in a very relaxed atmosphere, and all was followed by a supper, also provided by Julieanne. Where else would you get service like that!

During the months of October and November, some of us also accepted invitations to other church organisations. Mothers Union at St Jude's, Muckamore, invited us to a talk about the author, C S Lewis. This was especially interesting as others of us has studied his book, 'Mere Christianity' at the Vicarage on a Wednesday evening. A few of us went to First Donegore to hear a talk given about the Mercy Ships – you may have seen the television programme about them on the BBC a short time later. In November, a large contingent of us went to Templepatrick Presbyterian to hear about Sarah and Neil Kennedy who had developed a clinic in Malawi.

In October, we hosted a MacMillan Coffee morning at Heather Boyd's house and raised the sum of £910!! It was the first time we had done a fundraiser solely for a charity and we were astonished at the money raised. To everyone who was involved, in any way, to all those who supported the event and to Heather for the use of your home, a huge THANK YOU!

In December we went to The Academy Restaurant in Belfast for our Christmas Dinner. This was our second visit there in 2 years. The menu was 'A not so traditional Christmas' and was simply superb - six courses, including venison, a deconstructed trifle and a fabulous mulled wine sorbet. These menus are put together by second year students, who alternate between the cooking and the 'front of house' duties. The Ladies Fellowship can highly recommend this as a good night out.

We will be multi-tasking in February - learning about the 'Girassol' charity, as well as getting make-up advice and then heading to the Pink Barn in March for an Easter themed evening.

As always, you are very welcome to join us at any time.

Luella Lecky

(<u>Hon Secretary</u>) <u>Tel: 9443 3266</u>

MICHELLE SIMON

4 MARCH 2017

ISAIAH 62:5 KJV
... and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride,
so shall thy God rejoice over thee.

My Bride

The church is reverently still and we have just a moment, It's only You and me, Lord, as I come to kneel before You, Here in the silence of Your house I'm nervous, but content, For I know You see my heart and I am sure You love her, too.

Isn't she the one You made, then kept her just for me?
You chose us for each other when You placed us on this earth,
As You called us to horizons both of us could plainly see,
They blossomed into thoughts of marriage, planned before our birth.

I've found the one, the only one, who fills my days and dreams,
A future I'll embrace as she stands closely by my side,
We'll take our vows and ponder what each loving promise means,
Our happiness together and our God as faithful Guide.

This altar filled with perfumed-flowers reminds me You'll look down,
I know the time has come for me to gladly share my life,
The one who walks toward me in the beauty of her gown,
Is the one whose soul has joined with mine as she becomes my wife.

I'll leave now for the chiming bells are soon to fill the air,
Though before I do, I thank You in this prayer that I now pray,
My Lord, I know Your grace, Your faithfulness, Your loving care,
And the wondrous blessing of my bride on this — Our Wedding Day.

<u>Jeanette Eglí</u>

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

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Creche: (Sunday)

Youth Organisations

St Patrick's Young Singers/Instrumentalists: Rehearsal before Service of the Word service,

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Rainbow Guides (4-7 years): Wednesday 6.00-7.00pm Lesleyann Witherspoon

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Adult Organisations

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

<u>Indoor Bowling Club</u>: Friday 7.30pm Secretary: Mrs I McCollam Tel: 9443 2734

Ladies Fellowship: 3rd Tuesday in the month 7.30pm

Secretary: Mrs L Lecky Tel: 9443 3266

Yoga: Monday 6.30-8.00pm Gail McCoy Tel: 07841 382193



Rotas



Readers and Intercessors rota for St Patrick's, Templepatrick

Date	Service	Reading / Intercessions	Reader / Intercessor
05.03.17	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Josh Brobyn Harriet Brobyn
12.03.17	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Christina McCollam
19.03.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Jeanette Egli Noreen Clendinning Ann Kerr
26.03.17	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Ben Collister
02.04.17	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Stephanie Gordon Rory Gordon
09.04.17	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Bill McAvoy
16.04.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Amanda Brobyn Angela Barton Margaret Walbridge
23.04.17	Morning Prayer Two	First Reading	Claire Forth
30.04.17	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Des Smyth Ann Kerr Daphne Lucas
07.05.17	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Ellen Clarke Sophie Clarke
14.05.17	Morning Prayer One	First Reading	Harry Cinnamon
21.05.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Isobel McCollam Alan Walbridge Wendy Brolly
28.05.17	Morning Prayer Two	First Reading	Kathy Gordon

Readers and Intercessors rota for St Patrick's, Templepatrick cont'd

04.06.17	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Rory Gordon Josh Brobyn
11.06.17	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Sandra Aitcheson
18.06.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Catherine Michael Brian McMeekin Alison Millar
25.06.17	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Bill McCrum

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 Rector that a swap has been made. Thank you.

From the Registers

HOLY BAPTISM

"He took them in his arms and blessed them"
4 December 2016, Anna Grace Cullen

HOLY MATRIMONY

"What God has joined together ..." Mark 10:9
18 November 2016, Sebastianne Nugent & Bill Kenny

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord" 17th October 2016, Margaret Houston



Rotas



Readers and Intercessors rota for St John's, Donegore

Date	Service	Reading / Intercessions	Reader / Intercessor
05.03.17	Holy Communion Two		
12.03.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Michael Cooke Anne Cooke Heather Boyd
19.03.17	Holy Communion One		
26.03.17	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Luella Lecky
02.04.17	Holy Communion Two		
09.04.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Des Smyth Elizabeth Smyth Molly Finlay
16.04.17	Holy Communion One		
23.04.17	Morning Prayer One	First Reading	Bob Cotter
30.04.17	Morning Prayer Two		
07.05.17	Holy Communion Two		
14.05.17	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Colin Ovans Heather Boyd Luella Lecky
21.05.17	Holy Communion One		
28.05.17	Morning Prayer One	First Reading	Carole Williamson
04.06.17	Holy Communion Two		
11.06.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Anne Cooke Colin Ovans Elizabeth Smyth
18.06.17	Holy Communion One		
25.06.17	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	John Jones

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Rotas

St Patrick's

	Communion Rota
March	Mr T & Mrs C Michael
April	Mr S McCollam and Mrs I McCollam
May	Mr S & Mrs C Britton-Hall
June	Mr N & Mrs W Brolly

	<u>Cleaning Rota</u>
March	C Michael, T Michael, G McCoy
April	A Millar, H Shirley, N Shirley, A Kinahan
May	M Walbridge, A Walbridge, A Kerr, N Clendinning
June	S Russell, D Gaffney

	Flower Rota
March	5 th , 12 th , 19 th & 26 th Lent
April	2 nd & 9 th Lent, 16 th & 23 rd Easter, 30 th G Hamill
May	7 th O Erskine, 14 th Available 21 st & 28 th H McIntyre
June	4 th V Brady, 11 th I McCollam, 18 th Available, 25 th S White

St John's

	Communion Rota
March	Mrs L Lecky & Mrs C Williamson
April	Mr & Mrs M Cooke
May	Dr & Mrs Lundy
June	Mr & Mrs Mehaffey

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CALENDAR FOR MARCH 2017 – JUNE 2017

01.03.17 Ash Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service – Ballyclare – (TBC)

05.03.17 The First Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's 11.30 am Service of the Word - St Patrick's

Old Testament Genesis 2: 15-17: 3: 1-7

Psalm 32

Epistle Romans 5: 12-19 Gospel Matthew 4: 1-11

8.03.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service – Connor

12.03.17 The Second Sunday in Lent

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

Old Testament Genesis 12: 1-4a

Psalm 121

Epistle Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17

Gospel John 3: 1-17

15.03.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - No Service

7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service – Antrim

17.03.17 St Patrick's Day (Friday)

10.00 am Holy Communion for St Patrick's Day

19.03.17 The Third Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's 11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

Old Testament Exodus 17: 1-7

Psalm 95

Epistle Romans 5: 1-11 Gospel John 4: 5-42

22.03.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's
7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service – St Patrick's, Templepatrick

26.03.17 The Fourth Sunday in Lent (Mothering Sunday)

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

Old Testament Exodus 2: 1-10
Psalm 127: 1-4

Epistle Colossians 3: 12-17 Gospel John 19: 25-27

29.03.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service – Kilbride

02.04.17 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's

11.30 am Service of the Word - St Patrick's

Old Testament Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Psalm 130

Epistle Romans 8: 6-11 Gospel John 11: 1-45

05.04.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service – Drummaul

09.04.17 The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)

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

7.00 pm Interdenominational Service – St Patrick's

Old Testament Isaiah 50: 4-9a
Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29
Epistle Philippians 2: 5-11
Gospel Matthew 21: 1-11

12.04.17 Wednesday in Holy Week

10.00 am Holy Communion Two

13.04.17 Maundy Thursday

6.30 pm Agape Meal - Parish Hall

14.04.17 Good Friday

12.00 noon The Three Hours - St Patrick's

16.04.17 Easter Day – The First Sunday of Easter

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

First Reading Acts 10: 34-43
Psalm Easter Anthems
Epistle Colossians 3: 1-4
Gospel Matthew 28: 1-10

19.04.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - No Service

23.04.17 The Second Sunday of Easter

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

First Reading Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

Epistle 1 Peter 1: 3-9 Gospel John 20: 19-31

26.04.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

30.04.17 The Third Sunday of Easter

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

First Reading Acts 2: 14a, 36-41
Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17
Epistle 1 Peter 1: 17-23
Gospel Luke 24: 13-35

03.05.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

07.05.17 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's 11.30 am Service of the Word - St Patrick's

First Reading Acts 2: 42-47

Psalm 23

Epistle 1 Peter 2: 19-25 Gospel John 10: 1-10

10.05.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

14.05.17 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

 First Reading
 Acts 7: 55-60

 Psalm
 31: 1-5, 15-16

 Epistle
 1 Peter 2: 2-10

 Gospel
 John 14: 1-14

17.05.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

21.05.17 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's 11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

First Reading Acts 17: 22-31
Psalm 66: 7 - 18
Epistle 1 Peter 3: 13-22
Gospel John 14: 15-21

24.05.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

25.05.17 Ascension Day (Thursday)

7.30 pm Evening Prayer Two – St Patrick's

First Reading Acts 1: 1-11

Psalm 47

Gospel Luke 24: 44-53

28.05.17 The Seventh Sunday of Easter - Sunday after Ascension Day

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

First Reading Acts 1: 6-14
Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35

Epistle 1 Peter 4: 12-14; 5: 6-11

Gospel John 17: 1-11

31.05.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's

04.06.17 The Day of Pentecost: WhitSunday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's

11.30 am Service of the Word & Sunday Club Prize Giving - St Patrick's

First Reading Acts 2: 1-21
Psalm 104: 26-36, 37b

Epistle 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13

Gospel John 20: 19-23

07.06.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

11.06.17 Trinity Sunday

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

Old Testament Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-31

Psalm

Epistle 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13 Gospel Matthew 28: 16-20

14.06.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

Last Wednesday Morning Communion before the Summer

18.06.17 The First Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's 11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

Old Testament Genesis 18: 1-15
Psalm 116: 1, 10-17
Epistle Romans 5: 1-8
Gospel Matthew 9: 35 10: 8

25.06.17 The Second 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

What should I give up for Lent?

What should I give up for Lent?
Chocolate? Ice cream? Sweets?
Many of us try to be more disciplined for Lent and give up something that we really like.

That's great! Fasting has always been an important tradition for Lent.

This year however, let us also consider other things that we can give up.

GIVE UP COMPLAINING – Focus on GRATITUDE
Philippians 2:14 & 15 -

'Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may be blameless and pure...'

1 Thessalonians 5:18 -

'Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ'.

GIVE UP BITTERNESS – Turn to FORGIVENESS. Ephesians 4:31 -

'Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice'.

Ephesians 4:32 -

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ god forgave you'.

GIVE UP WORRY – Trust in GOD

Matthew 6:25 -

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life...
who by worrying can add a single hour to his life?'
Matthew 6:33 –

'But seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well'.

GIVE UP DISCOURAGEMEENT – Be full of HOPE

Deuteronomy 31:8 -

'The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you: He will not leave you or forsake you, Do not be afraid: do not be discouraged.

Isaiah 40:31 -

'But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint'.

GIVE UP HATRED – Return GOOD for EVIL

1 John 2:9 -

'Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates his brother is still in the darkness'.

Luke 6:27 -

'But I tell you who hear me: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you'.

GIVE UP ANGER – Be more PATIENT

Matthew 5:22 –

'But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to Judgement'.

Proverbs 15:18 -

'A hot tempered man stirs up dissension, but a patient man calms a quarrel'.

GIVE UP GOSSIPING –Control your TONGUE

Psalm 34:13 -

'Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies'.

Proverbs 21:23 -

'He who guards his mouth and tongue keeps himself from calamity'.



St Patrick's & St John's Bowling Club

The bowling club continues to meet on Friday evening from 7.30pm until 10.30pm and Monday from 8.00pm until 9.30pm.

Since our last magazine we have had our Christmas party night. The winner on the evening won a turkey with a few other prizewinners. Our charity was Marie Curie and we raised £160.

In February we had a return visit to the Baker Stadium, bowling for two hours followed by a meal and refreshments. This is a good night's entertainment. We had a visit from the Rock bowling club in February with a return visit to the Rock planned for March.

On April 7th we will be having our Easter egg competition.

Bowling will continue until 28th April 2017. Our **AGM** will be **Friday 5th May 2017** at **7.30pm** in the Minor Hall, followed by presentation of prizes and supper.

If we didn't see you this year why not come along in the new season in September.

<u>Isobel McCollam</u>

(Hon Secretary)

Fundraising Calendar

We are planning further fundraising events for the benefit of the parish and we value your support. The dates for your diaries are below, we'd love to see you at these events! Tickets are available from members of Select Vestry, the Parish Office – Tel: 028 9443 2300 or email: templepatrick@connor.anglican.org

Hog Roast - Saturday 20 May 2017

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:-

Rev Andrew Ker, 926 Antrim Road, Templepatrick Tel:028 9443 2300 Mrs S Aitcheson, 3 Lylehill Green, Templepatrick Tel:028 9443 3674 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 31 May 2017

Contributions from all parish organisations would be very welcome.

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Christian Aid week this year will be from **Sunday 14th May - Saturday 20th May**.

Last year we collected £1015.15, which was slightly down on the previous year.

A big thank you to my fellow collectors, and, as always, new help is always needed. It will only require a couple of hours of your time any day during this week and you will always be accompanied by another collector. Please speak or phone me if you can help.

Hopefully we will have a great collection in 2017

<u>Leah Lynas</u> Tel: 9443 3363



Sunday Club

Our Advent appeal raised an amazing - £215
Many thanks to the children, their families, friends and everyone who contributed to this appeal it is very much appreciated.

Catherine and Daphne very kindly came out to Sunday Club in January, and gave the children an update on Kindfund.

Some useful dates for your diary:-

9 April - Palm Sunday

16 April - Easter Sunday – No Sunday Club

23 April - No Sunday Club

30 April - Sunday Club resumes 4 June - Sunday Club Prize Giving

Gail



INTRODUCTION TO THE WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Women's World Day of Prayer (WWDP) will be held on Friday, 3rd March 2017 at 8.00 pm in Kilbride Presbyterian Church, Doagh. This is year's theme is 'Am I being unfair to you?' and has been prepared by Christian women of the Philippines.

Locally, a group of seven participating churches will come together to share in this ecumenical Day of Prayer. Ahead of the WWDP, the appointed host church, attended a preparation day in October 2016, and so became familiar with the writing country's order of service. This was followed by two further meetings, where each church represented in the Templepatrick area, came together to discuss the Day of Prayer service, thus enabling more people to participate to ensure smooth running of the service.

All are welcome to come on the night, and refreshments will be available following the service.

The World Day of Prayer is always held on the First Friday in March, and when the sun rises over the island of Samoa, the first service will have taken place. A wave of prayer will continue to go around the world until the last service is held as the sun sets over American Samoa. During this time an estimated 3 million men, women, and young people, in 170 countries and islands will have prayed with and for the people of the Philippines.

The 'Day of Prayer' began as separate days of prayer organised by individual denominations in America in the mid1800s and has now become a truly international and ecumenical 'World Day of Prayer'. Today; The International Committee is based in New York, to oversee the work of the movement worldwide. Each country has its own National Committee, and consists of one representative from each of the participating denominations, each chosen by their denomination to represent it on WWDP. In England the Headquarters, Central Office, is located in Tunbridge Wells, and is the hub of Women's World Day of Prayer England, Wales & Northern Ireland.

If you wish to know more about the WWDP, please use the link - www.wwdp.org.uk for further information.

Ann Kerr



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Andddd relax! We kicked off the new year with a very laid back night at Teen Blast, foot spa included! And the boys enjoyed this most of all, letting the girls look after them. We also had a very popular nail bar set up along with our usual favourites of Mario Kart, pool and table tennis.

We're currently looking forward to our outing next month at Glengormley Sports Bowl. No doubt this will be a night of some healthy competition between the leaders and kids, and both are looking forward to it. Our annual trip out is always a success and a great way for the leaders and kids to really engage with one another and help us to bond as group. And of course, no trip to the bowling would be complete without a visit to McDonald's afterwards for a burger and a McFlurry.

A wee note to remember, the third Saturday in April is Easter Saturday so we will NOT be meeting on this date. Instead we will meet on the second Saturday in April, which is Saturday the 8th April. I will remind everyone of this closer to the time.

We have a great team of leaders each Saturday and we couldn't have Teen Blast without them and the work they do. The small group of kids we have each week make it all worth the while and we really enjoy getting to the know them better. Why not spread the word about Teen Blast and help it grow? Maybe bring a friend along next time, we'd love to see them!



Music in the parish

April will see some special seasonal music:

Sun April 2, 11.30am: our young instrumentalists will lead the singing, on strings, recorders and flute.

Sun April 9, 11.30am: the Parish Recorder Consort will offer a musical meditation for Passiontide during morning service.

This will be a short recital of Passiontide hymns from the very best of our church composers - Tallis, Gibbons, Bach, Stainer and Ireland.

Sun April 9, 7pm: the Parish Choir will lead the music for an Interdenominational Service.

Sun April 16, 10 am St John's, 11.30am St Patrick's: the Parish Choir will lead music to celebrate Easter Day.

On behalf of the Parish I thank all our Church musicians for their joyful singing and playing during the Christmas season.

We hope you enjoy the music for Passiontide and Easter.

Pat

Tel: 9443 9398

Michelle