

The Parish of Enniskillen - Saint Macartin's Cathedral



CATHEDRAL NEWS



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*'Hark! The herald angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King'.*



Sunset at Castlecoole by William Holmes

OUR VISION

**Saint Macartin's – At the heart of the Community
Strengthening Commitment, Outreach, Worship and Christian Love**

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The Dean Writes:

Dear Parishioners,

We are very aware of how special the arrival of a new baby is to a family! This Christmas we celebrate again God's gift of Jesus: *'Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!'* (2 Corinthians 9:15).



What can we say about this baby?

He is God Himself:

The unthinkable has happened: God has become a human being! The eternal, creator God enters the world of time and space, both fully human and fully divine. This divine baby can bring hope and joy to our messy world, because He has fully become part of it. He doesn't stand apart, but demonstrates a commitment to be with us and on our side in the midst of sin and suffering.

He is human like us:

Jesus fully engaged with all of human experience. By His cross and resurrection, He can release us from the power of wrong, hurt and shame to secure for us a life of love, peace, joy and forgiveness.

He is one with us:

Just as we can reach out and hold a new baby, so we have a God who wants to be intimately involved in our lives and to have a relationship with Him – to reach out and hold us as 'Emmanuel' meaning *'God is with us'* (Matthew 1:23). Therefore, the question is: Are we with Him? Are we ready to make room for Him at the centre of our Christmas Celebrations this year? Many, often too many, celebrate Christmas without Christ. Please do not be one of that many!

There are many opportunities for you to attend church during Advent and Christmas and truly worship our Heavenly Father. As you draw close to Him may you experience that true Heavenly joy that He sent us though the 'Holy Child of Bethlehem.'

Let His grace and forgiveness give you hope. Let His mercy bring you joy!

Yours very sincerely,

Kenneth R.J Hall

Christmas Greetings



May the light of Christmas lead you,
The hope and joy surround you,
The precious love that Christ gives
Forever be around you.

Kenny

The Dean

Chris

The Curate

Will

Diocesan Pastoral
Assistant

Christmas Services

Sunday 9th December at 11.00am - Children's Nativity Service

Sunday 23rd December at 11.00am - Carol Service

Monday 24th December at 11.00pm - Christmas Eve Service

Celebrant: The Bishop Rt Rev John McDowell

Preacher: Rev Lorna Dreading

Tuesday 25th December at 9.30am - Christmas Day Service

Holy Communion One

10.30am - Christmas Family Service

Holy Communion Two

Parochial Registers

Holy Baptism

9th November - Maisy Jo Sarah Foley (at hospital)

"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." Mark 10: 14



Christian Burial

17th November - Maisy Jo Sarah Foley
(aged 9 weeks)

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4



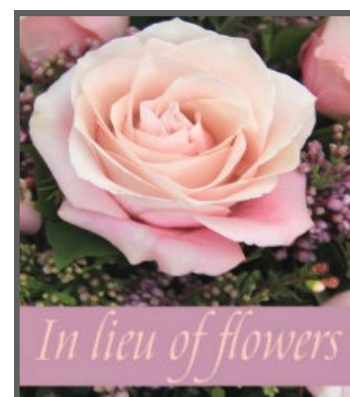
Parish Donations

Fabric Fund

£150 Donation from the Martin and Connolly families, Co Down.
In appreciation of Hospital Chaplaincy services by the clergy.

Donations in Lieu of Flowers

The Church can benefit greatly from donations made in lieu of flowers at the time of a death or the anniversary of a death. Please keep this in mind, and we acknowledge with grateful thanks all who have contributed in this way in the past.



Home Holy Communions for Christmas

During the weeks before Christmas the Clergy will be celebrating Holy Communion with those who are unable to attend the Cathedral. If you, or someone known to you, would like to receive such a visit then please contact the Office. Those who had Holy Communion at home at Easter will automatically be on the list.

400th Anniversary Service



Photographs by Willie Holmes

A Service of Choral Evensong was held in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday 4th November to celebrate the 400th Anniversary of the Opening of the Royal School in Fermanagh. The service was

conducted by the Dean of Clogher, the Very Rev Kenneth Hall and the preacher was the Rt Rev David Chillingworth, the former Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, a former pupil of Portora Royal School and a former choir boy in St Macartin's Cathedral.

The Battle's Over

A Nation's tribute is now complete and it was marked in style in Enniskillen, the most Westerly location in the UK to take part. We replicated some of the events of 100 years ago, when Enniskillen was the first place to learn of the armistice, with search lights, sky rockets and the peal of St Macartin's Cathedral bells. The clock face on the Cathedral was backlit for the first time and now will shine for evermore as a sign of peace, hope and reconciliation in our community symbolising the light of Christ shining forth from our lives! A united morning service for all denominations was held in St Macartin's Cathedral, recorded live on RTE. It was conducted by



the Dean, the Very Rev Kenneth Hall and the preacher was the Bishop of Clogher, the Right Rev John McDowell. Afterwards the Cathedral bells rang out at 12.30pm as suggested by Her Majesty's Government to move from a mood of 'remembrance' to that of 'celebration' that the Great War had ended.



Photographs by Willie Holmes

The Battle's Over

In the evening time the four main churches joined in a united service of 'Hope, Peace, Light and Love' as Church of Ireland, Presbyterian and Methodist congregations processed to St Michael's Roman Catholic Church following their lanterns of light, which were given to all

four clergy by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Co Fermanagh at the 6.00am service at Enniskillen Castle. St Michael's was filled to capacity with almost 1000 people. A massive crowd outside (estimated at another 1000) brought the town centre to a standstill.

After a moving service in St Michael's Church a flame of light led the way to St Macartin's Cathedral grounds (across the street) where Viscount Brookeborough HML lit a beacon. The crowds crossing the street were greeted by a massed band of 100 pipers and drummers drawn from all bands throughout the county. A spectacle to behold! At the same time as the beacon was lit the Cathedral Clock was lit, the Cathedral bells pealed again and sky rockets lit up



the night sky. Two beams of light one from each side of the street crossed over each other symbolising two churches, two beams of light but one community united in love and respect for each other and for those who gave their lives 100 years ago, that we might celebrate freedom!

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Remembrance Day Service



Please go to our Cathedral Website www.enniskillencathedral.com for more photographs. We extend our grateful thanks to Dr Willie Holmes for maintaining our Cathedral Website.



Pictured are The Former First Minister The Rt Hon Arlene Foster, Mr Jerome Mullen GCM, Honorary Consul representing the Polish Government, The Political and Economic Officer, Mr Bryan Wockley representing the American Government, Minister Heather Humphreys, TD representing the Irish Government and The Permanent Secretary Sir Jonathan Stephens representing the UK who read the Prayers.

Remembrance Day Service of Thanksgiving in St Michael's



Forming Faith at St Macartin's

Messy Church

We hope you've enjoyed Messy Church in 2018. We celebrated Harvest, we learned about God through the movie Frozen, and we are having a birthday party for Jesus at Christmas.

There's lots more fun planned for 2019. We're taking a break in January, and we start back again on Thursday 21st February.

Messy Church is for pre-schoolers and primary-aged children and their families or carers. We meet on the third Thursday of the month, 2-4 pm, in the Cathedral Halls. Remember, all children must be accompanied by an adult at all times, and all adults attending must be there with a child.

Confirmation

This year's confirmation candidates have begun their preparation to take a big step forward in their Christian journey in 2019. We marked the start of their preparation at a special all-age service on 25th November, and we met as a class for the first time on Monday 26th. We meet again before Christmas on:

Monday 3rd and Monday 10th December from 6.30 – 7.30 pm for Confirmation Class and on **Monday 17th December** from 6.30 – 9 pm for the Xplore Christmas Party. After Christmas, we resume weekly classes on **Monday 7th January** at the normal time of 6.30 – 7.30 pm. There's still time to join the confirmation class – Rev Chris and Laura can get you caught up with anything you missed.

Sunday Lights and Sunday Lights Café

There's a final rehearsal for the Nativity play and all-age worship on Sunday 2nd December. The Nativity Service is on Sunday 9th.

After the Nativity Service, Sunday Lights and Sunday Lights Café take a break for the holidays – but please do bring children along to our other Christmas services.

We start back on Sunday 13th January, and we encourage you to come along to the Cathedral for our Family Service on Sunday 27th January.

Xplore If you are a young person in Years 9-12, then come along to our Xplore Christmas Party. Wear your craziest Christmas jumper and get into the festive mood with fun, games and food. We meet in the Upper Room in the Cathedral Halls. The party is from 6.30 – 9 pm. Watch this space for details of events happening in 2019!



Forming Faith at St Macartin's



Photographs from the Xplore meeting at the end of October. There seems to have been great fun carving pumpkins before a scary walk around the Cathedral and graveyard.

Cathedral Family

Rebecca Murray

Rebecca Murray is Deputy Head Girl of Enniskillen Royal Grammar School. She is the eldest daughter of Aubrey and Janice and big sister to Jessica, Victoria and Emily.



What are you currently doing/ studying?

I am currently in year 14 at Enniskillen Royal Grammar School. I am studying Biology, Chemistry, Maths and Home Economics at A level.

What are your ambitions?

I have applied to study medicine and pharmacy at university. I would love to go to Queen's University in Belfast and become a doctor in the future. I am working hard this year in order to achieve the best grades I possibly can for these courses.

What are your hobbies/ interests?

In school I enjoy playing on the hockey and netball team, singing in the school choir, taking part in SU, hill walking with the gold Duke of Edinburgh group and organising activities for pupils in the junior school as part of a peer mentoring scheme. I enjoy volunteering in the dementia ward at South West Acute Hospital and working as a part-time waitress in 'Rebecca's Coffee Shop' in the Buttermarket. I am also a sub-officer at the Ballinamallard Girl's Brigade company, where I am completing my Queen's Award.

Do you travel/hope to travel?

I really enjoy travelling with friends and family on holidays, and since my Auntie and cousins have recently moved to Spain I would love to go visit them more often.

Cathedral Family

Favourite Foods

A traditional Sunday dinner at my Grannies' houses or anything from the 'Thai Kitchen' where my friend works.

Favourite film

'A Walk to Remember'

Favourite Book

'The Names they Gave Us' by Emery Lord

What was your best day?

The best day of my life so far, was at my cousin's wedding, where I was joined by all my family and lots of friends where we shared delicious food, and made really happy memories. For my 18th Birthday my mum organised a massive surprise party. She decorated our house with flower arrangements and pictures, every detail was lovely, especially the cake. My dad cooked a bbq for all my family and friends who came, and everyone brought delicious desserts. I was even surprised by my Auntie and cousins who came home from Spain secretly for the party.

Favourite Bible Verses

'Rise up ... take courage and do it!' – Ezra 10:4

'Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.' – 1 Peter 5:7

Favourite Hymns

'Nearer my God to Thee' especially when my sister Jessica sings it and
'How great thou Art.'



Rebecca
pictured
with her
family.

Canticles in Worship by Rev Chris Mac Bruithin

A new series of reflections on the Canticles in the Book of Common Prayer

Magnificat!

What canticle can we look at over the Christmas season? There are a few contenders, but perhaps the best known is the canticle Magnificat, or Mary's Song. I'm sure you know the story in Luke 1. Mary has just been told by an angel that she is pregnant, even though she's a virgin. The angel knows she'll need family support and sends her to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who is also pregnant with John the Baptist. When Mary arrives, Elizabeth's baby jumps for joy in her womb, recognizing Jesus even before his birth.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Mary sings a song. It seems to be modelled on Hannah's song (1 Samuel 2:10) in which she praises God for granting her a child after years of infertility. Likewise, Mary thanks God personally for the wonderful thing he is doing in her life. With Mary, we recall joyfully that 'the Almighty has done great things for me'.

As well as this personal blessing, *Magnificat* is also full of Old Testament allusions about God's promise of mercy throughout history. Mary is living in a dangerous, violent world, full of corruption and political power struggles. She sings of God fulfilling his promises to his people, especially his reversal of intolerable situations. He raises up the 'poor and lowly', and

'scattered the proud'. In fact, it is a very subversive political song. Imagine if the Roman governor or corrupt temple priest heard it!

At the Anglican Reformation, Cranmer retained the prominent place of this gospel canticle at Evening Prayer. There are many wonderful settings of *Magnificat* and these are a particular treasure of Anglican heritage, especially as sung by choirs in cathedrals all over Britain and Ireland.

Not all churches have a choir like ours. Of course, we might say this canticle together, but if there is no choir to lead us, there are two metrical versions in the liturgical material section of the Church Hymnal. 'Mary sang a song' is number 704. But surely one of the most rousing hymns is number 712: 'Tell out, my soul'. I was surprised to discover how recently it was written by Timothy Dudley-Smith, in 1961. It has quickly become a classic.

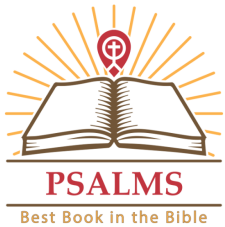
This Christmas, like Mary, may we sing for joy as we recollect all that God has done, for us personally and for all the world, through the Incarnation of God's Word – Jesus Christ.



Psalm

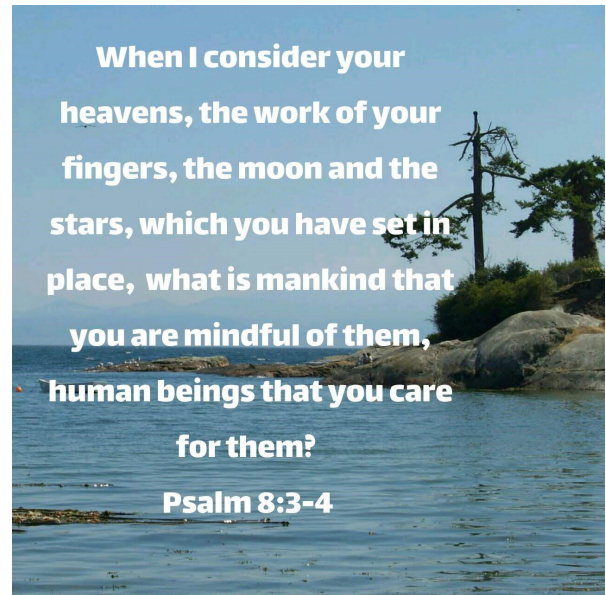
Psalm 8 – and the wonders of Creation

'Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!' (Psalm 8:1).



What did David see? 'When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place' (3). David was moved to worship as he meditated on the night sky and saw the moon and stars pointing to their Maker.

His words point to the work of a great artist, whose art reflects the character of the artist Himself. How vast is the universe in which we live! It speaks of a creation shot through with meaning and purpose, demonstrating the tremendous wisdom and power of God. As creation speaks of the greatness of God, it demands our allegiance and loyalty to Him in all aspects of our lives. What did David feel? 'what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?' (4). In the



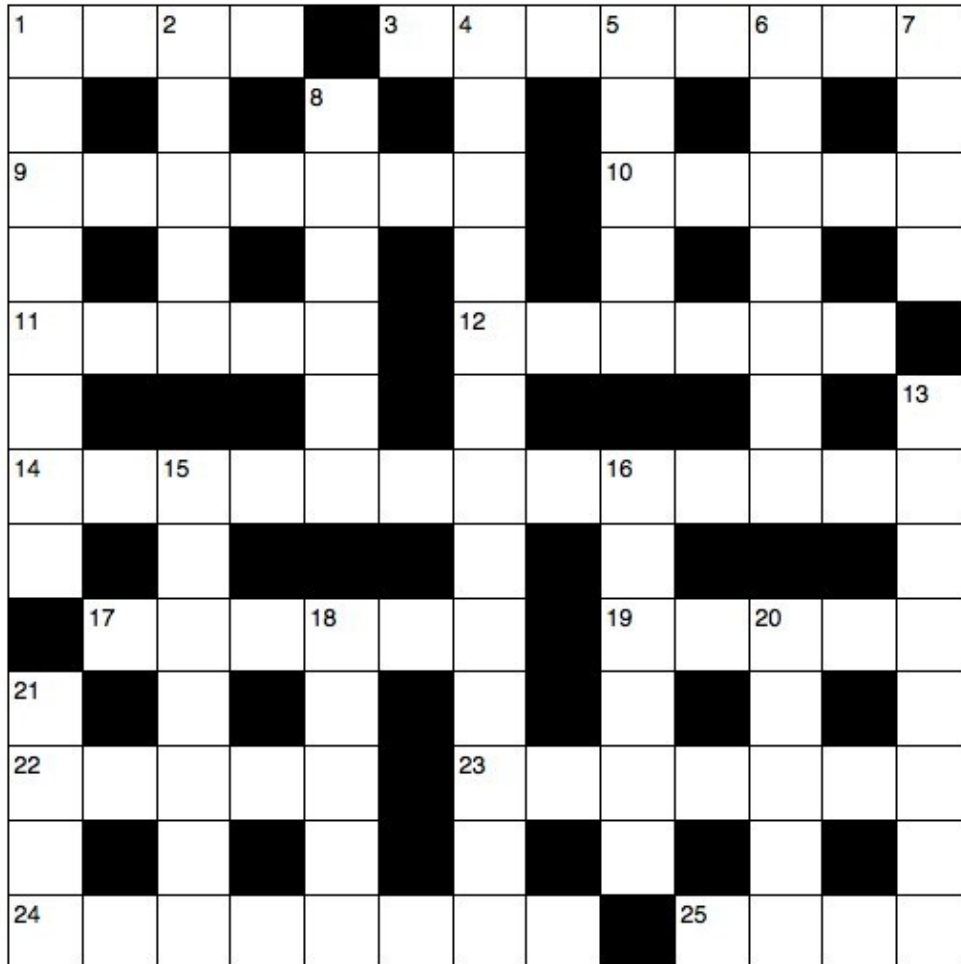
light of creation's vastness, we can feel a little insignificant! Why do human beings exist on this tiny planet in such a vast universe? However, David goes on to answer his own question: 'You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honour.' (5). Human



beings have a unique relationship to God, because we are created in His image. We are the means by which the invisible God is made visible to His creation. We are called to be partners with God in doing His work in the world, to care for the earth rather than exploiting it. It is a precious resource, along with the creatures it contains!

'The glory of God is the human person fully alive' (Irenaeus of Lyons).

Crossword



Across

- 1 'How long will you — your face from me?' (Psalm 13:1) (4)
- 3 'Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the — he bore'
(Hebrews 13:13) (8)
- 9 Shady sin (anag.) (Romans 8:15) (7)
- 10 Solemn pledges (Matthew 5:33) (5)
- 11 Italian term for full orchestra (5)
- 12 'For he who avenges blood remembers; he does not — the cry of the afflicted' (Psalm 9:12) (6)
- 14 Prescience (1 Peter 1:2) (13)
- 17 Where a Hindu holy man lives (6)
- 19 'If he found any... who belonged to the Way, whether — — women, he might take them as prisoners' (Acts 9:3) (3,2)
- 22 Fragrance (2 Corinthians 2:15) (5)
- 23 Vine hen (anag.) (Jonah 1:2) (7)
- 24 Precious stone decorating the twelfth foundation of the New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:20) (8)
- 25 'Will you keep to the old path that evil men have — ?' (Job 22:15) (4)

Down

- 1 'Then Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with — — '
(Numbers 20:11) (3,5)
- 2 'You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, " — —
murder"' (Matthew 5:21) (2,3)
- 4 One of Paul's many hardships endured as a servant of God
(2 Corinthians 6:5) (13)
- 5 'We ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, — inwardly'
(Romans 8:23) (5)
- 6 Changed (Daniel 6:8) (7)
- 7 'My yoke is — and my burden is light' (Matthew 11:30) (4)
- 8 Recoil (Revelation 12:11) (6)
- 13 'O Lord, you have — me and you know me' (Psalm 139:1) (8)
- 15 ' — to me the joy of your salvation' (Psalm 51:12) (7)
- 16 Express sorrow (Isaiah 16:7) (6)
- 18 'Then he said to Thomas, " — out your hand and put it into my side"'
(John 20:27) (5)
- 20 'God has said, " — will I leave you; — will I forsake you"' (Hebrews 13:5) (5)
- 21 Son of Onam and brother of Shammai (1 Chronicles 2:28) (4)

Our Daily Bread – Bible reading notes



Each Sunday all three readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are printed on a Parish Bulletin. The Psalm and Collect are also listed. Make sure you get this sheet each week (If for some reason you are not out – get someone to take one for you). Please keep it and use one of the readings or psalm each day throughout the week with your private prayers.

Copies of Our Daily Bread (Bible Reading Notes) are available free of charge at the back of the church. Please take one and you will find an order form included so that you can order them and have them sent directly by post to your own home. These will make the reading of the Bible easy, enjoyable, interesting and relevant to every day life.

' Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path' Psalm 119

Parochial Organisations

Mothers' Union

Mothers Union met in the Hilliard Room on Monday 12th November, The Dean opened the meeting with a reading and prayer. Branch Leader Stephaine Hamilton introduced the guest speaker Rev Charles Eames Chaplain of Mothers' Union. Charles grew up in County Fermanagh, went to Portora Royal School and joined the RUC in 1989. He served in a number of Fermanagh and Tyrone stations and reached the rank of Sergeant, retired from the force in early 2018 and is a married man with two sons. He became a parish reader in 2003, was ordained as a non stipendiary minister in 2008, and became the Chaplain of Mothers' Union in 2018. He is open to any suggestions to help and encourage the members of Mothers Union. Charles quoted favourite verses from The book of Job and Hebrews and discussed what they meant to him, he also recited a poem from The Misery of Job and the mercy of God by John Piper.

The autumn council meeting in Clogh Church on 25th October was attended by Branch Leader and Secretary. There will be a Prayer Vigil in Derryvullan North Irvinestown on 28th November at 8.00pm to mark 16 Days of Activism against domestic violence. Members are encouraged to attend and are asked to bring items to donate to Women's Aid such as toiletries, nightwear, underwear, towels, slippers etc. They have also appealed for unwrapped Christmas presents for boys and girls. A number of shoe boxes were brought in. The yearly subscription is now due, it would be appreciated if any outstanding could be paid to the Treasurer as soon as possible. The evening concluded with the Mother's Union prayer. On Tuesday 4th December, the outing is to Ardhowen Theatre to enjoy the musical "Annie". A very happy Christmas to all our members. The new year meeting is a service of Holy Communion and AGM on Monday 14th January.

A Date for Your Diary

Please keep free **Tuesday
11th December for the
60+ Christmas Party.**

All senior parishioners are invited for Christmas Dinner with the Dean in the Main Hall. Dinner will be served at 7.00pm.

Hope you can come!



Parochial Organisations

Tuesday Club

The October meeting was opened by the Dean with a scripture reading and prayer. Eleanor welcomed the members thanking those who had decorated a Church window for Harvest Thanksgiving. The remaining money collected was given to the Harvest collection. Carol Dunwoody from Enniskillen Foot Clinic introduced herself and gave a comprehensive insight into foot ailments and treatment. The

importance of looking after your feet was stressed with emphasis given to the correct choice of footwear. Tea followed with time for a chat and catch up.

Next month Ann Rowley is the speaker and her subject is Crafts. Meeting in the Hilliard Room at 2.00pm. New members are very welcome.



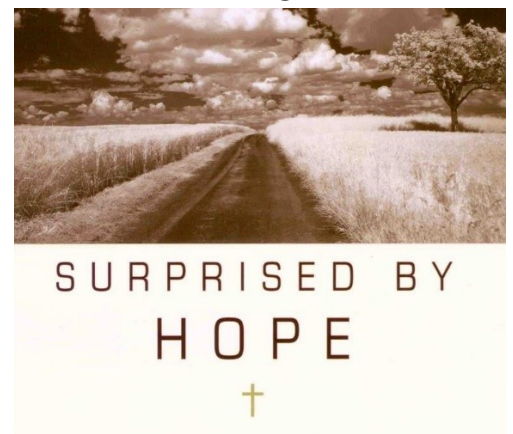
Carol Dunwoody is pictured with Irene Griffith who gave her a donation on behalf of the Tuesday Club.

Pilgrim

We are coming to the end of our Surprised by Hope course. During Remembrance time and Advent, we thought about resurrection, what heaven is like, and Jesus' second coming. The last session takes place in the Devenish Room on Monday 7th January, from 7.30 – 9.00 pm.

If your New Year's resolution is to learn more about our Christian faith, then why not join us in

February? Details of the next Pilgrim course coming soon!



Brain Teaser

Can you find 30 books of the Bible hidden in this passage?

This is a most remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much that he passed it on to some friends.

One friend from Illinois worked on this while fishing from his John-boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo. Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it, she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column.

Another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so involving that she brews a cup of tea to help her nerves. There will be some names that are really easy to spot. That's a fact. Some people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the books are not necessarily capitalised.

Truthfully from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or scholar to see some of them at the worst. Research has shown that something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in these paragraphs. During a recent fundraising event, which features this puzzle, the Alpha Delta Phil-Lemonade booth set a new sales record.

The local paper, the Chronicle, surveyed over 50 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As Daniel Humana humbly puts it, "the books are all right here in plain view, hidden from sight". Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown. One revelation that may help is that books Timothy and Samuel appear without their numbers.

Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal. A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mass exodus, there really are 30 books of the Bible lurking somewhere in these paragraphs waiting to be found.

Solution in February 2019 Magazine

Children's Page



Mouse Makes

HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Read the Christmas story in Luke 1:1 - 2:21

When Mary gave birth to Jesus she wrapped him in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger. There were shepherds in a field nearby looking after their sheep. An angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them and they were terrified. The angel said, "Do not be afraid! Listen carefully, I bring you good news! Today your Saviour has been born, He is Christ the Lord."

Then an army of angels appeared praising God. When the angels left the shepherds hurried to Bethlehem, found Joseph and Mary and saw the baby lying in a manger.

Answers to
Crossword
on page 16

ACROSS: 1, Hide, 3, Disgrace, 9, Sonship, 10, Oaths, 11, Tutti, 12, Ignore, 14, Foreknowledge, 17, Ashram, 19, Men or, 22, Aroma, 23, Nineveh, 24, Amethyst, 25, Trod. **DOWN:** 1, His staff, 2, Do not, 4, Imprisonments, 5, Groan, 6, Altered, 7, Easy, 8, Shrink, 13, Searched, 15, Restore.

December Lessons and Readers

Sunday 2nd December: The First Sunday of Advent

The First Reading - Jeremiah 33: 14-16 - Jim Lucy

The Psalm - Psalm 25: 1-9

The Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13 - Brendan McCann

The Gospel Reading - Luke 21: 25-36 - The Dean

Sunday 9th December: The Second Sunday of Advent

Family Nativity Service

Sunday 16th December: The Third Sunday of Advent

The First Reading - Zephaniah 3: 14-20 - Richard Cochrane

The Psalm - Psalm 146: 4-10

The Second Reading - Philippians 4: 4-7 - Jeanette Wilson

The Gospel Reading - Luke 3: 7-18 - The Curate

Sunday 23rd December: The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Carol Service

Sunday 30th December: The First Sunday of Christmas

The First Reading - Micah 5: 2-5a - Trevor Stevenson

The Psalm - Psalm 80: 1-8

The Second Reading - Hebrews 10: 5-10 - Julie Johnston

The Gospel Reading - Luke 1: 39-45,46-55 - Scott Elliott



Lesson Readers

If you would like to join our list of Lesson Readers please contact the Parish Office.

Welcome Team

December 2018

02 Helen and Norman Coalter
09 Hilary and Raymond Campbell
16 Sylvia and Trevor Stevenson
23 Avril and Ivan Kee
30 Julie and David Nixon

Welcome Team

January 2019

06 Stephanie and Scott Hamilton
13 Jeanette Wilson and Richard
Cochrane
20 Gwen and Karl Saunders
27 Myrtle and George Irvine

Parish People

Director of Music and Organist - Glenn Moore
Assistant Director of Music - Jayne Malcolmson
Churchwardens - Sandra Richmond and Karen Clyde
Glebewardens - George Irvine and Noel Johnston
Select Vestry - Raymond Campbell, David Clarke, Richard Cochrane,
Linda Corrigan, Jenifer Johnston, Ivan Kee, Hope Kerr (Hon Treasurer),
Sam Morrow (Hon Secretary), David J Nixon, Stephen Richmond,
Brian Rutledge and Jonathan Woods
Lay Readers - Jim Kerr, Karl Saunders and Jack Watson
Verger - Andrew McCabe Hall Caretaker - Andrew McCabe

January Lessons and Readers

Sunday 6th January: The Epiphany

The First Reading - Isaiah 60: 1-6 - Blane Bailey

The Psalm - Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

The Second Reading - Ephesians 3: 1-12 - Billy Dixon

The Gospel Reading - Matthew 2: 1-12 - The Curate

Sunday 13th January: The First Sunday after the Epiphany

The First Reading - Isaiah 43: 1-7 - Liz Robertson

The Psalm - Psalm 29

The Second Reading - Acts 8: 14-17 - Stuart Woods

The Gospel Reading - Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22 - Scott Elliott

Sunday 20th January: The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

The First Reading - Isaiah 62: 1-5 - Alan Crooks

The Psalm - Psalm 36: 5-10

The Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 - Raymond Campbell

The Gospel Reading - John 2: 1-11 - The Dean

Sunday 27th January: The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Family Service



SUNDAY SERVICES

9.00am - Holy Communion

11.00am - Holy Communion (first and third Sundays)

Morning Prayer (second and fifth Sundays)

Morning Prayer/Family Service (fourth Sundays)

11.00am - Sunday School - Begins in church and children leave for classes.

On fourth Sundays they remain in church with their families.

7.00pm - Evening Prayer (first, second and third Sundays)

Holy Communion (fourth Sundays)

A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing (fifth Sundays)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

11.00am - Holy Communion (each Thursday)

1.05pm - Healing Service (fourth Thursday)

4.00pm - Messy Church (Thursday once per month as arranged)

7.30pm - Lent (each Wednesday)

7.30pm - Holy Week (each evening)

PAROCHIAL ORGANISATIONS

MONDAY

Beavers - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Cubs - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Confirmation Classes - 6.30pm - 7.30pm (November - April)

Xplore - 7.00pm - 9.00pm (as arranged)

Finance Committee Meeting - 7.30pm - 8.00pm (first Mondays)

Select Vestry Meeting - 8.00pm - 9.30pm (first Mondays)

Mothers' Union - 8.00pm - 10.00pm (second Mondays)

TUESDAY

Tuesday Club - 2.00pm - 4.00pm (last Tuesdays)

Rainbows - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Brownies - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Guides - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Pilgrim - 7.30pm - 9.00pm (as arranged)

WEDNESDAY

Bowling Club - 10.30am - 12.00 noon

Bowling Club - 7.30pm - 10.00pm

Choir Practice - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

THURSDAY

Messy Church - 4.00pm - 6.00pm (as arranged)

Scouts - 6.30pm - 8.00pm

Bell Ringing Practice - 7.00pm - 8.00pm

FRIDAY

Xplore Movies - 7.00pm - 9.00pm (as arranged)

**New members are
always welcome
at any of our
organisations!**