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(Julian of Norwich)



OUR VISION

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The Dean Writes:

Dear Parishioners,

This month both Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day fall on the same day! The link between the two can be summed up in terms of the nature of real love! Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday, focuses on learning to love God more, as we give Him space in our lives. This is what Jesus found when He was led into the desert by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan. (Luke 4:1-13).

Jesus was tempted to turn stones into bread. Yet loving God and His word comes before satisfying physical desires.

Satan tempted Jesus to worship him. However, worshipping God is an expression of loving God and serving Him.

Finally, He was tempted to put God to the test, by jumping off the Temple. Real love for God does not put Him to the test, but wants to obey Him. Lent also teaches us how to live out the love of God in practical ways, as we follow Jesus in the way of the Cross. We see this clearly demonstrated in the life and death of Saint Valentine.

Valentine was a Christian who demonstrated the importance of sharing God's love with others. We know little about him, except that he was a priest who lived in the 3rd Century AD and that he was martyred on 14th February.




Emperor Claudius felt that soldiers in the Roman Army were distracted from their duty by their wives, and so had attempted to outlaw marriage.

It is believed that Valentine married couples in secret, which is why today we celebrate our love for one another on his day.

In trying to understand the meaning of her revelations from God, Julian of Norwich found:

'What, do you wish to know your Lord's meaning in this thing? Know it well, love was His meaning.'

Yours very sincerely,



Kenneth R J Hall

Parish Visitations



The Clergy and the Diocesan Pastoral Assistant are continually making visits around the parish, but these are often prioritised by sickness and bereavement calls. As we have now well over 600 families emergency calls are quite numerous. Sometimes we are not in the right place at the right time and that is where you can help. If for some reason you are ill, have been ill or

bereaved, please let us know by contacting the Cathedral Office and someone will call with you. No contact may well result in no call through no fault of the clergy!

If you or a member of your family is in hospital please inform us otherwise we may not know. Help us to help you!

Cathedral News Contributions

If you enjoy reading our monthly publications we would appreciate a donation towards the production costs. Like everything else, paper and printing costs have increased greatly and we will appreciate whatever you can afford. Enclosed with this magazine is an envelope which you can use. Return it to the Cathedral Office or put it on the collection plate any Sunday morning. Thank you for your continued support.



Parochial Registers

Marriage Blessing

16th December - Martin Roy Pawson
and Nikita Leonora Pawson.

*"Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who labour build in vain" Psalm 127: 1*



Burial

17th November - Ian Whittaker,
Milcroft Nursing Home,
Enniskillen.

Thomas Palmer (Basil) Graham,
53 Tartaraghan Road, Portadown.

5th December - Elizabeth (Betty) Scales,
Millverne Care Home and
Westbridge House, Enniskillen.

19th December - Margaret Ann Barton,
Donegall Road, Springfield.

2nd January - Warren George Masterson,
Derrychara Park, Enniskillen.

7th January - Muriel Iris Crowe,
Algeo Drive, Enniskillen.

9th January - John William Humphries Owens,
Castlecoole Road, Enniskillen.

20th January - David James Davis,
Fairview Avenue, Enniskillen.



Cremation

22nd January - Eileen Carson,
17 Benaughlin Park, Enniskillen.

Burial of Ashes

28th December - Susan (Sue) Hogg,
Castle Place, Enniskillen.

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

Parish Donations

Choral Scholarship Fund

- £25 Donation from Mrs Elizabeth Cochrane.
- £1,000 Anonymous donation.
- £3,000 Anonymous donation.

Garden of Remembrance Fund

- £50 Donation from Mr Dale & Mrs Vanessa McCartney.
- £50 Donation from Mrs Heather McCartney.

Fabric Fund

- £50 Donation from Mrs Pat Deering.
- £1,000 Anonymous donation.
- £60 Donation in memory of her parents, Wilbur & Minnie and her aunt Doreen, from Miss Zoe Pyper.
- £40 Anonymous donation, in memory of my husband at Christmas.
- £40 Donation from Mrs Dorothy Dickson.
- £250 Anonymous donation.
- £50 Donation from Mr Olie Breen.
- £50 Donation from Mrs Betty Dickson.
- £120 Donation in memory of our parents, brother Derek, and sisters Lillas, Pearl and Hazel, from the Beresford family.
- £65 Anonymous donation.

Webcam Fund

- £50 Donation in memory of her husband, Gerry. From Violet Vennard.

Flower Fund

- £50 Donation from Mrs Lyn & Mr Joe Morton in memory of Lyn's parents, Basil & Winnie Rogers.

Cathedral Bell Fund (to electrify ringing)

- £500 Anonymous donation.
- £50 Donation from Mr David & Mrs Gillian McClaughlin.
- £2,000 Donation from Miss Edith Miller and Miss Laura Miller, in memory of their sister Mrs Iris Crowe.
- £100 Donation from the Morning Bowling Club

Organ Fund

- £500 Anonymous donation.

Supper at Six

- £200 Anonymous donation.

Dean's Charity Sit Out

It was windy. It was wet. Storm Pia blew away our tent for shelter, and everything around us, including banknotes, flying through the air, but we braved it all and survived! Thank you to all who called by with donations, to the members of the Select Vestry and Air Ambulance volunteers who did stints on a rota basis, to all those who carried or sent me food, tea, coffee and even hot whiskeys! All was gratefully received. Thanks to the choir members who sang periodically through that day and for the final hour to the bitter end. A special thank you to

Andy, my verger, who stood by me all day battling the wind, and to our Honorary Treasurer Hope, who continually counted the collection after drying the bank notes and Gift Aid envelopes on her Aga Cooker! The total amount raised to date is £16,620. All the proceeds will be divided among Bishops' Appeal (International), Air Ambulance (National) and St Macartin's Charities (Local). Thank you to all.



Christmas at the Cathedral

A section of the "Knitwits" makes a presentation to Andy McCabe, the Verger, to thank him for all his support in facilitating their Saturday meetings. At the back is the Rev Colin Brown-smith (not a knitter - we believe - but was appointed to be their chaplain)!



Mothers' Union



Photographs from Mothers' Union Christmas Dinner which was in Saddler's Restaurant on Tuesday 28th November.

Mothers' Union



Bowling Club



On Wednesday 13 December the morning bowlers held a 'Round Robin Competition' in the Cathedral Hall in aid of Cancer Connect. A very enjoyable morning was had by all and the amount raised was £230.

A cheque was presented to Philip McGrenaghan of Cancer Connect. Philip give a short talk about the charity and how it helps families in the community who are affected by cancer.

Everyone enjoyed some refreshments and prizes were distributed.

On the same day at the evening bowls, Garvary Bowling Club joined us for fun and friendship and we played some games. We all enjoyed some refreshments and prizes were distributed to our visitors.

The winners are pictured right: John McQuaide, Lynda Masterson, Sadie Curran and Mark Collum.

Bowling Club

The club is taking part in the Erne League and we have played some home and away games and we have more to play before the end of February.



Our annual mixed pair tournament is being held on Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and finals on Wednesday 20th March 2024.

St Macartin's Bowling Club meet on Wednesday's at 10.30am and again at 7.30pm.

Family Fun Day



A Family Fun Day was held in the Hall on Saturday 16th December for all families with children. The event was well attended and friendship, fun, food and fellowship was in abundance.

Tuesday Club



The final meeting of 2023 was on 28th November in the Eniskeene Room. Rev Colin opened with prayer. Members were greeted with a mulled pomegranate juice, cooking for two was highlighted throughout and a tasting session of main course, pudding & sausage rolls followed. Many thanks to

Adele Moore for such an entertaining afternoon.

On 12th December the club members attended the Parish dinner in the Main hall. Meetings to come in 2024:

January 30th: Sharing of knitting ideas. February 27th: Chair Bocce

Cathedral Family

Rev Dr Edwin James Aiken BSc, MTh, PhD



We extend a very warm welcome to Rev. Edwin James Aiken who has been appointed Curate for St. Macartin's Cathedral Enniskillen from 1st February 2024. The Rev Aiken has a PhD in geography from Queen's University, Belfast as well as postgraduate certificate in Theology, Mission and Ministry and a Master of Theology from Trinity College, Dublin, achieving many academic awards. He is a former leader of Boys' Brigade and youth club and has worked in many spheres of church life, leading various groups and initiatives. A warm welcome is also extended to his wife Alex and young son Orion.

Cathedral Family

What did you do before you were ordained?

Before I started ordination training my main work was teaching geography in Bristol University and in Queen's in Belfast. My interests were in Middle East geography, particularly the Holy Land, the history and philosophy of geography, hermeneutics and humanistic thought. I particularly enjoyed meeting students from all around the world, journeying with them through their university experience and caring for them pastorally. I also spent some time working for publishing firms and managed to pick up a bit of post-primary school teacher training along the way.

How did you sense God's call to ministry?

My call to ordination was with me for quite some time before I answered. It was quite a gradual and developing sense that I found more fulfilment in my activities with the church than with my secular employment. Opportunities which arose due to a vacancy in my home parish allowed me to take on more and more leadership roles, and from there the momentum built towards a selection conference, formation at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute in Dublin and then ordination.

What are you looking forward to most about coming to Enniskillen?

I'm very keen to meet and get to know everyone in the St Macartin's family; to journey with you all as we explore God's love together in the easy and difficult seasons of life; to grow and learn together and to reach out to our community with that love.

What are your hobbies and interests

I like to relax by reading, walking in the hills, cooking, playing the organ (fairly badly) and spending time with my family. I'm married to Alex and we have a baby son called Orion.

Do you have a favourite prayer or hymn?

My favourite prayer is the Collect for Ash Wednesday. It says so much about our God's love and mercy, particularly the line 'you hate nothing that you have made', which speaks so powerfully about the all-encompassing nature of God's love and care for all people and the whole of creation.

My favourite hymn is 'Jerusalem the Golden', where the writer talks enthusiastically about the Christian hope of the new heaven and earth.

Millcroft and Milverne Nursing Home



In the run up to Christmas Rev Colin conducted a service in the Millcroft/ Milverne Nursing Home.



Mothers' Union

Our meeting on Monday January 8th was a Service of Holy Communion celebrated by Dean Hall.

The AGM followed with all offices declared vacant. The following were re-appointed or elected:

Branch Leader/Enrolling Member - Jenifer Johnston

Hon Secretary - Sally Masterson

Hon Treasurer - Maud Shaw

Overseas Representative - Valerie Watson.

Committee- Adele Moore, Avril Kee, Christine Halpin, Carole Crawford, Jeanette Cochrane, Margaret Owens, Stephanie Hall, and Stephanie Hamilton.

The Lenten project this year will go towards MU Worldwide Funds. (See page 21)

The next meeting is on Monday February 12th with Guest Speaker Arch-deacon Paul Thompson. Everyone welcome.

All Ireland Mothers' Union Holy Communion Service

Mothers' Union Ireland has decided this year, on a pilot basis, to ask each diocese in turn to organise a Holy Communion service on the first Thursday of each month across the year.

Clogher Diocesan MU, with the permission of the Dean and in conjunction with our Chaplain, will hold a Holy Communion service in Saint Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on **Thursday 1st February at 11.00am**. All are welcome and Mothers' Union members in particular are asked to attend where possible.

Mothers' Union Big Hymn Sing

It has been decided by Mothers' Union All Ireland that this year that there should be a series of events across Ireland. These events will be launched by a service in Kilkenny Cathedral in March and concluded with Service in Ballymena Parish later in the year.

In Clogher Diocese, the *Mothers' Union Big Hymn Sing* will take place in Saint Macartin's Cathedral on Sunday, the **25th of February 2024 at 7pm**. The service will include musical items from MU members and parishioners from across the Diocese as well as parish church choirs.

The service will be based on the singing of Congregational hymns, which Mothers' Union members from across Ireland have chosen. This special event is being held to raise funds for Mothers' Union projects which are funded by the *Mums in May* fund. Please do come and join us!



The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

In bygone centuries, Christians said their last farewells to the Christmas season on Candlemas, 2nd February. This is exactly 40 days after Christmas Day itself.

In New Testament times 40 days old was an important age for a baby boy: it was when they made their first 'public appearance'.

Mary, like all good Jewish mothers, went to



the Temple with Jesus, her first male child—to 'present Him to the Lord'. At the same time, she, as a new mother, was 'purified'. Thus, we have the Festival of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

So, where does the Candlemas bit come in? Jesus is described in the New Testament as the Light of the World, and early Christians developed the tradition of lighting many candles in celebration of this day. The Church also fell into the custom of blessing the year's supply of candles for the church on this day—hence the name, Candlemas.

The story of how Candlemas began can be found in Luke 2: 22-40. Simeon's great declaration of faith and recognition of who Jesus was is of course found in the Nunc Dimittis, which is embedded in the Office of Evening Prayer in the West. But in medieval times, the Nunc Dimittis was mostly used just on this day, during the distribution of candles before the Eucharist. Only gradually did it win a place in the daily prayer life of the Church.

Nunc dimittis

1 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.
2 For mine eyes have seen:thy salvation;
3 Which thou hast prepared:before the face of all people;
4 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen. (Luke 2.29-32)

Cathedral Bells and Cathedral Clock

Automation of the Cathedral bells

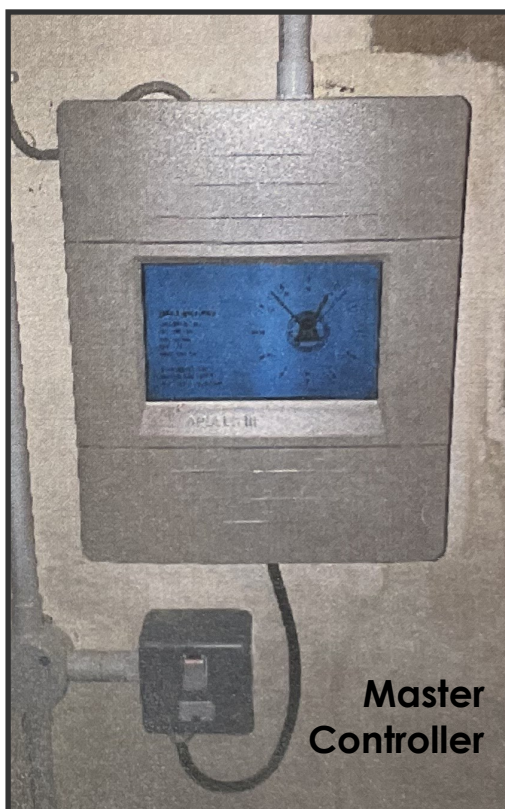
In the Cathedral News, at this time last year, it was indicated that John Taylor and Company, bell founders, had been invited to look at the possibility of automating the bells in the tower and at the same time automating the tower clock. Parishioners and the general public will have noticed that the clock has been stopped at ten minutes to twelve for a long time due to difficulties with the mechanism.



Taylor's representative visited the cathedral and had detailed discussions with representatives of the Cathedral's bell ringing team and of the Select Vestry. An agreement was reached to follow the recommendations of Taylor's representative to install an electrically operated chiming system and clock dial drive motor. This work is in progress as this piece is being written and may well be completed with both systems in operation by the

time you read this.

The new system for the clock has an atomic regulated aerial which should ensure that the clock keeps perfect time and will change from winter to summer time automatically.

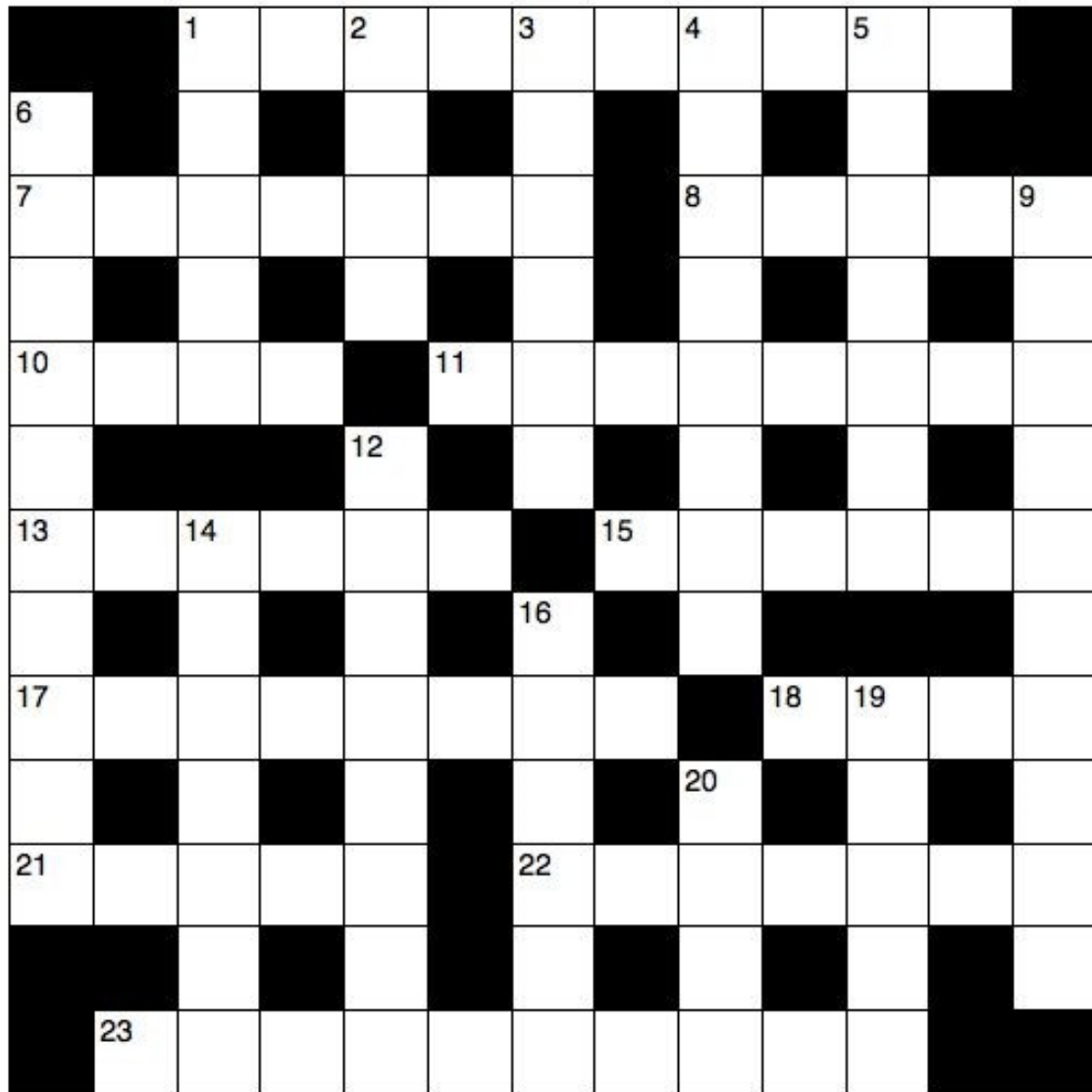


In future the bells can be rung automatically according to whatever programme is chosen on the master control panel. The main memory system can store up to 125 different tunes/melodies. The time clock can be set to strike the hours and quarters with a programmable night silence function.

This installation results in the bells and clock mechanisms being updated using the very latest technology. It should be noted that the bells can still be rung manually as before.

This has been a costly development and generous donations have been received towards it. However, there still remains a significant deficit in this account and any further donations would be most welcome.

Crossword



Across

- 1 Success or wealth (Deuteronomy 28:11) (10)
- 7 Forbidden fruit for Nazirites (Numbers 6:3) (7)
- 8 Concede (Job 27:5) (5)
- 10 Look at (Psalm 48:13) (4)
- 11 Much in evidence after weddings (8)
- 13 Condense (Job36:27) (6)
- 15 Breakwater (6)
- 17 Give a tan (anag.) (8)
- 18 More usually now called Pentecost,—Sunday (4)
- 21 After living for365 years, it was said of him that 'he walked with God' (Genesis 5:23–24) (5)
- 22 Trampled (Judges 9:27) (7)
- 23 For example, Miriam, Deborah (Exodus 15:20; Judges 4:4) (10)

Crossword

Down

- 1 Arrogance (Proverbs 8:13) (5)
- 2 Roman poet from first century BC (4)
- 3 So rapt (anag.) (6)
- 4 Declare again (2 Corinthians 2:8) (8)
- 5 Paul's 'fellow worker', to whom he sent two epistles (Romans 16:21) (7)
- 6 God's foreseeing care and protection (Job 10:12) (10)
- 9 Traditional form of Roman Catholic Mass (10)
- 12 'The Lord...has given the—of Israel to David and his descendants for ever' (2 Chronicles 13:5) (8)
- 14 'My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my—' (Luke 1:46–47) (7)
- 16 The central element in Nebuchadnezzar's dream, identified and interpreted by Daniel (Daniel 2:31) (6)
- 19 'On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of—will not overcome it' (Matthew 16:18) (5)
- 20 City where Paul was under house arrest for two years (Acts 28:16) (4)

Lenten Project – Mission Focus

One of the aims of Mothers' Union is 'to help those whose family life has met with adversity'. The Mothers' Union Relief Fund is founded upon this principle. It enables grassroots Mothers' Union members to be a source of hope in their

local communities when emergencies strike, wherever they find themselves in the world. When an emergency situation suddenly destabilises family life – either natural disaster or man-made conflict – local Mothers' Union groups can receive a grant from the Relief Fund which helps them provide support to meet the most urgent needs facing communities.

In many areas the Mothers' Union act as the health service, the social service and as the education service have trained project workers in many spheres! This Lenten Season we as the Parish of Enniskillen are going to support this vital work.

Please take a Lenten Box or a Gift Aid Envelope and return it during Holy Week.

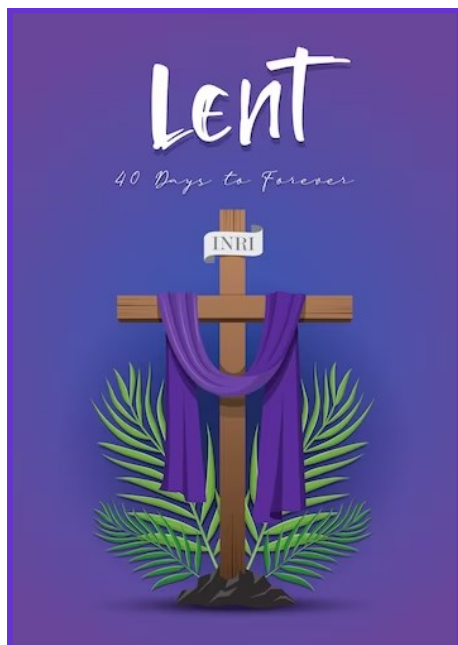
Ash Wednesday and Lent

Lent serves as a time of preparation in the run-up to Easter and is observed from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. In many churches the bright colours which followed Christmas will be replaced by the more somber colour of purple, and it is the custom to move flowers (during Holy Week) and to choose hymns which also reflect the season. On Easter day the brightness of the flowers, the hymns and alleluia will be re-instated, thus adding to the joy and celebration of the day. Lasting forty days, many Christians draw inspiration from the account of Jesus being tempted in the desert, where for forty days Jesus, 'full of the Holy Spirit', was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing and at the end of the time 'was hungry'. For Jesus, this time in the desert immediately pre-fixed what is seen as the start of His ministry, it was for Him, a time of preparation. Lent should not be viewed as a legalistic or compulsory act, rather as a fantastic opportunity to set time apart for spiritual cleansing, renewal, and preparation. Christians believe that because it was the sin of man that led Jesus to be crucified, Lent should be used as a time to reflect on the significance of Christ's death, both for humanity as a whole and for their own lives. Furthermore, the season should serve as a time of self-examination and confession of sins, of overcoming faults through penance, self-denial from certain items (fasting), of prayer and repentance, and of giving (both financially and in time).



ASH WEDNESDAY 14th February

7.30pm – Penitential Service with Holy Communion



Thursday 15th February 11.00am – Holy Communion

Wednesday 21st February 7.30pm – Compline

Thursday 22nd February 11.00am – Holy Communion

Wednesday 28th February 7.30pm – Compline

Thursday 29th February 11.00am – Holy Communion

Wednesday 6th March 7.30pm – Compline

Thursday 7th March 11.00am – Holy Communion

Wednesday 13th March 7.30pm – Compline

Thursday 14th March 11.00am – Holy Communion

Wednesday 20th March 7.30pm – Compline

Thursday 21st March 11.00am – Holy Communion

The Pilgrim Course (What is the Bible and how should we read it)

Pilgrim is a teaching and discipleship resource that helps inquirers and Christians explore what it means to travel through life with Christ. A Christian course for the twenty-first century, Pilgrim offers an approach of participation, not persuasion. Following the practice of the ancient disciplines of biblical reflection and prayer with quotes from the Christian tradition throughout the ages, Pilgrim assumes little or no knowledge of the Christian faith. Individuals or small groups on the journey of discipleship in the Anglican tradition can use Pilgrim at any point.



The Bible: What is it, how was it given to us, and how should we read it? These six sessions combine simple prayer, Bible reflection and time for questions and reflection. By the end of the six sessions, it is hoped that participants will have learned how to make reading the Bible a part of everyday life, with the ability to read, pray, and listen to what God might be saying, allowing the words to change each participant.

The course begins in the Hilliard Room, Cathedral Hall, on Tuesday 20th February from 7.30pm – 9.00pm (and fortnightly thereafter). A warm welcome awaits you, and refreshments will be served at each session. We look forward to journeying with you.

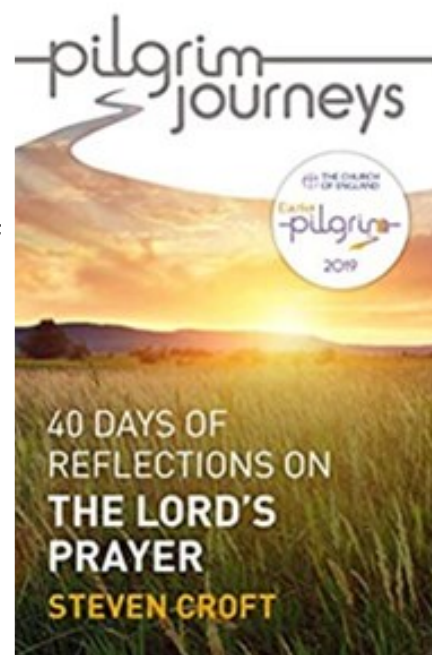


Daily Reading for Lent

Pilgrim Journeys: The Lord's Prayer takes you on a 40-day journey through the prayer Jesus taught his followers - one which continues to shape the lives of Christians across the world.

Each day provides you with a short reflection on a Bible reading, an invitation to pray and a suggestion of how you might respond to the Lord's Prayer challenge to live as God intends, both as an individual and in community. The Pilgrim Journeys booklets are ideal daily companions for anyone seeking to grow in the Christian faith but can be used by anyone at any stage of their Christian journey.

These booklets are available for £3.00 at the back of the Cathedral or the Cathedral Office.



Youth and Children's Ministry

Messy Church

Messy Church is open to all children of Primary School age or younger and their parents and guardians. Even if you aren't a member of the Cathedral, you are very welcome to join us at any of the sessions. To ensure there are enough resources, and food for participants, you must contact Gwyneth Blair by email at gwyneth.blair@gmail.com or 07753522324 as soon as possible. Participants must complete a registration form. The next Messy Church will be held on Thursday 15th February from 4.00-6.00pm.



Sunday Lights and Café

Sunday Lights is open to anyone in P1-4, and Sunday Café welcomes children in P5-Year 8. We use interactive and creative forms of learning to help the children learn about the Christian faith (telling Bible stories, songs, discussion, games, and crafts). We are grateful to the leaders who make Sunday Lights and Café not only possible, but so enjoyable for our children! The children leave during the 11.00am service after the singing of a family hymn for their own activities, and attend and take part in monthly Family Services. The children will leave church at 11.20am for approximately 30/40 minutes. A parent or guardian needs to remain in church during this time.

The next dates for Sunday Lights and Café are as follows:

FEBRUARY

4th February: Sunday Lights and Café - children leave during the 11.00am service for their own activities.

11th February: Holiday

18th February: Sunday Lights and Café - children leave during the 11.00am service for their own activities.

25th February: Family Service at 11.00am

Answers to Crossword on page 20

ACROSS: 1, Prosperity. 7, Raisins. 8, Admit. 10, View. 11, Confetti. 13, Distil. 15, Groyne. 17, Navigate. 18, Whit. 21, Enoch. 22, Trodden. 23, Prophets.
DOWN: 1, Pride. 2, Ovid. 3, Pastor. 4, Reaffirm. 5, Timothy. 6, Providence. 9, Tridentine. 12, Kingship. 14, Saviour. 16, Statue. 19, Hades. 20, Rome

Youth and Children's Ministry

The Parenting Wellness Group will meet on Saturday 10th February 2024 in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall at 2.00pm. 'Out for the Count Sleep Consultant' will be in attendance to talk about topics such as 'How Sleep Works', 'Top Tips for Supporting Babies' Sleep', 'Practical Tips for new parents', 'Sleep Regressions' and lots more! Parents and children of all ages welcome to attend. For more information or to reserve a place, please contact Linda Kingston on 07342045474.

St. Macartin's Cathedral

Enniskillen

Parenting Wellness Group

Dates for your diary:



10th February: 'Out for the Count' Sleep Consultant



9th March: Urban Motion Dance



20th April: 'Fly your Kite'

For further information, to reserve a place or to be added to the What's App Group, please contact Linda Kingston on 07342045474



The Parenting Wellness Group had a Glide and Groove Roller Skating session on Saturday 13th January.



Confirmation

A Confirmation Service will be held on Sunday 3rd March 2024 at 11.00am for young people of Year 9 and above.

Children's Page



Mouse Makes

Who were the first couple?

_____ and _____

Genesis 2:22-25

Who's wife became a pillar of salt because she disobeyed the angel's warning?

Genesis 19:26



Which of Laban's daughters did Jacob love?

Genesis 29:18

Who was Moses' wife?

Exodus 2:21

Who married Boaz to become King David's great-grandmother and a distant relative of Jesus?

Matthew 1:5



Which couple helped the Apostle Paul in his ministry?

_____ and _____

Romans 16:3

FIND THE BIBLE VERSE

Change each letter in this bible verse to the letter **before** it in the alphabet.

XIBU HPE IBT
KPJOFE UPHFUIFS,
MFU OPU NBO
TFQBSBUF.

NBSL
UFO WFSTF
OJOF

CONNECT THE BIBLE COUPLES

ADAM	ELIZABETH
ABRAHAM	MARY
ISAAC	HANNAH
JACOB	PRISCILLA
BOAZ	EVE
ZECHARIAH	RUTH
ELKANAH	REBEKAH
AQUILA	RACHEL
JOSEPH	SARAH

DID YOU KNOW?

King Solomon had **700** wives! They were princesses of royal birth and he loved them all, but his wives caused him to turn away from God
See 1 Kings 11:1-3

E E Z R E E L I Z A B E T H R
S V Q S L R Z J I B O A D A M
R E B E K A H O J R A O Q N O
U I S A A C A S A A Z P R N S
T H A Q N H Z E C H A R I A H
H R U T A E V P O A I E B H I
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P R I S C I L L A Q U I L A

ABRAHAM
ADAM • AQUILA
BOAZ • ELKANAH
ELIZABETH
EVE • HANNAH
ISAAC • JACOB
JOSEPH • MARY
PRISCILLA
RACHEL
REBEKAH • RUTH
SARAH
ZECHARIAH

Parish People

Director of Music and Organist - Glenn Moore

Churchwardens - Vanessa Elliott and Arnold Graham

Glebewardens - George Irvine and Noel Johnston

Hon Secretary - Sam Morrow, Assistant Hon Secretary - Stephen Richmond

Hon Treasurer - Hope Kerr, Assistant Hon Treasurer - David Graham

Select Vestry - David Clarke, Nathan Clyde, Richard Cochrane,
Linda Corrigan, Ivan Kee, Linda Kingston, Karl Saunders, Alanna Williamson,
Audrey Williamson, Jonathan Woods.

Lay Readers - Karl Saunders and Jack Watson

Verger - Andrew McCabe

Hall Caretaker - Andrew McCabe

February Lessons and Readers

Sunday 04 February: The Second Sunday before Lent

The First Reading - Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 - Alan Devers

The Psalm - Psalm 104: 26-37

The Second Reading - Colossians 1: 15-20 - Liz Robertson

The Gospel Reading - John 1: 1-14 - The Dean

Sunday 11 February: The Sunday before Lent

The First Reading - 2 Kings 2: 1-12 - Selena Fawcett

The Psalm - Psalm 50: 1-6

The Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 - Jim Lucy

The Gospel Reading - Mark 9: 2-9 - The Curate

Sunday 18 February: The First Sunday in Lent

The First Reading - Genesis 9: 8-17 - Gillian Glass

The Psalm - Psalm 25: 1-9

The Second Reading - 1 Peter 3: 18-22 - Brian Rutledge

The Gospel Reading - Mark 1: 9-15 - The Dean

Sunday 25 February: The Second Sunday in Lent

Family Service

WELCOME TEAM February 2024

04 Julie and David Nixon

11 Jeanette and Richard Cochrane

18 Gwen and Karl Saunders

25 Myrtle and George Irvine

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.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

11.00am - Holy Communion (each 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 - 6.45pm - 8.00pm

Cubs - 6.45pm - 8.00pm

Confirmation Classes - 6.30pm - 7.30pm (as arranged)

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

Mothers' Union - 7.30pm - 9.30pm (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

WEDNESDAY

Bowling Club - 10.30am - 12.00 noon

Bowling Club - 7.30pm - 10.00pm

Choir Practice - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Bell Ringing Practice - 7.00pm - 8.00pm

THURSDAY

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

Scouts - 6.30pm - 8.00pm

SATURDAY

Parenting Wellness Group (Once per month as arranged)

KnitWits - 2.00-5.00pm (Autumn to Easter)

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