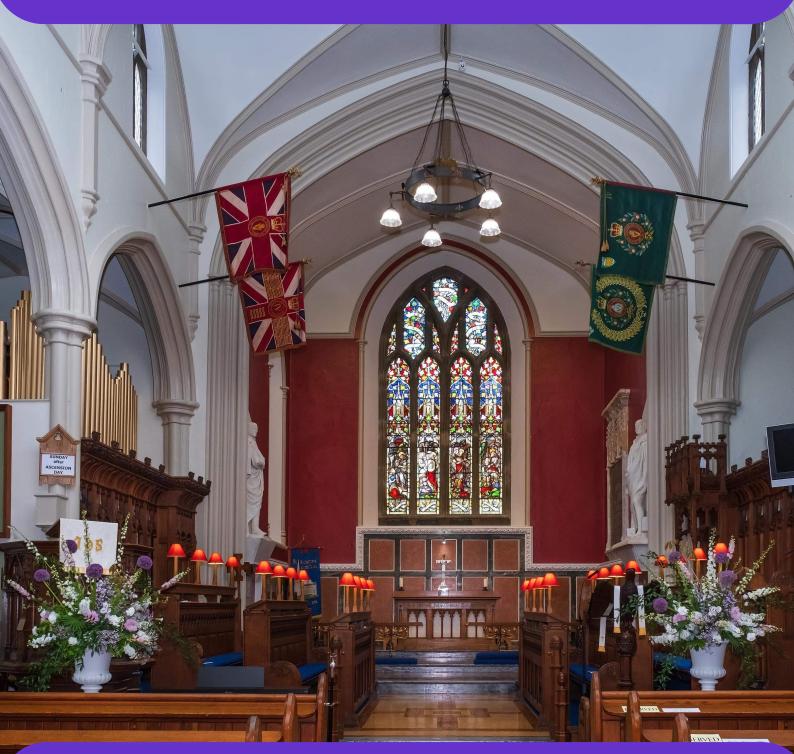
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"God has made everything suitable for its time" (Ecclesiastes 3: 11)



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The Dean Writes:

Dear Parishioners,

We have had a remarkably busy year, resulting in a magnificent, restructured Cathedral Church. Over the summer months, it may be time to take a pause before we embark upon our Quadricentennial Celebrations,



which will commence in September and carry through to our Flower Festival in May 2023. (Note: I said only a pause, for we must get reenergised for an early 'kick off' in September!)

The summer is, for many, a moment to pause; it is a moment to take a break - a time, perhaps, to live in the present moment and to remember, as Ecclesiastes 3:1 states, 'there is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.' These words remind us that it is God who has appointed the times, seasons, and events in our lives. Of course, sometimes we may wonder about that; it is easy to doubt that God has it all together when we look at what is going on in the world around or where our own life has descended into what may feel so often like chaos. However things may appear, God has always got everything under control and always has a purpose in everything, even if we sometimes have a tough time understanding what that purpose might be. As the apostle Paul writes in his letter to the Christians in first century Rome: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose" (Romans 8: 28). The secret is, I think, to discover, accept, and appreciate God's perfect timing and to remember too, that we live in a world of change. The evidence of change is all around us. Spring becomes summer. Summer will give way to the autumn, and then autumn - in its turn - will give way to the winter. But, in all that change, we can still hold on to the

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knowledge that God is in control and that change can be a good thing indeed. After all, change helps us to learn and to adapt and to grow inside; change can stretch us and challenge us by causing us to grow through the ups and downs of life. Change can also keep us from getting bored. Are you the same person you were ten years ago, or five years ago, or even one year ago? The one constant, of course, is the one who is in control of everything. God does not change, and that means that we can count on him always to be with us and to do the right thing: 'He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover, he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end' (Ecclesiastes 3: 11). God has set everything for its time, so take the time to enjoy yourself. Make the best of each event and of each season of change. Enjoy your family and your home, your health, and your holidays. Enjoy coming to church - yes, come to church and enjoy it! After all, God has made everything beautiful in his time and even in the painful things of life God is there. Sometimes all we can see is the middle of God's work and not the end, but he knows the beginning from the end, and he is always with us. So, take some time this summer to enjoy the moment. Hold on, in trust, in every moment to God who is in control. Hold on to the one who loves us and who promises that as we trust in him, he will provide for all our needs.

If you are fortunate enough to get away on holiday, that is good; but if not a few quiet days at home may be just as refreshing. God designed us to need rest at every level of life, from physical to emotional to spiritual. So, I do hope that you all have a pleasant and refreshing summer, whether at home or on holiday, and may you experience the love of God and be able to share that love with those whom you meet.

Yours very sincerely,

Thursdays at 11.00am



Service of Holy Communion (30 minutes). We are encouraging parishioners who may be in Enniskillen shopping on Thursday

mornings, to drop in for this short service – a mid-week pause and praise with God!

Parish Visiting

Since regular parish visiting from house to house will not be possible for some time yet, I would appeal to

parishioners to let us know if they are unwell or know someone who is unwell. We can arrange some form of contact to be made depending on what restrictions are in place at that time.



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Parochial Registers

Holy Baptism

- 18th June Luke Bernard Kenneth Wilson
- 18th June Archie James Atkinson
- 26th June Noah Michael Garry Pawson

"Go make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28: 19

Marriage

2nd June – Nathan William Khan & Lisa Marie McHugh 30th June – Ian Kenneth Donnell & Nicole Ruth Brady

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

Cremation

9th June – Rubina Winifred (Beanie) Rimmer, 23 Breandrum Park, Enniskillen.

Burial of Ashes in the Garden of Remembrance

1st June – Peter Richard Thomas Mayes, Monalla Road, Ballinamallard.





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

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.

Parish Donations

Organ Restoration Fund

- £1,575 Choral Scholars' Concert
- £65 Donation from the Choirs of Mullaghbrack and Kilcluney Parishes.
- £500 Donation in loving memory of Elizabeth (Betty) McKendry (anniversary 26th June) from her son Paul.

Cathedral Roof Repair Fund

 \pounds 180 Donation in lieu of flowers in memory of Mrs Hazel Beatty.

Redecoration Fund

- £500 Donation in memory of F James (Jimmy) Carson from his wife Joan.
- £50 Donation from Mr William & Mrs Margaret Burleigh.

Webcam Fund

£50 Anonymous donation.

Flower Fund

£50 Donation in memory of my mother and sister. From Mrs Pat Kells.

Minibus Fund

£60 Donation from the Knitwits Knitting Group.

Fabric Fund

- £75 Donation in memory of our parents, Laura and French Johnston. From Barbara, Jim and Alan.
- \pounds 10,000 Donation from the Estate of the late Mrs Dorothy Catherine Kerr.
- £150 Donation from The Good Companions Group (Killyman Parish).

THE BOOK OF Common Prayer

Prayer Books

Do you have a Prayer book in your home? If not you should have! We are a Prayer Book church and the Prayer Book should not just be on those shelves at the back of the church for use on Sunday, but there should be a copy of a Prayer Book in every home. Everything in it is biblically based and it is a vital tool to everyday living, for daily prayer, and for nourishment and for enriching our daily walk with God. As you leaf through the Prayer Book you will find services and prayers for daily use, and for every situation and worry in life. It is a marvellous resource so use it. Copies are available from the Cathedral Office for £20.00 and would make an ideal gift!

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To mark the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen, a special service of thanksgiving was held in the cathedral at 8.30pm on Thursday 2nd June. Pictured after the service are Nathan Clyde, Churchwarden; Andrew McCabe, Verger; Rt Rev Dr Ian Ellis, Bishop; Rev Chris West, Curate; Monsignor Peter O'Reilly, St Michael's Roman Catholic Church; Scott Elliott, Parish Reader and Alanna Williamson, Churchwarden.

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Choir stall lights

The choir stall lights have come in for great praise. They have not only enhanced the lighting for the choir members but have uplifted the appearance of the chancel and choir stalls. The choir stalls were first improved by fitting a higher level book rest (shelf). This made the reading of music much easier for choir members. The final phase of improvement was the fitting of the lights.

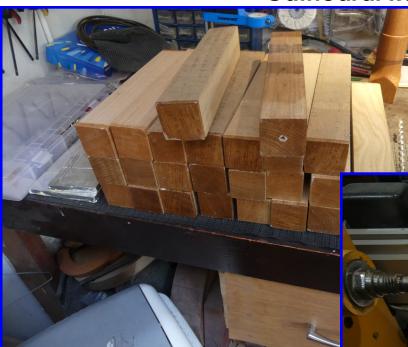
When the decision was made to fit the lights, it was not found possible to source suitable 'off the shelf' lights either locally or on the internet. A discussion with Mr Warren Cooper of the Light Gallery led to the idea that lights could be fabricated using local expertise. Mr Cooper suggested that the bodies of the lights could be of wood to which the electrical fittings could be added. This led to an approach to Mr Bruce Switzer from Kesh, a retired UTV lighting supervisor, who took up wood turning as a project in retirement. Mr Switzer runs his wood turning hobby under the title 'WOOD 4 YEW'.

The new book rests and the bodies for the lights are of oak which matches the oak in the stalls. Unless informed otherwise, it would be assumed that these additions were part of the original choir stalls. *Continued overleaf*

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The oak is selected.

There were various stages in the process of making bodies for the lights. The first was the choice of oak, then turning the wood into the final attractive shape and, finally, attaching the electrical fittings.

> The light bodies are turned into their final shape.

Matching the oak in the pews by the use of wood stains.



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The light bodies were skilfully fitted to the book rests by William Thompson, joiner. Gareth Latimer, electrician, tastefully equipped the new light bodies with their electrical fittings, which were supplied by Mr Warren Cooper.



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Cathedral Family

Nathan Clyde Rector's Churchwarden

Tell us about your early days.

I was born in Enniskillen on the 11th of May 2000 – the youngest of two boys. I attended Enniskillen Model Primary School, where I now work, and Portora Royal School/Enniskillen Royal Grammar School. I have always attended the Church of Ireland, and am somewhat following in my mother's footsteps (she was People's Churchwarden!). What do you do now?



I have recently finished my degree in Primary Education, which I studied for at Liverpool Hope University and I have been working as a classroom assistant/sub teacher in Enniskillen Model for the past 6 months. My job is something that I love to do, which is a bonus as they say you never really work if you love your job!

Favourites in life?

I enjoy spending time with my friends and family, listening to music and probably playing the PlayStation a little too much! I'm a huge fan of Manchester United as well as Ulster and the Irish Rugby team. I like to go to the Ireland games in Dublin with my dad whenever I can. At the minute, I am really enjoying my role as Churchwarden – despite a hectic first few weeks! I think it has helped me understand a little more about the inner workings of the Church as well as getting to know many of our wonderful parishioners, who have been very supportive of myself and Alanna.

Have you got a favourite hymn?

As an Old Portoran, my favourite hymn has to be Abide With Me by Henry Francis Lyte. It is also played every year before the FA Cup final, so it really does stick out in my head!

Do you like to travel?

I have been fortunate enough to visit many places, such as France, Italy, Crete and many more. However, I am not finished yet and plan to travel to many more places. Next on my bucket list is Dubai! I think France has to be my favourite holiday destination. I have many happy memories there with my family as a kid!

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Alanna Williamson People's Churchwarden

Tell us about yourself.

I was born in Enniskillen on 28th December 1993. My parents are Liam and Audrey Williamson, I have one brother (Raymond), two sisters (Amanda and Annie), four nephews and a niece. I went to school in Enniskillen Model Primary School and Collegiate Grammar School. After leaving the Collegiate I studied Theology



in Chester and then went on to complete my PGCE (Primary Education) in Liverpool. I now teach in Enniskillen Model Primary School and live at Ballycassidy with my partner James, our dog Percy and our six hens – there is a never a dull moment.

What are your hobbies and interests?

I enjoy eating out and socialising with family and friends. I love taking my dog Percy for nice walks and going to the gym. Nights away and exploring new places is also a favourite of mine. I still enjoy watching a round of golf, however I don't get to play too often myself.

Favourites?

My favourite hymn would have to be How Great Thou Art. I love all types of music and anything with a good beat, you will find me up on the dance-floor. My favourite movie would have to be anything to do with Disney – I'm a big child at heart.

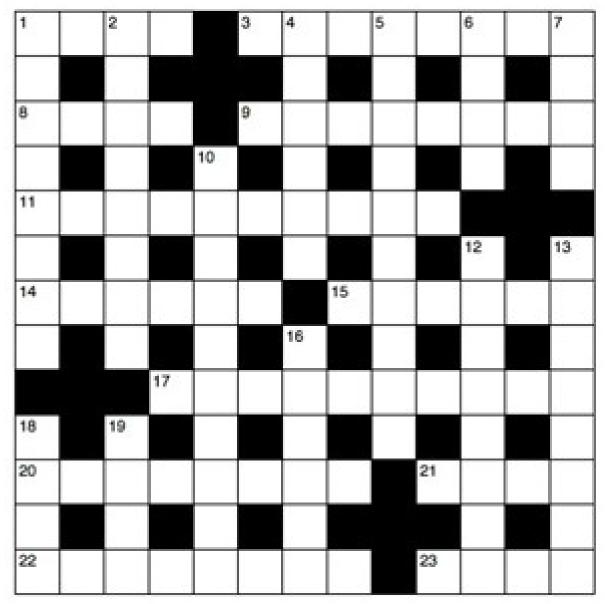
Any challenges?

I like to set myself challenges and love challenges from other people (I'm very competitive). I am enjoying the challenge of Churchwarden and looking forward to the challenges that are ahead.

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Crossword



Across

1 Proverbs describes her as being 'of noble character' (Proverbs 31:10) (4)

3 'Shall we go up again — — against the Benjamites, our brothers?' (Judges 20:23) (2,6)

8 A descendant of Shem (Genesis 10:28) (4)

9 'Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my — ' (Luke 14:27) (8)

11 Resentment (Ephesians 4:31)(10)

14 In Cain(anag.)(6)

15 'Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to—' (Psalm 139:6) (6)

17 Intense (1 Thessalonians 4:5)(10)

20 Third Order of the Roman Catholic Church(8)

Crossword

21 'At midnight the cry rang out, "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to — him"' (Matthew 25:6) (4)

22 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in — ' (2 Corinthians 12:9) (8)

23 'As the — pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God' (Psalm 42:1) (4)

Down

1 Nickname of popular First World War chaplain, the Revd G.A. Studdert Kennedy, — Willie (8)

2 Occasion of religious joy (Lamentations 2:22) (5,3)

4 'We three kings of — are' (6)

5 Allegation or charge (Jude 9) (10)

6 Kind (1 Chronicles 12:33) (4)

7 'Open your — and look at the fields!' (John 4:35) (4)

10 Also known as the Feast of Lights (John 10:22)(10)

12 Area that saw the healing of two demon - possessed men and a herd of pigs stampeding to their deaths (Matthew 8:28) (8)

13 Forebear (James 2:21)(8)

16 Name given to the first two books of the Apocrypha(6)

18 Esau sold his birthright for this (Genesis 25:34)(4)

19 Rear(anag.)(4)

Bowling Club

Bowls will recommence in September 2022.

Evening Bowls will begin on Wednesday 14 September at 7.30pm and Morning Bowls will begin on Wednesday 21 September at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome for fun and friendship.

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Study of the Holy Communion: Part 5 – The Peace and the Offertory Rev Chris West

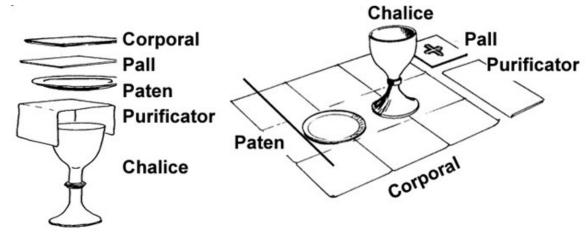
Before we turn to the Great Thanksgiving Prayer which forms the core of the Holy Communion liturgy in the next edition, we turn our attention in these pages to two parts of the service which are often overlooked, namely: the Peace and the Offertory. The Peace is exchanged directly after the Prayers



of the People, before the beginning of the Offertory. The symbolism of its placement here comes from the words of Jesus: "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift" (Matthew 5: 23-24). The celebrant extends hands at the giving of the Peace, since this is directed to the whole congregation, and says "The peace of the Lord be always with you". The response ("and also with you") is said by the people, then the Offertory hymn begins.

In some contexts, the Peace is exchanged by the whole community, but the purpose of the Peace is not to say "hello" to our friends; it is a symbolic celebration our belonging to one another in Christ. In the New Testament, we read that Christians greeted one another with a "holy kiss" (Romans 16: 16; 2 Corinthians 13: 12). Later, this greeting became known as the "kiss of peace", and was a sign of the reconciliation and of the peace that is both Christ's gift to us and his will for us. Salvation is, after all, about being at peace with God, with one another, with creation, and with ourselves.

The Offertory, during which the gifts are prepared for the Great Thanksgiving, is another part of the Eucharistic liturgy that can be overlooked. Its purpose is simple: the presentation (offering) and preparation of the elements (bread, wine, and water) for the Eucharist, and the presentation of



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the gifts of the people. The celebrant and other clergy prepare the altar while the collection is being taken. The communion vessels are usually already on the altar at the beginning of the service, but they need to be prepared for the celebration. There is a sense of the "table being laid" for our shared meal at this point in the liturgy. The meaning of some of the main words associated with the preparation of the altar are explained below:

- The **fair linen** is the fine, white cloth we spread on top of the altar before the service. In ancient days, this was a real table cloth, like a modern white linen table cloth. This is appropriate to use, as the Holy Communion is a shared meal.
- The **corporal** is a square of white linen that is spread on top of the fair linen. The chalice and paten are placed upon it. Its name derives from the Latin word *corpus* (meaning "body"), as its purpose is to catch crumbs dropped from the consecrated bread, the Body of Christ.
- The **burse** is a flat, square, fabric-covered case (think of the word "purse") which holds some of the linens needed for the celebration.
- The **veil** covers the vessels until they are needed for the celebration. Both the burse and the veil will be the appropriate liturgical colour for the season of the Church's calendar.
- The word **chalice** comes from a word meaning "cup", and the **paten** is the silver dish or plate on which the bread is placed. The word paten simply means "a shallow dish".
- The **pall** is a cloth covering (pall comes from a word meaning "a cloak") which can be placed on top of the chalice as a cover.
- The **purificator** as its name suggests is a cloth used to wipe the chalice.
- The **credence** table is a small side table on which the elements of the Holy Communion are placed before the service. The word credence comes from the Latin *credere*, "to believe".

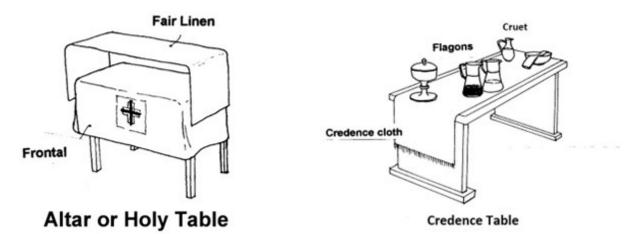
The **flagon** is a jug from which the wine is poured into the chalice.

The **cruet** is a small container for the water to be used in the celebration. From the cruet, we dilute the wine in the chalice. This practice originates in the cup of the Passover meal (the "fruit of the vine"); it is used by Jesus with his disciples at the Last Supper (Matthew 26: 29; Luke 22: 18). It also represents the blood and water which flows from the side of Jesus on the cross (John 19: 34).

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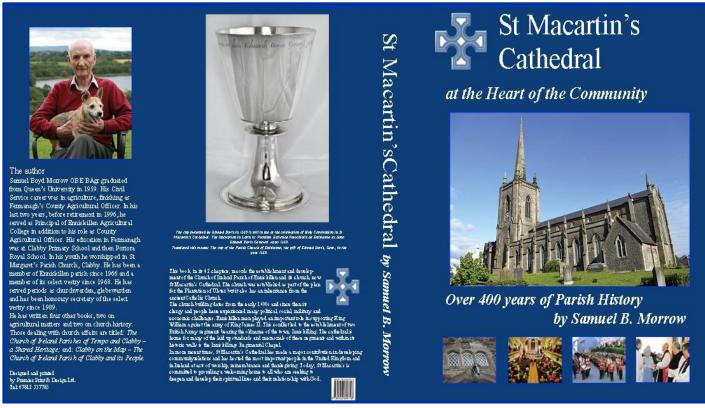
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This, in turn, represents the two Sacraments of the Gospel: the Eucharist and Baptism respectively.



After the altar has been prepared for the celebration of the Holy Communion, and the gifts of the people have been presented at the Offertory, we then move to the core of the service: the Great Thanksgiving. The word Eucharist, after all, comes from a Greek word for "Thanksgiving".

400th Anniversary History Books

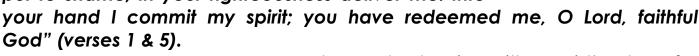


Psalm 31

Psalm 31 is a passionate prayer for deliverance from enemies. It demonstrates David's intense despair at his circumstances, as well as his confidence in God's ability and will to deliver him. The psalm is 24 verses long, so selected verses are reproduced here.

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"In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. Into





The psalm begins with David's pleas for deliverance, grounded in his knowledge of God as a place of refuge, in verses 1-8. David places his trust in God, confident that he will be spared. Jesus uses words from this psalm, as he hangs on the cross in far greater despair than David: "Then Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said,

'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.' Having said this, he breathed his last" (Luke 23: 46). When Jesus utters these words from the cross, he is literally at death's door and commits his spirit to his Father for safekeeping after his death. The death of Jesus brings pardon, hope, healing, and peace to all who look death in the face, meaning that we can – in the words of our funeral liturgy – confidently leave those we love but see no longer "in the keeping of God their creator, redeemer, and judge".

"I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbours, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me" (verse 11).

David moves into the depths of despair, as he discovers that even his friends have neglected him, in verses 9-13. Once again, this might remind us of the death and passion of Jesus: he is deserted by many of his friends when he needs them most, and suffers alone on the cross for the world's redemption. All who are weighed down by pain and loneliness can find strength and solidarity in the companionship of Jesus; he is no stranger to pain and loneliness, and experiences them first-hand on the cross.

"But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, 'You are my God.' My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors" (verses 14 & 15).

David reaffirms his trust in God, asking him to deal with his enemies, in verses 14-18. This kind of prayer for our enemies finds its counterbalance in the teachings of Jesus: "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute

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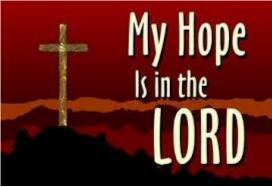
you" (Matthew 5: 44). If we truly believe that the world is created by God who is radical Love, then the idea of loving our enemies is fundamental to the way in which we ought to live. This is not a mushy sentiment but rather a difficult choice. Jesus goes to the cross because he loves his enemies. On the way to the cross, he is abused, stripped, and humiliated; and yet – at each and every step – he responds not with hatred but with love.



"In the shelter of your presence you hide them from human plots; you hold them safe under your shelter from contentious tongues. Love the Lord, all you his saints. The Lord preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts haughtily. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord" (verses 20, 23 & 24).

David finishes the psalm by praising God, as he trusts God to answer his prayer as may be best for him, in verses 19-24. The sense of this may remind us of some words from A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom, which is often used to conclude the Occasional Prayers in Morning Prayer: "Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be most expedient for them". The word "shelter" in verse 20 is sometimes translated as "dwelling". "Dwelling" – when used in the psalm – refers to a temporary "hut" or "booth". The Festival of Tabernacles (or Booths) celebrates God's protection of Israel when they came out of Egypt and lived in temporary shelters.

David builds upon this understanding of God's protection here, and presents the "dwelling" of God's presence as a place of ultimate security (and hence his reason for trusting God). Courage is not about being without fear; it is the ability to do something that frightens us because we know we are held securely in God's embrace.



Answers to Crossword on page 16

Dedication. 12, Gadarene. 13, Ancestor. 16, Esdras. 18, Stew. 19, Area.

ACROSS: 1, Wife. 3, To battle. 8, Obal. 9, Disciple. 11, Bitterness. 14, Niacin. 15, Attain. 17, Passionate. 20, Tertiary. 21, Meet. 22, Weakness. 23, Deer.

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Mission and Outreach

At St Macartin's Cathedral, we aim to be at the heart of the community. We join this with a commitment to being with God in worship and prayer, and also being with those who are on the edge of society through outreach and love. Want to feel at home here? We want that for you too. Even though September seems a long way off, it isn't too soon to start thinking about ways you might get involved in the new school year. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we have events for you, and ways for you to take part in the life and mission of the Church. Below are a few dates for your diary, as well as some new and exciting opportunities for involvement and engagement with the wider community in which we live and work.

Youth Ministry

As always, children and young people are welcome at any of our services. We believe children are not just the Church of tomorrow, they are a meaningful part of the Church of today. Families, children, and young people are an important part of life and worship in St Macartin's Cathedral.



During term time, Sunday Lights and Café meet each Sunday during the 11.00am service after the singing of a family hymn, and attend monthly Family Services. An exciting new programme for Messy Church, which is open to all primary-aged children, will also start in the new school year. (See later in the magazine for more details.) At both groups, we use interactive and creative forms of learning to help the children learn about the Christian faith: telling Bible stories, discussion, songs, games, and crafts all play a part in our programme. Our youth group, *Xplore*, is open to all Confirmation candidates and others in Years 9-12. We are currently putting together a programme of events for when we return in Autumn. Keep your eyes peeled for details of a post-exam results meet up in August.

All of these organisations provide opportunities to contribute your time and talents to our shared life. Interested in helping out? Please get in touch, and we can have a conversation about when and how you might like to get involved. These organisations are not possible without those who are willing to help coordinate them. Keep your eyes peeled for more information on our youth ministry programmes, and how you can get involved, soon!

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Back to Church Sunday

Sunday 25th September will be "Back to Church Sunday". Regular members of the congregation are encouraged to invite friends and family members along. The focus is to invite "back"



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those who used to attend, as well as anyone who doesn't currently attend, our Sunday services. Encouraging those invitations is what "Back to Church Sunday" is all about. Inviting someone isn't hard to do; it is a simple question: "Would you like to come to Church with me on Sunday?" Everyone can be guaranteed a warm welcome. The doors of our Church are always open wide! The special guest preacher at this service will be the Very Revd Stephen Farrell, the new Dean of Ossory and a former parishioner of Dromore Parish in Clogher Diocese. More details in the next edition.

Special Treat - An ice cream van (as pictured on the previous page) will return at 12.00 noon and there will be free ice cream for all. We hope all our families will attend.

The Pilgrim Course

Would you like to explore your faith with us? Following on from the popularity of our Lenten booklets of daily reflections, we are planning to hold a Pilgrim Course that ex-

plores the Christian faith in greater depth through the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds after Summer. The course will be inclusive and open to all, whether you are exploring the Christian faith for the first time or simply want to grow in your understanding of what you believe. Sessions will be held in the Cathedral Hall on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, with the first two sessions being held on 13th and 27th September at 7.30pm. The Pilgrim Course is described as follows: "Pilgrim takes a different approach to other Christian programmes. It approaches the great issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers." A warm welcome awaits you, and refreshments will be served at each session. We look forward to journeying with you.

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Exciting News: Messy Church

We have been working on our quadricentennial year programme for ministry to children and young families in the Cathedral and wanted to give you an update on the plans for the year ahead in these pages.

Theme for Messy Church: "The Five Marks of Mission"

Churches throughout the Anglican Communion have Five Marks of Mission:

- 1. TELL To Proclaim God's Kingdom;
- 2. TEACH To Teach, Baptise, and Nurture;
- 3. TEND To Respond to Human Need;
- 4. TRANSFORM To Transform Unjust Structures; and
- 5. TREASURE To Safeguard Creation.



These Five Marks well sum up our vision in St Macartin's Cathedral and are an appropriate emphasis for the ministry to young families taking place during our 400th anniversary celebration year. The new programme will involve sessions on the Marks, with special guests and activities relating to each one. Here are some dates for your diary:

ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Dates

20th October – TELL 17th November – TEACH 15th December – Christmas Party 16th February – TEND 17th March – St Patrick's Day (online only) 24th March – St Macartin's Day (online only) 20th April – TRANSFORM 18th May – TREASURE (an outdoor picnic/fun day)

Messy Church is open to all children (whether church members or not) 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. We normally meet on the third Thursday of the month (as outlined above), 4.00-6.00pm, in the Cathedral Hall.

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Exciting News: Messy Church

The Five Marks Challenge

We will hold a competition based on families challenging themselves to do some form of activity linked to each of the Five Marks of Mission. Families who take part will receive prizes for completing activities associated with each of the Five Marks, and those completing activities related to all Five Marks will re-

ceive a special

5 Marks of Mission

prize and certificate. Prizes will also be awarded for the most creative responses to each of the Marks. Information on the challenge will be released in due course. Keep your eyes peeled for more information soon!

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Choirs of Mullaghbrack and Kilcluney Parishes visit the Cathedral



On Saturday 11th June, the Feast of St Barnabas, the Cathedral hosted a group of 50 visitors, made up of choir members from the parishes of Mullaghbrack and Kilcluney in the Diocese of Armagh (our Curate Assistant's home parish). Rev Chris celebrated the Holy Communion, and gave the group a tour of the Cathedral.

July Lessons and Readers

Sunday 3rd July: The Third Sunday after Trinity (St Thomas) The First Reading - Habakkuk 2: 1-4 - Gillian Glass The Psalm - Psalm 30 The Second Reading - Ephesians 2: 19-22 - Jim Lucy The Gospel Reading - John 20: 24-29 - The Curate

Sunday 10th July: The Fourth Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Amos 7: 7-17 - Richard Cochrane The Psalm - Psalm 82 The Second Reading - Colossians 1: 1-14 - Jeanette Cochrane The Gospel Reading - Luke 10: 25-37 - Scott Elliott

Sunday 17th July: The Fifth Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Amos 8: 1-12 - Raymond Campbell The Psalm - Psalm 52 The Second Reading - Colossians 1: 15-28 - Selena Fawcett The Gospel Reading - Luke 10: 38-42 - The Curate

Sunday 24th July: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Hosea 1: 2-10 - Margaret Owens The Psalm - Psalm 85 The Second Reading - Colossians 2: 6-15 - Blane Bailey The Gospel Reading - Luke 11: 1-13 - Scott Elliott

Sunday 31st July: The Seventh Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Hosea 11: 1-11 - Raymond Hall The Psalm - Psalm 107: 1-9, 43 The Second Reading - Colossians 3: 1-11 - Wendy Graham The Gospel Reading - Luke 12: 13-21 - The Curate



Parish People

Director of Music and Organist - Glenn Moore

Churchwardens - Nathan Clyde and Alanna Williamson

Glebewardens - George Irvine and Noel Johnston

Select Vestry - David Clarke, Richard Cochrane,

Linda Corrigan, David Graham , Ivan Kee, Hope Kerr (Hon Treasurer), Linda Kingston, Sam Morrow (Hon Secretary), Stephen Richmond, Karl Saunders, Audrey Williamson, Jonathan Woods.

Lay Readers - Karl Saunders and Jack Watson

Verger - Andrew McCabe

Hall Caretaker - Andrew McCabe

August Lessons and Readers

Sunday 7th August: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20 - Liz Robertson The Psalm - Psalm 50: 1-8, 23-24 The Second Reading - Hebrews 11: 1-3,8-16 - John Graham The Gospel Reading - Luke 12: 32-40 - Scott Elliott

Sunday 14th August: The Ninth Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Isaiah 5: 1-7 - Jim Nixon The Psalm - Psalm 80: 1-2, 9-20 The Second Reading - Hebrews 11: 29 - 12: 2 - Linda Corrigan The Gospel Reading - Luke 12: 49-56 - The Curate

Sunday 21st August: The Tenth Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Jeremiah 1: 4-10 - Jonathan McBride The Psalm - Psalm 71: 1-6 The Second Reading - Hebrews 12: 18-29 - Agnes Schofield The Gospel Reading - Luke 13: 10-17 - Scott Elliott

Sunday 28th August: The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity The First Reading - Jeremiah 2: 4-13 - Helen Burton The Psalm - Psalm 81: 1, 10-16 The Second Reading - Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 - David J Nixon The Gospel Reading - Luke 14: 1, 7-14 - The Curate





SUNDAY SERVICES

- 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 - 6.30pm - 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 Monday) Select Vestry Meeting - 8.00pm - 9.30pm (first Monday) Mothers' Union - 7.30pm - 9.30pm (second Monday)

TUESDAY

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

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)

SATURDAY

Film Club - 7.30pm - 9.00pm (as arranged)