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*There's a spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere:
'Praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working, in our world.'* Hymn 314



OUR VISION

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

The Parish of Enniskillen Saint Macartin's Cathedral

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The Dean Writes:

Dear Parishioners,

Easter is much more than one day, it is a season and runs to the Day of Pentecost (Sunday 8th June). As we reflect on the joyous celebration of Easter, we are reminded of the profound themes of hope, love, and renewal that resonate deeply within our faith. Easter symbolizes the triumph of life over death, light over darkness, and love over despair. Just as the resurrection of Christ brings us hope, it calls us to share that hope with others, spreading love and kindness in a world often fraught with challenges.

In this season of renewal, we also find ourselves looking forward to commemorating VE Day, a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made for peace and freedom. As we honour the courage of those who fought for a better future, let us embrace the spirit of reconciliation and unity. The message of peace is as vital today as it was then, urging us to foster understanding and compassion in our communities. So please make every effort to attend our special service on Thursday 8th May at 7.30pm (see pages 16 and 17), followed by the lighting of a beacon.



May this Easter season inspire us to be beacons of hope, actively working to build bridges of love and peace around us. Let us carry the message of the resurrection into our daily lives, serving as instruments of healing and harmony in a world that longs for connection.

As we gather in worship and community, may the joy of Easter fill our hearts, and may we extend that joy to all we encounter. Together, let us cultivate a spirit of peace that honours both the past and the promise of a brighter tomorrow.

Yours very sincerely,



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Kenneth R J Hall

Adult Confirmation

Any adults, who are not already confirmed and would like to be confirmed, please contact the clergy or the Parish Office and a member of the Clergy will contact you.

A service to confirm adults will take place in the Cathedral on Ascension Thursday (29th May) at 7.30pm. Adults throughout the Diocese are welcome to be confirmed at this service – please contact your Rector for details.

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 visit 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!



Parochial Registers

Holy Baptism

23rd March - Lacey Marie Watson-McKeown

6th April - Luca James Graydon

*"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

17th April - Oliver Raymond Russell and
Caitlin Louise Beresford.

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



Burial

22nd March - May (Peggy) Morrow,
19 Burnside Park, Enniskillen.

26th March - Caroline Marie Brownlee,
6 Market Place, Enniskillen.

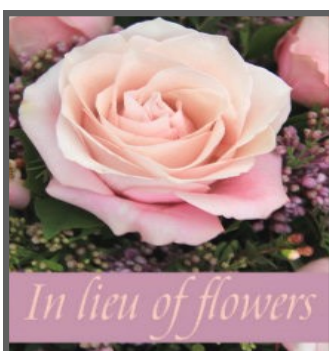
2nd April - Sandra Margaret Robinson,
60 Tempo Road, Enniskillen.

13th April - Jean Mary Johnston,
41 Rathview Park, Lisbellaw.

29th April - Denis Joseph Gault,
Barbour Court, Enniskillen.



"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

Minibus Fund

£75 Donation from the Morning Bowling Club.

Fabric Fund

£1,266.83 Received in lieu of flowers in memory of Jack Watson.

£1,436.98 Received in lieu of flowers in memory of Jonathan Watson.

£1,050 Received in lieu of flowers in memory of Joyce Woods.

Solar Panels Fund

£100 Donation from the Morning Bowling Club.

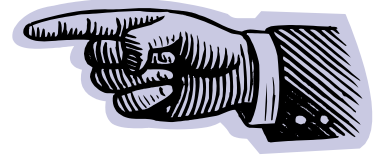
Webcam Fund

£100 Donation from Mrs Roberta Sherrard.

HELP NEEDED - YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

LEADERS FOR SUNDAY LIGHTS (Sunday School)

This meets from October to April. Usual 3 or less Sundays per month with only 7 Sundays before Christmas and about 9 between Christmas and Easter (due to holidays and half term). The more volunteers we have the less Sundays your help is needed as we operate a rota system.



HELPERS FOR MESSY CHURCH

Can you offer 2 hours on the third Thursday of each month? We need help to assist with activities or to help in the kitchen to serve food.

WELCOME TEAM

It is very important that people are greeted with happy friendly faces on a Sunday morning so we need more people for our welcome team!

LESSON READERS

It is good to have a variety of voices to read lessons so more readers are required!

TEA AFTER FAMILY SERVICE

This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other members of the Cathedral Family. Please add your name to a rota for making the tea!

GRAVEYARD VOLUNTEERS

The Cathedral grounds are looking at their best but we need constantly to keep the ivy and weeds under control especially around the old gravestones. Volunteers can come at any time, any day and work on their own accord.

If you can assist in any of the above please ring the Cathedral Office (66322917), the Clergy Churchwardens. Please offer your gift of time and talent in God's service! If you do not want to volunteer alone why not approach another parishioner and team up with them? **TOGETHER EVERYONE ACCOMPLISHES MORE!**

The Nicene Creed – 1700 years!



This month, 1700 years ago, one of the most important meetings in the history of the Christian Church began in the Bithynian city of Nicaea. It began in May 325 and went on until the end of July 325.

The Council of Nicaea was convened by the Roman Emperor Constantine, and he had an urgent job for the Christian bishops to do. He wanted them to spell out as exactly as they could the core beliefs of the Christian Church, especially with regard to the person of Christ.

Constantine had good reason to do this: a man called Arius of Alexandria was spreading the idea that Jesus Christ was not divine, but instead was a created being. Such a belief, if accepted, would have changed the very heart of Christianity.

After three months of hard work, the bishops at Nicaea had prayerfully and carefully written down as exactly as they could the core beliefs of Christianity. It became known as the Nicene Creed, and it has been the bedrock of orthodox Christianity ever since.

The Nicene Creed is unique in that it is the only Christian statement of faith that is accepted as authoritative by the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, and major Protestant Churches.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,

The Nicene Creed – 1700 years!

true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Parenting Wellness Group

St Macartin's Cathedral Parenting Wellness Group will meet on 17th May at 2.00pm in For Rest Fermanagh, 35 Belmore Street, Enniskillen. It will be a baby sensory session suitable for children, aged two years and under, and their parents. For more information or to reserve a place, please contact Linda Kingston on 07342045474.

Tuesday Club

The Club met on 25th March with the Rev Edwin opening with prayer. Valerie welcomed Mrs Carol Trimble to share her baking skills with us. Carol prepared and baked a delicious sponge complete with cream filling. She had precooked several more treats for the group. Easy to make sausage rolls was also on the menu. Tea was served. Vida gave thanks to our guest for giving her time and talent to the club. Rev Edwin closed the meeting with the 'Grace'.

A Holy Communion service was held on 15th April, celebrated by Dean Hall and Rev Colin. A warm welcome was expressed to former member Joan Elliott, accompanied by her daughter Clare. Tea was then served with delicious birthday cakes. Happy birthday to Reverend Colin and best wishes to Mary Conlon for her oncoming birthday. Leader Valerie spoke of arrangements for the outing on Saturday 31st May. We meet at the Cathedral Hall at 10.30am for refreshments, prior to going to Magheracross Parish Church to the 'Teddy Bear Festival' and afterwards to the Archdale Hall for

lunch.



Palm Sunday

Terry, a 28 year old donkey, provided by David Bailey and led by his daughter, Ellen, led the congregation to the Cathedral on Palm Sunday.



Bowling Club



Carmel McGovern and Gary Brian with the Dean

We held our Mixed Pairs Tournament on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th March with an entry of 64 pairs. The finals were held on Friday 21 March with eight pairs returning. George Miller thanked all clubs for supporting the tournament and all club members for their help during the week making it a very successful tournament.

The final was between Rodney Kelly and Jean Parkinson who played Gary Brian and Carmel McGovern. The winners were Rodney and Jean. Dean Hall presented the prizes.

Bowling Club



Morning Bowling Club

The morning bowls had a successful year, with an average of 30 people there every Wednesday morning. Bowls finished for the season on April 2 and after some playing of bowls, we enjoyed some refreshments. Bowls recommence on Wednesday 10th September at 10.30 am. Everyone welcome for fun and friendship.

Evening Bowling Club

The evening bowls finished on 2nd April after which, we held our AGM and enjoyed some refreshments.

Our Bowling Dinner was held in The Horseshoe & Saddlers Restaurant on Friday 4th April. After the Dean said grace we enjoyed a delicious meal. The Dean presented Club Cups to members. Maud had prepared a quiz based on general knowledge. A great night was had by all with plenty of fun, chat and fellowship.



The evening closed with the Dean and Maud wishing all members a good summer and for those who play outdoor bowls a good season.

Evening bowls will recommence on Wednesday 10 September at 7.30 pm for fun and friendship.

[**more photographs overleaf**](#)

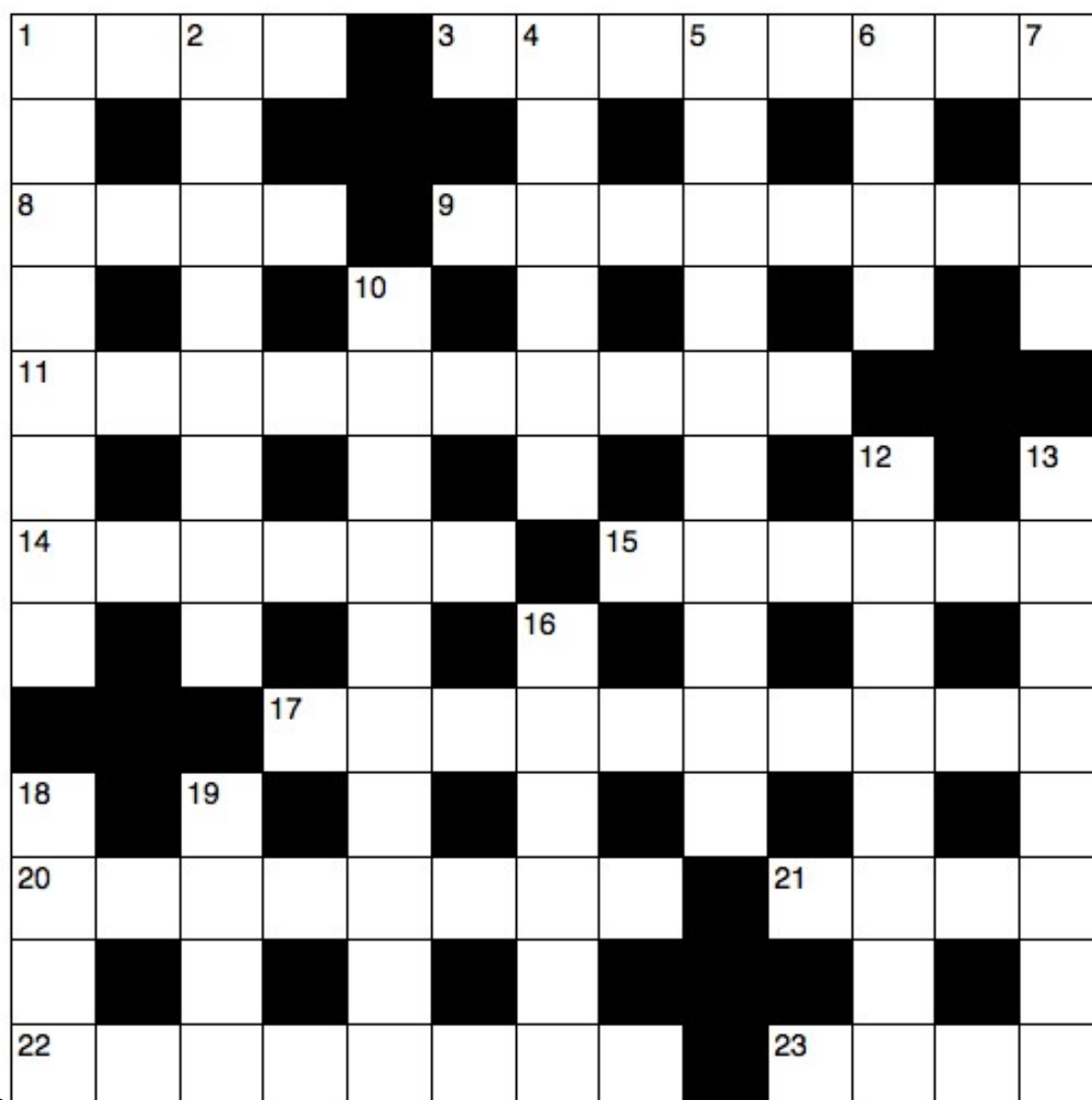
Bowling Club



Bowling Club



Crossword



Across

1 Infant (Luke 2:12) (4)

3 Luis must (anag.) (8)

8 What Jesus called the devil (John 8:44) (4)

9 'My God, my God, why have you — me?' (Matthew 27:46) (8)

11 Anglican form of church government (10)

14 'Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like — ' (Isaiah 40:31) (6)

15 Ministers of religion (6)

17 Make stronger (1 Thessalonians 3:13) (10)

20 Devoutness (1 Timothy 2:2) (8)

21 The father of Jesse (Ruth 4:22) (4)

22 Pool where Jesus healed a man who had been an invalid for 38 years (John 5:2) (8)

23 '[Jesus] said to them, " — here and keep watch"' (Mark 14:34) (4)

Crossword

Down

- 1 Follower of Christ (Acts 16:1) (8)
- 2 One of the punishments endured by Paul (2 Corinthians 6:5) (8)
- 4 Soldiers (Exodus 14:9) (6)
- 5 Scholarly study of melody, harmony and rhythm (10)
- 6 'I am God, and there is none — me' (Isaiah 46:9) (4)
- 7 'And how can they preach unless they are — ?' (Romans 10:15) (4)
- 10 Favourable reception (1 Timothy 1:15) (10)
- 12 Hip orbit (anag.) (8)
- 13 End of life (Isaiah 22:14) (5,3)
- 16 'About midnight the sailors — they were approaching land' (Acts 27:27) (6)
- 18 He married Jezebel (1 Kings 16:30–31) (4)
- 19 'According to your great compassion — out my transgressions' (Psalm 51:1) (4)

Mothers' Union

For our April meeting we met in church for the Holy Week service on Monday 14th April. It was a very meaningful service with over 40 members in attendance. Our next meeting is on 12th May for our end of year outing to the Killyhevlin Hotel for an evening meal. We look forward to hosting a service in St. Macartin's Cathedral to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of Mothers' Union in Clogher Diocese on the 2nd May at 8.00pm.



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 at church, get someone to take one for you. Please keep it and use one of the readings or psalm each day throughout the week in 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: 105)

VE Day 80

Enniskillen's of VE Day 80 is a Community Celebration for All.

On 8 May 2025, we will commemorate the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day, marking an extraordinary milestone since the end of the Second World War in Europe.

A special programme of events is planned in Enniskillen, highlighting the significance of the anniversary and bringing communities together in gratitude and remembrance. People of all ages, nationalities and backgrounds can reflect on this pivotal moment in history and celebrate the peace and freedoms that were secured in 1945.

The 75th anniversary took place under Covid-19 restrictions, but now neighbours and communities can celebrate safely together with food and music, just like they did 80 years ago!

Victory in Europe Day 80 spotlights the achievements of a unique generation of people who gave so much for our freedom. Millions died at war and millions more families around the world suffered unimaginable physical and mental pain.

The anniversary is a time to reflect on that remarkable collective sacrifice and to learn from the strength and resilience of the communities who united in a common cause.

The planned events mark VE Day 80 whilst strengthening community bonds, thoughtfully and joyfully, and paying tribute to the sacrifice made by many during the tumultuous years of the Second World War.

Enniskillen's programme of events - the most westerly location for the VE Day 80 Commemorations in the UK - balances remembrance with celebration, including a VE Day 80 Commemorative Church Service, Beacon Lighting Ceremony, Pipers Tribute, Beating Retreat and Concert.

Thursday 8th May

9.00am – VE Day 80 Proclamation

Gary Wilson will be joining Town Criers and Toastmasters throughout the County to read the VE Day 80 Proclamation at The Watergate, outside Enniskillen Castle, marking the official start of the day's commemorations.

6.30pm – St Macartin's Cathedral Bells

As part of the nationwide celebrations, the bells of St Macartin's Cathedral will ring at 6.30pm, in a symbolic act of remembrance and unity.

7.30pm – VE Day 80 Commemorative Service, Pipers Tribute & Beacon Lighting

The Inniskillings Museum and four churches on the island of Enniskillen will come together to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE Day with a special Service of Peace. Enniskillen's Service of Peace will reflect our shared journey towards reconciliation and hope for future generations. The

VE Day 80

Service of Peace will take place across two churches, commencing at 7.30pm in St Macartin's Cathedral. A spectacular parade of 80 pipers and drummers from local areas will form a community-massed band to support the service. The band will gather on Church Street, guiding the congregation to St Michael's Church for the continuation of the service. A significant element of the commemoration will feature the return of the lanterns presented to Enniskillen's churches in 2018, marking the 100th anniversary of the Armistice. These lanterns, in line with the official VE Day 80 promotion of "Lamping Lights of Peace", will light the way from St Michael's Church back to St Macartin's Cathedral. There, the service will conclude with the lighting of a ceremonial beacon by Viscount Brookeborough, Lord Lieutenant for County Fermanagh. The beacon will symbolise hope as the light that emerged from the darkness of war. In essence, this echoes the service that was held in November 2018 to mark the centenary of the end of the First World War, which included the lanterns of peace and a memorable tribute by 100 local pipers & drummers. Enniskillen's Service of Peace is open to all, and we welcome our community members and visitors to join us in commemorating this historic occasion.

9.30pm – Illumination of Council Buildings

Enniskillen Castle and the Strule Arts Centre will be illuminated blue, a symbolic colour of peace and unity, by Fermanagh & Omagh District Council. This action serves as a mark of respect for the sacrifices made during the Second World War, as well as our community's ongoing commitment to peace.

Saturday 10th May

3.00pm – 'Beating Retreat'

The Band, Bugles, Pipes & Drums of the Royal Irish Regiment will perform a 'Beating Retreat' at the Cathedral Hall Car Park. It will include a special performance by The Erne Highland Dancers. This event is free, with an invitation extended to everyone and no tickets or pre-booking is required.

7.00pm – VE Day 80 Commemorative Concert

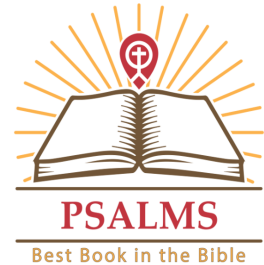
The Band, Bugles, Pipes & Drums of the Royal Irish Regiment will perform a special concert in St Macartin's Cathedral hosted by The Royal Air Forces Association (Fermanagh Branch). It will be compered by Gary Wilson with guest soloists Lauren Kells and Clara Wilson. This event is free, with an invitation extended to everyone and no tickets or pre-booking is required. An outline of the VE Day 80 national events can be found at www.ve80.com



Psalm

Psalm 2

Psalm 2 begins with a vivid portrayal of the nations conspiring against the Lord and The Anointed One. The psalmist asks, 'Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?' This question resonates deeply as it reflects the constant turmoil and rebellion present in the world. Despite such defiance, the psalm conveys the futility of opposing God's sovereign will. The Lord, seated in the heavens, laughs and scoffs at such rebellion, reaffirming God's supreme authority. As we meditate on this psalm, we are reminded of the eternal kingship of Christ. God declares, 'You are my Son; today I have become your Father' (v. 7), emphasizing the divine relationship and the establish-



ment of Jesus as the eternal King. This revelation offers us hope and assurance that despite earthly unrest, God's plan through Christ will prevail.

In our own lives, Psalm 2 calls us to submit to God's authority and embrace Christ. The psalm concludes with a call to wisdom: "Serve the Lord with fear and celebrate his rule with trembling" (v. 11). This encourages us to approach God with reverence and joy, acknowledging God's rightful place as King of our hearts and lives. May we find peace and security in God's unwavering sovereignty, trusting that God is in control and that God's purposes will stand.

SERVE THE LORD WITH FEAR,
AND REJOICE WITH TREMBLING.
KISS THE SON,
LEST HE BE ANGRY,
AND YOU PERISH IN THE WAY,
FOR HIS WRATH IS QUICKLY KINDLED.
BLESSED ARE ALL
WHO TAKE REFUGE IN HIM.
PSALM 2:11-12

Knowing Your Cathedral

The Quinton Window

The martyrdom of St. Stephen, depicted in the exquisite Quinton Window, serves as a poignant testament to the strength of faith and the ultimate sacrifice for Christ. Stephen, a man 'full of faith and of the Holy Spirit' (Acts 6.5), bore witness to his unwavering belief in Jesus even unto death. The vibrant hues and intricate design of the stained glass captures the essence of his final moments, as he gazed heavenward and saw 'the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God' (Acts 7.55). This heavenly vision fortified him, even as he faced the wrath of his persecutors.

The portrayal of St. Stephen's martyrdom in stained glass not only memorializes his sacrifice but also inspires us all to hold steadfast in our faith journeys. The light streaming through the coloured glass serves as a reminder that, like Stephen, we too can find strength in divine light and trust in God's eternal presence. In moments of trial, we are called to emulate Stephen's courage, forgiving those who wrong us and entrusting our spirit into the hands of the Almighty, echoing his profound words, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them' (Acts 7.60).



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Answers to Crossword on page 14

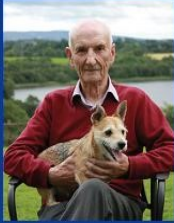
ACROSS: 1, Baby. 3, Stimulus. 8, Liar. 9, Forsaken. 11, Episcopacy. 14, Eagles.
15, Clergy. 17, Strengthen. 20, Holiness. 21, Obed. 22, Bethesda. 23, Stay.
DOWN: 1, Believer. 2, Beatings. 4, Troops. 5, Musicology. 6, Like. 7, Sent. 10,
Acceptance. 12, Prohibit. 13, Dying day. 16,
Sensed. 18, Ahab. 19, Blot.

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Ideal Presents 400th Anniversary Year - Cathedral History Book



The author
Samuel Boyd Morrow OBE FRGS graduated from Queen's University in 1959. His Civil Service career was in agriculture, finishing as Fermanagh's County Agricultural Officer. In his last two years, before retirement in 1996, he served as Principal of Enniskillen Agricultural College. In addition to his role as County Agricultural Officer, his education in Fermanagh was at Clabby Primary School and then Portora Royal School. In his youth he worshipped in St Margaret's Parish Church, Clabby. He has been a member of Enniskillen parish since 1966 and a member of its select vestry since 1968. He has served periods as churchwarden, glebewarden and has been honorary secretary of the select vestry since 1989.
He has written four other books, two on agricultural matters and two on church history. Those dealing with church affairs are titled: *The Church of Ireland Parishes of Tempo and Clabby - a Shared Heritage*, and: *Clabby on the Map - The Church of Ireland Parishes of Clabby and its People*.
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The cup presented by Edward Barry in 1518 is still in use at the celebration of Holy Communion in St Macartin's Cathedral. The manuscript by John de Porcum, Bishop of Down and Bishop of Enniskillen, dated 1518, is also in the collection of the Cathedral. The cup of the Parish Church of Enniskillen, the gift of Edward Barry, 1518, is the same cup.

The book, in 312 chapters, records the establishment and development of the Church of Ireland Parish of Enniskillen and its church, now St Macartin's Cathedral. The church was established as part of the plan for the Plantation of Ulster, 1610, and has since then been the centre of Catholic life in the town.


The church's history dates from the early 1600s and since then its clergy and people have experienced many political, social, military and economic challenges. Enniskillen men played an important role in supporting King William against the army of King James II. The conflict led to the establishment of two Enniskillen regiments, bearing the names of the two, King James and the Enniskillen. The church's home for many of the soldiers and their families was the Enniskillen Chapel.

In more recent times, St Macartin's Cathedral has made a major contribution in developing community relations and has been the most important people in the United Kingdom and Ireland, since its founding, who have been in the town and its surrounding areas, and who have been in the town and its surrounding areas, and who have been in the town and its surrounding areas.



St Macartin's Cathedral
at the Heart of the Community

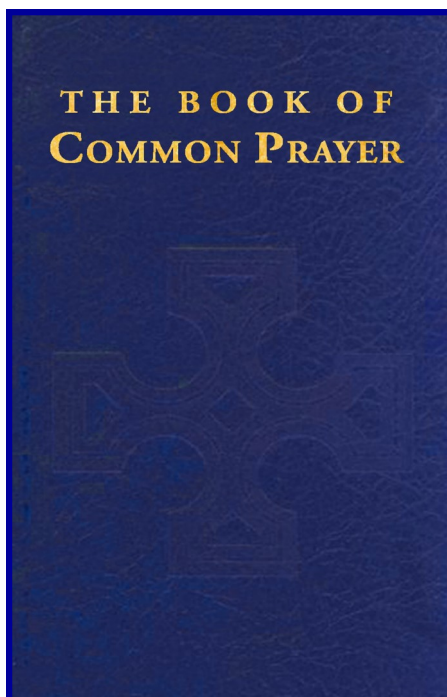
Over 400 years of Parish History
by Samuel B. Morrow



St Macartin's Cathedral by Samuel B. Morrow

A number of St Macartin's 400 Years of Parish History by Samuel B Morrow are still available at the launch price of £20.00. These would make ideal gifts for family members and friends, especially those who were baptised, confirmed or married in the Cathedral, and for those who have had relatives buried from the cathedral. Copies are available from the Parish Office, the Deanery or from the Churchwardens.

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!

Knitwits

The St Macartin's Knitwits Knitting and Crafting Group held their annual Tea Party and Celebration on Saturday 12th April in the Cathedral Hall. The Knitwits made donations of £200 each to two local charities: Ellie's Retreat, which provides family holidays for those who have suffered the loss of a child,

and the SWELL Cancer Support Centre. The winners of the annual Knitwits Challenges were also announced and they received their prizes.

Top left: Winners of the Wall Hanging Challenge receiving their prizes from Stephanie Hall: 1st prize Naomi Beeson; Joint 2nd prizes Solenn Beeson and Teddy Beeson

Top Right: Claire Holmes presents a donation from the Knitwits to Ciara from Ellie's Retreat

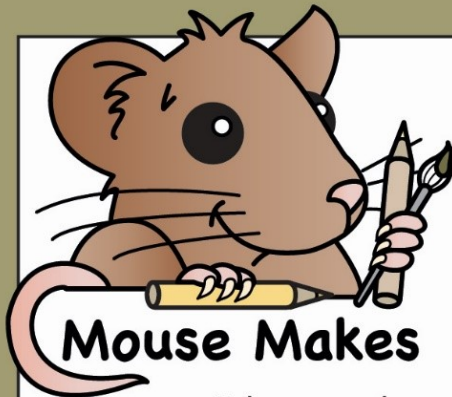
Middle Left: Winners of the Sock Challenge: 1st prize Ruth Young; 2nd prize Elizabeth McIntosh

Middle Right: Winners of the Garment of the Year Challenge: 1st prize Margaret Owens, Joint second prizes Pat Forbes and Elizabeth McIntosh

Below: Mavis Fleming and Claire Holmes present a donation from the Knitwits to Marion and Genevieve from the SWELL Cancer Support Centre.



Children's Page

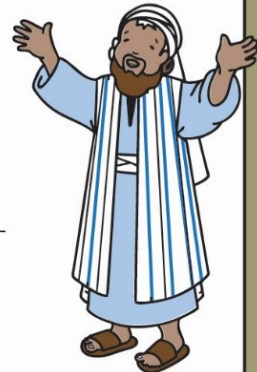


Mouse Makes

MIRACLES OF PETER

At which temple gate
did the crippled man lay?

Acts 3:1-10



Who were the man and wife
who lied to God?

and

Acts 5:1-11

People carried the sick into
the streets so that when Peter
came by at least his

might fall on them.

Acts 5:12-16



How long had Aeneas
been paralysed for?

years

Acts 9:32-35

Where had Tabitha's body been laid?
in the

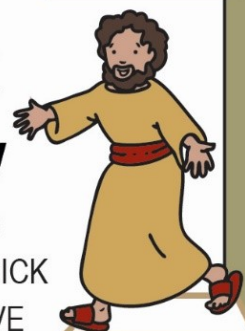
Acts 9:36-42



"And the word
of God
continued to
increase,
and the number
of the disciples
multiplied
greatly."
Acts 6:7

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**See the book
of ACTS**



PETER • SIGNS • WONDERS • MIRACLES • HEALED
CRIPPLE • LAME • WALK • LEAPING • PRAISING • LIED • DIED • SICK
AENEAS • PARALISED • TABITHA • ILL • PRAYED • ALIVE

Find the words from the questions too!

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Parish People

Director of Music and Organist - Glenn Moore

Churchwardens - Graham Irvine and Audrey Hopkins

Glebewardens - George Irvine and Noel Johnston

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

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

Select Vestry - David Clarke, Nathan Clyde, Richard Cochrane, Linda

Corrigan, Vanessa Elliott, Arnold Graham, Ivan Kee, Ann Little, Dwayne Nixon, Jonathan Woods.

Assistant Hon Secretary - Karl Saunders

Assistant Hon Treasurer - Audrey Williamson

Lay Readers - Karl Saunders

Verger - Andrew McCabe

Hall Caretaker - Andrew McCabe

May Lessons and Readers

Sunday 4th May: The Third Sunday of Easter

The First Reading - Acts 9: 1-6 - Selena Fawcett

The Psalm - 30

The Second Reading - Revelation 5: 11-14 - Alan Devers

The Gospel Reading - John 21: 1-19 - The Dean

Sunday 11th May: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

The First Reading - Acts 9: 36-43 - Claire Holmes

The Psalm - 23

The Second Reading - Revelation 7: 9-17 - William Holmes

The Gospel Reading - John 10: 22-30 - Adele Moore

Sunday 18th May: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The First Reading - Acts 11: 1-18 - Jim Lucy

The Psalm - Psalm 148

The Second Reading - Revelation 21: 1-6 - Heather Leonard

The Gospel Reading - John 13: 31-35 - The Dean

Sunday 26th May: The Sixth Sunday of Easter - Rogation Sunday

The First Reading - Acts 16: 9-15 - Gillian Glass

The Psalm - Psalm 67

The Second Reading - Revelation 21: 10, 22 - 22: 5 - Raymond Hall

The Gospel Reading - John 14: 23-29 - Adele Moore

WELCOME TEAM May 2025

04 Sylvia and Trevor Stevenson

18 Julie and David Nixon

11 Avril and Ivan Kee

25 Jeanette and Richard Cochrane

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)

Men's Group - 7.30pm - 9.30pm (third 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

Rangers - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Word & World - 7.30pm (alternate weeks)

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

Xplore - 7.30pm (last Wednesday of month, October to March)

THURSDAY

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

Scouts - 6.30pm - 8.00pm

Supper at Six - 6.00pm - 7.30pm (fourth Thursday, September to March)

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!**