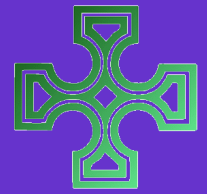


# The Parish of Enniskillen - Saint Macartin's Cathedral



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*“O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,  
for His Mercy endures forever.” Psalm 136: 1*



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## OUR VISION

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

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## The Dean Writes:

Dear Parishioners,

The year 2022 is a landmark year in the history of the Parish of Enniskillen when we celebrate our quadricentennial year. The journey of life takes many twists and turns for all of us and at times we all need something of stability upon which we can



rely. St Macartin's Cathedral (formerly St Anne's Church) has stood for almost 400 years on one of the highest spots in Enniskillen and has been a spiritual beacon and home for many generations of Christians. Today St Macartin's is still committed to providing a welcoming home to all who are seeking to deepen and develop their spiritual lives and their relationship with God. As Rector of St Macartin's Cathedral and Dean of Clogher, I am very grateful to Mr Samuel B Morrow OBE for his dedication and his determination in producing such an excellent account of the history of this parish and for recording all the events in, or connected, to this 'spiritual beacon' over those years. Having previewed this book, I honestly say it is astonishing, amazing and impressive! It is also enjoyable and surprising – capturing events and circumstances in a different era than today! This has resulted in endless hours and energy to research and record every detail about every possible event over this vast stretch of time! The author has given a real gift to all of us and deserves the greatest thanks. Much of this valued history, had it not been recorded now, could have been lost for all time!

Not only myself but every parishioner is indebted to Sam for this magnificent production, and also for serving this parish as Honorary Secretary to the Select Vestry for over 30 years, especially for his work in securing the funding from the Social Development Fund which resulted in the development of our magnificent Cathedral Halls.

This history book will be launched on Wednesday 13th November at 7.30pm in the Cathedral Halls and I do hope as many parishioners as possible can attend. Your invitation has been inserted in this Cathedral News. The book will be selling at £25.00 but there will be a special launch offer of £20.00. When

you see the quality, size and content you will be impressed at the launch price. It contains 500 photographs!

I hope you enjoy reading this history and seeing for yourself God working out His plan of salvation in the lives of many people in order to build His Kingdom. By the guidance of Almighty God may St Macartin's Cathedral, and the Parish of Enniskillen, continue for generations to come to be at the 'Heart of the Community – Strengthening Commitment, Outreach, Worship and Christian Love.'

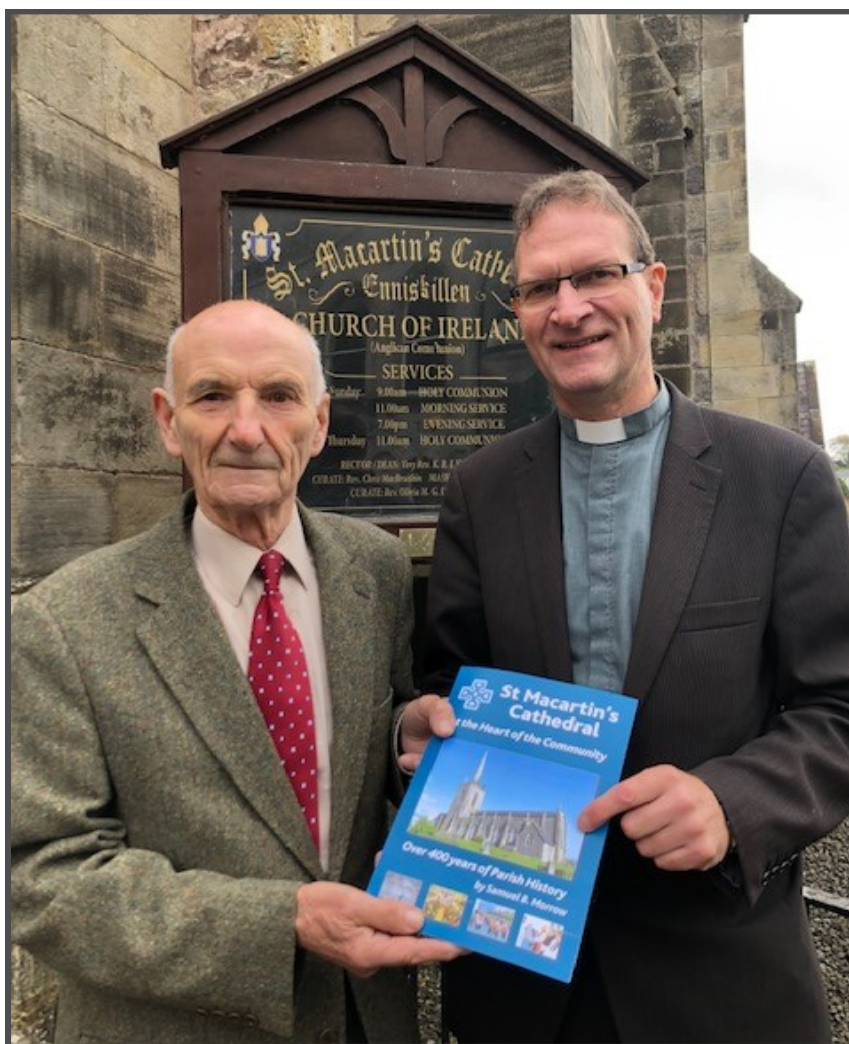
Yours very sincerely,

*Kenneth R J Hall*

## Launch of book detailing history of St Macartin's Cathedral

The book entitled 'St Macartin's Cathedral – At the Heart of the Community' will be launched by The Rt Rev John McDowell, Bishop of Clogher, in the Cathedral Hall on Wednesday 13th November at 7.30pm. The hard back book, written by Sam Morrow, extends to almost 400 pages and contains 500 photographs, many of which are of very considerable historic significance.

This book, in its 42 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 but it also has an inheritance from the ancient Catholic Church. The cathedral has a strong link with the ancient parish of Inishkeen which had its church on Inishkeen Island. The cathedral in its early existence was known for many years as Eniskeene Church. The oldest piece of Communion silver still in use in the cathedral carries the name Eniskeene. Its inscription is in Latin and when translated it reads: The cup of the Parish Church of Eniskeene, the gift of Edward Davis, Gent., in the year 1638.



## Launch of book detailing history of St Macartin's Cathedral

Pictured:  
Mr Samuel Morrow (Author),  
Dr William Holmes  
(who took most of  
the photographs  
in the book),  
Mr Richard Pierce  
and the Dean.

Mr Richard Pierce, the noted architect, now retired, has produced a watercolour drawing of the original church and this is featured in the book. The earliest headstones in the graveyard date



from 1625. The Cole (Enniskillen) family vault is under the cathedral. Until 1869 the Church of Ireland was the Established Church which meant that it had some responsibilities akin to a government department, this included a form of tax collection.

Over the years from its establishment its clergy and people have experienced many challenges in Enniskillen. The 1641 rising and the defence of the town in 1689 were two such challenges. The rector of Enniskillen, the Presbyterian minister and leading members of the church, including Allan Cathcart, joined in the defence of the town against King James's army. Cathcart and others played an important part in winning the Battle of the Boyne for King William. Allan Cathcart presented a silver flagon for use in the Communion services. This flagon, dated 1707, is in regular use in the cathedral. One of the bells in the cathedral tower was founded from bells made from canon captured at the Boyne and presented to the Enniskilleners by King William.

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Enniskillen men played an important role in supporting King William against the army of King James II. This conflict led to the establishment of two British Army regiments bearing the old name of the town, Inniskilling. The cathedral is home for many of the laid up standards and memorials of these regiments and within its historic walls is the Inniskillings Regimental Chapel. The church, because of its size and central position for the Church of Ireland people of the diocese, was consecrated as a cathedral in 1923. The cathedral contains many memorials to significant individuals, including some very fine stained glass window memorials.

Over the centuries the pupils of the Royal School have worshiped in Enniskillen church and include such notable churchmen as Henry Francis Lyte and the Blessed John Sullivan SJ.

In more recent times, St Macartin's Cathedral has made a major contribution in developing community relations and has hosted the most important people in the United Kingdom, at acts of worship, remembrance and thanksgiving. These included Queen Elizabeth II and the prime minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher.

St Macartin's has been served by 28 rectors, and many curates, dating from 1622. A list of churchwardens who have served the parish from 1666 exists. All of this information, including the names on the headstones in Enniskillen, is included in the book.

### Rowan Tree

*The Rowan Tree leaves and berries are symbolic of the name Macartin meaning "Son of the Rowan Tree"*



To mark the launch of Mr Sam Morrow's book a Rowan tree will be planted beside the Garden of Remembrance by Sam after church on Sunday 3rd November.

### Sponsorship of The Cathedral History Book

The total cost of producing and launching the Cathedral History Book is around £20,000. We intend to keep the sale price as low as possible (launch price £20 ) and in order to do so we would greatly appreciate if anyone would be in a position to sponsor the publishing with a donation. If this is possible please contact The Dean or Mr Morrow.

The book will be launched by The Bishop of Clogher, The Rt Rev John McDowell on Wednesday 13th November in the Cathedral Hall at 7.30pm.

## Parochial Registers

### Receiving into the Congregation (already baptised)

6th October - Charles John Alexander Crawford

*"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

### Christian Burial

13th October - Martha Jane (Mattie) Loudon,  
Copperfield Nursing Home, Aughnacloy,  
late of 34 Loane Drive, Enniskillen.

19th October - Georgina Thompson,  
Millcroft Care Home, Enniskillen.

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

### Christian Marriage

5th October - Andrew Bartholomew Bradley  
and Natasha Alice Carney

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

## Parish Donations

### Cathedral Roof Repair Fund

£50 Donation in loving memory of my husband John McCusker BEM.  
From Jean and family.

£50 Donation in memory of Richard Benson. From his wife Ivy and family.

£150 Donation from Mrs Denise Rooney.

£100 In memory of Joseph and Margaret Doogan.  
From their daughter Renee.

£1,085 Donation from Country and Gospel Concert organised by Mrs Ruby Elliott. (Remaining 50% of the proceeds were donated to the Poppy Appeal).

### Flower Fund

£50 Donation in memory of our parents. From Mr & Mrs T Whyte.

£30 Donation from Mrs Denise Rooney.

### Choral Scholarships

£1,000 Anonymous donation.

## Confirmation

A Confirmation service will be held in the spring of 2020 for young people of school year 9 and above. Application forms for Confirmation are available in the Parish Office for those who wish to be confirmed. Please collect and return them as soon as possible.



## Parish Visitation – GDPR

Most parishioners have now returned the registration forms to meet the new data protection regulations. If you still have the forms please return them as soon as possible. If for some reason you have not yet received them (maybe you were out when the parish visitor called) please telephone the Cathedral Office and we will post them out. A batch of white envelopes containing the blank forms are available on the table in the Cathedral Porch. Please take one and return asap.



## Hospital Visiting

If you or a member of your family are admitted to any hospital including the South West Acute Hospital, and you would like a visit please inform the Cathedral Office or a member of the clergy. Do not rely on the hospital system to inform the clergy as this may not happen. The clergy may well be on the same ward visiting other parishioners and not be aware of a parishioner in another room!

## Parish Visiting

Can you help us? The Clergy and Diocesan Pastoral Assistant are always around the Parish making visits but they might not be in the right place at the right time. If you are unwell, feeling neglected or just lonely please ring the Cathedral Office and one of the clergy will be delighted to call. If you know someone who would value a Clerical visit or if a parishioner has had a close bereavement please also inform the office. It is not recommended that you tell one of the clergy at the Cathedral door on a Sunday morning as there is every chance they could forget in the midst of shaking hands with 300 people! A written note handed to them is a safer option.

## HOME VISITS



## Harvest Thanksgiving Celebrations

The Cathedral was beautifully decorated for our Harvest Services on Sunday 13th October. A sincere thank you to all those who helped in any way with our harvest celebrations. It would be appreciated if any outstanding Harvest Envelopes be returned as soon as possible.



Pictured are David Graham, Churchwarden, Scott Elliott, The Dean, The Ven Terry Scott the preacher at the morning service, Rev Colin Brownsmith and Rosemary Woods, Churchwarden.

*Photographs by Willie Holmes*



## Harvest Thanksgiving Celebrations



Rev Canon David Ferry the preacher at the evening service

## Forming Faith at St Macartin's

Come and  
join us for:



Messy Church is exactly as its name suggests. It's Church, so we meet together and worship God through Bible stories and songs. And it's Messy! There's always glue and glitter, food and fun.

Messy Church is open to all children of primary school age and their parents or guardians. The rule is: no child without an adult, and no adult without a child.

Now that we're in a new school year, we are looking forward to meeting new friends! So even if you've never been before, even if you or your children aren't parishioners of the Cathedral, you are very welcome to join us!

### Messy Church

**2019-20**

**4.00-6.00pm**

**in the Cathedral Hall**

**21st November**

**19th December**

(no Messy Church in January)

**20th February**

**19th March**

**23rd April**

**21st May**

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## Forming Faith at St Macartin's



**Xplore** is a relaxed, café-style venue for young people in Years 10-12. We want the young people of St Macartin's to feel they belong to the wider church family, to know that they are valued, and to have a safe space to ask questions about faith as a teenager and young adult. We meet in the Upper Room (youth wing) of the Cathedral Halls. Upcoming events.....

**Monday 25th November – Movie Night 7.30-9.00pm**

**Monday 16th December – Christmas Party 7.30-9.00pm**

**Pilgrim** is our adult formation group which meets twice a month and will begin again after harvest. More details on the Pew News.

## Holy Communion by Extension

A number of years ago the Church of Ireland approved Communion by Extension. Last month we have introduced the service for the first time in St Macartin's Cathedral. This service is particularly helpful during a time when we do not have a curate. A deacon or Lay people authorised by the Bishop, can officiate at such a service. Their task is to carry the bread and the wine, consecrated by a priest in one service, to the receiving congregation at the next. This is usually managed by arranging that services are suitably timed to follow each other. During the first service, everything runs as usual and then the authorised person takes the consecrated elements to the receiving congregation – in our case to the Nursing Homes. Preparation of both the bread and wine in suitable receptacles for their transport is important.

At the second service, the liturgy of Holy Communion is the same, except for the omission of the prayer of consecration. Thus the service follows the normal pattern as far as the invitation, "Draw near with faith," at which point reference is made to the fact that the elements have been consecrated by a priest at an earlier service. The congregation is then invited to share in a common communion, administered by the officiant from the sending congregation. The service continues according to the appropriate rite.



Pictured above is Scott Elliott who conducted and distributed Holy Communion by Extension in Millcroft Nursing Home with parishioner and resident Kathleen Graham and Millcroft staff members.

## A Big Sing



As part of the fund-raising effort to meet the cost of installing a memorial for the Enniskillen Bomb victims in the wall of the Clinton Centre, 'A Big Sing' was held in the Cathedral on Sunday 29th September. Featuring Choirs from the Methodist, Roman Catholic and Church of Ireland churches of the town as well as a soloist from the Presbyterian church. £1,800 was raised, but we hope to present a cheque for £2,000 to the Enniskillen Memorial Project. Donations can still be left in the Cathedral Office.



## Cathedral Family

Young Choir member - James Morrison, (pictured right) who is also UK & Ireland Junior Champion of The Aberdeen Angus Youth Development Programme. Well done James!



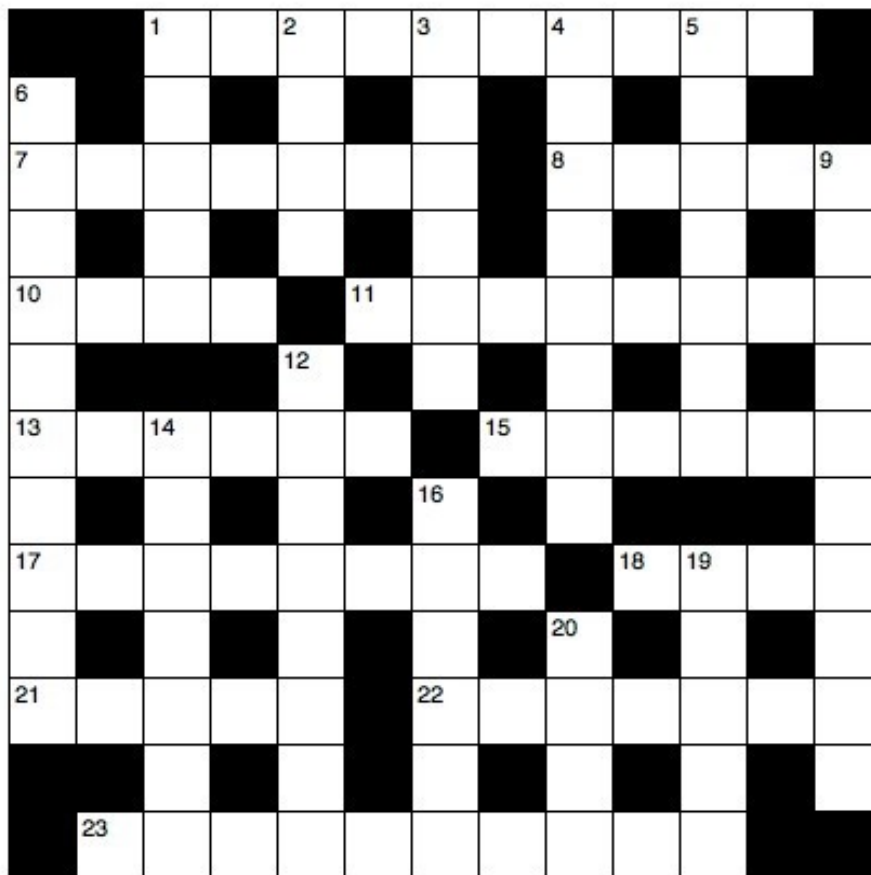
The congregation were treated to cake after church on Sunday 22nd September to celebrate Claire and Willie Holmes' 40th Wedding Anniversary (pictured right with the Dean). Congratulations to you both. We wish you many more years of health and happiness.



As a Cathedral Family we sometimes know very little about each other. This article is one way to find out more. Other ways are to join some of the Cathedral organisations, stay behind for coffee/tea and a chat after the Family Service (Fourth Sunday of each month) or very simply just speak to someone in the pews beside you on a Sunday morning. We want St Macartin's to be a warm and welcome place.

*"A friend is someone who reaches out for your hand...  
and touches your heart." – Unknown*

## Crossword



**Across**

- 1 He was replaced as king of Judah by his uncle Mattaniah (2 Kings 24:17) (10)
- 7 'Let us fix our eyes on Jesus... who for the joy set before him — the cross' (Hebrews 12:2) (7)
- 8 Relieved (5)
- 10 Impetuous (Acts 19:36) (4)
- 11 Surprised and alarmed (Luke 24:37) (8)
- 13 'It is — for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for the rich to enter the kingdom of God' (Mark 10:25) (6)
- 15 Directions for the conduct of a church service (6)
- 17 One of the acts of the sinful nature (Galatians 5:19) (8)
- 18 and 20 Down 'She began to wet his — with her tears. Then she wiped them with her — ' (Luke 7:38) (4,4)
- 21 'We will all be changed, in a flash, in the twinkling of an — , — the last trumpet' (1 Corinthians 15:51–52) (3,2)
- 22 'But he replied, "Lord, I am — — go with you to prison and to death"' (Luke 22:33) (5,2)
- 23 Third person of the Trinity (2 Corinthians 13:14) (4,6)

**Down**

- 1 He betrayed Jesus (Matthew 27:3) (5)
- 2 Paul's assurance to the Philippian jailer: 'Don't — yourself! We are all

here!' (Acts 16:28) (4)

3 'Fear God and keep his commandments, for this — the whole — of man' (Ecclesiastes 12:13) (2,4)

4 The sort of giver God loves (2 Corinthians 9:7) (8)

5 Sun rail (anag.) (7)

6 Naboth, the ill-fated vineyard owner, was one (1 Kings 21:1) (10)

9 Paul said of young widows, 'When their sensual desires overcome their — to Christ, they want to marry' (1 Timothy 5:11) (10)

12 This was how Joseph of Arimathea practised his discipleship 'because he feared the Jews' (John 19:38) (8)

14 Mop ruse (anag.) (7)

16 Foment (Philippians 1:17) (4,2)

19 Where Joseph and Mary escaped to with the baby Jesus (Matthew 2:14) (5)

20 See 18 Across

**justLOVE**

**invites you to an evening**

**to hear how families can support their LGBTQ+ child and our churches can be welcoming and inclusive.**

**8.00pm Monday 25th November**

**at St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen, BT74 7DR.**

*All very welcome.*



The Church of Ireland continues to uphold its teaching that marriage is part of God's creation and a holy mystery in which one man and one woman become one flesh, as provided for in Canon 31. The Church of Ireland welcomes all people to be members of the Church. It is acknowledged, however, that members of the Church have at times hurt and wounded people by words and actions, in relation to human sexuality. Therefore, in order that the Church of Ireland is experi-

enced as a 'safe place' and enabled in its reflection, the Church of Ireland affirms:

A continuing commitment to love our neighbour, and opposition to all unbiblical and uncharitable actions and attitudes in respect of human sexuality from whatever perspective, including bigotry, hurtful words or actions, and demeaning or damaging language;

A willingness to increase our awareness of the complex issues regarding human sexuality;

A determination to welcome and to make disciples of all people.

## The Beatitudes – a new series

### Matthew 5: 1-12

'Blessed are the Poor in Spirit'

Jesus begins the Sermon on the Mount with the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12). The word blessed describes how we can live under God's blessing. Jesus talks about the 'beautiful attitudes' that characterise followers of Jesus. They speak more about 'who we are' than 'what we do' and reflect perfectly the character of Jesus that He wants to develop in us.



'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.' is the first beatitude (5:3). To be 'poor in spirit' is not simply being poor economically, as the word used means 'being dependent on others for support'. It is the opposite of spiritual pride, recognising that we all fall short of God's standards in our thoughts, words and actions. It's not just about what we do for God, but what He has done for us through Jesus' death on the cross. As we bring our sin, guilt, shame and failure to Him, in grace He offers us His love, acceptance and forgiveness. We come with empty hands: 'Nothing in my hands I bring, simply to thy cross I cling' (Augustus Toplady).

This is well illustrated by the tax collector in Jesus' parable: 'God have mercy on me, a sinner' (Luke 18:13). It is a cry that says 'O God, I am in a mess. I've got nothing to offer. I haven't begun to pray or hear you properly. I am spiritually poor' To those who cry out like this, Jesus says 'theirs is the kingdom of heaven' (v3). The kingdom of God flings open its doors to beggars!

'There is nothing we can do to make God love us more; there is nothing we can do to make God love us less.' (Philip Yancey: What's So Amazing About Grace).

Meaning:

Being blessed, or at least feeling blessed, is often linked to beatitude. Beatitude inherited its blessedness from the Latin word *beatus*, meaning both "happy" and "blessed." In the Bible, the Beatitudes are a series of eight blessings, such as "Blessed are those poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

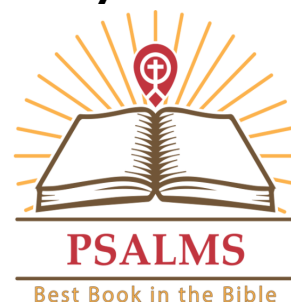
Next month we will look at the second Beatitude.....

'Blessed are those who mourn'



## Psalm 136 – God's Never-Ending Mercy

Psalm 136 is a special Psalm, with each one of its 26 verses repeated the phrase, His mercy endures forever. Psalm 118 repeated that phrase five times, and through the Hebrew Scriptures the phrase has somewhat of a liturgical sense to it, as if the assembled people of Israel said or sung it in response to the direction of the Levites leading singing and worship. Ezra 3:11 indicates that this phrase was part of a responsive singing among God's people: And they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the LORD: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever toward Israel."



In Psalm 136 we picture a great multitude of the people of God gathered in the temple courts. A priest or Levite calls out a reason to give God thanks, and His people respond with, "For His mercy endures forever." In Jewish tradition Psalm 136 has been called the 'Great Hallel' (or Great Psalm of Praise). It does not use the words hallelu jah, but it is called the Great Hallel for the way it rehearses God's goodness in regard to his people

and encourages them to praise him for his merciful and steadfast love.

A. The enduring mercy of God from the beginning of time.

1. (1-4) The enduring mercy of God in His essential nature, who He is.
2. (5-9) The enduring mercy of God in His work as Creator.

B. The enduring mercy of God to His people.

1. (10-15) The enduring mercy of God in the deliverance from Egypt.
2. (16-22) The enduring mercy of God from the wilderness to the promised land.
3. (23-25) The enduring mercy of God in ongoing deliverance and help.
4. (26) Gratitude to the God of enduring mercy.



## Parochial Organisations

### Mothers' Union

Branch Leader Stephanie opened the meeting on Monday 14th October with a poem "How to plant your Garden" taken from Prayers of Celebration & Inspiration, Mothers' Union All Ireland 130th Anniversary, followed by the Mothers' Union Prayer.

We then made our way to Headhunters Barber Shop & Railway Museum in Darling Street which was established in 1981 by Gordon and Nigel Johnston. The Johnston family's decision to combine traditional barber skills with their interest in local railway history has led to one of the most fascinating and unique attractions anywhere in Ireland. Alan Devers gave a marvellous tour of the Museum and looked back at the impact railways had on people's lives. There is an absorbing range of railway memorabilia, including uniforms, tableware, tickets, crests, lamps, locomotive nameplates and a working model railway. We appreciate the time Gordon, Nigel and Alan gave to make our evening most enjoyable, Headhunters is well worth a visit.

The next meeting on 11th November is 'From the Ward to the Pulpit' with the Rev Olie Downey.

### Tuesday Club

At the September meeting Eleanor welcomed members back to the new season. Prayers and scripture reading followed. Rev Colin Brownsmith was introduced to his first meeting of Tuesday Club! The speaker was Davina Coalter and her subject 'Improving Health and Well Being.' With the aid of slides Davina took members on the 'Falls Prevention Programme'. Everyone found the steps that can be put in place to prevent falls excellent. Each member received a goodie bag which also contained useful information and reminders to put into action. Tea brought a most informative meeting to a close. The next meeting is on 29th October and is a game of Bocca in the Enniskeen Room at 2.00pm with Jack Spratt and his helper.

*Davina Coalter is pictured receiving a token from Gillian Stephenson after her talk at the September meeting.*



Photograph  
by Maud Shaw

## Cubs and Beavers meet with The Duke of Wessex



Some members of our Cubs and Beavers meeting with The Duke of Wessex.



1st Inniskilling Scout Group at opening of Cladagh Glen Scout Centre by Prince Edward.

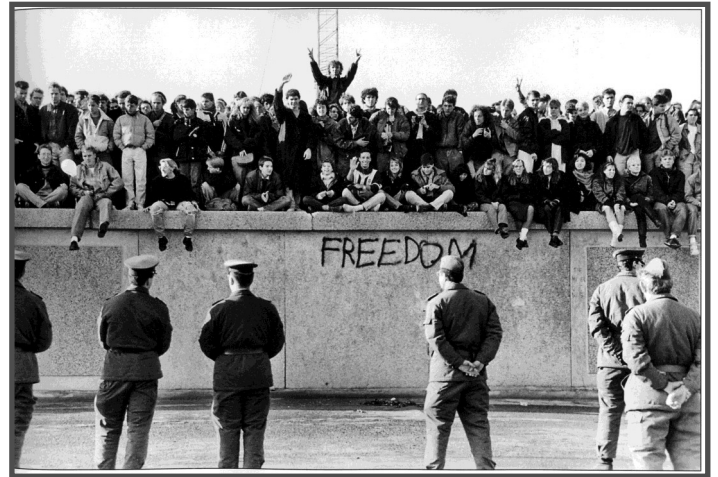
### Answers to Crossword on page 14

ACROSS: 1, Jehoiachin. 7, Endured. 8, Eased. 10, Rash. 11, Startled. 13, Easter. 15, Rubric. 17, Impurity. 18, Feet. 21, Eye at. 22, Ready to. 23, Holy Spirit.  
DOWN: 1, Judas. 2, Harm. 3, Is duty. 4, Cheerful. 5, Insular. 6, Jezreelite. 9, Dedication. 12, Secretly. 14, Supremo. 16, Stir up. 19, Egypt. 20, Hair.

## Barriers or bridges?

### The Fall of the Berlin Wall

It was 30 years ago this month, on 9<sup>th</sup> November 1989, that the fall of the Berlin Wall began. Over two million people from East Berlin visited the West in a celebration described as 'the greatest street party in the history of the world.' However, we are still living with walls, thinking of those dividing Gaza and Palestine from Israel. It's a strong human instinct to



build walls to separate us from those we view as different and threatening. Paul writes of how the death of Jesus has broken down the barrier between Jew and Gentile:

*'His purpose was to create in Himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which He put to death their hostility.'* (Ephesians 2:15-16).

Jesus is still in the business in breaking down the barriers between people of different gender, age, race and language, to bring them together in His church:

*'There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.'* (Galatians 3:28).

We can easily put up barriers with others, when we make assumptions about them, forgetting that they may be thinking the same things about us. We may want to avoid making ourselves vulnerable or appear needy.

Let Jesus can break down our defences and enable us to live openly and honestly with others. As His church, He invites us to be a community of risk-takers, i.e. those who trust each other, handle our weaknesses and fears, and who encourage one another's strengths and gifts.

**A person who thinks only about building walls, wherever they may be, and not building bridges, is not Christian.**

## The story behind the Hymn – 'I vow to thee my country'

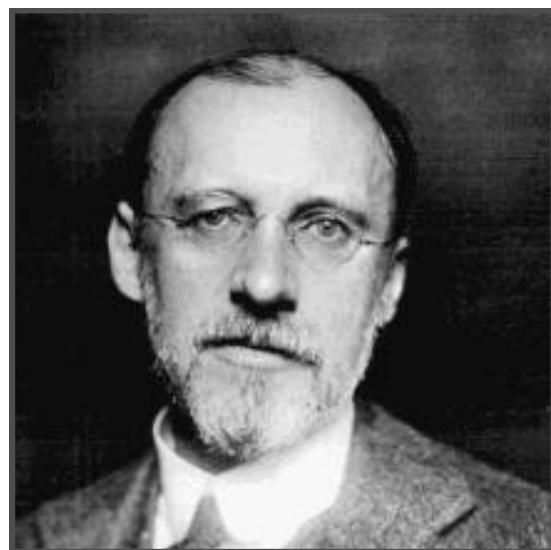
*I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above  
entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;  
the love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,  
that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;  
the love that never falters, the love that pays the price,  
the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.*

*And there's another country, I've heard of long ago  
most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;  
we may not count her armies, we may not see her King;  
her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;  
and soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,  
and her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.*

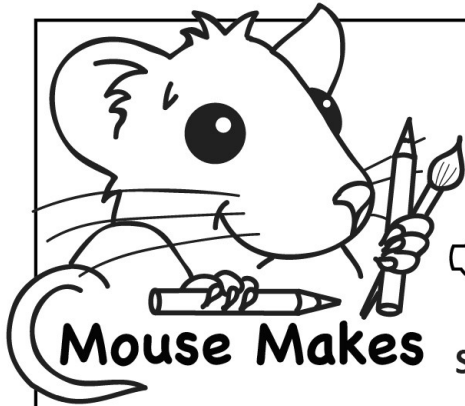
This well-loved poem/hymn was written nearly 100 years ago, by the then serving British ambassador to the United States of America, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice (1859 – 1918). Sir Cecil had served his government abroad for many years, and was preparing to leave Washington on 12th January 1918. The words of his hymn reflect on being a citizen of two countries; his own native land and also the heavenly kingdom. (Phil 3:20) Some six or seven years earlier, when Minister to Sweden, Sir Cecil had first composed a poem entitled *Urbs Dei* (city of God), in two stanzas. It had expressed a belligerent type of patriotism, glorifying and glamorising war, as well as a vision of that 'other country', a vision of gentleness and peace.

But then The Great War had come, and by 1918 Sir Cecil had come to see that the only patriotism worth celebrating was the spirit of self-sacrificing love, as expressed in the cross of Christ. In a speech at Ottawa, shortly before he left North America, he said that the Cross was a sign of patience under suffering, but not patience under wrong. The Cross is the banner under which we fight. We are all subjects of the Prince of Peace, who fought the greatest fight ever fought upon this earth, who won the greatest victory, and won it by his blood.'

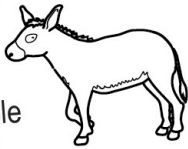
The poem/hymn was the last thing Sir Cecil ever wrote, as he died suddenly, on 14th February 1918. The tune to the hymn is *Thaxted*, an adaptation of Gustav Holst (1874 – 1934) from the movement 'Jupiter' in his orchestral suite 'The Planets', written at *Thaxted*, Essex, in 1917.



## Children's Page



What kind of transport goes with each bible character?



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| NOAH   | DONKEY    |
| BAALAM | CHARIOT   |
| MOSES  | SHIP      |
| JONAH  | ARK       |
| ELIJAH | BIG FISH  |
| PHILIP | BASKET    |
| PAUL   | WHIRLWIND |

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JOURNEY

- FLEE • LEAVE • TRAVEL  
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 VILLAGE • TOWN • CITY



Where was Saul (Paul) going to when Jesus spoke to him?

Acts 9:1-18

G O D W I T H U S C S F C T  
 D I R E C T I O N H I L I R  
 O W O R A V I L L A G E T A  
 N A A I M M J O U R N E Y V  
 K L D D E A O G U I D E A E  
 E K J E L P A T H O R S E L  
 Y L E A V E B O A T O W N T

### BIBLE JOURNEYS

Where did Noah's ark come to rest after it's journey?

Genesis 8:4

Where did God tell Samuel to travel to to find a new king?

1 Samuel 16:1-4

To which city did God send Jonah?

Jonah 1:1-2

Which town did Joseph take Mary to before Jesus was born?

Luke 2:4

Where did Mary and Joseph flee to to get away from Herod?

Matthew 2:13



"Lord,  
 If I go east where the sun rises or go to live west beyond the sea, even there you will take my hand and lead me. Your strong right hand will protect me."

Psalms 139:9-10

GOD'S WAY

"God is our God for ever and ever, He will be our guide even to the end."

from Psalm 48:14

"People can plan what they want to do, but it is the Lord who guides their steps."

Proverbs 16:9



## Parish People

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

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## November Lessons and Readers

### 3rd November The Fourth Sunday before Advent

**The First Reading** - Habakkuk 1: 1-4; 2: 1-4 - Marie Morrow

**The Psalm** - Psalm 119: 137-144

**The Second Reading** - 2 Thessalonians 1: 1-4, 11-12 - Sam Morrow

**The Gospel Reading** - Luke 19: 1-10 - The Dean

### 10th November The Third Sunday before Advent

Remembrance Day

### 17th November The Second Sunday before Advent

**The First Reading** - Isaiah 65: 17-25 - Avril Kee

**The Psalm** - Psalm 98

**The Second Reading** - 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 - Blane Bailey

**The Gospel Reading** - Luke 21: 5-19 - The Dean

### 24th November The Sunday before Advent (The Kingship of Christ)

**The First Reading** - Jeremiah 23: 1-6 - David J Nixon

**The Psalm** - Psalm 46

**The Second Reading** - Colossians 1: 11-20 - Linda Kingston

**The Gospel Reading** - Luke 23: 33-43 - Scott Elliott

#### Welcome Team November 2019

03 Stephanie and Scott Hamilton  
10 Jeanette Wilson and  
    Richard Cochrane  
17 Gwen and Karl Saunders  
24 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.

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

Holy Communion (fourth Sundays)

A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing (fifth Sundays)

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

11.00am - Holy Communion (each Thursday)

1.05pm - Healing Service (fourth Thursday)

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

7.30pm - Lent (each Wednesday)

7.30pm - Holy Week (each evening)

## PAROCHIAL ORGANISATIONS

### MONDAY

Beavers - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Cubs - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

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

Xplore - 7.00pm - 9.00pm (as arranged)

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

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

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

### TUESDAY

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

Rainbows - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Brownies - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Guides - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Pilgrim - 7.30pm - 9.00pm (as arranged)

### WEDNESDAY

Bowling Club - 10.30am - 12.00 noon

Bowling Club - 7.30pm - 10.00pm

Choir Practice - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

### THURSDAY

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

Scouts - 6.30pm - 8.00pm

Bell Ringing Practice - 7.00pm - 8.00pm

### FRIDAY

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

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