

## **CATHEDRAL NEWS**

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Lord God,
our refuge and strength,
bring near the day
when wars cease,
suffering and pain end
and all the earth knows
the peace of heaven.

## **OUR VISION**

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

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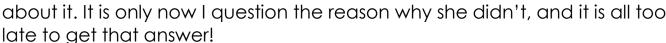
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### The Dean Writes:

Dear Parishioners,

Wars and violence lead to unimaginable levels of suffering and death. My mother served in the Second World War, but like many who did she never talked much



In his poem 'To Any Dead Officer', Siegfried Sassoon refers to the incredible sacrifice made during the First World War in order that we may live and "work in peace with Time for friend". The peace that was brought about by the end of both World Wars was a peace built upon the sacrifice of millions. Remembrance Day helps to ensure we never forget that peace is built upon sacrifice.

Through the life of Jesus and his sacrificial death the world has been reconciled to God. St Paul writes:

"All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us." 2 Corinthians 5:18–19

Sadly, violence still afflicts our country and wars continue around the world. At times, due to the level of violence and war in the world, it can seem overwhelming and hopeless. Despite this, the resurrection of Jesus encourages us that even in the darkness of death, there is hope, and as Christian people we are called to be messengers of hope amidst present pain and conflict. The lengths to which God has gone to reconcile the world to himself shows us



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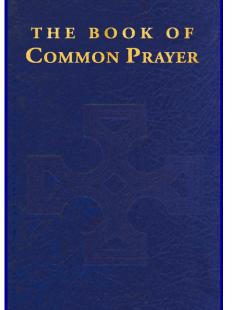
the significance God places on making peace between those in conflict. If we are to share in this ministry of reconciliation, we need to acknowledge that to be peacemakers is a costly affair, and often does not make one very popular. Yet I think there are small steps we can all take to bring peace and reconciliation in our lives, our town, our country, and the wider world.

I wonder, who are the people in our lives we need to be reconciled with? What actions could we take to restore those relationships? How might we build a united community? How can we be peacemakers in our present situation? Will we commit to pray for peace and unity in community, and in the wider world? This month on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November, we will mark 'The Kingship of Christ'. The one we are called to bear witness to is a crucified king, and as his followers in this world we will have to make sacrifices if we want to be his peacemakers. Yet the costliness of Christ's death and the hope of his resurrection reminds us that peace and reconciliation are worth fighting for.

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Yours very sincerely,





## **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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### **Parochial Registers**

### Marriage

14th October - Matthew Ian Alexander Spiers and Rachel Anne Mairs

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



#### **Burial**

11th October - Barbara Jean Irvine, Lawnakilla Park, Enniskillen.

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



### **Remembering Loved Ones**

On Sunday 6th November 2022 at 7.00pm, we are holding a special service in which we will remember those whom we love but see no longer.

The names of parishioners who have died since the Dean's institution on 28th September 2010 will automatically be included in the list of those remembered during that service. Should you wish to have a loved one included in this act of remembering - or would prefer that your loved one is not remembered by name please email the details to the Cathedral Office by Monday 31st October 2022. If you intend to be present at the service please let us know how many will be attending.

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### **Parish Donations**

### **Graveyard Wall Fund**

- £700 Donation from the UDR Regimental Association, Lisnaskea Branch.
- £50 Donation from Major (Retd) Jack Dunlop.
- £50 Donation from Mr Roy and Mrs Joyce Kempton.
- £500 Donation from Mrs Moya Mayes in memory of her husband Peter.
- £200 Donation from Mr Stuart and Mrs Caroline Brooker

### Garden of Remembrance Fund

£100 Anonymous donation.

### **Organ Restoration Fund**

- £100 Donation in memory of Richard Benson from his wife Ivy and family.
- £100 Donation in loving memory of my husband Wilfred, my daughter Jill and son Gordon from Prue Mahood.

### **Fabric Fund**

- £530 Donation in lieu of flowers in memory of the late William Percival Bruce.
- £840 Donation in lieu of flowers in memory of the late Rubina (Beanie) Rimmer.
- £250 Donation from Mr Henry & Mrs Helen Saville (in appreciation of online viewing).
- £69 Donation from Mr George & Mrs Duniece Boyd (coin collection).
- £100 Donation from Mr Harry & Mrs Eleanor Gracey.

### **Choral Scholarship Fund**

- £630 Anonymous donation.
- £5,000 Donation from Mr Ronnie Robinson in memory of his wife Evonne and his mother and father, Audrey and Sandy Robinson.

### Supper at Six

£20 Anonymous donation.

### **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.

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### **Back to Church Sunday**

On Sunday 25th September 2022, we were delighted to welcome the Very Rev Stephen Farrell - the Dean of Ossory, and Rector of Kilkenny Union of Parishes - as special guest preacher at our Back to Church Sunday service. In his address, he spoke about the "alarm clocks" God sends into our lives to wake us up - the "alarm clocks" that alert us to play our part in the life and mission of the Church, which includes turning up to Sunday services, as well as the "alarm clocks" that remind us we need to give generously to support those in need.

Children and young people took part in the service. Many thanks are due to those who read lessons, lead the prayers,

and collected the offertory. Following the service, everyone enjoyed free ice-cream, as well as the refreshments served in the Cathedral Hall. Registration for Sunday Lights and Café and Confirmation classes took place immediately after the service. An enjoyable time was experienced by all!







## Visit of the MU Worldwide President and All Ireland MU President to Enniskillen



The Right Revd Justin Welby.

A unique event will take place in St Macartins Cathedral, Enniskillen on Sunday, 6th November during Morning Service. It will mark the visits of the Mothers' Union Worldwide President Mrs Sheran Harper and the All-Ireland President Mrs June Butler to our Diocese. The service will include the Commissioning of Mrs Heather Ellis as Clogher Diocesan President and of Mrs Debbie Davidson as Armagh Diocesan President.

MU Worldwide President Sheran was elected for the period 2019-24 following two terms as a worldwide Trustee from 2013-18. She heads up and chairs meetings of the Board of Trustees and fulfils an ambassadorial role

on behalf of MU. Sheran was born in the United Kingdom and grew up in Guyana. She is a Physiotherapist by profession who in the past opened and managed new Physiotherapy Departments in hospitals across Guyana and lectured on the Rehabilitation Therapists Training Programme for the Government. Sheran has been a member of Mothers' Union since 1987, and from 2001 devoted herself to serving Mothers' Union, at Parish, Diocesan, Provincial and Worldwide levels.

Before she was elected to the role of Worldwide President, she visited 20 countries for Mothers' Union, primarily as the Worldwide Parenting Programme Train-



er. She has been regularly called to advise her government regionally on matters relating to the family and the reduction of violence in the home. She has also been invited by the Archbishop of Canterbury to speak at international conferences including this year's Lambeth Conference of Bishops and advise on matters relating to peace and reconciliation, an area about which she is passionate.



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### Mothers' Union

The October meeting was held in the Eniskeene Room on Monday 12th with a large attendance. Rev Chris opened the meeting with a reading and prayer. Jenifer, Branch Leader gave a warm welcome and introduced the guest speakers, Ronnie McIntyre and Noel McAllister from a bee-keeping club. They gave a passionate talk on the making of honey and the process leading up to it. They brought some of their own honey to taste and buy. It was a very interesting talk and encouraging to see a good turnout. A fabulous supper was served and the meeting closed with the Mothers' Union prayer.

The next meeting is on Monday November 14th at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Linda Johnston on "Decluttering" All are welcome.

A date for your diary - Sunday 6th November - The visit of Worldwide President, Mrs Sheran Harper to Enniskillen.



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## **Mothers' Union**



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## The Enthronement of Bishop Ian Ellis

The Enthronement of our Bishop took place on Sunday 25th September, postponed from the earlier date of 11th September due to the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, during a celebration of the Holy Communion. We offer Bishop Ian our warm congratulations and best wishes. Please continue to keep him in your prayers in the weeks and months ahead, as he also prays for you.

We are grateful to all those who made the service not only possible but enjoyable, including the Rt Rev Msgr Peter O'Reilly, Mr Mark Ellis, and the Rev Chancellor Ian Berry, who read the lessons at the service. A prayer for the clergy and people was led by Mr Sam Morrow, Hon Secretary of St Macartin's Cathedral; a prayer of the Eastern Church was led by Mrs Ethne McCord, Hon Secretary of Tyholland and Errigal Truagh Union of Parishes; a prayer for the increase of the ministry was led by Mrs Julie Crawford, Principal, Clontibret National School; and a prayer for schools, education, and young people was led Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, Principal, Enniskillen Royal Grammar School. We are grateful to our Churchwardens for their continued support, and to our Choir and Director of Music, Mr Glenn Moore, for their continued ministry in music.



Pictured are Mr Nathan Clyde (Rector's Churchwarden); Mr Andy McCabe (Dean's Verger); the Rev Chris West (Curate Assistant); the Rt Rev Dr Ian Ellis (Bishop of Clogher); the Very Rev Kenny Hall (Dean of Clogher); the Rev John McClenaghan (Diocesan Registrar); the Venerable Brian Harper (Archdeacon); Miss Alanna Williamson (Peoples' Churchwarden).

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The Enthronement of Bishop Ian Ellis



The Rt Rev Ian Ellis preaches his Enthrone-ment sermon on the theme of "lostness".

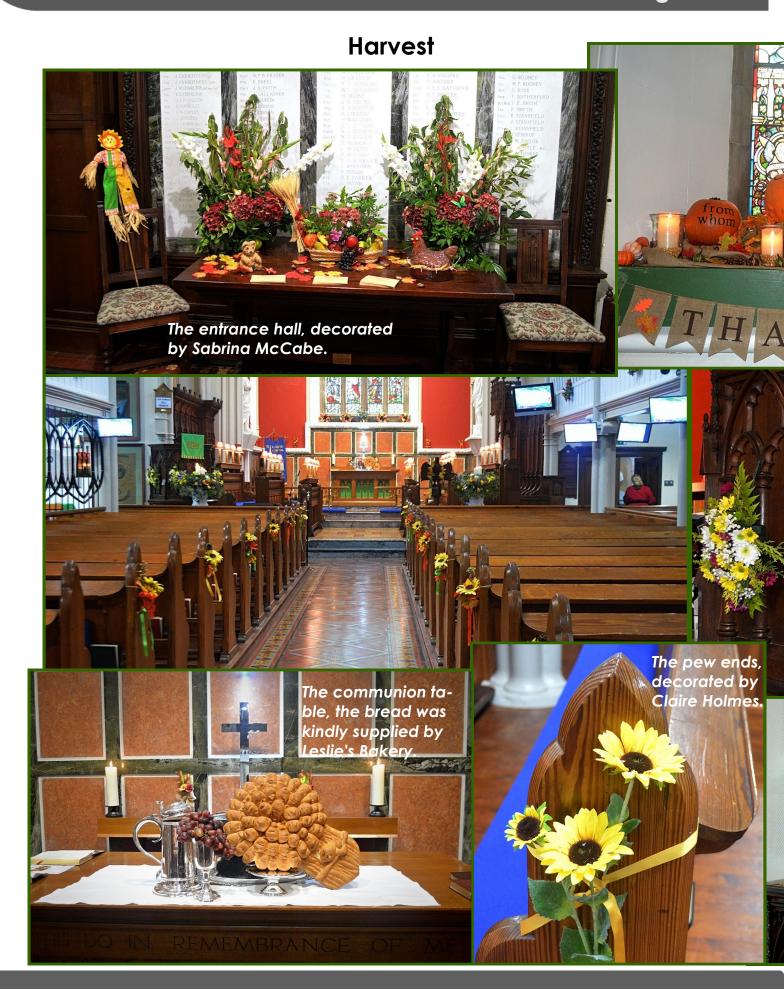
In his Enthronement sermon, Bishop Ian thanked everyone for arranging the service and focused his thoughts on the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son. He concluded his sermon: "May we rediscover within our diocesan life, our parish ministry, and inmost being, the loving care of the shepherd, the determined eye of the searching woman, and the forgiving heart of the father. As we move out into God's future, may we learn to model the good shepherd and refocus on the core business of his church, helping the lost to find him and reaching out to make disciples."

The Rev Chris West, Bishop's Chaplain looks on as the Rt Rev Ian Ellis knocks on the West door with his pastoral staff.



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### **Harvest**



## **Cathedral Family**



### Eliza Violet Henry

Many of you will know that since Eliza's birth on 22nd February 2022 she has been in our thoughts and prayers. Eliza was born prematurely almost 16 weeks before her due date of 9th June 2022 weighing 1lb 5oz. She was cared for in the Neonatal Unit of the Royal Jubilee Maternity Hospital, Belfast, for a number of months and when she was more stable, she was transferred to the Neonatal Unit in Althagelvin Area Hospital. Throughout her time in hospital, she was visited daily by her parents Amanda and David (Henry). To the delight of her Mum, Dad, brother Eoin, grandparents and wider family circle, Eliza was discharged from hospital to home in late July. She continues to thrive and develop, as can be seen in the photograph of her with her Great Grandmother, Mrs Violet Vennard.

### **Archbishop William Temple**



During the Second World War, Winston Churchill was Britain's Prime Minister. At the same time, William Temple was Archbishop of Canterbury. While Churchill led the country against Germany, Temple encouraged the British people to trust the Lord for their deliverance and strength. Like Churchill, Temple was a great leader, a gifted orator and a prolific writer. He was also a theologian and social activist.

Born on 15th October 1881 in Exeter, Devon, he was educated at Rugby School and Balliol College, Oxford, from 1900 to 1904. From 1921 to 1929 he was Bishop of Manchester. During this time he was seen as a pioneer of the Ecumenical Movement and gradually became a national figure.

In 1926 he urged the British government to seek a negotiated agreement to the General Strike. William Temple excelled as a moderator; a teacher and a preacher and his appointment as Archbishop of York (1929-40) was a popular one. His influence also led to the formation of the British Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches. During the 2nd World War he jointly founded the Council of Christians and Jews to combat anti-Semitism and other forms of prejudice in Britain.

As Archbishop of Canterbury (1942-1944) he became an outspoken advocate of social reform and became involved in the campaign against unemployment, poverty and poor housing. He believed in the rights of all people, whether rich or poor, and was a leading force for social justice. He was grounded in the problems of the working man and in his book Christianity and Social Order (1942) he shared his vision for all to have access to healthcare, education and decent housing. His radical thinking and activism played a foundational role in the formation of the British Welfare State. Sadly, he died aged 63 on 26th October 1944.

One of his famous quotations -

"The Church is the only society on earth that exists for the benefit of nonmembers."

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### **Quadricentennial Celebrations/Events**

6th November MU Service (11.00am) with special guest preacher,

Mrs Sheran Harper (Worldwide MU President),

Mrs June Butler (All Ireland MU President), and the

commissioning of trustees

Remembering Loved Ones (7.00pm)

17th November Messy Church: Teach (4.00-6.00pm)

20th November Mission Sunday – Local and Global (11.00am)

24th November Supper at Six (6.00pm)

27th November Family Christingle Service (11.00am)

Advent Carol Service (7.00pm)

8th December SANDS Carol Service (7.30pm)

(Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Charity)

13th December Christmas Dinner for Over 60s (6.00pm)

15th December Messy Church: Christmas Party (4.00-6.00pm)

18th December Parish Carol Service (11.00am)

20th December Enniskillen Royal Grammar School Carol Service (7.30pm)

### **FUTURE DATES**

18th January Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service (7.30pm)

with special guest preacher, the Rt Rev'd Trevor Williams

(former Bishop of Limerick & Killaloe)

24th March Quadricentennial Anniversary Service (7.30pm)

2nd – 9th April Holy Week Services

26th-29th May "Signs and Sayings in John's Gospel": Flower Festival

### **Quadricentennial Celebrations/Events**



### **Quadricentennial Cathedral Prayer**

Almighty God, you have made us members of Christ and of his Church here in this Cathedral Parish of Enniskillen. We thank you for 400 years of rich heritage handed down to us from former generations, and we pray that we can hand that on to the generations to come. May we as a congregation reach upwards to your throne in worship and adoration; inwards to one another in understanding and fellowship; and outwards to the world in evangelism and social compassion. Make this Cathedral Parish like a city set on a hill whose light cannot be hidden, so that men and women may find Christ as the light of the world, and his Church as the family of the redeemed, and eternal life as the gift of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Pilgrim Course

Our Pilgrim Course that explores the Christian faith in greater depth through the creeds, which is 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 continues in the Cathedral Hall. Sessions are held on the second and



fourth Tuesdays of the month, with the next sessions being held on **8th** and **22nd November** at **7.30pm**. A warm welcome awaits you, and refreshments will be served at each session. We look forward to journeying with you.

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### **Advent Sunday**

The Season of Advent beginning on Sunday 27th November (Advent Sunday)



Advent is a time of impatient waiting, of holding our breath for what is waiting for us just around the corner. We are making preparations to celebrate Christmas Day, of course, but most importantly, Christians spend this time preparing and waiting for Christ to be born again into the world which so desperately waits for Him. We are not the first people who have longed for a dif-

ferent world – all through history people have waited, just as eagerly, for peace, hope, joy and love. The season of Advent is above all a time of watching and waiting for the coming of the Kingdom of God in power. It shares with Lent a certain spirit of restraint, preparation and penitence, but it is one shot through with confident joy as Christmas approaches. The readings reflect this dual aspect. In the early part of Advent, they focus upon Christ as judge on the Last Day. As the season progresses, the readings in company with the lectionary look towards the birth of the promised Messiah, and reflect upon the unique roles played by John the Baptist, the Lord's forerunner, and of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, in the plan of salvation.

The wreath and its candles are the visual focus of Advent.

One of the candles is lit each week as Christmas approaches. The circle of the Advent wreath has no beginning and no end. It portrays for us God's timelessness and His eternal plan of salvation.

The evergreen colour denotes eternal life that we are granted when we come to know Christ as our Lord and Saviour. The shape of the wreath is round, reminding us of the fellowship of believers around the world who share with us the celebration of His coming. The four outer candles represent the gifts of His spirit in us, which are: Hope, Peace, Love and Joy. Notice, on the outside there are three purple candles. This colour reminds us of sorrow and repentance. The fourth outer candle is pink, which reminds us of joy. The centre candle is called the Christ candle, it is white. This candle will be lit during our Christmas Eve service or on Christmas Day.

May this season of Advent be very special to us as we prepare to greet the birth of Christ with joy, to live in His light and to share the good news of His love with all of those around us.

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**Shoebox Appeal** 

Operation Christmas Child began in the UK in 1990, a tangible message of hope for children in the toughest of circumstances.

Every year since, Samaritan's Purse has collected shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items for children around the world. Since 1990, more



than 198 million children in more than 150 countries have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. The project delivers not only the joy of what, for many kids, is their first gift ever, but also gives them a tangible expression of God's love.

Get an empty medium sized shoebox, and wrap the box and lid separately in colourful wrapping paper or order preprinted shoeboxes online. Attach the appropriate boy/girl label, marking if your gift is for a boy or a girl. Select an age category 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14 and attach the label to the top of your shoebox. Fill your shoebox with a selection of fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies. If possible, include one or two special items you know a child will love such as a doll, cuddly toy or deflated football with pump. A suggested donation of £5 is essential to cover project costs, including shipping, to enable a local church or group overseas to lead a safe, well-organised children's event where your shoebox will be given to a child in need.

Leaflets and boxes are available in the church porch. You can collect these on a Sunday or Thursday morning. All shoe boxes need to be returned at the latest by Sunday 20th November.

### Supper at Six

"Supper at Six" is a monthly meal in the Cathedral Hall, which is open for all. You are welcome to make an anonymous voluntary contribution, but are under no obligation to do so. To book your place for the next meal on **Thursday 24th November**, please fill in the slip on the information flyer available in this Cathedral News and return it by **17th November**. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.



## Study on the Holy Communion: Part 8 – "Sending" Rev Chris West

So far, we have come together as a community in the gathering aspect of our eucharistic liturgy. We have shared our stories, our sins and our ills, in the confession. We have heard the key moments in God's story proclaimed in the Scripture readings and the sermon. We have committed ourselves to God and each



other, resolving to break bread together. And now, finally, we are sent out - in the power of the Spirit - to share the good news of Jesus.

We must be careful, however, in how we see the "Sending" at the ending of the Eucharist, lest we give the impression that our duty as Christians finishes as we exit through the door. We cannot, with integrity, share in the Eucharist then simply return to our homes as if we have somehow done our religious duty for the week. I remember hearing someone say on the radio that if we really took Jesus' words seriously we would come to receive the Eucharist on a Sunday drained and exhausted. What he meant was that the Eucharist is our re-fuelling point on the journey of faith, and the "Sending" part of the liturgy is akin to the moment when we leave an Applegreen service (note that word!) station on the motorway, and need to be pointed in the right direction and helped to rejoin the fast moving traffic.

The gathered community encounter Jesus in the Eucharist - supremely in the Eucharistic elements (however we might understand this), but also in the reading from the Gospel, and in each other - receive his risen life in bread and wine, and are sent out to carry his presence into the world. The "Sending" aspect of the Eucharist is, in other words, deeply missional. This is

evident in our eucharistic liturgy, which concludes with the Prayer after Communion, when the gathered community pray that God would "send us out in the power of the Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory." Finally, the people might be dismissed: "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord."



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### Study on the Holy Communion: Part 8

The importance of "Sending" was emphasised by the words printed at the bottom of the service sheets in a parish I recently visited; the celebrant said, "Our worship is ended," and the community responded, "Our service begins." Our true longing as Christians is for worship that touches heaven and changes earth. Recovering such an understanding of the Eucharist, through the grace of God, would enable his people to become truly useful in the advancement of God's kingdom.

### **Tuesday Club**

The first Tuesday Club after a long break was held on 27th September at 2.00pm. Holy communion was celebrated by the Dean assisted by Rev Chris. The Dean then gave a talk on all the arrangements for the coming year, the Quadricentennial Anniversary of St Macartin's Cathedral. This was followed by tea and biscuits. It is lovely to be back again in fellowship. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th October at 2.00pm when John Graham is the speaker. Our November get together is on Tuesday 29th when we will limber up with chair exercises. All seniors welcome!

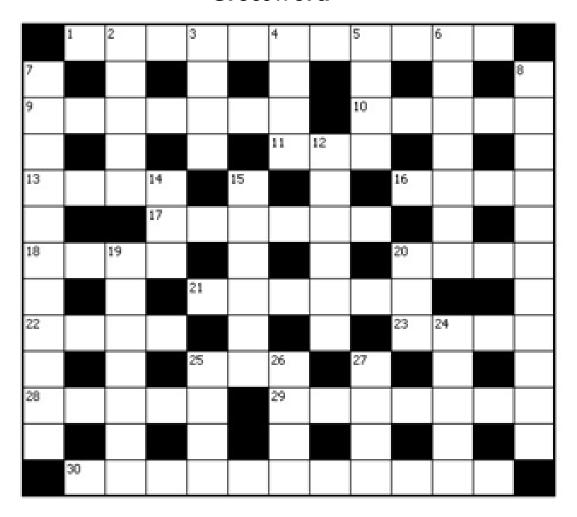
## Tuesday drop in

Every Tuesday afternoon from 2.00 to 6.00pm, the Hilliard Room in the Cathedral Hall will be open, where people can chat, study, read the newspaper, knit, and drink tea and coffee, saving money by reducing energy usage in our homes. You are welcome to make use of the tea and coffee making facilities in the adjacent kitchen. On the last Tuesday of each month,



the Tuesday Club will meet in the Hilliard Room at 2.00pm, and you would be welcome to join them.

### Crossword



#### **Across**

- 1 and 20 Down 'Lord of all \_, Lord of all \_, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy' (11,3)
- 9 Mosesí question to a fighting Hebrew labourer: 'Why are you \_ your fellow Hebrew?" (Exodus 2:13) (7)
- 10 Acclaimed cellist who contracted multiple sclerosis at the height of her fame, Jacqueline \_ (2,3)
- 11 'At even \_ the sun was set, the sick, O Lord, around thee lay' (3)
- 13 A descendant of Gad (xNumbers 26:16) (4)
- 16 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but \_ for the gift my Father promised' (Acts 1:4) (4)
- 17 Clambers (Jeremiah 48:44) (6)
- 18 Peter's response to questioning by the Sanhedrin: 'We must \_God rather than men!' (Acts 5:29) (4)
- 20 Christian paraplegic author, artist and campaigner, \_ Eareckson Tada (4)
- 21 Bird partial to the nests of other birds (6)
- 22 'Such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat \_ \_ '(Matthew 13:2) (2,2)

### Crossword

- 23 Infectious tropical disease (4)
- 25 Tree (3)
- 28 'No fear of me should \_ you, nor should my hand be heavy upon you' (Job 33:7) (5)
- 29 For example, to Titus, Timothy or Philemon (7)
- 30 Week beginning with Pentecost Sunday, according to the Church's calendar (11)

#### Down

- 2 'O Jerusalem \_ how \_I have longed to gather your children together' Mathew 23:37) (5)
- 3 Way out (4)
- 4 Exhort (Romans 12:1) (4)
- 5 Done (anag.) (4)
- 6 Highest of the four voice-parts in a choir (7)
- 7 Concerning the study of God (11)
- 8 Uniquely, it has Abbey, Cathedral and Chapel (11)
- 12 Admonish (Matthew 16:22) (6)
- 14 Frozen (3)
- 15 Established form of religious ceremony (6)
- 19 Inscription often found on gravestones (7)
- 20 See 1 Across
- 24 Behaved (Joshua 7:1) (5)
- 25 Time (anag.) (4)
- 26 Lists choice of meals (4)
- 27 'For the wages of sin is death, but the \_ of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord' (Romans 6:23) (4)



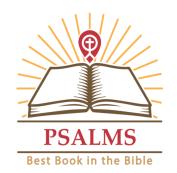
### Thursdays at 11.00am

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!

### Psalm 8

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. (Verses 1-2)

This is the first of the psalms to erupt into a panoply of praise to God; the psalms before this one concentrat-



ed on the suffering of humanity. The subject of this psalm is the excellence of God in his work of creation. As this is a major theme of the wisdom literature (Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and so on), this psalm is sometimes called a "wisdom poem".



When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honour. (Verses 3-5) On the surface of the moon, just a few feet from the Apollo 11 landing site, lies a pouch which contains messages from 73 nations. Among those messages is a quotation from this psalm, namely: these three verses. These verses speak of the sta-

tus of human beings in bold and confident terms: little lower than God by grace, and crowned with glory and honour. Commenting on these verses, however, Archbishop Desmond Tutu cautioned against thinking too highly of ourselves; he called human beings "God's stand-ins here on earth", which should make us ask important questions of ourselves: Are we living as if each one of us is a God-carrier, "God's stand-in" or representative, on earth? Or are we out for our own personal gain? Being "God's stand-in" on earth - although a gracious gift from God - has more in common with a "responsibility" than a "right".

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. (Verses 6-8)

There is a difference between "dominion" and "domination". The first term - which the psalm makes clear is part of our calling as human beings - is about cherishing God's creation as a good gift; the second term implies deliberate and forceful acts by which human beings exert their lordship over the rest of

### Psalm 8

creation. It is this latter kind of activity that has given rise to the current ecological crisis. A Harvest hymn states our responsibility clearly: "A death if hearts now harden, a birth if we repent and tend and keep the garden as God has always meant: to sow without abusing the soil where life is grown, to reap without our bruising the sunlit mossy stone". The thrust of this psalm should likewise remind us that the fifth mark of mission for Anglicanism is "treasure", explicitly: "to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth". These verses provide a challenge to those who can't see the care of creation as an important part of our "mission", and assume that it's a niche interest for those who have a "green" agenda; a theology of creation is

foundational to the rest of Christian theology.

## O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! (Verse 9)

The psalm ends as it begins: by praising God; for as the Book of Common Prayer puts it - "at all times and in all places it is right to give [God] thanks and praise". "Name" here signifies the character or reputation of God, particularly as

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shown in his identity as the all-powerful Creator of all things.



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## **Family Fun Day**

Over one hundred people attended our Family Fun Day on Saturday 8th October. There was a bouncy castle, slide and lucky dip for the children. Gwyneth Blair was on hand for face painting and was kept busy! There were refreshments for everyone served by our own Verger/ Caretaker, Andy McCabe. Lot's of fun was had by all.











### Youth and Children's Ministry

### **Messy Church**

Messy Church is open to all children of Primary School age or younger and their parents and guardians. Even if you aren't a member of the Cathedral, you are very welcome to join us at any of the sessions. A warm welcome awaits you! Participants must complete a registration form, which is available from the Cathedral Office.

We are grateful to the Rev Mark Gallagher - the



Rector of St Michael's Church, Trory, and Priory Church, Killadeas - for launching our new programme on "The Five Marks of Mission" on 20th October 2022. For the first session, we considered the first mark, "Tell". The next session, which has as its theme "Teach", will take place on 17th November 2022 at the usual time of 4.00-6.00pm in the Cathedral Hall. Don't forget: "The Five Marks Challenge" has started! It's based on the idea of families challenging themselves to do some form of activity linked to the marks of mission, and it's open to any individual or family that would like to take part. Those who take part will receive prizes. The closing date for the Yellow Challenge (Tell) will be 17th November. To receive your prizes, bring along evidence of your activities to that session or email it to fivemarks.messychurch@gmail.com. Examples of activities relating to the Yellow Challenge include: learning something new about

the Christian faith; borrowing a library book on some part of the Christian story; or reading an unfamiliar Bible story with members of your family. Be as creative as you like in response to the theme - prizes will be awarded for the most creative response!



## Sunday Lights and Café

Sunday Lights is open to anyone in P1-4, and Sunday Café welcomes children in P5-Year 8. We use interactive and creative forms of learning to help the children learn about the Christian faith (telling Bible stories, songs,

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discussion, games, and crafts). We are grateful to the leaders who make Sunday Lights and Café not only possible, but so enjoyable for our children! The children leave during the 11.00am service after the singing of a family hymn for their own activities, and attend and take part in monthly Family Services. Each Sunday parents or guardians attend church with their children at 11.00am. The children will leave church at 11.20am for approximately 30/40 minutes. A parent or guardian needs to remain in church during this time.

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

6th November: Sunday Lights and Café - children leave during the 11.00am service for their own activities;

13th November: Remembrance Sunday - children attend the 11.30am service with their families;

20th November: Sunday Lights and Café - children leave during the 11.00am service for their own activities;

27th November: Family Christingle Service - children attend the 11.00am Family Service with their families.

## Advent Sunday (27th November): Family Christingle Service



Christingle is a joyful celebration that brings families and communities together to share the light of Jesus and spread a message of hope. Christingle celebrations are named after the Christingles that are lit during the ser-

vice. Christingles are oranges wrapped in red tape, decorated with dried fruit or sweets, with a candle on the top. Each part reminds us of

an important part of the story. Want to find out more? Come along on 27th November at 11.00am to celebrate the beginning of the new church year with us!



Answers to Crossword on page 23

Menu. 27, Giff.

29, Epistle. 30, Whitsuntide. DOWN: 2, Often. 3, Exit. 4, Urge. 5, Node. 6, Soprano. 7, Theological. 8, Westminster. 12, Rebuke. 14, Icy. 15, Ritual. 19, Epitaph. 20, Joy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 12, Rebuke. 14, Icy. 15, Ritual. 19, Epitaph. 20, Joy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 12, Rebuke. 14, Icy. 15, Ritual. 19, Epitaph. 20, Joy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 12, Rebuke. 14, Icy. 15, Ritual. 19, Epitaph. 20, Joy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 12, Rebuke. 14, Icy. 15, Ritual. 19, Epitaph. 20, Joy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 12, Rebuke. 14, Icy. 15, Ritual. 19, Epitaph. 20, Joy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 12, Ritual. 20, Icy. 15, Ritual. 20, Icy. 15, Ritual. 20, Icy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 20, Icy. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 20, Icy. 24, Acted. 25, Emit. 26, ster. 26, ster. 26, ster. 27, Icy. 27, I

ACROSS: 1, Hopefulness. 9, Hitting. 10, du Pre. 11, Ere. 13, Ozni.16. Wait. 17, Climbs. 18, Obey. 20, Joni. 21, Cuckoo. 22, In it. 23, Yaws. 25, Elm. 28, Alarm.

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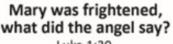


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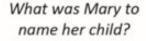
God sent a messenger to Mary What was the angel's name?

Luke 1:26-28

Mouse Makes



Luke 1:30



Luke 1:31







What does the angel say about God?

Luke 1:37 (LEARN this verse)

Mary praises God, what does she say God has done? Luke 1:46-55



What happened to Elizabeth when Mary went to visit her? Luke 1:41





Find the words in the word search and

the \_\_\_\_ words too.

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### **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

### **November Lessons and Readers**

6th November The Third Sunday before Advent

The First Reading - Haggai 1: 15b-2: 9 - Raymond Campbell

**The Psalm** - Psalm 145: 1-5, 18-22

The Second Reading - 2 Thessalonians 1: 1-5, 13-17 - Selena Fawcett

The Gospel Reading - Luke 20: 27-38 - Peter Booth

13th November The Second Sunday before Advent Remembrance Day

20th November The Sunday before Advent (The Kingship of Christ)

The First Reading - Jeremiah 23: 1-6 - Wendy Graham

The Psalm - Psalm 46

The Second Reading - Colossians 1: 11-20 - Bryan Graham

The Gospel Reading - Luke 23: 33-43 - Peter Booth

27th November The First Sunday of Advent

The First Reading - Isaiah 2: 1-5 - Gillian Glass

The Psalm - Psalm 122

The Second Reading - Romans 13:: 11-14 - John Graham

The Gospel Reading - Matthew 24: 36-44 - The Curate



#### **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 - 6.30pm - 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 - 7.30pm - 9.30pm (second Mondays)

#### **TUESDAY**

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

Rainbows - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Brownies - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Guides - 6.30pm - 7.45pm

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Bowling Club - 10.30am - 12.00 noon

Bowling Club - 7.30pm - 10.00pm

Choir Practice - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

#### **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)

Parenting Wellness Group (Once per month as arranged)