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*"O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together  
(Psalm 34:3)*

# Welcome!



*Photograph by William Holmes*

## 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,

We are holding 'Back to Church Sunday' on Sunday 23rd September (see flyer inserted). We all need a place to belong. We all need to be a part of something bigger than ourselves. We all need to experience family and fellowship. Everywhere you look, there are signs that people are longing for fellowship, community, and a sense of family. People long to be connected. There are many analogies for a Christian disconnected from a church: a football player without a team; a soldier without a platoon; a tuba player without an orchestra; a sheep without a flock. But the most understandable and biblical picture is that of a child without a family. That family is the church. God does not want his children to grow up in isolation from each other, so he created a spiritual family on earth for us. A Christian without a church family is an orphan!

In the autumn when you see geese heading south for the winter, flying along in V formation, you might be interested to know that science has discovered why they fly that way. It has been learned that as each bird flaps its wings, it creates uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own. Christians who share a common direction and a sense of community can get to where they are going more quickly and more easily, because they are travelling on the thrust on one another. Also, when a goose gets sick or wounded and falls out of formation, two other geese follow it to help and protect it. Jesus gave us the church so that we could do the same for one another: support each other and stand by each other when we are down and out!

Church gives us an opportunity to worship the God who made us. Life is busy and hectic, and we are so easily distracted. All of life should be worship, but usually it's not. Church gives us one hour a week of focused worship and attention on God. I've always liked how David described worship. He said,



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"O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!" (Psalm 34:3). In St Macartin's we have a fantastic organist and a marvellous choir to lead our praise to Almighty God. It is a delight to hear them each week. If you let yourself be truly immersed in worship, no matter what style of service you prefer, you will feel God's presence in this place, and it will stay with you!

When we come to church - into the fellowship of others also growing in faith - we learn what it really means to be like Jesus, it challenges us to follow in his steps, and hopefully it inspires us and equips us to be able to do it, and to reach out to others. This points us to another great reason why the church exists and why you should be a part of it - ministry to those in need! You were put on earth to make a contribution. You were not created just to consume resources - to eat, drink, and take up space. God designed you to make a difference with your life and the lives of others. God wants you to give something back. The Bible says, "God has made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us to do good works, which God planned in advance for us to live our lives doing" (Ephesians 2:10). These "good works" are your ministry. God has a ministry for you and the best place to discover and start fulfilling your ministry is in His church.

The church in Jerusalem grew from 120 to 3000 in just one day. By Acts 4, that number had risen to 5000 and, by Acts 6 there were too many to count—all because they knew they had a mission and they set out to get it done. I hope that I have given you enough reasons to get up and go to church next Sunday! The truth is church isn't just something you attend; it's something you are! When you understand what it means to not just go to church, but be the church, you discover your life's true purpose - you were made to be a member of His family!

Every one of our parishioners should have a part to play in God's plan for our Cathedral Parish, our community and our world. So let us all refocus our lives in order to play a part together as the body of Christ in Enniskillen. In the autumn many Cathedral activities will start up after the summer recess as outlined in this Cathedral News. There should be something for everyone to join or be part of and a warm welcome awaits you!

Yours very sincerely,  
Kenneth R.J Hall

PS – If there is something missing from our range of activities why not talk to us and put your thoughts into action!

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**Back to Church Sunday 23rd September 11.00am**

**Family Service with Dedication of New Window and Bell Ringing Plaque  
followed by Tea/Coffee/Juice/Chat  
(see flyer inset in this Cathedral News)**

## Parochial Registers

### Holy Baptism

8th July - Harley William James Morrow  
Ellie Louise Morrow



*"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

29th June - Elizabeth (Betty) McKendry,  
Cornfield Care Centre, Limavady,  
formerly Benaughlin Park, Enniskillen.

27th July - John Edward (Jack) McDowell  
8 Windmill Drive, Enniskillen.

28th July - Annie Sylvia Maud Henderson  
24 Ashbourne Manor, Enniskillen.

29th July - William Basil Parkinson  
28 Silverstream Court, Enniskillen.



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

**Harvest Services - Keep Free!**

**Sunday 14th October 2018**

**11.00am** preacher Right Rev. Michael A J Burrows,  
Bishop of Cashel & Ossory

**7.00pm** preacher Rev Paul Thompson,  
Rector of Derryvullen North (Irvinestown)

*"Come, ye thankful people come"*

The poster features a decorative border of various fruits and vegetables including apples, grapes, pears, corn, and pumpkins. The text is centered in a white box with a subtle watermark.

## Parish Donations

### Fabric Fund

£440 Donation from St Macartin's Cathedral Mothers' Union towards cost of new tables for the Hall.

£110 Donation in lieu of flowers in memory of the late Mr Robert (Bertie) McVitty, 30 Galliagh Park, Enniskillen.

£3,500 Donation to install a stained glass window in the North West porch from Ivan and Avril Kee. To be dedicated on Sunday 23rd September at 11.00am.

### Minibus Fund

£100 Donation from Mr & Mrs S Coulter.

### Choir/Organ Fund

£150 Donation from Mr & Mrs E Pope (Choir sang at their Wedding).

£100 Donation from Rotary Club of Enniskillen (re Concert).

### Gift of Music Scores

We gratefully acknowledge the gift of Music Scores from Mrs Joan Ingram.

### Cathedral Clock

£ 1,188 Anonymous donation to permanently light the Cathedral Clock from 11th November 2018 as a sign of Peace, Hope and Reconciliation.

### Cathedral Roof Fund

£2,000 Donation from Mr & Mrs Jim Kerr in thanksgiving for sixty years of marriage.

A\$10,000 Donation from Colin Wilson, Australia, in appreciation of help given to research his ancestors.

£500 Donation in loving memory of my husband Victor and my Father and Mother. From Eleanor Lynn

### Cathedral Hall Fund

£500 Donation to install a stained glass feature in the Iona (Prayer) Room from Ivan and Avril Kee.

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## Boat Trip - Monday 17th September

Join us for the Annual Cathedral Boat Trip aboard The Kestrel, courtesy of Stephen Nixon. We will stop at Ivan and Avril Kee's home for refreshments followed by a three course meal at the Killyhevlin Hotel on Monday 17th September. The cost is only £25 per person. (Limited to 45 persons). The Kestrel will depart from the Killyhevlin Jetty at 5.00pm sharp. Tickets are available from the Cathedral Office 6632 2917 or from Ivan Kee, telephone 077 68000167.

**Don't miss it!**





## Bird of Paradise Ministries in Rwanda (BPMR)

### St Macartin's Cathedral Sunday 9th September at 11.00am

Bird of Paradise Ministries is a Christian, non-profit organisation which is committed to providing the basic needs of shelter and care to the elderly of Rwanda.

Jerome is a former rector of Killyleagh Parish, Diocese of Down and Dromore, and a former Canon of St Anne's Cathedral. He and his wife Mary returned to their native Kigali, Rwanda, in 2011 to further the work of the charity they founded in 2010.



Jerome says "One of the challenges of our ministry

has been about waiting - and in that space of waiting remain as hopeful and optimistic as ever. The Psalmist says, "Let no one who waits on you be put to shame" (Psalm 25:3). We have been prayerfully searching for God's direction, as well as looking for a plot to build a home for the elderly. Now the Lord has provided in his time and we are grateful for that. While we feel excited by this new development, it is still a big challenge to reach the goal of having a place for the elderly. The answer to this challenge is to keep trusting in God. He is faithful and just!

This has been a season of mixed blessing; on the one hand we've had a good crop of maize (not for cows!) and sweet potatoes and on the other we lost a crop of beans (staple food) due to too much rain. Heavy rains caused deaths in some areas, havoc to roads and destroyed some buildings. Hopefully September might prove more hopeful as a season of planting again."



Rev Jerome and Mary will be visiting St Macartin's Cathedral Enniskillen on Sunday 9th September at 11.00am to speak of his mission work in Rwanda. Please make every effort to attend and a special collection will be made to go towards providing the basic needs of shelter and care to the elderly of Rwanda.

## Bell Ringers Remember Stewart Scott

On 'Back to Church Sunday' on 23rd September a plaque will be dedicated for the Bell Ringers' Tower in memory of a life-long member of St Macartin's Bell Ringers who died on 28th September 2017.

Stewart was a bell-ringer at the Cathedral for sixty six years and as well as leading the team of bell ringers, also introduced many newcomers to the art of campanology.



## Men's Harvest Supper

7:30pm - Thursday 11th October 2018  
in the Saddlers Restaurant

with guest speaker

**Rev Ian Linton**

On Thursday 11th October we resume our new Men's Life group. Our hope is to regularly bring together all the men of the parish for an evening of fellowship, activities, and guest speaker. We are delighted that the Revd Ian Linton has agreed to come and speak at our first event this season, a Men's Harvest Supper, and we look forward to hearing about his life and his faith.

Admission is free, but as we need to confirm numbers for supper, you are asked to reserve a place in advance by contacting Gordon Jackson, Karl Saunders or David Graham.

*... the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart [1 Samuel 14]*





## Forming Faith at St Macartin's

September means it's time to go back to ...

### Sunday School

#### 'Sunday Lights' Forming Faith in Children

A Special Family Service will be held on Sunday 23rd September and details of Sunday Lights' recommencing will be announced at the service.

Registration will take place after the Family Service.

#### Sunday Lights Leaders

Sunday Lights Leaders are invited to a planning meeting in the Devenish Room, Cathedral Hall on Thursday 13th September at 7.30pm. We are appealing for extra leaders on a rota basis. Anyone interested in helping out is welcome to attend the meeting. **Please help!**



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 and 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 Programme

2018-19

4.00-6.00pm in the Cathedral Hall

18th October

15th November

20th December

(no Messy Church in January)

21st February

21st March

April – no Messy Church  
(Easter Holiday)

16th May





## 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 10<sup>th</sup> September – Class Reunion! 7-9 pm**

A get-together for all young people who were confirmed earlier this year or last year, and friends in Years 10-12. Come and catch up with old friends and new over pizza, with all the usual fun and games!

### **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October – From Darkness into Light 7-9 pm**

Lots of scary things happen around this time of year. Did you know that at your baptism, your parents and godparents promised to reject the devil and all evil things? But what does the Bible say about ghosts and witches and other things that go bump in the night? What do Christians believe, and what can or should we do at Halloween?

Wrap up warm for a torch-lit walk around the Cathedral and the town, some scary stories, fun Halloween games and messy activities.

### **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Movie Night 7-9 pm**

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party 7-9 pm**

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## Confirmation

A Confirmation service will be held in the spring of 2019 for young people of school year 9 and above. Those who expect to be confirmed should regularly attend church with their families. There is no logical sense in being confirmed if you are not a regular attendee at church!

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.



## Forming Faith at St Macartin's

**Pilgrim** is our adult formation group. It is a relaxed, café-style night where we can get to know each other a bit better and explore our Christian faith. Some Pilgrim members like to speak a lot, and some prefer to sip coffee and listen. Some are reasonably sure about things and others are still thinking. The format is open and welcoming, and every opinion is respected. There is space for people at all stages of their Christian journey. We will meet twice a month from 7.30-9.00pm in the Devenish Room. Dates for your diary ...

### **Tuesday 25th Sept. 7.30-9.00 pm Opening Night**

A chance to sample Pilgrim. Come along and see for yourself, even if you aren't sure just yet, if it's for you. A light buffet will be provided.

**Course Dates: 9th and 23rd October,  
6th and 27th November,**

**Christmas Gathering: 11th December**



## **Safeguarding Trust Meeting – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

**The Church of Ireland's child protection policy, Safeguarding Trust, the Code, for short, has been in place since 1997 and was included in the Constitution of the Church of Ireland in 2006.**

Church of Ireland child protection policy statement: "It is the policy of the Church of Ireland to set standards for the welfare of all children sharing in its ministry with a view to protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional harm."

Adherence to the Code by parishes means that children using Church of Ireland premises for worship and other activities such as Sunday schools, youth organisations and clubs have their general safety and welfare promoted while being protected from all kinds of abuse. The current edition of the Code was published in 2008. A format of parts and sections makes it more accessible and it may be viewed online or downloaded from this website. Safeguarding Trust policies can be accessed in the Parish Resources: People & Community section. Find out more at:

[www.sgt.ireland.anglican.org](http://www.sgt.ireland.anglican.org)

A training night to train new leaders and update present leaders will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Hilliard Room. All leaders of organisations belonging to St Macartin's Cathedral who deal with children under 18 need to be present.

## Restoration through Friendship

**Cathedral Hall Thursday 13th September at 7.30 (all welcome)**



Rev Ruth Patterson is a Presbyterian minister, since 1988 has been Director of Restoration Ministries, a non denominational, Christian organisation committed to peace and reconciliation based in Northern Ireland. In 1976 Ruth became the first woman to be ordained as a minister in Ireland. In 2001, Ruth received an honorary doctorate from the Presbyterian Theology Faculty of Ireland. In 2003

Ruth Patterson was awarded an OBE for her efforts in reconciliation.

Restoration Ministries was formally established as a charity in 1988. Since 1977 Ruth had been parish minister in Kilmakee Presbyterian Church, Seymour Hill, Dunmurry – a large housing estate on the outskirts of Belfast. During these years, that spanned some of the toughest times of the conflict, there had been highlighted for her and others not only the desperate need for reconciliation, but also, and probably initially more important, the need for people to recognise their true identity as beloved daughters and sons of God. Those years saw at least a number of people move from a second hand religion to a living friendship/faith. From such a standpoint it was not so easy to label or dismiss others who were different from them. There also began a prayer ministry for healing, in particular the healing of some of the emotional wounds and scars that everyone carries with them, both immediate and ancestral.

This work grew so much that in 1988 a small interdenominational group got together to pray about the future. The words from Psalm 23 became central, especially the line 'He restores my soul.' So Restoration Ministries was born. After three years Ruth left the congregation to work full time in this fledgling ministry. Over the years they have quietly continued to be present to individuals from diverse backgrounds who need someone to listen and to pray. Running parallel to this largely hidden work we have also, through various events, lectures, group work and hospitality provided opportunities for people to meet one another and to build friendships, believing that it is through relationships that attitudes change.



## Cathedral Family

Andrew McCabe is St Macartin's Cathedral Verger and Hall Caretaker and has been a parishioner for almost twenty years.



Andrew McCabe

### **Tell us about your early days?**

I grew up in Ballinamallard with my parents Billy and Ruth, older brother Steven and younger brother Gary. I attended Ballinamallard Primary School and then The Duke of Westminster High School in Ballinamallard with my final two years of school spent in the Duke of Westminster in Kesh. We belonged to Magheracross Parish and I attended Church and Sunday School there. I played football for Ballinamallard United and The Fermanagh Milk Cup Team. I also had Northern Ireland under 16 youth trials. I got to the last stages but just didn't quite make it!

When I left school I started full time work with Beatty Spar, Ballinamallard. I did a Youth Training Programme Retail Course for two years. I then went on to become the Manager of Beatty Spar and stayed there for twenty two years.

I am now working as Verger and Caretaker of St Macartin's Cathedral Church and Hall. I am working with great people and enjoy every minute of it. I love meeting new people and learning more about the Church.

### **What about your family?**

I got married to Sabrina ( nee Millar) on 22nd September 2000. (I'm sticking it well lol). We have three daughters, Tia (17), Brooke (14), Kya-Lee (13) and one son Cole (10).

### **What are your hobbies/interests?**

I love watching my favourite football team - LIVERPOOL, walking our dog Dusty and playing football with Cole. I also enjoy cooking up a good Sunday roast dinner after Church.

## **Favourites in life - food/films/books/holidays?**

I like to get out for a nice meal with the family. I really like eating a good paella dish with fish in it. The wife's homemade chocolate brownies are unreal for a nice treat. We all love going away in the caravan to Rosslough and Benone - great family time. I have also been to Ibiza, Tunisia, France and Spain.

## **What are your best days to date?**

The best days have to be getting married to the love of my life and the births of our four children, which were amazing experiences. These are precious memories which I will always treasure.

## **Have you a favourite bible verse/hymn?**

'We plough the fields and scatter, the good seed on the land' was a hymn I loved to sing at Harvest when I was at Sunday School. 'How great thou art' would be one of my favourites now, as it truly expresses my faith and love for our Lord. My favourite reading is from our wedding, 1 Corinthians 13: 13, 'And now these three remain; faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.'

## **Any challenges?**

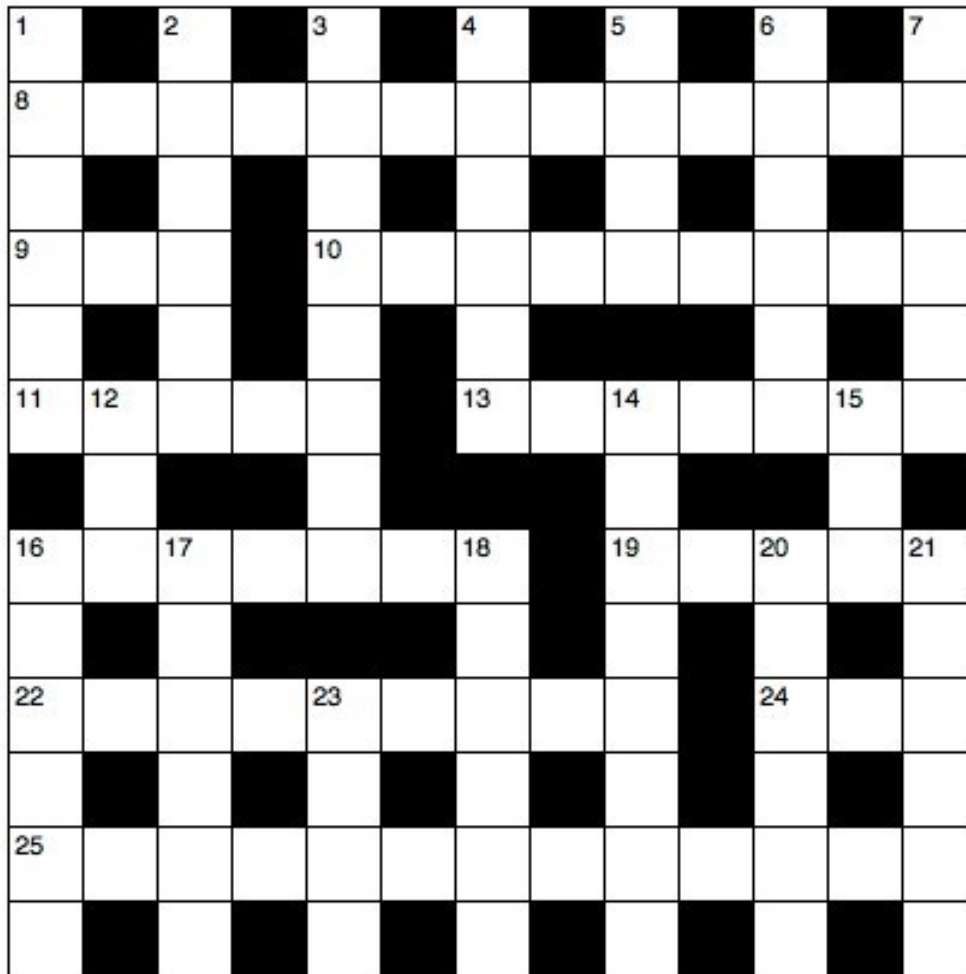
To guide and protect our children to the best of our ability. To support their choices in life and to help them become their own kind of beautiful.

## **60th Wedding Anniversary**



Jim and Dorothy Kerr (pictured left) recently celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary at home with family and friends. The party began with a Celebration of Holy Communion celebrated by the Dean. Jim and Dorothy have been parishioners for many years and regular at Sunday worship. Jim was also Sunday School Superintendent, a member of the Select Vestry and Parochial Nominator. We wish them many more years of health and happiness together.

## Crossword



**Across**

- 8 One of the titles given to the Messiah in Isaiah's prediction (Isaiah 9:6) (6,2,5)
- 9 International Nepal Fellowship (1,1,1)
- 10 Single(1Corinthians7:27)(9)
- 11 Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's seminal book about Soviet prison camps, The — Archipelago (5)
- 13 Treachery(2Kings11:14)(7)
- 16 Of India(anag.)(2,3,2)
- 19 'God has put us apostles on display at the end of the procession,like men condemned to die in the — ' (1 Corinthians 4:9) (5)
- 22 Follower of a theological system characterized by a strong belief in predestination (9)
- 24 'Put these old rags and worn-out clothes under your arms to— the ropes' (Jeremiah 38:12) (3)
- 25 They brought together all the elders of the Israelites in Egypt (Exodus 4:29) (5,3,5)

**Down**

- 1 The season when kings 'go off to war' (2 Samuel 11:1) (6)
- 2 Simon Peter's response to Jesus by the Sea of Galilee: 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a — man' (Luke 5:8) (6)



- 3 Beaten with whips (1 Kings 12:11) (8)
- 4 'You shall not — adultery' (Exodus 20:14) (6)
- 5 Encourage (Hebrews 10:24) (4)
- 6 Service of morning prayer in the Church of England (6)
- 7 'Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and — — him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving' (4,2)
- 12 Run(anag.)(3)
- 14 Member of 17th-century party that denied the right of autonomy to the Church (8)
- 15 'We will triumph with our tongues; we—our lips' (Psalm 12:4) (3)
- 16 Earnings(1 Corinthians 16:2)(6)
- 17 'I rejoice greatly in the Lord that—you have renewed your concern for me' (Philippians 4:10) (2,4)
- 18 How Paul described Philemon (Philemon 1)(6)
- 20 Multiple territories under the rule of a single state(Daniel 11:4)(6)
- 21 'You have been unfaithful; you have married foreign women,—to Israel's guilt' (Ezra 10:10) (6)
- 23 This month(abbrev.)(4)

## **Fund Raising Concert for First Armagh Presbyterian Church Organ**



Church organist Elise Crean is pictured with her husband Dessie Moorcroft and the Dean after her concert in St Macartin's Cathedral on Saturday 21st July. Elise, the resident Organist in First Armagh Presbyterian Church, played on twelve Cathedral organs across Northern Ireland in one day to raise money towards the £70,000 required to rebuild the Church Organ. To date she has raised £3500, with some more donations pledged.

## **Canticles in Worship by Rev Chris Mac Bruithin**

### ***The first in a new series of reflections on the Canticles in the Book of Common Prayer***

When a member of another mainstream denomination attends our Service of Morning or Evening Prayer, one thing that really stands out for them is the Anglican use of canticles before, between and after Bible readings. In a new series, we look at some of the best known. But first a short introduction ...

#### ***What is a canticle?***

Canticles are songs – *cantare* in Latin means 'to sing'. St Augustine once said, 'He who sings well prays twice'. Most are straight from the Bible, although some are from Early Church times. Canticles are Biblical songs of worship, and songs are meant to be sung!

#### ***Why do we use them?***

The Book of Common Prayer keeps our worship Biblical. About 85% of the prayer book is made up of Bible verses arranged in an order that helps us prepare for and respond to worship. Canticles function as 'frames' around the Bible readings, helping us to put the daily and weekly readings in context and emphasising their importance.

#### ***Why have they got strange names?***

In the prayer book, the canticles are printed in English and Irish translation. In many cases, there are traditional and contemporary language versions. As a sort of shorthand, and to clarify any differences in translation, we refer to canticles using the first word or words in Latin, e.g. Psalm 95 is the canticle *Venite*, which is Latin for 'Come' as in 'Come let us sing unto the Lord'.

#### ***Why do we chant them?***

Again, songs are meant to be sung. It would be strange to turn on the radio and hear a presenter read aloud the lyrics of a pop song! Scientists tell us that singing produces feel-good hormones in our brains, which shows that God created us to be singers. Singing the Bible helps us to memorize the words, too, and music opens us up to their emotional impact.

Hymn-writers pen lines with a set number of syllables, so the words fit the melody. However, canticles are already made up of Bible verses and we can't alter the words of scripture. This makes it very difficult to set canticles to modern tunes.

The first Christians, and the Jewish people before them, chanted words of scripture. Chanting allows us to sing portions of the Bible no matter how many syllables in each line. Choirs around the world (including St Macartin's!) are capable of some amazing chants. They lead us in worship. However, a version called plainsong is more often used so that the congregation can join in.

## Collect of the Month

### **How many canticles are there?**

Lots and lots! However, in the 2004 Book of Common Prayer, the editors decided to include only 20, to provide a balance between variety and familiarity. Most are appointed for a particular point in the service, e.g. invitation to worship, response to the Gospel. A few are seasonal, e.g. the Easter Anthems.

### **Have you got a favourite canticle?**

Yes – *Nunc Dimittis*. Simeon knew he was ready to meet his Maker. It always takes me back to my Grandmother's funeral, when its words brought me great hope and comfort.



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### **Choir of Corpus Christi College, Oxford**



*The Dean, the Very Rev Kenneth Hall pictured with the Choir of Corpus Christi College, Oxford under the directors Matthew Murphy and Theodore Hill after their lunchtime performance in St Macartin's Cathedral on Saturday 7th July.*

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### **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 is a safer option.



## Church Service

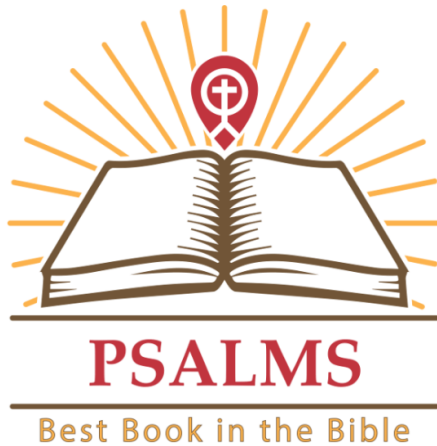
St Macartin's Cathedral Sunday 16th September at 11.00am

**St John  
Ambulance**



### **Mission**

Our volunteers are trained in first aid to treat all sorts of injuries ranging from headaches to heart attacks. They use these skills to provide first aid treatment at a wide variety of public events. Volunteers often arrange further medical assistance and transport for patients, or provide comfort and rest to people in need of more prolonged care. St John Ambulance is the nation's leading first aid charity. Every year, more than 400,000 people learn how to save a life through our training programmes, including hundreds of thousands of young people. Our volunteers provide first aid in their communities, keeping people safe at events, and working alongside the NHS in response to 999 calls. We're also always campaigning to raise awareness of first aid and directly educate the public. We provide medical cover for events – from major sporting fixtures and music festivals to public gatherings. We're the leading provider of workplace training, reaching over 250,000 people a year. Over half of the people we train are under 18. We don't just teach life saving skills – we offer life saving opportunities as well. We give people access to important skills they wouldn't otherwise get the chance to learn. First aid is such a simple skill, but it has an incredible impact. We want everyone to learn it, so that they can be the difference between a life lost and a life saved. The Lord Prior, Sir Malcolm Ross is the third most senior individual within the Order, under the Sovereign Head the Queen, and the Duke of Gloucester, and he will attend our service in St Macartin's Cathedral along with Her Majesty's representative for Co Fermanagh, The Viscount Brookeborough KG who is the Knight Commander of the Order in Northern Ireland and that is the fifth most senior office.



## Psalm 1

This month we begin a new series on the Psalms. Athanasius said: 'Most Scripture speaks to us; the Psalms speak for us.' They are powerful tools for devotion and prayer in our lives. We start by looking at Psalm 1, which sets the scene for the whole book. The psalm tells us how we can be blessed by God, as it contrasts

the life of the righteous and wicked. How can we find true happiness in our discipleship?

Delight in God's Word: 'whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on His law day and night.' (v2).

Righteous people delight in God's Word: 'the most precious thing this world affords' (Coronation Service). They are preoccupied with the Word and don't miss any opportunity to meditate upon it. They recognise that by reading and studying the Word, God will speak into their lives and direct the way they live. Have we found this to be true ourselves?

Delight in God's Way: 'that person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither – whatever they do prospers.' (v3). How secure is our faith in difficult times? A tree can only survive storms with a good root system, which will also provide necessary water and nutrients for the tree to grow and flourish. Just like the tree, if we want a secure and fruitful Christian life, we must give space to our hidden life. This means giving time to reading God's word and praying, as we listen for his direction for our lives. Does what people see on the outside, reflect our inner life?



*'For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish'. Psalm 1: 6*

## Parochial Organisations

### Choir Practice

Choir practice takes place each Wednesday evening in the Cathedral commencing at 7.30pm. Practices will resume on Wednesday 5th September following the summer recess. New choir members are most welcome, currently tenor or bass singers would be particularly encouraged to consider joining. Please contact Glenn or Jayne.

### Bell Ringers

Fewer than a dozen parish churches in Northern Ireland have towers with peals of eight or more bells where campanologists can exercise their skill. Enniskillen is one of these, and the peal of ten bells is rung in changes each Sunday and on special occasions. Practice takes place Thursdays 7.00-8.00pm and new ringers will be warmly welcomed to send out the call to worship on Sunday!

### Tuesday Club

Recommences on Tuesday 25th September from 2.00 to 4.00pm in the Hilliard Room. Alan Crooks will give a talk on Policing and Community Safety. Come and meet other parishioners - a good friend could be someone you have yet to meet.

### Bowling Club

Bowling Club recommences on Wednesday 12th September – Mornings 10.30am to 12.00 noon and Evening 7.30 – 10.00pm. St Macartin's Bowling Club is in Section C of the Church League and we are appealing for new members to join in the fun and fellowship of bowls.

### Guides

Details of start up dates and venue will be announced on Pew News.

### 1st Inniskilling Scout Group

The new scouting year will commence in mid September. We need more leaders in all sections but the Scout Section cannot commence unless we get at least one and preferably two new leaders. If you would be willing to help out in any section please contact George Irvine 07864889672 or Bob Rowley 07871743763 or any of the leaders. We intend to have a registration evening on Monday 10th September in the Cathedral Hall at 6.30pm. Beaver and Cub sections will commence on Monday 17th September at 6.30pm. Scouts will depend on the above response.





## Mothers' Union



Mothers' Union is an international Christian charity that seeks to support families of all faiths and none through practical outreach, prayer and advocating family friendly policies within both government and public life. By supporting marriage and family life, especially through times of adversity, we tackle the most urgent needs, challenging relationships and communities. Our members are not all mothers, or even all women, but are single, married, parents, grandparents or young adults who are just beginning to express their social conscience. For all 4.1 million members in 83 countries what Mothers' Union provides is a network through which they can serve Christ in their own community through prayer, financial support and actively working at grassroots level. In St Macartin's we aim to have a warm welcome for all and endeavour to assist in the work of the Church both in Enniskillen and overseas. We support the work of Messy Church and see this as a vital outreach to young families in our community! Please come and join us. We commence a new season, refreshed after a summer break, by inviting you to an evening of "In with the New and Out with the Old" with Evelyn Hassard, in the Enniskeen Room, Cathedral Hall on Monday 10th September at 8.00pm. You are welcome to bring a small item for an approximate valuation (not jewellery).

Everyone welcome both new and existing members to the new season.

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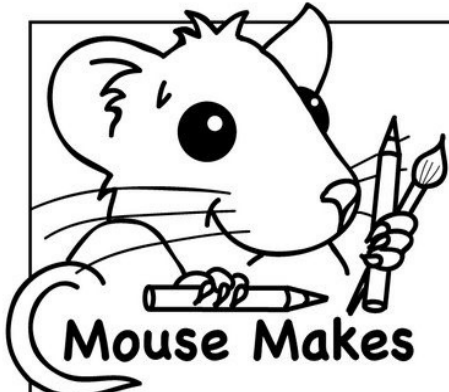
## Youth Club

Youth Club at the beginning of summer had their stay awake in aid of Cancer Focus NI. We are delighted to have raised the sum of £1168.60 which we have handed over to the Enniskillen branch.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our youth club leaders for all their support over many years and especially the present day leaders Alan Elliott, David Nixon, Andrew Eames, Stephen McBride, Shirley Eames, Sarah Jayne Carson, June Crowe, Joan Huey, Emma Crowe, Karen McCabe and also to the many leaders over the past 25+ years. Thanks also to our Chairman Gerry Love, Treasurer Heather Elliott, and Secretary Anne Carson. It's with great regret that we find ourselves in the position where we can no longer carry on as leaders and we hope new leaders will be found to carry on what has been a successful youth club for over 25 years.

Leader in Charge *Ronnie Carson*

Children's Page



**Mouse Makes**

What do you say when you pray?

When I pray I say **THANK YOU** to God

When I pray I say **SORRY** and ask God to forgive me

I pray for my **FAMILY** and my **FRIENDS**

I pray The Lord's Prayer from *Matthew 6:9-13*

When I pray I tell God about my **WORRIES** and ask Him to help me

I talk to God all the time about all sorts of things!

What do you pray to God about?

**PATER NOSTER**  
is Latin for 'Our Father'  
How many other words can you make with the letters from **PATER NOSTER** ?  
Here are two to start you off

SON	PEAS
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## Parish People

Director of Music and Organist - Glenn Moore

Assistant Director of Music - Jayne Haslett

Churchwardens - Sandra Richmond and Karen Clyde

Glebewardens - George Irvine and Noel Johnston

Select Vestry - Raymond Campbell, David Clarke, Richard Cochrane,  
Linda Corrigan, Jenifer Johnston, Ivan Kee, Hope Kerr (Hon Treasurer),  
Sam Morrow (Hon Secretary), David J Nixon, Stephen Richmond,  
Brian Rutledge and Jonathan Woods

Lay Readers - Jim Kerr, Karl Saunders and Jack Watson

Verger - Andrew McCabe

Hall Caretaker - Andrew McCabe

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## September Lessons and Readers

### **Sunday 2nd September The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

The First Reading - Song of Solomon 2: 8-13 - Jim Nixon

The Psalm - Psalm 45: 1-2, 6-9

The Second Reading - James 1: 17-27 - Pam Greene

The Gospel Reading - Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23 - The Curate

### **Sunday 9th September The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**

The First Reading - Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 - Darren Vance

The Psalm - Psalm 125

The Second Reading - James 2: 1-10, (11-13), 14-17 - Linda Corrigan

The Gospel Reading - Mark 7: 24-37 - Scott Elliott

### **Sunday 16th September The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

St John's Ambulance Service

### **Sunday 23rd September The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

Back to Church Sunday and Family Service

### **Sunday 30th September The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

The First Reading - Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10, 9: 20-22 - Raymond Hall

The Psalm - Psalm 124

The Second Reading - James 5: 13-20 - Agnes Schofield

The Gospel

Reading -

### **Welcome Team September 2018**

**02 Sylvia and Trevor Stevenson**

**09 Avril and Ivan Kee**

**16 Julie and David Nixon**

**23 Stephanie and Scott Hamilton**

**30 Jeanette Wilson 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.

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

Scouts - 7.30pm - 9.00pm

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

Xplore - 6.30pm - 8.30pm (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)

Bell Ringing Practice - 7.00pm - 8.00pm

### FRIDAY

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

### SATURDAY

Youth Club (as arranged) - 7.00pm - 9.00pm

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