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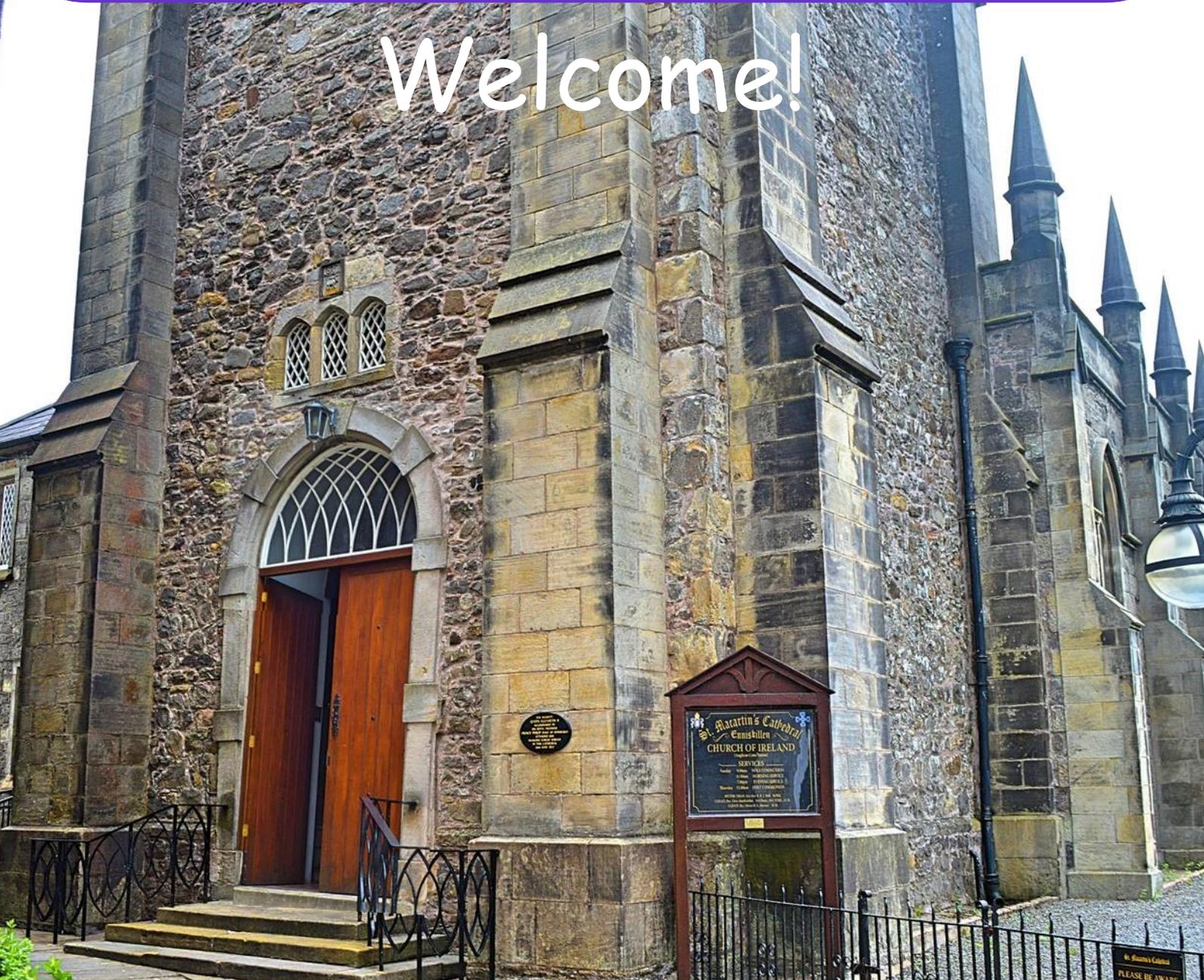


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“One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’. He brought Simon to Jesus.” (John 1: 40-42)

Welcome!



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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,

In this edition of the Cathedral News you will see all sorts of experiences in church life – baptisms, marriages, funerals, ordinations, call to ordination, our Curate appointed as a Rector, opportunities to join or attend organisations, welcome extended for parishioners to connect or reconnect to church and welcome opportunities for those who have no church or spiritual home! This is good, for the life of a parish should be dynamic, continuously changing, growing or developing characterized by energy or effective action - If it is not developing it is dying! Thank God our Cathedral Church is alive and vibrant but each and everyone needs to make sure we keep the momentum up and further extend our growth!

We all experience the seasons of life or the changes that occur in our own time, whether we enjoy them or not. We love some of the changes and we can dread other changes. For example, we love the season of laughing or times of joy, but on the other hand, we do not enjoy the seasons of weeping. I'm sure you and your family have experienced the changes that make you rejoice and the changes that bring you sorrow. The important thing to remember is that God is with us in all those experiences. That is not the case for everyone and very often God is only brought into the equation in time of need – sickness or death. That should not be and we should celebrate his presence with every moment of every day!

People and their lifestyles are continually changing and not all for the better for the Christian Church. There are many families living in the Enniskillen area who now have no church connections – children are not being baptised, they have civil marriages, and non-religious funerals. If God has become less relevant in peoples' lives where is the hope for the future? And I'm not just thinking of their future in this world but their future in the next world! This is a growing trend, and everyone needs to be on the alert not to fall victim to growing secularism!

We need to be faithful to God and show that faithfulness in our everyday lives

and be regular attenders (if able) at church. Stay connected, connect or reconnect but do not disconnect! A Sunday or two missed at church, leads to three or four missed, and in turn leads on to months missed, and finally to years, and at that stage reconnections are hard to make – then secularism wins!

With the ministry we offer in St Macartin's Cathedral no one should feel judged by their circumstance or feel 'left out in the cold' – we are open and available to welcome everyone regardless of situation or circumstance! Please make this widely known and invite people you know to church. Read the piece about St Andrew on page 20. The challenge for every parishioner this Autumn is; Can they be a 'little Andrew' in St Macartin's Cathedral?

Andrew is a wonderful example of what it is like to be a Christian. Let us all quietly introduce others to life in the Cathedral in the hope that they too will be followers of Christ!

Yours very sincerely,

Kenneth R J Hall

Back to Church Sunday



**Sunday 22nd September
at 11.00am**
**Family Service followed by
Tea/Coffee/Juice/Chat**
**(see flyer inset in this Cathedral
News – use this flyer to invite
someone who does not normally
attend.)**

Thursdays at 11.00am



Service of Holy Communion (30 minutes), followed by a cup of tea/coffee – with 30-40 attending each week. 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!

Parochial Registers

Holy Baptism

- 7th July – Cassie Ava Stenson
Conor James Stenson
- 28th July – Nova Leigh McCordick
Faith Vera Allen-Beresford
Jake Keith Armstrong
Noah William George Fiddis
- 11th August - Isla Mary Kate Robinson

"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 Marriage

- 28th June – Louise Ann Abbott
and Simon Samuel Foster Prescott
- 6th July – Katie Wilhelmina Graham
and Paul James Gunn
- 13th July – Rachel Elizabeth Campbell
and Michael Ross Westwaters
- 31st August – Louise Mary McErlane
and Calum Robert MacKenzie

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

Christian Burial

- 6th July - Lillas Pinkney,
4 Derrychara Gardens, Enniskillen.
- 13th July - Bryan McIntyre,
5 Ingleby Gardens, Enniskillen.
- 19th July - Gareth John Donnelly,
194 Gardiners Cross Road, Tempo.

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

Rev Chris says Farewell

All curates know they have a limited term, but it's hard to believe that our three years are up already. I will never forget my ordination service, the first time I experienced the full worship experience in the Cathedral. Here, I celebrated Holy Communion for the first time, and my first baptism (Noah).

In one sense, it is a terrible place to be a curate – you get spoilt! Not every church has someone like Beth, who manages to do so much, always with a smile. It is only when Andy is away for a few days that you realize how much he does behind the scenes. Our pastoral assistant Will is an indispensable help, and I've never known such a cohesive and effective Select Vestry. As I say, I've been spoilt!

I have learned to appreciate the incredible work done by volunteers in the Cathedral. I worked out one time that around 60 people were involved in some way in our 11 o'clock service, from setting up, music, welcome, the collection, the minibus and much, much more. And that's just on a Sunday morning! The Cathedral community is a well-oiled machine with many indispensable parts. What a great place to get wide experience of ministry – Men's Life, Pilgrim, Tuesday Club, ... I can honestly say that I have never in three years woken up and wished I didn't have to go to work!

A highlight of my time with you has been the wonderful music. During particularly busy seasons like Advent and Lent, the beautiful choral music has given me such a lift. Glenn, Jane and Choir, you are truly inspirational to many, many people and I will really miss you.

I've had a lot of fun with children and young people. Messy Church has gone from strength to strength, and I have no doubt that it will continue to do so after I leave, because there are such creative, supportive leaders on the team. I am always so impressed at the level of support from Mothers' Union, too, and very grateful. Messy Church is hard work, and MU have always lifted a lot of the burden by doing all the organizing of food and drink. Likewise, I am so impressed by the Sunday Lights team, who work so hard and show such commitment and initiative. Laura and Sophie Richmond are so good and so natural with our young people that it can only be described as a gift.

The people of Fermanagh have great faith. I have often come away from pastoral visits in your homes, or in the hospital, feeling that you have ministered to me! Thank you for receiving me and for the privilege of sharing in your lives in all the ups and downs. When I first arrived, working my way along the Communion rail was about remembering the right words and not dropping anything. Over the months and years, it came to be about recognizing you, knowing what is going on at home and feeling joy at the fact that Christ is ministering to us at His Holy Table.

Finally (and he won't like me saying this, so I hope he doesn't edit this out), thank you to the Dean. When you're looking for a curacy, the advice you're given is not 'location, location, location' but 'incumbent, incumbent, incumbent'. The Dean is an excellent training rector, although I needed roller skates to keep up! He is a prolific visitor, a courageous risk-taker, and a man of great vision. I feel very privileged to have been his curate.

It has been a very happy chapter in our family life, and while we are excited to embark on a new adventure in Castlerock and Dunboe, we will be very sad when the removal van arrives. Sarah and Noah will want to join me in saying thank you for a wonderful three years. If you're on the North Coast, do drop by. With love, prayers and every blessing,

Rev Chris, Sarah and Noah



Parish Donations

Fabric Fund

£120 Donation from Mrs Mary McClaughlin.

£416 Donations in lieu of flowers in memory of the late Mrs Mary Livingstone.

£30 Donation from Brackaville Parish Senior Citizens.

£600 Donation from Dr W Holmes £600.

£30 Donation from Mr Nathan McDonnell.

£250 Donation from Mr & Mrs Simon Prescott.

£50 Donation from Mr & Mrs Sam Prescott.

£50 Donation from Mr & Mrs Ivan Johnston.

Cathedral Roof Repair Fund

£100 Donation from Mrs Pat Morrison.

£500 Donation in memory of my husband Victor and my Mother and Father from Mrs Eleanor Lynn.

'What a friend we have in Jesus'



Joseph Scriven died on August 10, 1886. His tale would hardly seem to warrant a page in church history were it not for one fact: he is the man who wrote a hymn that must rank among the ten best-known and most-beloved of all time. That hymn is **"What a friend we have in Jesus."** Joseph needed a friend in his troubles. Born in Banbridge on 10th September 1819, his prospects seemed favourable. He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin and engaged to be married. Then tragedy struck. His fiancé drowned on the evening before their wedding. This was the first of many misfortunes that led him to consecrate his life and property to Christ's service. He had strained relations with his family and this

may have been the reason he emigrated to Canada, where he taught and tutored to make his living.

Again he became engaged, to Eliza Roche. Once again tragedy struck. Shortly before the couple were to marry, the girl became ill and died. One can hardly estimate Joseph's shock and depression. His own sorrows seemed to make him more aware of the suffering of the poor and weak and he attempted to live out the Sermon on the Mount, giving or lending to anyone who asked and sympathizing with all who were more unfortunate than himself. He sawed wood for the stoves of the physically handicapped and comforted the poor and mentally distressed. Joseph wrote his famous hymn in 1855 to comfort his mother who still lived in Ireland. He did not seek to be noticed for it, and his authorship was only discovered by accident shortly before his death. Ira Sankey added a tune to the words.

*What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.*

On Sunday 15th September, the bicentenary of his birth, many churches in Ireland and further afield will sing 'What a friend we have in Jesus.' Exhibitions will be held in Banbridge Library from 8th -15th September as well as a Community Service in Holy Trinity Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 15th September to honour the memory of the celebrated famous son of Banbridge.

Enniskillen Memorial - Fund Raising night - A Big Sing!



St Michael's Roman Catholic Church Choir along with the Methodist Church Choir and the Presbyterian Church Choir will join with St Macartin's Cathedral Choir in 'Big Sing' on Sunday 29th September at 7.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral for a fund raising night. As churches together we would like the community to gather together to raise money to assist in completing this project. This successful agreed outcome has produced a plan which integrates the existing memorial into a larger memorial which will visually connect the War Memorial to the Enniskillen Memorial. It will be a very fitting tribute to those who lost their lives. Target for the project £15,000.

Welcome to the PrayGround

**Boys and girls, come out to pray,
We're happy to see you in church today!**

The PrayGround is NOT there to keep little ones out of earshot! We love having babies and toddlers in the service with us. We honestly don't mind a bit of noise – in fact, 'if there's nobody crying, the church is dying!' The PrayGround is there to make it as easy as possible for families with small children to attend church together.



Feel free to come and go as you need. You can follow the service over the speaker, and make it to Holy Communion.

For children too young to attend Sunday Lights, or occasional little visitors not registered for Sunday Lights, activity bags are available from the porch on your way in. They contain colouring, reading and other materials to keep younger members occupied.



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.

Meets twice a month and will begin after the Harvest - more details next month.



Men's Harvest Supper

7:30pm - Thursday 10th October 2018

in the Saddlers Restaurant

speaker

The Dean

On Thursday 10th 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 Dean 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 put your name on the list in the Cathedral porch.

*.. 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 22nd 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 12th 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 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 Programme

2019-20

4.00-6.00pm in the Cathedral Hall

17th October

21st November

19th December

(no Messy Church in January)

20th February

19th March

23rd April

21st 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 23rd September – Class Reunion! 7.30-9.00pm

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 28th October – From Darkness into Light 7.30-9.00pm

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 25th November – Movie Night 7.30-9.00pm

Monday 16th December – Christmas Party 7.30-9.00pm

Confirmation

A Confirmation service will be held in the spring of 2020 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.



Cathedral Family

Rev Michael Hutchinson
Originally from Galloon
Parish (Newtownbutler)
Educated at Portora Royal
School and former mem-
ber of St Macartin's Cathe-
dral Choir.



Tell us about your family?

I am married to Elise, 30, originally from Laventie, France and the Dean took part in our wedding in France. We have one daughter, Emma, who is 2, and Charlie who is just a few weeks old.

Former job before entering ministry?

Maths teacher.

Why did you decide to get ordained?

I believe that God decided I should get ordained. I became aware of this calling when I saw the great difference that simple acts could make. I saw the sterling work of reconciliation by The Very Rev Kenny Hall and Monsignor Peter O'Reilly when they held a joint Carol Service between the Church of Ireland Cathedral in Enniskillen and the Roman Catholic Chapel just across the road. The congregation sang four carols in one church, walked across the road singing *Away in a Manger*, and four carols in the other church. As the congregation crossed the road, they were in tears, because they never thought they'd see the day come when such a thing would happen! May we never doubt the force of simple actions that are empowered by Almighty God.

What's been the best thing about your training?

Studying theology. I have been able to love the Lord our God with significantly more of my heart, soul, strength and mind during training because of the way training works at St Mellitus.

Cathedral Family

What's the most important thing you have learned?

That Jesus Christ is Lord.

Name the most influential person in your Christian life to date and, briefly, say why.

My parents because they prayed for me in the womb, baptised me when I was 6-weeks old and taught me to love God as I grew up. I am so blessed to have been showered with the love of God from the time that I was in the womb until now.

Say something about your future role and how you hope to serve:

I will go where God takes me and do what I believe I hear God telling me to do. I anticipate this will be around Christian welcome and unity.

How would you express your own vision for the church?

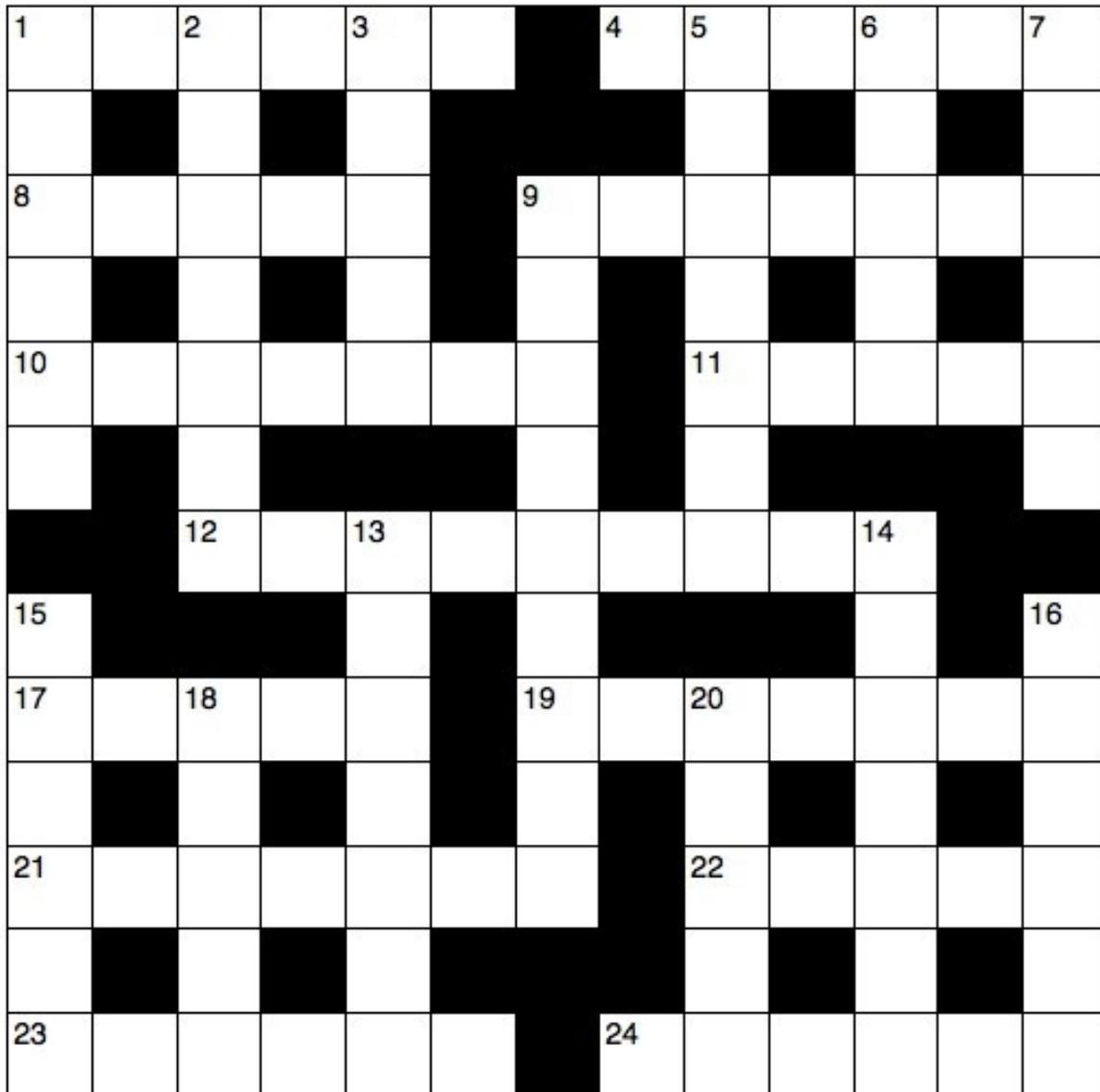
The Church is the creature of God, created by Word and Spirit. Although appearing broken in this age, the Church realises its true shape in God, who is One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic. The Church comes into existence by attending to the Word and Spirit through word and sacrament, then bringing something of the vision of Revelation 7:9 -10 to earth.

'After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the

Michael pictured with the Dean after his Ordination in The Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin, Blackburn, Lancashire.



Crossword



Across

- 1 'The people were — at his teaching' (Mark 1:22) (6)
- 4 'He saved —; let him save himself' (Luke 23:35) (6)
- 8 He addressed the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:14) (5)
- 9 Father of James and John (Matthew 4:21) (7)
- 10 One who charges another with an offence (Job 31:35) (7)
- 11 ' — thy ministers with righteousness' (Book of Common Prayer) (5)
- 12 and 15 Down 'All — is God-breathed and is — for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Timothy 3:16) (9,6)
- 17 'No — of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up' (Genesis 2:5) (5)
- 19 Made to feel embarrassed (Isaiah 24:23) (7)
- 21 This man built his house on sand (Matthew 7:26) (7)
- 22 David's hypocritical message to Joab on the death in battle of Uriah: 'Don't let this — you' (2 Samuel 11:25) (5)

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23 Detest (Job 10:1) (6)

24 'God made two great lights, the greater light to govern the day and the — light to govern the night' (Genesis 1:16) (6)

Down

1 To make a serious request (1 Corinthians 1:10) (6)

2 Launches an assault against (Genesis 32:8) (7)

3 'The wicked man — deceptive wages' (Proverbs 11:18) (5)

5 Tuba ale (anag.) (7)

6 'The day thou gavest, Lord, is — ' (5)

7 Old Testament measure of weight, equivalent to about 12 grammes (Exodus 30:13) (6)

9 Where Elijah restored life to the son of a widow with whom he lodged (1 Kings 17:10) (9)

13 Paul said of whatever was to his profit, 'I consider them — , that I may gain Christ and be found in him' (Philippians 3:8) (7)

14 City visited by Paul, described by the city clerk as 'the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis' (Acts 19:35) (7)

15 See 12 Across

16 Rioted (anag.) (6)

18 She had a surprise when she answered the door and found 8 Across outside (Acts 12:13) (5)

20 Maltreat (1 Chronicles 10:4) (5)

Coming soon ...



The author

Samuel Boyd Morrow OBE BAgr graduated from Queen's University in 1959. His Civil Service career was in agriculture, finishing as Fermanagh's County Agricultural Officer. In his last two years, before retirement in 1996, he served as Principal of Enniskillen Agricultural College in addition to his role as County Agricultural Officer. His education in Fermanagh was at Clabby Primary School and then Portora Royal School. In his youth he worshipped in St Margaret's Parish Church, Clabby. He has been a member of Enniskillen parish since 1966 and a member of its select vestry since 1968. He has served periods as churchwarden, glebewarden and has been honorary secretary of the select vestry since 1989. He has written four other books, two on agricultural matters and two on church history. Those dealing with church affairs are titled: *The Church of Ireland Parishes of Tempo and Clabby – a Shared Heritage*; and: *Clabby on the Map – The Church of Ireland Parish of Clabby and its People*.

Designed and printed



The cup presented by Edward Davis in 1638 is still in use at the celebration of Holy Communion in St Macartin's Cathedral. The inscription in Latin in Pooklan Ecclesiae Parochialis de Enniskene ex dono Edwardi Davis Generalis Anno 1638. Translated this means: The cup of the Parish Church of Enniskene, the gift of Edward Davis, Gent., in the year 1638.

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 church building dates from the early 1600s and since then its clergy and people have experienced many political, social, military and economic challenges. Enniskillen men played an important role in supporting King William against the army of King James II. This conflict led to the establishment of two British Army regiments bearing the oldname 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. 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 and in Ireland at acts of worship, remembrance and thanksgiving. Today, St Macartin's is committed to providing a welcoming home to all who are seeking to deepen and develop their spiritual lives and their relationship with God.



St Macartin's Cathedral by Samuel B. Morrow



St Macartin's

at the Heart of the Community



Over 400 years of Parish History

by Samuel B. Morrow



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 can you 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



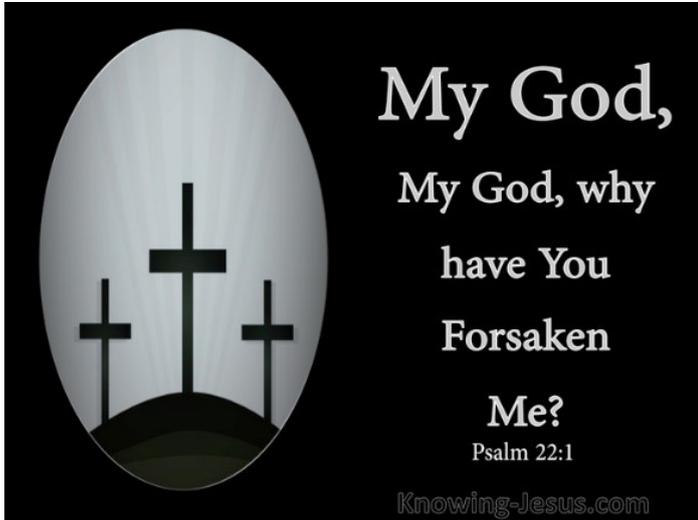
Parish Boat Trip

Sail around the town on the Kestrel followed by a meal in the Killyhevlin Hotel on Wednesday 18th September. The Kestrel will leave the Killyhevlin Jetty at



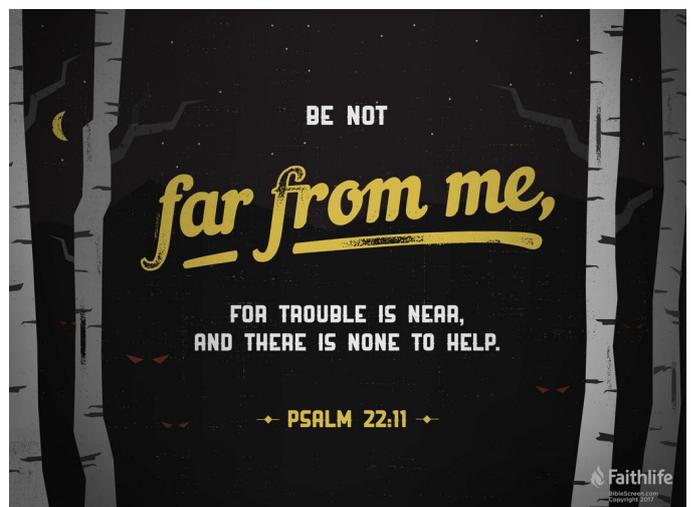
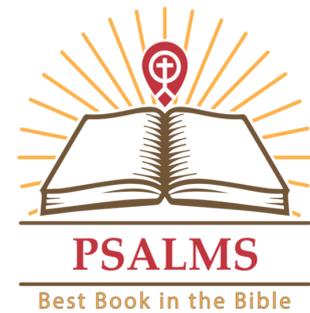
5.00pm for a short trip, calling at Avril & Ivan Kee's for refreshments, returning to the Killyhevlin for a three course meal, all for only £25 per person. Numbers are limited. Please book in the Cathedral Office, sign the form in the Cathedral porch or contact Ivan Kee on 07768000167. Thanks to Stephen Nixon for his generosity in making this trip possible once again.

Psalm 22



Many readers of Psalm 22 struggle to hear its opening verse without the dreadful echo of Jesus' cry from the cross also ringing in their ears: 'My God, my God why have you forsaken me?' It is a cry laden with desolation and hopelessness and one that many of us will relate to at the very worst times in our lives. It is important,

though, as we read this psalm not to stop at verse 1. The opening verse begins with despair and bleakness, but the psalm does not remain there. One of its key features is that it goes on to look backwards at all God has done in the past ('On you was I cast ever since I was born; you are my God even from my mother's womb', v. 10) and forwards to all God will do in the future ('The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek the Lord shall praise him', v.26). When we are sucked down into the pits of misery, we can feel profoundly cut off not just from friends, family and God but also from happier times in our lives. Psalm 22 reminds us powerfully that, no matter how we might feel, the God who has always loved us never changes. This God has always loved us and will never stop. Even when we are sucked down into the darkest pit of despair God is there with us.



'Be not far from me, O Lord, you are my strength; hasten to help me.
(Psalm 22:19)

Parochial Organisations

Choir Practice

Choir practice takes place each Wednesday evening in the Cathedral commencing at 7.30pm. Practices will resume on Wednesday 4th 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!

Tuesday Club

Recommences on Tuesday 24th September from 2.00 to 4.00pm in the Hilliard Room. Come and meet other parishioners - a good friend could be someone you have yet to meet.

Bowling Club

Bowling Club will recommence on Wednesday 11th September, mornings 10.30am to 12.00 noon and evenings 7.30 to 10.00pm. Everyone is welcome and we are looking for new members to join us for fun and fellowship.

Guides

Anyone wishing to join Rainbows (4-7), Brownies (7-10), Guides (10-14) or Rangers (14-18) in September must register on the girlguiding website, due to the high numbers already enrolled. Find them at <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter>. Start date Tuesday 24th September in St Macartin's Cathedral Hall.

1st Inniskilling Scout Group

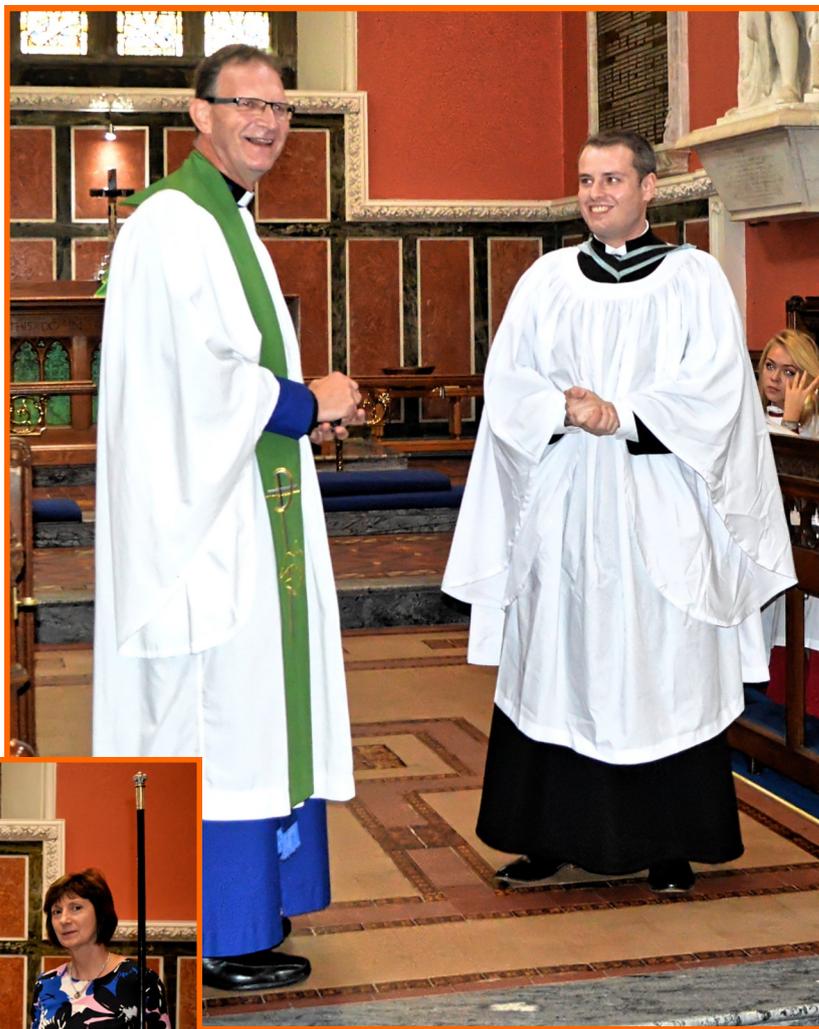
The new scouting year will commence in mid September. We intend to have a registration evening on Monday 14th September in the Cathedral Hall at 6.30pm. Beaver and Cub sections will commence on Monday 21st September at 6.30pm. Scouts will commence on Thursday 24th September.

Mothers' Union

After a lovely summer break, Mothers' Union will open the new season on Monday 9th September at 8.00pm with a night of 'Fun and Fashion' with Cecilia in the Enniskeen Room, St Macartin's Cathedral Hall, to which all ladies are invited. The committee have arranged a varied programme for the coming months including a trip to Head Hunters and a visit to the Ardhoven Theatre before Christmas. New members will be very warmly welcomed.

Presentation to Scott Elliott

A presentation of new robes was made to Scott Elliott who now assists regularly at our Sunday services. Scott who has recently obtained a BTh from Queen's University, Belfast is presently undertaking a foundation course at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute at Braemor Park, Dublin. After completion of the course candidates go forward to a selection panel who will decide to recommend to their Bishop that they are ready for Ordination.



Scott is pictured above in his new robes with the Dean and left with Churchwardens, Jenifer Johnston and Rosie Woods.

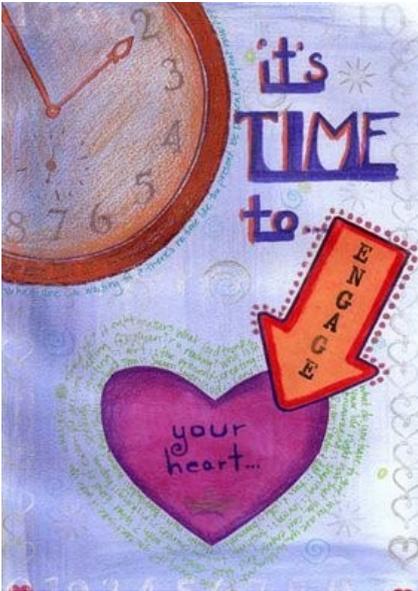
Photographs by William Holmes

CCTV

We wish to make all parishioners aware that CCTV 24 hour recording is now taking place in St Macartin's Cathedral and the Cathedral grounds.



Parish Visitation



Over the Summer months many homes in the parish were visited and received the new pack with the registration forms enclosed. If you have not already received these forms contact the Parish Office and we can arrange for these to be sent out to you. It is important that everyone who wants to be connected to St Macartin's Cathedral is fully and legally registered to meet the new Data Protection regulations, and your permission to hold the same.

If for some reason you have not returned the forms please do so as soon as possible. All the data collected will be collated this month. We hope to take a snapshot of the parish in 2019 and use the information

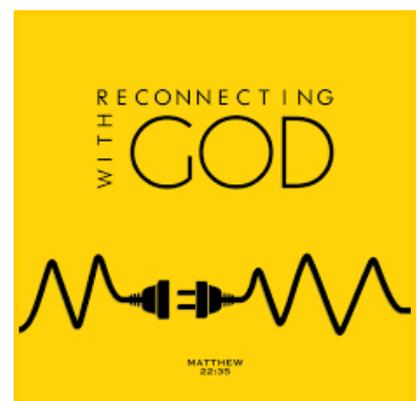
we collect to plan how best we can further the Kingdom of God in Enniskillen over the next years. Any offer of help will be valued and appreciated, and the generosity of Saint Macartin's parishioners is never taken for granted and many give freely and willingly to God's work.

Welcome back!

I realise that people lose touch with church and with God in their lives for a multitude of different reasons and that it is sometimes difficult, as time goes on, to re-establish those connections. I hope in some way this visitation will be an opportunity for you to take the first steps in reawakening your relationship with God. You can be assured of a warm welcome in St Macartin's at any time and also of a caring pastoral response in time of need, regardless of the situation or circumstance!

Join or Rejoin?

(If anyone wishes to join or rejoin the Cathedral Parish now is the time to do it! Please ask them to call into the Cathedral Office or why don't you collect the necessary forms for them from the Cathedral Office. I would make a guess that every family knows at least one other family who don't belong to any church! Get them connected – be a like Saint Andrew – see below:



Saint Andrew

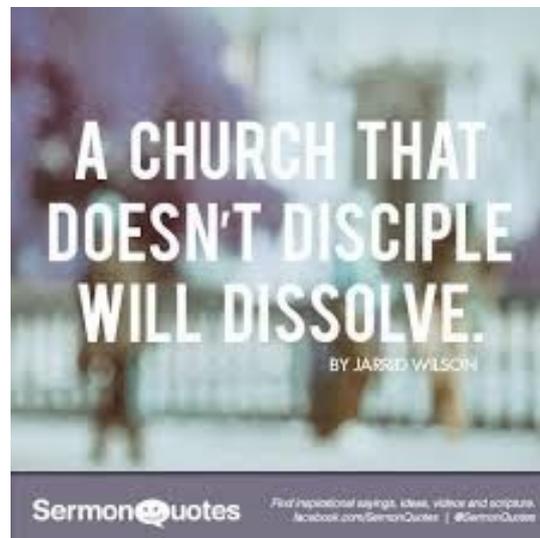
Saint Andrew only gets a short mention in scripture. Upon meeting Jesus, he immediately goes to his brother Simon Peter to tell him that he has found the Messiah. After introducing his brother, the future rock on which Christ used

Parish Visitation

to build his church, Andrew sinks into the background. Even the few mentions Andrew gets afterward are almost always in reference to his brother. But instead of going on an emotive rant about his superior sibling, Andrew simply takes his place among the other Apostles, following Jesus and spreading the Gospel. Indeed, if Andrew had constantly compared himself with Peter, he might have become unthankful for his own gifts and ended up looking on his brother with envy or disdain.

Andrew is a wonderful example of what it is like to be a Christian. Let us all quietly introduce others to life in the Cathedral in hope that they too will be followers of Christ!

This is very simple but can be very effective!



Harvest Services - Keep Free!

Sunday 13th October 2019

11.00am preacher The Venerable Terry Scott,
Archdeacon of Armagh &
Rector of Magherafelt Parish

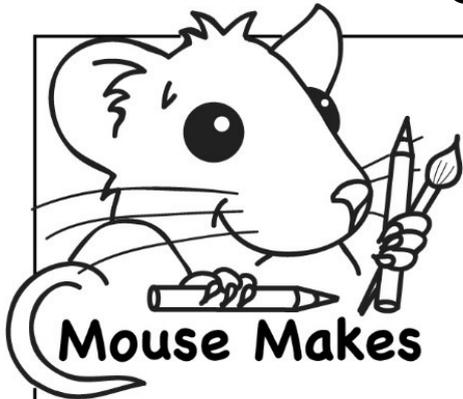
7.00pm preacher Rev Canon David Ferry
Former Curate of
St Macartin's Cathedral

"Come, ye thankful people come"

Answers to Crossword on page 14

ACROSS: 1, Amazed. 4, Others. 8, Peter. 9, Zebedee. 10, Accuser. 11, Endue. 12, Scripture. 17, Shrub. 19, Abashed. 21, Foolish. 22, Upset. 23, Loathe. 24, Lesser.
DOWN: 1, Appeal. 2, Attacks. 3, Earns. 5, Tableau. 6, Ended. 7, Shekel. 9, Za-rephath. 13, Rubbish. 14, Ephesus. 15, Useful. 16, Editor. 18, Rhoda. 20, Abuse.

Children's Page



What is your most valuable treasure?

The Bible tells us that the most valuable thing you can ever have is something that can **NEVER** be lost, broken or stolen.

The most **valuable** thing you can have is to be **friends with God** through Jesus.

Read: Matthew 6:19-21

The **LOVE** of money is at the root of all sorts of what?

 1 Timothy 6:9-10

What should you be on your guard against?

 Luke 12:15

What did Jesus ask the rich man to do?

Read: Luke 18:22-26

What is it good to be rich in?

 1 Timothy 6:18-19

What two things can't you serve at the same time?

_____ and _____
 Matthew 6:24

What is better than gold?

 Proverbs 6:16

Who supplies all your needs?

 Philippians 4:19

What is like a hidden treasure?

_____ of _____
 Matthew 13:4

Who has all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge?

 Colossians 2:2-3

How many other words can you make from...

TREASURE IN HEAVEN

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!**