

Last June we commissioned Elizabeth and Carole as Parish Readers. It is a role that is new to our churches but is long established elsewhere. Parish Readers are an invaluable asset to the clergy as they not only help to lead worship, but also as they add their own personality and their own spirituality to the worship life of the church. Here are their reflections on their call to that ministry.

I was born on a beautiful sunny May morning when the bells of St Andrews parish church were ringing out over the village calling people to worship. They must have been including me, as worshipping in church has been a major influence on me all my life. No matter where I've been living, learning to believe and trust in Christ and to just know that He is always with me, supporting and comforting me through many trials and tribulations. I have experienced this love and support many times.

Even though I've been in church choirs from the age of 8, I had no idea what a difficult job it is to lead the service. I pray that with the help of Christ, and the Rev Andrew, my attempts as a parish reader will be to the best of my ability. My sincere thanks to Rev Andrew for giving me this opportunity.

Elizabeth



Our Parish

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ST. PATRICK'S & ST. JOHN'S
The Parish of Templepatrick & Donegore

“The meaning of Life?
To experience God’s love,
to respond to that love
and to share it with others.”

Easter Services

- 25.03.18** **The Sixth Sunday in Lent (*Palm Sunday*)**
10.00 am Morning Prayer One - St John's
11.30 am Morning Prayer Two - St Patrick's
**7.00 pm Interdenominational Service - Templepatrick
Presbyterian Church**
- 28.03.18** **Wednesday in Holy Week**
10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's
- 29.03.18** **Maundy Thursday**
6.30 pm Agape Meal - Parish Hall
- 30.03.17** **Good Friday**
12.00 noon The Three Hours - St Patrick's
- 1.04.18** **Easter Day - The First Sunday of Easter**
10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St John's
11.30 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

Easter General Vestry

This year's Easter General Vestry will be held on
Monday 19th March at 8:00pm in the Parish Hall

Dear Friends,

For those of us who are numbering the days until our pilgrimage to the Holy Land, pilgrimage is about expectation. For those who are unable to go, it is possibly a bit about disappointment. And for those for whom pilgrimage is 'not a thing' you could be forgiven for wishing that those of us who are going could find something else to talk (or write) about!

But pilgrimage is much more than just travelling to a place that you probably wouldn't go to for any other reason. Travelling has always had a strong symbolic quality. As Christians, when we spend days, weeks, and months enduring hardship and hoping for better days, we do so with a sense of travelling to a better place, and ultimately of travelling to the best place.

Pilgrimage is an opportunity to take time out from the demands of our everyday lives to make a real journey - in our case to visit approximately 30 different places that mark events in Jesus' life - and as we travel to read, pray and reflect on how his life sustains and guides us in ours. And by doing so we will seek to deepen our trust in and love for him. Our ultimate hope is that our pilgrimage will make us more able, when we return to our normal lives, to stay connected with him through all that this world brings to us.

That said, the Church has long recognised that Jerusalem is not the only place worthy of pilgrimage. Any place that we find spiritually special is worth travelling to - be that our church, or the church where we were baptised, or confirmed, or even a park bench where we find time to sit and be still in God's presence. Taking time to go to one of those places and allowing your mind to dwell on the stories of Jesus is one of the best practiced ways of deepening our relationship with him, and of finding his strength for all that we face in this life.

Andrew

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

As snowdrops pop up tiny heads, they herald the hope of spring returning, and bring a reminder of a new season beginning. So too with the Ladies Fellowship! In our last season we were treated to an informative evening presentation with the Simon Community, with a follow-up of practical and generous shoebox gift donations to this life-line charity. In November we gathered around a much enjoyed, interactive demonstration of the ancient art of wool spinning. We closed that season with a truly splendid 5-course meal at the Academy Restaurant. What a treat! Our grateful thanks to all who organised and were able to support these evenings and events.

As **we** pop up **our** heads for this new season, we look forward with anticipation to our Visitors' Evening with C.S. Lewis in February, with Rev Mercia Malcolm. For all you green fingered enthusiasts, (or not so in my case, but a 'wanna be'), March brings a timely 'Gardening and Question Time', with the renowned Reg Maxwell, so put on your thinking caps for that all important question! Please also watch this space for details of a new date for the rescheduled Introduction to Food Safety Presentation, which had to be postponed due to snow. Our AGM will take place in April.

As we close off this season of Ladies Fellowship, we look forward once again to our Annual Outing in May, with renewed opportunity to travel out and about, enjoy new horizons, new conversations and scrummy treats! You will not be disappointed! Maybe see you there ...

Karen Porter

(Hon Secretary)

Tel: 07734 580494

Spring Song at Donegore

Jubilate! Chamber Choir

Director: Dave Stewart

St John's Church, Donegore

Saturday 24th March 2018 at 7:45pm

Tickets £8

Proceeds in aid of Clic Sargent and Church Funds

The original tickets are still valid,
anyone requiring tickets, please contact -
Church Wardens / Heather Boyd (Tel: 028 9443 2990)



Table Quiz

A table quiz has been arranged for **Thursday 26th April 2018** in the
Baker Stadium at 7.30 pm.

We are once again hoping for good support.
Anyone who has previously attended can vouch for a good evening of fun.

Admission £5.00 per head, including supper

Isobel McCollam



WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

FRIDAY 2 MARCH 2018

The Women's World Day of Prayer (WWDP) worship service has a special annual theme which is developed by women of a different country each year. The service this year is titled; 'All God's Creation is Very Good' and has been written by women of Suriname.

Suriname - Setting the Scene

The following information is taken from the Introduction within the WWDP Order of Service

Suriname lies in the north-east of South America and is named after the Surinen tribe, one of the indigenous peoples of the land. It is part of the Guianas, meaning "land of many waters." It has a humid tropical climate and the average temperature during the day is 27.1 centigrade.

Suriname is a beautiful country. It boasts wonderful forests and mountains and has great rivers with impressive rapids. It is a country rich in flowers and animals, and provides enough food for all. In this service the women of Suriname urge us to cherish God's exquisite gift of Creation and to commit ourselves to caring for God's world responsibly, so that we may pass it on, unspoiled, to future generations.

The first WWDP service of Friday, 2 March 2018 will take place as the sun rises over the island of Samoa, and the last will take place as the sun sets over American Samoa. During this time an estimated 3 million women, men and young people, in 170 countries and islands, will have prayed with and for the people of Suriname. The service is translated into over 60 languages and 1,000 dialects. Here in the British Isles, some 6,000 services will take place.

WWDP Service - Templepatrick and surrounding area

This year the Women's World Day of Prayer (WWDP) will be held on Friday evening, 2 March at 8.00pm in Templepatrick Presbyterian Church. There are seven participating churches.

Do make a note of the date in your diary, and consider coming along to share in this time of worship. This year's theme is a very topical and challenging one, relevant to people of all ages.

All are welcome.

For further information please see - www.wwdp.org.uk

Ann Kerr

Rural Deanery Lenten Services

Dates and locations as below

All services start at 7:30pm

7 March Muckamore

14 March Antrim Parish

21 March St Patrick's, Antrim

the offering this year will be for Cancer Research

The Parish of Templepatrick and Donegore

Diocese of Connor

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St John's, Donegore Organist and Choirmistress: Mrs S Cotter

Sunday Club: Co-ordinator: Mrs Gail McCoy Tel: 9443 2782

Helpers: Mrs Clare Clarke, Miss Sophie Clarke

Creche: (Sunday)

Youth Organisations

St Patrick's Young Singers/Instrumentalists: Rehearsal before Service of the Word service,
in the Church - see Pat - Tel: 9443 9398

Rainbow Guides (4-7 years): Wednesday 6.00-7.00pm Lesleyann Witherspoon
Tel: 07850 319205

Brownies (7-10 years): Wednesday 6.30-8.00pm Lauren McFerran
Tel: 07763 411306

Guides (10-14 years): Wednesday 7.30-9.00pm Lesleyann Witherspoon
Tel: 07850 319205

Guides Senior Section (14-25 years): Wednesday 7.30-9.00pm
Lesleyann Witherspoon Tel: 07850 319205

Beavers (6-8 years): Monday 6.30-7.30pm Joanne Flynn Tel: 9443 3979

Cub Scouts (8-10years): Tuesday 6.45-8.00pm Jony Laverty Tel: 07739 936743

Scouts (10½-14years): Tuesday 8.00-9.30pm Steve Sargent Tel: 9334 1696

Kids Club: 3rd Saturday in the month 7.00-9.00pm Michelle Spence Tel: 9083 6901

Adult Organisations

Choir: Practices on Thursday at 8pm. Mrs Pat Maxwell Tel: 9443 9398

Indoor Bowling Club: Friday 7.30pm Secretary: Mrs I McCollam Tel: 9443 2734

Ladies Fellowship: 3rd Tuesday in the month 7.30pm

Secretary: Mrs K Porter Tel: 07734 580494

Yoga: Monday 6.30-8.00pm Gail McCoy Tel: 07841 382193

Rotas



Readers and Intercessors rota for St Patrick's, Templepatrick

<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
04.03.18	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Rory Gordon Emilia Gordon
11.03.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Catherine Michael
18.03.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Bill McAvoy Dorothy Gaffney Ann Kerr
25.03.18	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Christina McCollam
01.04.18 Easter Day	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Ben Collister John Sheldon Parish Reader
08.04.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Claire Forth
15.04.18	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Steve Britton-Hall Noreen Clendinning Parish Reader
22.04.18	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Amanda Brobyn
29.04.18	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Harry Cinnamon Alan Walbridge Rector
06.05.18	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Helen Menagh Natalie Menagh
13.05.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Isobel McCollam
20.05.18	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Kathy Gordon Ann Kerr Alison Millar
27.05.18	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Wendy Brolly

Readers and Intercessors rota for St Patrick's, Templepatrick cont'd

<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
03.06.18	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Ellen Clarke Sophie Clarke
10.06.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Gwen Hamill
17.06.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Jeanette Egli Brian McMeekin Parish Reader
24.06.18	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Sandra Aitcheson

If you are unable to do either the reading or the prayers on the day you are assigned please swap with someone else on the rota and then change the list at the back of the church and inform the Church Warden's that a swap has been made. Thank you.



Christian Aid week this year will be from
Sunday 13th May - Saturday 19th May

Last year we collected **£1280** and this again was slightly up on the previous year.

A big thank you to my fellow collectors, and as always, new help is always needed. It only requires a couple of hours of your time during this one-week each year.

Please speak or phone me if you can help in any way.

Hopefully we will have another successful collection this year.

Leah Lynas

Tel: 9443 3363



Rotas



Readers and Intercessors rota for St John's, Donegore

<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
04.03.18	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____
11.03.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Colin Ovans Luella Lecky Parish Reader
18.03.18	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
25.03.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Bob Cotter
01.04.18 Easter Day	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Michael Cooke Des Smyth Parish Reader
08.04.18	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Heather Boyd John Jones Molly Finlay
15.04.18	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
22.04.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Luella Lecky
29.04.18	Morning Prayer Two	_____	_____
06.05.18	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____
13.05.18	Holy Communion Two	First Reading Epistle Intercessions	Colin Ovans Heather Boyd Bob Cotter
20.05.18	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
27.05.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Anne Cooke
03.06.18	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____

Readers and Intercessors rota for St John's, Donegore cont'd

<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
10.06.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Sharon Watson Des Smyth Luella Lecky
17.06.18	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
24.06.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	John Jones

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Sunday Club

Our Advent appeal raised an amazing - **£200**
Many thanks to the children, families, friends and parishioners who contributed to this appeal it is very much appreciated.

Some useful dates for your diary:-

- 25 March - Palm Sunday
- 1 April - Easter Sunday - **No Sunday Club**
- 8 April - **No Sunday Club**
- 15 April - Sunday Club resumes
- 3 June - Sunday Club Prize Giving

Gail

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 2018 - JUNE 2018

04.03.18 The Third Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's
 11.30 am Service of the Word - St Patrick's
 Old Testament Exodus 20: 1-7
 Psalm 19
 Epistle 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25
 Gospel John 2: 13-22

07.03.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's
 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service - Muckamore

11.03.18 The Fourth Sunday in Lent (*Mothering Sunday*)

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St John's
 11.30 am Morning Prayer One - St Patrick's
 Old Testament 1 Samuel 1: 20-28
 Psalm 127: 1-4
 Epistle Colossians 3: 12-17
 Gospel John 19: 25-27

14.03.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's
 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service - Antrim Parish

17.03.18 St Patrick's Day (Saturday)

10.00 am Holy Communion for St Patrick's Day

18.03.18 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's
 11.30 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's
 Old Testament Jeremiah 31: 31-34
 Psalm 51: 1-13 or 119: 9-16
 Epistle Hebrews 5: 5-10
 Gospel John 12: 20-33

19.03.18 Monday

8.00 pm EASTER GENERAL VESTRY - Parish Hall

21.03.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's
 7.30 pm Rural Deanery Service - St Patrick's, Antrim

25.03.18 The Sixth Sunday in Lent (*Palm Sunday*)

10.00 am Morning Prayer One - St John's
 11.30 am Morning Prayer Two - St Patrick's
7.00 pm Interdenominational Service - Templepatrick Presbyterian Church

Old Testament Isaiah 50: 4-9a
 Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29
 Epistle Philippians 2: 5-11
 Gospel Mark 11: 1-11

28.03.18 Wednesday in Holy Week

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

29.03.18 Maundy Thursday

6:30 pm Agape Meal - Parish Hall

30.03.18 Good Friday

12.00 noon The Three Hours

01.04.18 Easter Day - The First Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St John's
 11.30 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

First Reading Acts 10: 34-43
 Psalm Easter Anthems
 Epistle 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
 Gospel Mark 16: 1-8

04.04.18 Wednesday

~~10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's~~ - **No Service**

08.04.18 The Second Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St John's
 11.30 am Morning Prayer One - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 4: 32-35
Psalm	133
Epistle	1 John 1: 1 - 2: 2
Gospel	John 20: 19-31

11.04.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

15.04.18 The Third Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's
 11.30 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 3: 12-19
Psalm	4
Epistle	1 John 3: 1-7
Gospel	Luke 24: 36b-48

18.04.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One

22.04.18 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Morning Prayer One - St John's
 11.30 am Morning Prayer Two - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 4: 5-12
Psalm	23
Epistle	1 John 3: 16-24
Gospel	John 10: 11-18

25.04.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

29.04.18 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00 am Morning Prayer Two (said) - St John's
 11.30 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 8: 26-40
Psalm	22: 25-31
Epistle	1 John 4: 7-21
Gospel	John 15: 1-8

02.05.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's

06.05.18 The Sixth Sunday of Easter: Rogation Sunday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's
 11.30 am Service of the Word - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 10: 44-48
Psalm	98
Epistle	1 John 5: 1-6
Gospel	John 15: 9-17

09.05.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

10.05.18 Ascension Thursday

7.30 pm Holy Communion One (said) - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 1: 1-11
Psalm	47
Epistle	Ephesians 1: 15-23
Gospel	Luke 24: 44-53

13.05.18 The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St John's
 11.30 am Morning Prayer One - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26
Psalm	1
Epistle	1 John 5: 9-13
Gospel	John 17: 6-19

16.05.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's

20.05.18 The Day of Pentecost: Whit Sunday

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's

11.30 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

First Reading	Acts 2: 1-21
Psalm	104: 26-36, 37b
Epistle	Romans 8: 22-27
Gospel	John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15

23.05.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

27.05.18 Trinity Sunday

10.00 am Morning Prayer One - St John's

11.30 am Morning Prayer Two - St Patrick's

Old Testament	Isaiah 6: 1-8
Psalm	29
Epistle	Romans 8: 12-17
Gospel	John 3: 1-17

30.06.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's

03.06.18 The First Sunday after Trinity

10:00 am Holy Communion Two (said) - St John's

11.30 am Service of the Word & Sunday Club Prize Giving - St Patrick's

Old Testament	1 Samuel 3: 1-10
Psalm	139: 1-5, 12-18
Epistle	2 Corinthians 4: 5-12
Gospel	Mark 2: 23 - 3: 6

06.06.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's

10.06.18 The Second Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St John's

11.30 am Morning Prayer One - St Patrick's

Old Testament	1 Samuel 8: 4-11, 16-20
Psalm	138
Epistle	2 Corinthians 4: 13 – 5: 1
Gospel	Mark 3: 20-35

13.06.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's

(Last Wednesday Morning Communion before the Summer)

17.06.18 The Third Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) - St John's

11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

Old Testament	1 Samuel 15: 34 - 16: 13
Psalm	20
Epistle	2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17
Gospel	Mark 4: 26-34

24.06.18 The Birth of Saint John the Baptist

10.00 am Morning Prayer One - St John's

11.30 am Morning Prayer Two - St Patrick's

Old Testament	Isaiah 40: 1-11
Psalm	85: 7-13
Epistle	Acts 13: 14b-26
Gospel	Luke 1: 57-66, 80

Rotas

St Patrick's



Communion Rota

March	Mr T & Mrs C Michael
April	Mr S McCollam and Mrs I McCollam
May	Mr S & Mrs C Britton-Hall
June	Mr N & Mrs W Brolly



Cleaning Rota

March	C Michael, T Michael, G McCoy
April	A Millar, H Shirley, N Shirley, A Kinahan
May	M Walbridge, A Walbridge, A Kerr
June	S Russell, D Gaffney



Flower Rota

March	4 th , 11 th , 18 th & 25 th Lent
April	1 st & 8 th Easter, 15 th A Barton, 22 nd & 29 th Available
May	6 th O Erskine, 13 th N Clendinning 20 th H McIntyre, 27 th Available
June	3 rd J Eglj, 10 th I McCollam, 17 th M Walbridge, 24 th S White

St John's



Communion Rota

March	Mr M & Mrs A Cooke
April	Dr C & Mrs W Lundy
May	Mr D Smyth & Mr W Mehaffey
June	Mr C & Mrs M Neill

Music in the parish

In January we said goodbye to Mrs Pat MacKean, retiring from the choir after 54 years unbroken service. We all miss her, but take this opportunity to thank her for the enormous contribution she has made to the life of the choir. As its Hon Sec, Treasurer, Librarian and Registrar, she leaves a legacy of a wonderfully organised choir library, and an example of commitment, service and talent which I feel is at the heart of the choir ethos, and which I am proud to say, is very much in evidence even though Pat has left us: no sooner had she announced her retirement than several members volunteered to take on her duties; I am grateful to Alan Walbridge, Noreen Clendinning, Helen and John Sheldon, and Ann Kerr for so willingly undertaking these positions. What a team!

Our Christmas services were delivered by choir and instrumentalists to a very high standard this year, and were hugely enjoyed by all of us, as well as by the congregations. Now we are looking towards Passiontide and Easter, and the rich heritage of music for this time of year.

Our young instrumentalists continue to delight us with their playing before and during services. Their next appearance will be at the family service in St Patrick's on 4th March. Joining the group now on violin are Ava Glover and Beth Britton-Hall: you are welcome!

The older members continue to have success in their AB exams. This year's tally included:
Alex McIlwaine Grade III flute & piano
David Kane Grade III clarinet & piano
Anna Glover Grade II piano & Grade I violin
Helen Menagh Grade II piano
Harriet Brobyn Grade I violin
Natalie Menagh Grade I piano

Well done everyone!

Pat

Tel: 9443 9398



St Patrick's & St John's Bowling Club

The Bowling Club continues to meet on Friday evening from 7.30 pm to 10.30 pm and Monday evening from 8.00 pm to 9.30 pm (practice night). We have two new members this year.

Our Christmas party night was in December, the winner received a turkey with some other prizewinners. We raised **£150** on the evening for our chosen charity this year, which was once again **Marie Curie**.

Our Christmas outing was to Ballyclare Golf Club where we had a lovely meal and refreshments and entertainment by some members of the Bowling Club. The evening was enjoyed by everyone present.

We had our second visit of the season to the Baker Stadium in February with a good turn out of members.

Our Easter Egg competition will be on Friday 23rd March 2018.

Bowling will continue until Friday 27th April 2018.

Our **AGM** will be held on **Friday 4th May 2018** in the Minor Hall at **7.30pm** followed by presentation of prizes and supper.

If we didn't see you this year why not come along when we start up again, new members would be made most welcome.

Isobel McCollam

(Hon Secretary)

Safeguarding Trust

In accordance with the recommendations in 'Safeguarding Trust - The Church of Ireland Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children', a Parish Panel has been appointed (operating since June 1998) to implement some of the responsibilities identified in the Code.

The Panels responsibilities include:

- interviewing persons willing to serve as workers in the parish
- advising workers on their responsibilities in respect of the Code
- advising the Select Vestry in respect of its responsibilities
- being an immediate contact point for workers when a suspicion, complaint or allegation of child abuse is made about a worker or on parish premises in accord with the procedures set out in these guidelines.

The Parish Panel Members are:-

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Mrs S Aitchison, 3 Lylehill Green, Templepatrick Tel:028 9443 3674

Mr M Cooke, 44 Rathmore Road, Dunadry Tel:028 9443 3183

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Notes for next issue of the Parish Magazine are due on:-

Friday 1 June 2018

Contributions from all parish organisations would be very welcome.

FUNDRAISING CALENDAR

We are planning further fundraising events for the benefit of the parish and we value your support.

The dates for your diaries are below, we'd love to see you at these events!

Tickets are available from:

- Members of Select Vestry
- Church Wardens
- Parish Office - Tel: 028 9443 2300 or
- Email: templepatrick@connor.anglican.org

An Evening with Percy French and Others

Saturday 10 March, Parish Hall

Jubilate Chamber Choir

Saturday 24 March, St John's

Ladies Fellowship Coffee Morning

Saturday 7 April, Parish Hall

Table Quiz

Thursday 26 April, Baker Stadium

Fashion Show

Saturday 22 September, Parish Hall

KINDFUND

Ephesians 4 : 32 KJV
And be ye kind one to another ...



Those little feet that march are marching in the light of God,
With tiny hands raised up to heaven's gates,
The eyes that close now worship God, their Maker and their Lord,
While eager smiles are happy for a God, Who often waits.

You waited for the day, Lord, on the hearts that said, "I will",
When all was in Your timing and was firmly in Your hand,
Unceasingly You worked to forge a greater wonder still,
For as Your servants prayed, they heard the whisper of Your plan.

But Lord, how is this possible when souls are far away?
A distance of so many miles, how could things fall in line?
We're over here, they're over there, we've nothing more to say,
Except, of course, we know Your Word reminds us to be kind.

We'll toil in service, Lord, and we will trust Your faithfulness,
You give so much, and ultimately gave Your only Son,
Now we'll give back from what we have to You, the Fund of Kindness,
Our hands will work. Our coins will pay. Your miracle's begun.

This bridge that You have built us, Lord, has taken us across,
We felt You there, and knew that we were walking hand-in-hand,
Your Spirit moved toward the little souls, no longer lost,
Dear God! Your Light is shining down upon a Kenyan land!

Jeanette Egli



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"He took them in his arms and blessed them"

14 January 2018, Adam Patrick William McKeever
25 February 2018, Lucy Sophia Rose Ozanne

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord"

29th November 2017, Jennifer Hazel (Jenny) Bennett

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Kids Club

We finished the first term of our new Kids Club with a very successful Christmas 'Movie & Duvet' night which saw the kids coming into our halls with their pillows, blankets and onesies to watch Elf, and what Christmas night isn't complete without fairy lights hung around the room?? We had plenty of popcorn and other treats and the kids (and leaders) really had a great night!

We got stuck back in to our usual activities in January and it was great to see so many kids return for 2018. We beat the January blues with pizza, table tennis competition against the leaders and most of the girls were pampered and got their nails done, a great way to start the year!

We are looking forward to introducing new games and activities over the next few months.

We'd love to see Kids Club grow each month so please spread the word! The club is for those in P4-P7 and is on the third Saturday of each month, from 7pm-9pm, for just £1 per night to cover the cost of supper.

We are loving getting to know the amazing group of kids who have been coming each month and look forward to welcoming new faces along as well!

Michelle

ON KEEPING LENT - From the BCP 2004 Service for Ash Wednesday

The Introduction

Brothers and sisters in Christ: since early days Christians have observed with great devotion the time of our Lord's passion and resurrection. It became the custom of the Church to prepare for this by a season of penitence and fasting.

At first this season of Lent was observed by those who were preparing for baptism at Easter and by those who were to be restored to the Church's fellowship from which they had been separated through sin. In course of time the Church came to recognize that, by a careful keeping of these days, all Christians might take to heart the call to repentance and the assurance of forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel, and so grow in faith and in devotion to our Lord.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Lord to observe a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy word.

A Prayer for Lent

Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

The Blessing for Lent

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves,
and to take up your cross and follow him.
