

Parish Honours Long-Serving Choir Members

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The Parish recognised two outstanding Choir Members at their recent Harvest Festival Service in St Patrick's Church. The Church celebrated the combined total of 104 years of unbroken service given by Mrs Pat MacKean (54 years) and Mrs Noreen Clendinning (50 years)

The Ladies were presented with framed certificates by the Rector, Rev Andrew Ker and junior choristers presented flowers.

The 4-part Parish Choir, which is affiliated to the Royal School of Church Music, boasts a number of members who have received the long-term service medal of the RSCM. Inaugurated in 1963 and robed in 1967, the Choir has maintained a strong 4-part choral tradition throughout its history, a rarity for a small rural parish.

"The Parish and Choir are delighted to have this opportunity to honour Pat and Noreen; this is an amazing milestone for them both and the Choir. They are an inspiration to all of us!" said the organist, Mrs Pat Maxwell.



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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."

Christmas Services

- 3.12.17 The First Sunday of Advent**
10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's
11.30 am Service of the Word – St Patrick's
- 10.12.17 The Second Sunday of Advent**
10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's
11.30 am Sunday Club Christmas Play and Gift Day – St Patrick's
- 17.12.17 The Third Sunday of Advent**
10.00 am Holy Communion One – St John's
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's
6.30 pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols – St Patrick's
- 24.12.17 The Fourth Sunday of Advent (Christmas Eve)**
No service in St John's
11.30 am United Service of Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick's
8.00 pm Holy Communion Two - St Patrick's
- 25.12.17 Christmas Day**
10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's
11.30 am Christmas Morning Family Service
- 31.12.17 The First Sunday of Christmas**
10.00 am Morning Prayer Two – St John's
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's
- 01.01.18 New Year's Day (Monday)**
10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

Dear Friends,

One of the benefits of a morning prayer time is that, as our minds fill with all that we must do during that day, we also make connections with God through prayer and scripture. The prayer book that I use for my morning devotions includes a canticle in its liturgy. There are approximately fifty in the book (which is significantly more than is in the Book of Common Prayer). One of the 'extra' ones that it has is the Song of Hannah (or Hannah's Prayer) from 1 Samuel 2 verses 1 – 10 and I was reading it the morning before our Parish Development Group met for a progress meeting. The context for Hannah's song of thanksgiving is that she had longed for years to have a child. She had implored God to let her get pregnant, and now she had borne a son and was giving him to serve in the temple. The thing to note is that she named him Samuel because "I asked the Lord for him."

The connection that I made between that canticle and the Parish Development Group is that I know that many of you, over many years have been praying for our parish. You have prayed for growth, for depth, for meaning, for connection with the world outside the walls of our churches. And as I was thinking about the items that I had to report to that meeting I was aware of so many places within the parish where we can see the answers to those prayers – whether directly attributable to the Development Group or not.

Our Information Card that was produced in September with dates and times for our services and organisations was distributed in Parkgate as well as Templepatrick, Teenblast has been rebranded and refocused on a younger age group, St John's was used by Doagh Fellowship of Churches for an 'off-site' worship service, Carole and Elizabeth have been licensed as Parish Readers and Anna, Harriet, Helen and Natalie joining the Parish Choir for Harvest. These in addition to the many things that we have been doing over the years and that are all part of our parish life because we asked the Lord for them.

But making the connection to Samuel reminds us that our responsibility is also to nurture each of these initiatives as they seek to grow. We must encourage, support and continue to hold in prayer all that goes on and in doing so we will see those new areas of growth bearing the spiritual fruit of lives brought closer and more fully into The Kingdom.

Andrew



Christmas Music at Donegore

Jubilate! Chamber Choir



Tuesday 12 December 2017 at 7:45 pm

Tickets - **£8** available from Church Wardens or
Heather Boyd - Tel: 028 9443 2990

PARISH FINANCES

No 1 account (day to day income and expenditure)

At time of writing, this account has a **surplus** of £8,408. Due to the recent change in giving from envelopes to banker's order, with 2/3 of Parishioners now using banker's order, income during the summer months did not decrease to the same extent. This normally happened due to lower attendance during the holiday season. This account should show a surplus at the end of the financial year.

No 2 Account (Fabric fund) - for upkeep and repair of property and buildings

This account has currently a **surplus** of £8,312. As the Fabric fund now plays an essential role in supplementing the No 1 account, the Select Vestry would encourage Parishioners to continue to contribute to this account through monthly envelopes and to support planned forthcoming fund raising events.

The above accounts are linked, and hence debit interest is only incurred when the sum of the two accounts is negative.

Norman Shirley
(Hon Treasurer)

RURAL DEANERY LENTEN SERVICES 2018

This year our Rural Deanery Lenten Services will take a look at -
"St Paul's Shorter Letters - In the Order He Wrote Them"

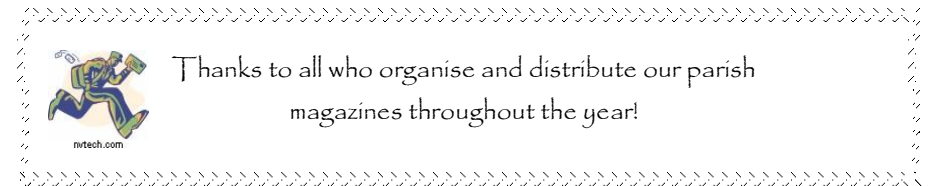
14 th February	Templepatrick	Galatians
21 st February	Kilbride	1 & 2 Thessalonians
28 th February	Ballyclare	Ephesians
7 th March	Muckamore	Colossians
14 th March	Antrim	Philemon and Philippians
21 st March	Connor	1 & 2 Timothy and Titus

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

The Ladies Fellowship commenced their new season in September with a beautiful service of Holy Communion at St Patrick's Church. Led by Rev Andrew, we heard moving readings from the Book of Ruth and the story of the Prodigal son, with a message on the intervention of women in scripture and a challenge of 'remaining in relationship'. Afterwards, we retired to the Church Rooms, enjoying a light supper with a brief overview of our new Programme.

By the time this goes to print we will have already enjoyed an informative evening on the valued work of Simon Community NI. Come November, we look forward to hosting a spinner, (not with plates or bikes), but the weaving kind, a first for the Ladies Fellowship! December takes us out again to Belfast, to enjoy our evening Christmas Dinner at Academy Street. January 2018 brings in the new year with an Introduction to Food Safety, followed by our visitors evening in February, when we invite local Ladies Fellowships to share with us and learn more of the life of C.S. Lewis.

Karen Porter
(Hon Secretary)



PARISH DEVELOPMENT PLAN (UPDATE)

As part of the Parish Development Plan (PDP), a number of groups have emerged. One of these is the Community Engagement Group (CEG). There are four of us who are core group members: Denise Martin, Wendy Brolly, Karl Egli and Stephen McCollam. The aim of the group is to raise the profile of the church in the community through active engagement and hosting community events. We do not aim to try to coerce people to come to church, but by engaging with people in an informal and Christ-like way, we would like them to come to an understanding naturally, of what it means to be part of a faith community. We aim to give, asking nothing in return.

Our first big project was the Hog Roast. We decided that we should do an event to extend an invitation to the community, to come and join us. We also decided that it would be good to raise money for a local charity and Clik Sargent was suggested. The event turned out to be very successful, with people not in any great hurry to go home. There was a great atmosphere, everyone was well fed and there were many conversations going on throughout the evening, chatting to old friends and getting to know new ones. As a group we were delighted with the turn out and thanks must go to the team for all the effort put in.

The second event which is currently running is our Tai Chi (Chee) course. It is a course of 10 weeks and has been well received and well attended. We have found a wonderful tutor in Jane Burke and we are all learning about the meridians and how to move energy around the body through slow, gentle movement. We are doing a form of Tai Chi called Qigong (Chee Gong), which is used solely for health. It is a set of exercises that can be practised by all, irrespective of age or ability and are a great benefit in increasing health and wellbeing. The form that we are learning has been created by Master Joe Lok from Hong Kong and is called "Phoenix in Graceful Clouds of Blessing". Some moves have wonderful names such as "Sunshine fills the Halls" and "Old cat washes his face". If you are curious, ask one of the group. I am delighted to say that I have been asked if the course will run again and have been approached by 3 people outside of the church for a place on the next course. We have also raised money for the church through this event. So it has been a very successful event for a number of reasons. All of us attending have enjoyed it very much.

Our current project is to organise signage for the church hall and we are going to start a "commodity" collection (food and toiletries) to take to a local charity to help those who may not be fortunate to have enough. Collections will be announced in church very soon. We would be grateful for your support, as we are grateful for your support in all of our events so far.

I hope this has been informative and keeps you up to date with what has been going on so far. If you have any questions, talk to any of the group members and we will be happy to provide answers if we can.

Denise Martin



FLOWER ROTA ST PATRICK'S

Thank you to all the ladies and, yes, gentlemen who place flowers in the Church each Sunday.

However there are vacancies on the Rota, which means the same people supplying flowers for a few Sundays. Please consider providing flowers on the Sunday of your choice by adding your name to the Rota. This may be a special way of celebrating an anniversary or remembering a loved one.

After Sunday service it would be nice if the flowers were to be taken to a parishioner or friend who is ill or housebound. The Rector is willing to give advice on names of parishioners.

Please feel free to ask me any questions you may have, and I will do my best to help. The key to the Church is available from myself.

Noreen Clendinning

Tel No - 9443 2523

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, the Parish Office – Tel: 028 9443 2300 or email: templepatrick@connor.anglican.org

Chinese Banquet	-	Thursday 9 November 2017
Christmas Music at Donegore	-	Tuesday 12 December 2017

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St Patrick's, Templepatrick Organist and Choirmistress: Mrs Pat Maxwell, Tel: 9443 9398

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: 9443 2468

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>
05.11.17	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Harriet Brobyn Josh Brobyn
12.11.17	Morning Prayer One Remembrance Sunday	Old Testament New Testament	TBC
19.11.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Sandra Aitcheson John Sheldon Alison Millar
26.11.17	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Bill McAvoy
3.12.17	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Helen Menagh Natalie Menagh
10.12.17	Sunday Club Christmas Play & Gift Service		Advent Readers
17.12.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Gwen Hamill Ann Kerr Wendy Brolly
24.12.17	United Service of Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Ben Collister
24.12.17 8:00 pm	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Isobel McCollam Dorothy Gaffney Margaret Walbridge
25.12.17	Christmas Morning Family Service	Gospel	Stephen McCollam
31.12.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle The Litany	Claire Forth Brian McMeekin Rector
07.01.18	Christingle Service	Gospel Prayers	Nik Kane David Kane
14.01.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Suzanne Bennett
21.01.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Steve Britton-Hall Angela Barton Parish Reader

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

28.01.18	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Bill McCrum
04.02.18	Service of the Word	Gospel Prayers	Anna Glover Beth Britton-Hall
11.02.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Kathryn Young
18.02.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Daphne Lucas Noreen Clendinning Andrew Kane
25.02.18	Morning Prayer Two	Epistle	Jeanette Egli

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 Vicar that a swap has been made. Thank you.



Sunday Club

Our Advent appeal will continue for Kindfund, running from Sunday 26 November to 14 January 2018.

The children's gifts will be given to the NSPCC. If anyone would like to contribute to this very worthwhile appeal, could I ask that you mark if the gift is for a boy or girl (or both), and also what age group please. These gifts will be received at the beginning of the Service on 10 December 2017.

Some useful dates for your diary:-

- 26 Nov - *Rehearsal for play – 10.30 am*
- 3 Dec - Service of the Word
- 10 Dec - Pre Christmas AAW, Christmas Play & Collection of Gifts – 11.30 am
Rehearsal for play – 10.30 am
- 17 Dec - **No Sunday Club**
Carol Service - 6.30 pm
- 24 Dec - **No Sunday Club**
- 25 Dec - Christmas Morning Family Service – 11.30 am
- 31 Dec - **No Sunday Club**
- 2018**
- 7 Jan - Christingle Service
- 14 Jan - **Sunday Club Resumes**
Return jars for Kindfund appeal

Gail



Rotas




Readers and Intercessors rota for St John's, Donegore


<i>Date</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Reading / Intercessions</i>	<i>Reader / Intercessor</i>
05.11.17	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____
12.11.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	John Jones Heather Boyd Luella Lecky
19.11.17	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
26.11.17	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Colin Ovans
3.12.17	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____
10.12.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Des Smyth Bob Cotter Parish Reader
17.12.17	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
24.12.17	United Service of Morning Prayer Two, St Patrick's		
25.12.17	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Colin Ovans Heather Boyd Molly Finlay
31.12.17	Morning Prayer Two	_____	_____
07.01.18	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____
14.01.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Des Smyth Luella Lecky Heather Boyd
21.01.18	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
28.01.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	John Jones
04.02.18	Holy Communion Two	_____	_____
11.02.18	Holy Communion Two	Old Testament Epistle Intercessions	Michael Cooke Molly Finlay Anne Cooke
18.02.18	Holy Communion One	_____	_____
25.02.18	Morning Prayer One	Epistle	Luella Lecky


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Rotas


St Patrick's

 <u>Communion Rota</u>	
November	Mr J & Mrs G Hamill
December	Mr T & Mrs C Michael
January	Young Parishioners
February	Mr H & Mrs A Cinnamon

 <u>Cleaning Rota</u>	
November	E & A King
December	H & J Sheldon, E & D Smyth, B McMeekin
January	A & H Cinnamon
February	A Cooke, O Erskine, B Perris

 <u>Flower Rota</u>	
November	5 th & 12 th Vacant, 19 th O Erskine, 26 th Vacant
December	3 rd Vacant, 10 th S Russell, 17 th , 24 th & 31 st Ladies Fellowship
January	7 th I McCollam, 14 th & 21 st Vacant 28 th S White
February	4 th N Clendinning, 11 th Vacant, 18 th & 25 th Lent

St John's

 <u>Communion Rota</u>	
November	Mr & Mrs C Neill
December	Mrs L Lecky & Mrs S Watson
January	Mr & Mrs M Boyd
February	Ms H Boyd & Mr E Cinnamon

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2017 – FEBRUARY 2018

01.11.17 Wednesday - All Saints Day

10.00 am Holy Communion One - St Patrick's

05.11.17 The Fourth Sunday before Advent

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

Old Testament	Joshua 3: 7-17
Psalm	107: 1-7, 33-37
Epistle	1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13
Gospel	Matthew 23: 1-12

08.11.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

12.11.17 The Third Sunday before Advent (Remembrance Sunday)

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

Old Testament	Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25
Psalm	78: 1-7
Epistle	1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Gospel	Matthew 25: 1-13

15.11.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

19.11.17 The Second Sunday before Advent

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

Old Testament	Judges 4: 1-7
Psalm	123
Epistle	1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Gospel	Matthew 25: 14-30

22.11.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick's

26.11.17 The Kingship of Christ

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

Old Testament	Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
Psalm	100
Epistle	Ephesians 1: 15-23
Gospel	Matthew 25: 31-46

29.11.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick's

3.12.17 The First Sunday of Advent

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

Old Testament	Isaiah 64: 1–9
Psalm	80: 1-8, 18-20
Epistle	1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
Gospel	Mark 13: 24-37

06.12.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One

10.12.17 The Second Sunday of Advent

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John's
11.30 am Sunday Club Christmas Play and Gift Day – St Patrick's

Old Testament	Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm	85: 1-2, 8-13
Epistle	2 Peter 3: 8-15a
Gospel	Mark 1 : 1-8

13.12.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two

17.12.17 The Third Sunday of Advent

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) – St John’s
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s
6.30 pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11
Psalm 126
Epistle 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24
Gospel John 1: 6-8, 19-28

20.12.17 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One

24.12.17 The Fourth Sunday of Advent (Christmas Eve)

~~10.00 am Morning Prayer One – St John’s~~ - **No Service**
11.30 am United Service of Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick’s
8.00 pm Holy Communion Two - St Patrick’s

Old Testament 2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16
Canticle Magnificat
Epistle Romans 16: 25-27
Gospel Luke 1: 26-38

25.12.17 Christmas Day (Monday)

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s
11.30 am Christmas Morning Family Service

Old Testament Isaiah 9: 2-7
Psalm 96
Epistle Titus 2: 11-14
Gospel Luke 2: 1-14, (15-20)

27.12.17 Wednesday

~~10.00 am Holy Communion One~~ - **No Service**

31.12.17 The First Sunday of Christmas

10.00 am Morning Prayer Two (said) – St John’s
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Isaiah 61: 10 – 62: 3
Psalm 148
Epistle Galatians 4: 4 - 7
Gospel Luke 2: 15-21

01.01.18 New Year’s Day (Monday)

10.00 am Holy Communion One – St Patrick’s

03.01.18 Wednesday

~~10.00 am Holy Communion One~~ - **No Service**

07.01.18 The First Sunday after the Epiphany (The Baptism of Christ)

10.00 am Holy Communion Two (said) – St John’s
11.30 am Christingle Service – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Genesis 1: 1-5
Psalm 29
Epistle Acts 19: 1-7
Gospel Mark 1: 4-11

10.01.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two

14.01.18 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s
11.30 am Morning Prayer One – St Patrick’s

Old Testament 1 Samuel 3: 1-10
Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18
Epistle Revelation 5: 1-10
Gospel John 1: 43-51

17.01.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One

21.01.18 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) – St John’s
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Jonah 3: 1-5, 10
Psalm 62: 5-12
Epistle 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31
Gospel Mark 1: 14-20

24.01.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two

28.01.18 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

10.00 am Morning Prayer One – St John’s
11.30 am Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Deuteronomy 18: 15–20
Psalm 111
Epistle 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13
Gospel Mark 1: 21-28

31.01.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One

04.02.18 The Second Sunday before Lent

10:00 am Holy Communion Two (said) – St John’s
11.30 am Service of the Word – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Isaiah 40: 21–31
Psalm 147: 1–12, 21c
Epistle 1 Corinthians 9: 16–23
Gospel Mark 1: 29-39

07.02.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One

11.02.18 The Sunday before Lent (Transfiguration Sunday)

10.00 am Holy Communion Two – St John’s
11.30 am Morning Prayer One – St Patrick’s
12.30 pm Lenten Lunch – Parish Hall

Old Testament 2 Kings 2: 1–12
Psalm 50: 1–6
Epistle 2 Corinthians 4: 3–6
Gospel Mark 9: 2–9

14.02.18 Ash Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two
7.30 pm Rural Deanery Lenten Service, St Patrick’s

18.02.18 The First Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Holy Communion One (said) – St John’s
11.30 am Holy Communion Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Genesis 9: 8–17
Psalm 25: 1–9
Epistle 1 Peter 3: 18–22
Gospel Mark 1: 9–15

21.02.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion One
7.30 pm Rural Deanery Lenten Service, Kilbride

25.02.18 The Second Sunday in Lent

10.00 am Morning Prayer One – St John’s
11.30 am Morning Prayer Two – St Patrick’s

Old Testament Genesis 17: 1–7, 15–16
Psalm 22: 23–31
Epistle Romans 4: 13–25
Gospel Mark 8: 31–38

28.02.18 Wednesday

10.00 am Holy Communion Two
7.30 pm Rural Deanery Lenten Service, Ballyclare



Music in the parish

We have much to celebrate in the musical life of the parish: the Harvest Service in St Patrick's (1st October) was the occasion to celebrate the outstanding long service of two choir members, Mrs Pat McKean and Mrs Noreen Clendinning. Pat has given 54 years, and Noreen 50 year's unbroken service. Both were presented with framed certificates and a bouquet of flowers. We honour and thank these two ladies for an amazing achievement, their time and talents given freely over such a long period.

Harvest also marked the first appearance of 4 probationer choristers: Helen Menagh, Harriet Brobyn, Anna Glover and Natalie Menagh. The girls are having a 'taster' of singing with the choir; they attended practices during September in preparation for Harvest, and at Christmas they hope to attend practices in December, and join with the choir for the 'Nine lessons and carols'. Following that they will decide whether or not to make a longer-term commitment. We were all thrilled and delighted with their first steps into church choral music! We wish them well, and look forward to seeing them again at the end of the year.

Young and old instrumentalists joined forces to deliver a Harvest Overture before the service. During the service the young musicians accompanied two hymns, and Nik Kane accompanied the children's song on guitar.

Andrew Kane took photographs of our choir with the two celebrated long-service choristers, and we took advantage of this opportunity to have him take photographs of all the church instrumentalists.

Thank you to choir and players for a memorable harvest! The young players this time were Samantha Collister, Harriet Brobyn and Anna Glover (violin), Alex McIlwaine and Helen Menagh (flute) and Natalie Menagh (descant recorder).

Recorder group was Ann Mulligan (bass recorder), Alan Walbridge and Pat Maxwell (tenor recorder), Helen Sheldon, John Sheldon and Carroll Mulligan (treble recorder), and Dorothy Gaffney, Noreen Clendinning and Ann Kerr (descant recorder)

Following our more traditional Harvest service in St John's, we will be preparing music for Remembrance, Advent and Christmas; we hope you will enjoy each coming season, rich with musical traditions handed down to us. We are blessed to have access to these, and blessed with a choir who are enthused to deliver them. Thank you, Choir!

Pat

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St Patrick's & St John's Bowling Club

The bowling club re-opened on Friday 1st September 2017, at 7.30pm, with a good turnout of members.

The first bowl of the season was delivered by our new Vice-Chairperson, Audrey Kell.

We continue to meet on Friday evening from 7.30pm until 10.30pm and Monday evening from 8.00pm until 9.30pm (Practice night).

New members would be made most welcome, come along and give it a try, you do not need your own bowls just a sense of fun.

We are now looking forward to our first visit of the season to the Baker Stadium on Tuesday 14th November, bowling from 7.00 until 9.00 pm, followed by a meal and refreshments.

Our Christmas outing this year is a Meal in Ballyclare Golf Club on Friday 22nd November 2017.

Our Christmas party night will be held on Friday 22nd December 2017, at 7.00 pm.

Our chosen charity this year is **Marie Curie**.

Once again we are looking forward to a good years bowling.

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

Wednesday 1 February 2018

Contributions from all parish organisations would be very welcome.

Our Sections began a new year of Scouting in September and by now everyone is well settled in. We expect that after the AQE exams that our numbers will increase but at present we have 15 Beavers, 24 Cubs and 15 Scouts.

This year we welcomed a new girl to Cubs to join Grace and five girls to the Scout Section. Perhaps the girls will keep the boys on their toes in competition for badges!

We now have four Scout leaders, Steve Sargent is back and Tony and Richard are beginning their second year. We welcome John Wallace who has great experience and permits for outdoor activities and has already arranged several programs for the Scouts.

Judy Graham left Beavers and we thank her for her commitment and work and Joanne Flynn assisted by two Parents is continuing as Leader in Charge.

Jony, Michelle and Andy are continuing to do an excellent job with Cubs.

Everyone is working hard to provide a fun experience for all the members in the Group and we will attend as usual the Remembrance Day Parade.

I myself decided that I would retire as GSL in June last and to date I have no replacement but I am continuing to do Administration for the Group.

I am very confident that the Leadership we have will ensure that the future of the Group is in good hands.

Yours in Scouting

Catherine Michael

'He who sings well prays twice'

These words of St Augustine came to mind when Noreen and Pat responded to the honour given them by the Parish; with their permission I would like to share their words with you:

Pat said "My love of singing the Anglican liturgy stems from my childhood. The book of Psalms is my favourite book in the Bible and Ps 104 vv35 and 36 reflects my feelings to perfection. 'I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will make music to my God while I have my being. So shall my song please him, while I rejoice in the Lord' "

Noreen said "I love to sing and helping to lead the service on Sunday mornings. The uplifting hymns and the wonderful psalms are an inspiration to me... Many memories I have from these years, happy and sad, singing at marriages, funerals, leading the singing in the Cathedral, a live broadcast for RTE Radio and another from the Hospice ... I sincerely hope and pray that the traditional service of worship may remain in St Patrick's and the great harmony in the choir continue for years to come."

These are words for us all to cherish, and our hope is that such lifelong devotion will inspire our new generation of choristers.



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From the Registers

HOLY BAPTISM

"He took them in his arms and blessed them"

10 September 2017, Patrick Michael Bennett

HOLY MATRIMONY

"What God has joined together ..." Mark 10:9

6th July 2017, Andrew David Gault and Bronagh Fox

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord"

15th September 2017, William Kenneth McDowell
27th September 2017, Mary Catherine (May) Mehaffy

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Kids Club

This year we launched our new Kids Club! We have rebranded our Saturday night youth club to accommodate a younger age group. We loved Teen Blast and enjoyed organising events and spending time with the teenagers in the Parish, however with our diminishing numbers we realised the need for the youth club actually lies with a younger age group. We therefore launched Kids Club in September for those aged Primary 4 to Primary 7.

We have already seen more new faces through our doors and our numbers have started to grow. It has been really encouraging and worthwhile seeing these children coming along and having a great time with their friends and we are looking forward to getting to know them better and seeing the group grow.

We have new games and activities for the kids and myself and Adam love getting alongside the kids and joining in. Kids Club is on the third Saturday of each month from 7pm-9pm, and is for all children aged P4-P7 for just £1 per night. We hope to see more kids coming along and bringing their friends too. Hopefully see you there soon!

Michelle



1 Thessalonians 2 : 13 KJV

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing ...

Thank You

How lovely are the moments when we've friends and loved ones near,
Who find a way - to make our day - by giving us a gift.

It may be quite luxurious, or the sweetest tiny token,
Even so - it's nice to know - the reason why our spirits lift.

At times we can be greatly moved at how some folk can show,
Through more or less - they can express - their heartfelt thoughtfulness.

A bunch of flowers, a pretty card, our favourite wine or chocolates,
Can touch the soul - and then unfold - while pondering their kindness.

Though some gifts find their path to us, which don't need bows and wrapping,
Suddenly comes favour - that we'll savour - in due time.

Later we may reminisce, remembering the day,
We needed help - how low we felt - when life had lost its shine.

Perhaps a loved one or a friend came running to our rescue,
We'd hardly dreamed - or could have seen - such unexpected caring.

An overwhelming task was solved, or words of gentle comfort,
Someone stood there - so much aware - to ease the world we're sharing.

Our God created gifting and His teaching never fails,
He taught us how to choose - and when to use - the many ways of love.

In our own lives we see Blessings, and how greatly they surround us,
Only He can give - throughout each day we live - every need, sent from above.

It's true that time flies quickly past and covets our attention,
But we're heaven-bound - and we know deep down - we've something yet to do.

So we'll say our Thank You prayer, and ask in the smallest whisper,
Dearest One - what would we have done - if God had not sent You?

Jeanette Egli