

# Saint Columb's Cathedral Magazine



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## The Dean writes.....

### *Dear Parishioners and Friends*

In the Church Calendar there are days that are called 'saints' days'. On these days the Church remembers in particular men and women in whom Christ-like characteristics and qualities have been seen.

Some of the saints whom the Church remembers are those whose names are found in the Bible, eg. Paul, Peter, Andrew, Luke, Matthew. Others have a connection with a particular country or district, eg. Patrick, Brigid, Columba.

The feastday of Saint Columba falls on 9<sup>th</sup> June. Columba is the patron saint of the Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe and is fondly remembered throughout the Church.

Columba, whose name means dove, was born to Fedlimid and Eithne at Gartan in County Donegal on 7<sup>th</sup> December 521. On his father's side he was the great great grandson of Niall of the Nine Hostages, an Irish high king of the 5<sup>th</sup> century.

He was baptised at Temple-Douglas in the present day Parish of Conwal (Letterkenny) by his teacher and foster uncle Saint Crunathan.

At an early age Columba heard the call of God and he received his education at the monastic school at Movilla near Newtownards.

When he was ordained he travelled to other parts of the country but the monastic settlement that he founded at Derry (the place of the oak tree) is the place most associated with him.

In 560 Columba had a quarrel with Saint Finnian of Movilla Abbey. Columba had borrowed a psalter and had copied it intending to keep it for himself. This angered Finnian and the dispute led to a vicious battle near Sligo in which many men were killed. A resolution to the dispute was found when Columba agreed to go into exile and to leave Ireland and to win for Christ as many souls as had died in battle.

In 563 Columba and 12 of his companions sailed by boat (a curragh) from Lough Foyle in Derry to Scotland.

They settled eventually at Iona where Columba founded an abbey as the base for spreading Christianity among the northern Pictish kingdoms that were pagan. Columba died on the island of Iona on 9<sup>th</sup> June 597.

What lessons can we draw from the life of Columba?

#### **Columba was called by God to serve Him.**

This is true for all of us too – men and women, boys and girls, young and old, rich and poor. God calls us to serve Him.

Columba was called to serve at first in Ireland and later in Scotland but our place of service may be much closer to our own homes and we may be called to 'preach the Gospel' in our own homes by our actions and by our words.

#### **Columba was human; he made mistakes.**

This is true for us too. None of us is perfect. We have and we do make mistakes and, sometimes, we have to pay a costly price for those actions, but God still loves us and He can still use us in a wonderful way just as He used Saint Columba.

**O use me, Lord, use even me,  
just as you will, and when, and where;  
until at last your face I see,  
your rest, your joy, your glory share.  
(Hymn 589).**

Yours sincerely

*Raymond Stewart*

# CONFIRMATION 2020 POSTPONED

Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic the Service of Confirmation planned for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020 in Saint Columb's Cathedral has, unfortunately, had to be postponed.

## June Services / Events

Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the restrictions on our activities set by the Government, **Saint Columb's Cathedral remains closed for the foreseeable future. All services and events have been either cancelled or postponed.**

## The Cathedral Magazine

Notes / Articles for the July issue of the Cathedral magazine are due by Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

## The General Vestry

The meeting of the General Vestry of The Parish of Templemore has been postponed until the Coronavirus pandemic is over.

## Holiday Bible Club

Hello,

I hope you are adjusting to our new normal.

As we move towards the summer it is normally the time to be holding a Holiday Bible Club. These are usually a week full of fun, friendship and fellowship. It would be a shame if we were not able to do that this year but with the current situation it is not possible to physically meet in large groups and in church buildings. As with lots of other church events we are moving online and are planning an Online Holiday Bible Club called Derry and Raphoe meet Joe...

This will be happening from Monday 6th July to Friday 10th July. Each day a new video with some songs, a Bible story, thought for the day, prayers, memory verse, games idea and craft suggestions will be uploaded to our Diocesan Website and Facebook page. In the weeks leading up to the club I will make people aware of what resources they will need to join in. I am also offering to post people printed material so if they do not have access to a printer then can still take part.

To sign up to receive resources through the post please click [here](#) to complete a registration and GDPR form. Forms should be emailed to [kirsty@derryandraphoe.org](mailto:kirsty@derryandraphoe.org)

If there is anything else I can be doing to help with children's ministry during this time please let me know.

Thanks in advance,

Kirsty McCartney  
Diocesan Children's Ministry Officer

Tel: 028 71262440 Mob: 07881584529

## Sunday Service



Parishioners and friends can listen to the Morning Service on the Cathedral Facebook page or by logging on to [www.stcolumbscathedral.org](http://www.stcolumbscathedral.org) and going to Worship on the menu bar.

The Dean is most grateful to Dr Derek Collins, his wife Joanna and their sons Dara and Leo for leading the singing of the hymns, to The Reverend Canon John Merrick and parishioners who, with the Dean, share in leading parts of the service.

He is also most grateful to Robert and Linda McGonigle for looking after the technical details to enable the service to be recorded.



At the beginning of May we responded as a branch to the urgent appeal from Mary Sumner House for funds by sending a cheque for £600. This was gratefully received and will help them continue to support MU members across the world as they work to bring help and comfort to

those affected by the pandemic. Many of you also generously made individual donations to this very worthy cause.

Don't forget to visit our wonderful new website: [derry.mothersunion.ie](http://derry.mothersunion.ie) where you can see the newsletter and keep in touch with all that is going on in the diocese.

Thanks again to Dean Raymond and Canon John for all their support and to everyone involved in the weekly services. They really are appreciated.

Continue to enjoy the wonderful weather. Stay safe and with God's help it will not be too long before we can see each other again.

### Irene, Margaret and Pauline

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Free dial-in worship phone line during coronavirus lockdown. Daily Hope is a free resource for members who live in Northern Ireland and the rest of the UK. It offers a variety of music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. To listen to Mothers' Union Midday Prayers – choose option 4 and

then option 8. The line – is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

## HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

If you or a relative is admitted to or discharged from a hospital or a nursing home please let the Dean or The Reverend Canon John Merrick know if you would like a Pastoral Visit.

Under Data Protection (GDPR) we **do not** have access to the Hospital Admission Forms so we can only know that you are a patient in hospital if the Chaplain notifies us or if you or a relative notifies us. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Please note that during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic Dean Raymond Stewart and Canon John Merrick are not permitted to visit hospitals and nursing homes.**

**Please, however, inform us if you are admitted to a hospital or to a nursing home so that we can pray for you.**

# Scripture Readings at Sunday Services

Parishioners might like to prepare for worship by reading the Scripture readings before they come to church. The readings of the Sundays and Principal Holy Days are found in The Book of Common Prayer, page 27 ff. This year we follow the readings for Year A.

## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020 – Trinity Sunday

**8.00 am**

Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-31. Psalm 8 (page 599). 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13. Saint Matthew 28: 16-20.

**11.00 am**

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13. Saint John 16: 5-15

**4.00 pm**

Psalm 93 (page 700). Psalm 150 (page 765). Isaiah 6: 1-8. Saint John 16: 5-15.

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020 – The First Sunday after Trinity

**8.00 am**

Genesis 18: 1-15 / Genesis 21: 1-7. Psalm 116: 1, 10-17 (page 728). Romans 5: 1-8.

Saint Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8-23

**11.00 am**

Psalm 116: 1, 10-17 (page 728). Genesis 18: 1-15 / Genesis 21: 1-7.

Saint Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8-23

**4.00 pm**

Psalm 42 (page 640) / Psalm 43 (page 641). 1 Samuel 21: 1-15. Saint Luke 11: 14-28.

## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020 – The Second Sunday after Trinity

**8.00 am**

Genesis 21: 8-21. Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17 (page 691). Romans 6: 1b-11.

Saint Matthew 10: 24-39.

**11.00am**

Romans 6: 1b-11. Saint Matthew 10: 24-39.

**4.00 pm**

Psalm 46 (page 644) / Psalm 48 (page 646). 1 Samuel 24: 1-17. Saint Luke 14: 12-24.

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020 – The Third Sunday after Trinity

**8.00 am**

Genesis 22: 1-14. Psalm 13 (page 605). Romans 6: 12-23. Saint Matthew 10: 40-42.

**11.00 am**

Psalm 13 (page 605). Genesis 22: 1-14. Saint Matthew 10: 40-42.

**4.00 pm**

Psalm 50 (page 648). 1 Samuel 28: 3-19. Saint Luke 17: 20-37.

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020 – The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

**8.00 am**

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67. Psalm 45: 10-17 (page 643). Romans 7: 15-25a.

Saint Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30.

**11.00 am**

Romans 7: 15-25a. Saint Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30.

By now we would have been entering into our last term of this year and getting ready for Father's Day and our Children's Celebration. This has been a strange year for adults to understand never mind our young children and the world as we all know it has changed. When we return in September we will have taken on board all guidelines and will ensure our children have a safe and social distancing area in which to learn God's word.

We thank most sincerely all those parents who having been working on the front line in various roles including Ambulance, Nursing, Secretarial, Retail.

Well done Jack Duddy who read the lesson on our online service.



**ENJOY AS BEST YOU CAN THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS AND SEE YOU ALL IN SEPTEMBER**



Due to cancellation of flights we, unfortunately, have been left with no alternative but to cancel the Ulster Project 2020. The safety of our teens and leaders is paramount. Even during 'The Troubles' and '9/11' we have never missed a year, but this is beyond the control of everyone.

**Malcolm & Irene**

## Lockdown reflection

Cannot bear to think about 2020 anymore, so maybe it is best to look forward to what life might be like in the future. Maybe I should plan what it might be like to go to church in the future. Let's see, will I be able to -

Sit in a recliner at the service,  
Shoes off,  
Cup of tea in one hand and a nice wee bun in the other hand,  
Fall asleep during the sermon as I am not recording the message,  
No collection as we are in a paperless/moneyless society  
and we all have a direct debit,  
Bring my own personal communion and prayer-books etc,  
Might wear a hat but will wear gloves,  
Going to multiple services on a Sunday or  
just the usual trip to the Cathedral?

.....Or maybe not



**Elizabeth Fielding**



Derry City & Strabane  
District Council

Comhairle Chathair  
Dhoire & Cheantar  
an tSratha Báin

Derry Cittie & Stràbane  
Destrìck Cooncil

The annual meeting of Derry City and Strabane District Council was held, virtually, on Monday 1st June. Councillor Brian Tierney was elected Mayor and Alderman Graham Warke was elected Deputy Mayor for 2020-2021.

We pray that God will guide and lead both men - and all who serve as members of the Council - in their year of office.



# Bible Readings for June 2020

<b>DAY</b>	<b>READING</b>	<b>THEME</b>
Monday 1	Exodus 3:1-10	Burning, yet not
Tuesday 2	Exodus 13:17-22	A pillar of fire
Wednesday 3	2 Chronicles 7:1-11	Burnt thank offerings
Thursday 4	Saint Luke 3:15-18	Transforming fire
Friday 5	Leviticus 6:14-17	An offering by fire
Saturday 6	Saint Luke 16:19-31	The agony of fire
Sunday 7	Deuteronomy 4:9-14	A mountain ablaze
Monday 8	Daniel 3:19-30	Thrown in the fire
Tuesday 9	1 Kings 18:30-39	The fire of the Lord
Wednesday 10	Saint Mark 14:66-72	The warmth of the fire
Thursday 11	Saint James 3:1-6	The tongue is a fire
Friday 12	Acts 28:1-10	A welcoming fire
Saturday 13	Isaiah 48:9-11	A refining fire
Sunday 14	Saint Matthew 7:7-12	A door opens
Monday 15	Saint Matthew 7:13-14	Which way?
Tuesday 16	Saint Matthew 7:15-20	Character
Wednesday 17	Saint Matthew 7:21-23	Missing the boat
Thursday 18	Saint Matthew 7:24-29	Building well
Friday 19	Saint Matthew 8:1-17	Messy faith—transgressing boundaries
Saturday 20	Saint Matthew 8:18-22	Crossing over—following Jesus
Sunday 21	Saint Matthew 8:23-9:1	Faith and fear
Monday 22	Saint Matthew 9:2-13	Faith and freedom
Tuesday 23	Saint Matthew 9:14-26	Fervent faith
Wednesday 24	Saint Matthew 10:1-15	Faith and following
Thursday 25	Saint Matthew 10:16-33	Fight with faith
Friday 26	Saint Matthew 10:34-42	Faith and family
Saturday 27	Saint Matthew 11:1-19	Future faith
Sunday 28	Genesis 1:1-5	God's sight and God's goodness
Monday 29	Psalms 11	Seeing with God
Tuesday 30	Exodus 24:9-18	Upside down God



Well Folks

I hope you are all keeping safe during this stressful time.

We are working away in the community distributing creative packs to young people containing puzzles, books, Games, Treats and Healthy Snacks. All of which have been well received.

Each week we also distribute Eat Well Live Well boxes to the young Primary school kids to ensure that they get good nourishing food.

Teenagers also receive Self Care Packs supporting them regarding their personal hygiene. Families and older people receive food parcels containing treats, books, home baked assorted tray bakes, and cleaning materials. We try to ensure during the Covid-19 Lockdown that no one will suffer hardship.

This has proved to be an enormous amount of work but to see the smiles on the kids' faces when the goodies arrive makes it all worthwhile.

To date we have delivered 595 boxes/packs. This would not have been possible without the support of staff and volunteers in the youth club.

At the moment we are making Protective Face masks which we will distribute to families as listening to the news we will need them regarding using public transport at a later date.

I am also knitting dish cloths which I am selling for £3.00 each, so if anyone would like to order please contact me. To date I have sold 38 and the money will go to The Palliative Care Team Foyle Hospice.

Well the good news is that it looks like work will start soon regarding the refurbishment and extension of our Youth Centre, so at least that is something to look forward to.

Please take care and focus on one day at a time. I find it helps. Keep Safe!

**Jeanette**

**BREAKING NEWS: Work on the Youth Club premises will begin on Monday 8th June.**

## **SOMETHING FOR YOU TO TRY AT HOME HOW SMART IS YOUR RIGHT FOOT?**

This is bizarre!

How smart is your right foot?

Just try this. It is from an orthopaedic surgeon. This will boggle your mind and you will keep trying over and over again to see if you can outsmart your foot, but you can't. It's pre-programmed in your brain!

Without anyone watching you and while sitting where you are at your desk in front of your computer, lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles.

Now, while doing this, draw the number '6' in the air with your right hand. Your foot will change direction.

Weird eh? And there's nothing you can do about it!



*(We acknowledge the above from the Clane Union of Parishes in The Dioceses of Meath and Kildare. From the May 2020 issue of 'Aspire' – the Meath and Kildare Diocesan Magazine).*





At the moment, everybody is, understandably, very preoccupied with the Covid-19 pandemic. However, we should not forget that there are other serious diseases afflicting people. The very important work of the Leprosy Mission still goes on, but there has been a massive drop in their funding.

It is very worthwhile work as most of the people who contract leprosy are very poor and often have little education, so it is vital that they learn that with relatively inexpensive treatment, the disease is completely curable and the sooner anyone with symptoms comes forward for treatment, the less serious the long-term damage will be.

At this time we should pray for Rebecca Parnell, the TLM representative who came to speak to us at Saint Columb's Cathedral in January and the other staff at the office in Lisburn. We should also remember in our prayers the TLM staff working in very difficult conditions overseas, often at great personal sacrifice, to bring healing and comfort to people afflicted by this awful, but curable disease.

I hope you have continued to put money in your TLM box. It really mounts up! It looks as if we may not be worshipping in the Cathedral for some time. I would therefore be happy to collect boxes from your homes. Please telephone me on 71342914 to advise me of your address. If you want to be extra-careful, I can arrange to collect the box at a set time and you can leave the box in a bag on the doorstep. If there is anything I can do to help any of you who are 'isolating' when I call, please don't hesitate to ask. I look forward to seeing you when I call to collect your box.

**Anne Hamilton**

**Connect**  
**CONNECT**  
**YOU ARE NOT ALONE**  
None of us have been here before and we are all a little afraid  
**SEEK HELP**


**Be active**  
**BE ACTIVE**  
**LOOK AFTER YOURSELF PHYSICALLY**  
EAT WELL  
DRINK WATER  
MOVE YOUR BODY  
SLEEP

**Take notice**  
**TAKE NOTICE**  
**YOU ARE STRONGER THAN YOU THINK**  
STOP, BREATHE & then THINK  
Pause, take a moment to be still  
Stop, breathe - this too will pass

**Keep learning**  
**KEEP LEARNING**  
**EMBRACE THE CHALLENGE**  
We will all learn new things about ourselves, about each other, about how we work, about how we play, about how we live

**Give**  
**GIVE**  
**KINDNESS WILL HELP US THROUGH**  
Look after each other  
&  
Look after yourself

**TAKE 5 AGAINST COVID #CompassionateCare #InItTogether**



ST COLUMB'S CATHEDRAL  
CHRISTMAS TREE  
FESTIVAL 2020  
SORRY, THIS EVENT IS

**POSTPONED**

10 - 14  
December 2020



The Bishop of Derry and Raphoe, the Right Reverend Andrew Forster, joined scores of parishioners from Saint Augustine's Church and further afield for a 'Drive-in Service' in the centre of Londonderry on Sunday morning to mark Pentecost Sunday. The service, which took place in glorious sunshine, was led by the Rector of Saint Augustine's – 'The Wee Church on the Walls' – the Reverend Nigel Cairns.

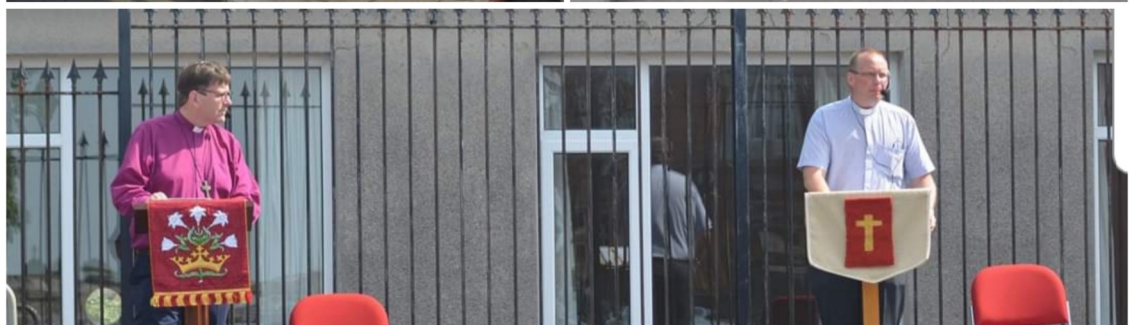
The service was held in Bishop Street car park, adjoining Saint Augustine's Parish Hall and opposite the city's courthouse. A team of volunteers, dressed in 'high-vis' vests and PPE gear, oversaw a one-way, 'car ferry' type system, that meant cars were directed in one entrance and out by a different route after the service.

Social-distancing guidelines required all those present to remain in their cars during worship, and parish volunteers ensured that none of the worshippers fell victim to the soaring temperature.

Bishop Andrew, who preached the sermon, welcomed the congregation to what he called his 'back garden' (the car park occupies what would previously have been the back garden of the old Bishop's Palace). He said, Saint Augustine's was known as 'the Wee Church on the Walls'. "Today, we're the wee church without walls," he said. "I always think about Saint Augustine's as the wee Church with a big heart and today we're showing our big heart because we're together, worshipping God on this Pentecost Sunday.

"This is definitely a first for me," the Bishop said, "and I would imagine it's a first for many of you as well, but God is here and we worship him in spirit and in truth."

The Reverend Cairns echoed Bishop Forster's welcome to the first 'Drive-through Church' in the inner city, and thanked all those who had helped make the service possible. He said the Saint Augustine's parishioners would be gathering for worship in the same location again next Sunday.



# Partners in Prayer 2020

## Bishop Andrew writes .....

To pray for each other is a wonderful gift from God. Prayer not only empowers the ministry of parishes across our dioceses; it also draws us closer together as the family of God.

It is always a blessing to know that someone is praying for you.

In commending our diocesan prayer diary can I urge each one of us to renew our commitment to prayer during 2020. I am more and more convinced that it is only as we pray that we will know the blessing of God in our dioceses.

'Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.' *Philippians 4: 4-7*

+ **ANDREW DERRY AND RAPHOE**



## THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020 TRINITY SUNDAY

### La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

The Most Reverend Francisco Moreno

Presiding Bishop of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico and Bishop of Northern Mexico.

### The Church of Ireland

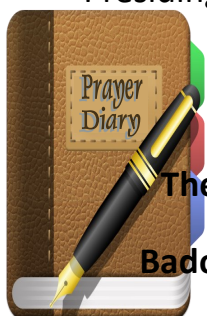
The Most Reverend John McDowell, Archbishop of Armagh,  
Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan.

**The Diocese of Clogher.** Bishop: Vacant.

**The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe.** The Right Reverend Andrew Forster.

**The Parishes of Ardstraw (Newtownstewart), Baronscourt,  
Badoney Lower (Gortin) with Greenan, and Badoney Upper (Plumbridge).**

The Reverend Ivan Dinsmore, Rector.



## MISSION FOCUS

### The Bible Society in Algeria

Christians in Algeria are often persecuted and face discrimination. However, because of this many people's curiosity has been sparked. To find out why Christians are treated this way, people have been seeking to read the Bible for themselves and many have reached out to the Bible Society.

In response to these enquiries, the Bible Society can provide them with Scriptures of their own and answer questions they may have about the Christian faith. Many of those searching for answers are immigrants or people from other faiths.

The Bible Society also works to put people in touch with local churches so that they may find a Christian community to connect with.

**TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020 – SAINT COLUMBA**

**THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020 – SAINT BARNABAS**

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020  
THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**The Church of The Province of Myanmar (Burma)**

The Most Reverend Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar and Bishop of Yangon.

## **The Church of Ireland**

The Most Reverend John McDowell, Archbishop of Armagh,  
Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan.

**The Diocese of Clogher.** Bishop: Vacant.

**The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe.** The Right Reverend Andrew Forster.

**The Parishes of Cappagh and Lislimnaghan.** The Reverend Canon Derek Quinn, Rector.

## **MISSION FOCUS**

### **Church Mission Society in South East Asia**

A local partner was able to share Jesus with his community at Christmas through visiting families in their homes, giving gifts and telling them the good news.

Now, with many facing difficult times and looking for answers, pray for the seeds sown at Christmastime to bear fruit.

## **THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2020**

### **THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

#### **The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

The Most Reverend Henry Chukwudum Ndukuba, Metropolitan,  
Primate of all Nigeria and Bishop of Abuja.

#### **The Church of Ireland**

The Most Reverend John McDowell, Archbishop of Armagh,  
Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan.

**The Diocese of Clogher.** Bishop: Vacant.

**The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe.** The Right Reverend Andrew Forster.

**The Parish of Drumragh (Omagh) with Mountfield.** Rector: Vacant.

The Reverend Sean Hanily, Curate assistant.

Mr Paddy Quinn and Miss Claire Henderson, Diocesan Readers.

## **MISSION FOCUS**

### **The Leprosy Mission in Denmark**

TLM Denmark dates back some 70 years, when a small group of people saw the need to support leprosy work. They formed a small committee and shared their focus on leprosy in Christian circles. These efforts resulted in many private donors and an awareness of the need to support leprosy work, an awareness that still is present among some Christians in Denmark, but in ever smaller numbers.

The TLM Denmark board is seeking new ways of reaching out to known and new donors.

**Pray** that its efforts may succeed.

## **WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020 – THE BIRTH OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

## **THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020**

### **THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

#### **The United Church of North India**

The Most Reverend Dr Prem Chand Singh,  
Moderator of The United Church of North India and Bishop of Jabalpur.

#### **The Church of Ireland**

The Most Reverend John McDowell, Archbishop of Armagh,  
Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan.

**The Diocese of Clogher.** Bishop: Vacant.

**The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe.** The Right Reverend Andrew Forster.

**Youth and Children's Ministry in The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe.**

Diocesan Youth Officer: Vacant.

Diocesan Children's Ministry Officer: Kirsty McCartney

All Diocesan Staff, Diocesan and Parish Volunteers, Young People and Children.  
Diocesan Youth and Children's Departments and Safeguarding Trust Panels.

### **MISSION FOCUS**

#### **Church Mission Society in Spain / Middle East**

A mission partner couple are praising God for the safe arrival of their third child at the end of last year and are now settling into life as a family of five. Pray that they will learn to shine Jesus' light in new ways.

**MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020 – SAINT PETER**

**FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JULY 2020 – SAINT THOMAS**

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JULY 2020**

#### **The United Church of Pakistan**

The Most Reverend Humphrey Peters,  
Bishop of Peshawar and Moderator of The Church of Pakistan.

#### **The Church of Ireland**

The Most Reverend John McDowell, Archbishop of Armagh,  
Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan.

**The Dioceses of Cork, Cloyne and Ross.** The Right Reverend Paul Colton.

**The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe.** The Right Reverend Andrew Forster.

**The Parishes of Edenderry and Clanabogan.** The Reverend Canon Robert Clarke, Rector.

### **MISSION FOCUS**

#### **The Bible Society in Syria**

Despite unrest in Syria, Bible distribution still continues to be the main focus of the Bible Society in Syria. The demand for Scriptures in Syria is ever increasing; many people are looking to God and the Bible for hope.

The Bible Society works out of the three main cities: Aleppo, Tartous and Damascus.

Scriptures are delivered by local volunteers from churches to those who are in more rural areas and find it harder to access God's Word. Despite the dangers, knowing God is with them wherever they go, volunteers deliver Scriptures to those who need them.

## **A Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus**

Almighty and All-loving God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we pray to you through Christ the Healer for those who suffer from the Coronavirus Covid-19 in Ireland and across the world. We pray too for all who reach out to those who mourn the loss of each and every person who has died as a result of contracting the disease.

Give wisdom to policymakers, skill to researchers, comfort to everyone in distress and a sense of calm to us all in these days of uncertainty and distress.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who showed compassion to the outcast, acceptance to the rejected and love to those to whom no love was shown. Amen.

(Archbishop Michael Jackson, Dublin and Glendalough).

## **A Prayer for Healthcare Workers**

Thank you, our Father, that your love has been the spur which has sent men and women with medical training to many places where sickness and disease are endemic.

Strengthen them when they work long hours with little rest.

Guide them when they lack equipment and medicines.

Sustain them when they are tired. Encourage them when they are depressed.

Protect them when they are in danger. Augment their skills with your healing power.

That their loving service may bear witness to the Saviour who brings wholeness to a sick world. Amen. (*Michael Seward*).

# No hugs or cuddles!

How life has changed in the 10 weeks of lockdown! Before lockdown we would have seen all our grandchildren, Robyn-Emily, Lily, James and Rowan, at some stage practically every day. This usually involved chats, playtime, colouring-in, storytimes, cartoons and taking wee trips out for coffee (adults only!) and a wee buns for the kids!

**Plenty of hugs and cuddles! Then .....!!**

Our 5th grandchild, Daniel, was born on the 21st April! He was a healthy 9lb 5ozs! In the past we took an active role of looking after the siblings while mum and baby stayed in hospital. We usually visited as a family the next day to celebrate the birth! This time mum was all alone and dad only allowed in to pick them up to bring them home!

**No hugs or cuddles!**

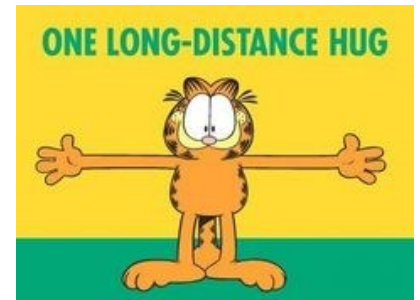
Our 4th grandchild, Rowan, was 1 year old on 28th May. Whilst we had no birthday party we did have a BBQ in our garden, all socially distanced!

**No hugs or cuddles!**

Our 2nd grandchild Lily had her 6th birthday with a socially distanced birthday party, close family and two friends, in the park followed by a drive by, in an empty car park, with her school pals calling out of their car windows and tooting car horns!

**No hugs or cuddles!**

**Linda & Robert McGonigle**



## LOCKDOWN!!

Life has changed a lot for everyone since March. I have had no school to go to, no Church to attend and no Rugby to play. I miss seeing all my school friends and my teacher Mr Torrens. I had to miss out on my P7 Primary School trip to Boreatton Park that we had all been looking forward to! I keep myself busy doing my school work, reading and going walks with my family. My mum and dad bought me a new Mountain Bike so I have been enjoying going to St Columb's Park and going off road. It is lots of fun and helps me to do my daily exercise too.

The thing I miss most of all is The Cathedral Choir. I have been a Chorister since I was 6 years old and miss coming to choir rehearsals on Thursday and Friday and singing in Church every Sunday. I miss Dr Collins and all my choir friends and hope we can all be together soon and back singing in the Choir.

**By Elliot McClintock Aged 11**

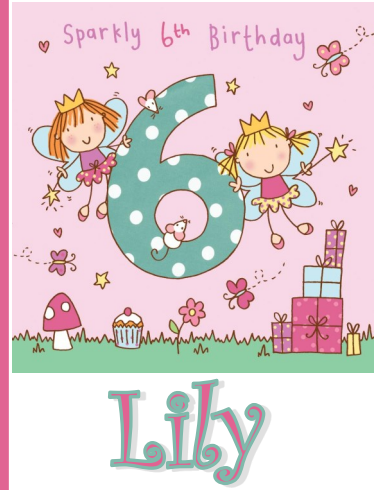
The things I miss the most during lockdown have been School and singing in the Choir. I miss going to school each day to see my friends and my teachers. I also miss playing rugby at School. I have been keeping busy at home doing my school work. I have learnt to make scones and banana bread and I help my mum and dad around the house especially in the garden. I miss my weekly piano lessons with Nicky at St Columb's School of Music. Just before lockdown I had started to learn to play the guitar and was enjoying learning a new instrument. I am lucky that I live opposite my Nanny and Grandad so I can still see them but miss giving them hugs. I have been able to spend lots of time with my cat Pepper so that is one good thing about being at home so much. I really look forward to coming back to Church someday. I miss singing in the Cathedral Choir every Sunday and miss all my friends in the Choir and all the fun we had together.

**By Clark McClintock Aged 10**





Happy 96th  
 Birthday  
 Mum  
 on the  
 20th June  
 Love from  
 all the family x



Lots of love  
 from  
 Mum & Dad  
 James  
 Daniel  
 Granny  
 Granda  
 and all the  
 family



Lots of love  
 from Mum  
 Katie Mark  
 Granny  
 Granda and  
 all the  
 family



A special happy  
 birthday to a  
 very special man.  
 Lots of love from  
 us all

★ **HAPPY** ★  
**BIRTHDAY!**

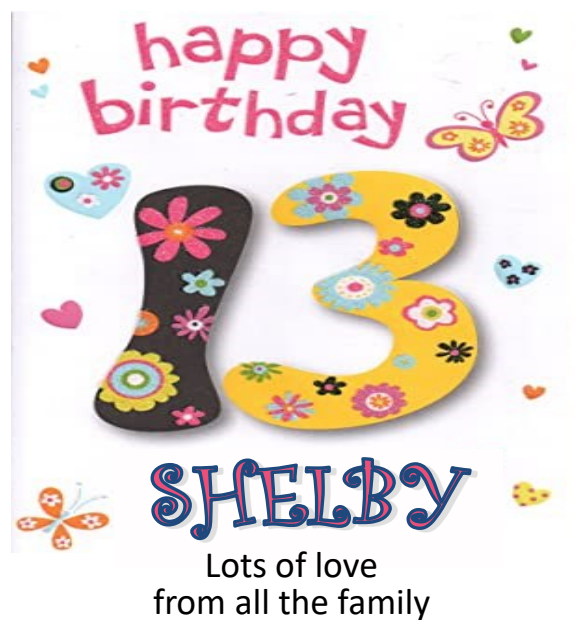
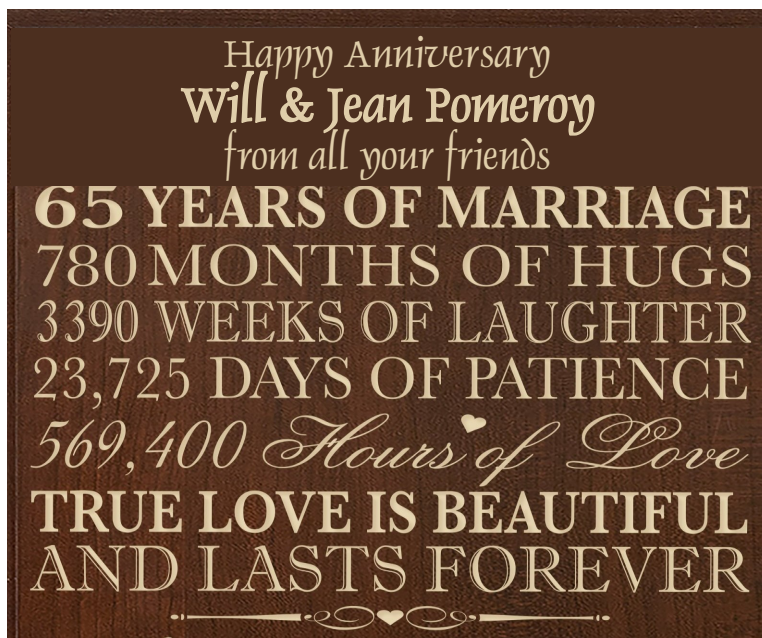
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Freddie McIntosh  
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 Jake Hewitt



Kate McCorkell  
 on the 30th June  
 from  
 Brandon, Molly  
 and  
 Finn Bell





## Chapter News

This is the time of the year when many of the ordained clergy are celebrating the anniversary of their ordination as deacons or priests.



# Ordination Anniversaries

We offer our congratulations to **The Venerable Robert Miller** and to **The Reverend Canon Paul Whittaker**, both of whom were ordained in 1995 and will celebrate the **25<sup>th</sup>** anniversary of their ordination this month.

To **The Very Reverend Raymond Stewart** and to **The Reverend Canon Sam McVeigh**, both of whom were ordained priest in Saint John's Church, Killowen Parish, Coleraine by The Right Reverend Robin Eames, Bishop of Down and Dromore, on The Feast Day of Saint Columba 9<sup>th</sup> June 1980 and who will celebrate the **40<sup>th</sup>** anniversary of their ordination this month.

And to **The Reverend Canon Walter Quill** who was ordained on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1960 and who will celebrate the **60<sup>th</sup>** anniversary of his ordination this month.

The Public Health Agency in Northern Ireland has put together a super comprehensive booklet providing advice for people who have experienced a bereavement during the COVID-19 pandemic period.

Two other booklets are also available in this series – one dealing with practicalities and the other a children's story helping children to cope with the death of a loved one. These excellent resources can be downloaded at <https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/publications/covid-19-bereavement-resources>

Grief and bereavement during the COVID-19 pandemic

Supporting yourself and others



# *With Heartfelt Sympathy*

## **Crawford**

We remember Nancy Crawford and her family and all of the relatives of **(The Venerable) Thomas Henry Crawford** who died recently in Canada.

Archdeacon Tom Crawford was one of three deacons who were ordained in Saint Columb's Cathedral on 7<sup>th</sup> July 1957. He was ordained for the Curacy of Saint Augustine's Church, Londonderry where he served until 1959 when he emigrated to Canada. The other deacons were **Edward Davison Houston** who was ordained for the Curacy of The Parish of Conwal Union, Letterkenny, with Gartan where he served until 1959 when he emigrated to India and **David Cecil Orr** who was ordained for the Curacy of The Parish of Drumragh (Omagh) with Mountfield, 1957-1960.

## **Eakin**

We remember Jack Eakin and his family – John and his wife Hazel and Peter and his wife Anne - and all of the relatives of **Deirdre Eakin** (nee Boal), Main Street, Claudy who died, peacefully, at Altnagelvin Hospital, Londonderry on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

We, also, remember Deirdre's and Jack's grandson Joel and Deirdre's sister Maureen Boal. We, also, remember the family of Deirdre's sisters Kathleen Way (deceased) and Oonagh Nicholas (deceased) and of her brother Desmond (deceased).

The Dean, Canon John Merrick and the parishioners of The Parish of Templemore (Saint Columb's Cathedral) also express their sincere sympathy to Deirdre's sister Maureen Boal, Limavady Road, Londonderry who has been bereaved by the death of her three sisters since February.

## **Wells**

We remember Doreen Wells and her family - Alison and John - and all of the relatives of **Michael Joseph Wells**, Weston, Bath, England who died, peacefully, at the Royal United Hospital, Bath on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

We also remember Michael's brother Leslie and sister-in-law Sharon Wells, Ashburn Avenue, Londonderry and their daughter Laura and her son Toby in Belfast, and Michael's sister Margaret and brother-in-law John Robinson in Londonderry.

Also the family of Michael's sisters Ormonde (deceased) and Marion (deceased).

Mike was known for his beautiful singing voice, humility, warmth and kindness.

He will be forever missed by all his family and wide circle of friends.

*Those we love don't go away,  
they walk beside us everyday.  
Unseen, unheard, but always  
near, so loved,  
so missed, so very dear.*

— Anonymous



# IN MEMORIAM

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<b>In loving memory of our uncle, Bishop James Mehaffey</b> From 'The Heaney' Family	100.00
<b>In appreciation of the support provided by Archdeacon Robert Miller to the late Anne Heaney</b> From Linda & The Heaney Family	100.00
<b>In loving memory of my wife Helen Walker</b> From Raymond, Family & Grandchildren	100.00
<b>In loving memory of a dearly loved son, brother, brother-in-law, uncle and great uncle, Kieron Moore</b> From mum Aimiee & all the Family	100.00
<b>In memory of Ken Wilson</b> From Roy & Frances Colhoun	25.00
<b>Thanksgiving for my 83rd birthday in June and my son Gary's 53rd birthday in July</b> From Mrs Betty Gallagher (nee Majilton)	100.00
<b>In memory of Mrs Deirdre Eakin</b> From Gwen & David Higgins	25.00
From Aimiee Moore	20.00
From Muriel Hamilton	20.00
<b>In memory of Mrs Kathleen Way, Mrs Oonagh Nicholas and Mrs Deirdre Eakin</b> From Lil Wilson	50.00
<b>In loving memory of Mrs Deirdre Eakin and in thankful remembrance of many years of friendship with the Eakin and Boal families</b> From John Colhoun	30.00
<b>In memory of my sister Isabel Dickson</b> From Georgina	100.00
<b>In memory of Mrs Oonagh Nicholas</b> From Georgina Dunseith	25.00
<b>In memory of Mrs Deirdre Eakin</b> From Georgina Dunseith	25.00
<b>In memory of Mr Kenneth Wilson</b> From Georgina Dunseith	25.00
<b>Happy memories of my dear husband David, parents John &amp; Martha McBride, brother Christopher and all other family members who have passed away</b> From Mrs Jeanette Warke	100.00
<b>Thankoffering</b>	500.00
<b>In memory of Isabel Dickson</b> From Trevor & Janice McGlinchey	10.00
<b>Saint Columb's Cathedral Choir Association</b> From Mr John Colhoun	20.00

<b>SUNDAY SERVICES:</b>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>(1st &amp; 3rd Sunday of the month) Choral Eucharist</b>
		<b>(2nd &amp; 4th Sunday of the month) Choral Matins</b>
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b>
<b>4th SUNDAY:</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Family Service</b>
<b>EACH TUESDAY:</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

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