

# *Saint Columb's Cathedral Magazine*



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**The Dean  
writes**.....



**Dear Parishioners and Friends**

In my lifetime, so far, I have had the opportunity and the privilege of having visited the Holy Land (The Land of the Holy One) on two occasions; in 1983 and in 1992. If circumstances had been different and there had been peace in Israel/Palestine in November 2023 I, along with my wife, sister-in-law and other people from The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe and beyond, would have made that pilgrimage again. Those trips that I made in the past were very memorable experiences and I still have vivid memories of the places that I visited and of the sights and sounds that I saw and heard. So many of the places associated with Jesus that we read about in the Gospels became living places for me.

One of the places that I visited on previous occasions was **The Via Dolorosa (The Way of Sorrows)** in Jerusalem. It is believed that this is the route that Jesus was forced to take as He went to Calvary, the place of His execution.

Today, the Via Dolorosa is a busy, bustling, narrow thoroughfare where stall holders ply their wares, where people jostle for the best space and where the noise of people talking and shouting is quite deafening.

In reading the evangelists' accounts of the last days and hours of Jesus' life I get a sense of what it must have been like for Him as He was pushed and shoved by the soldiers, taunted by the people who were standing along the route, and forced to carry part of the Cross to Calvary.

Having experienced at first hand some of the drama of The Via Dolorosa as it is today I can almost feel a part of the action as it unfolded for Jesus over 2,000 years ago.

The Passion Narrative in the Gospels is a 'must-read' during Holy Week.

Let's be honest – it is not an easy read because it focuses on the Suffering and Death of Jesus. In the narrative we read about the arrest, the trials, the questioning, the beatings and, finally, about the humiliating death on the Cross watched by people who found some kind of warped satisfaction in seeing an innocent man die.

It is not an easy read, but it is one that we must read because it reminds each one of us of what Jesus suffered, of why Jesus suffered and for whom Jesus suffered and died.

**Jesus suffered and died to take away the sins of the world.**

**Jesus suffered and died so that you and I could have a relationship with God.**

**Jesus suffered and died for ME.**

Such was His love for you and for me that He willingly, voluntarily, walked to His death.

The evangelist John records these moving words from the lips of Jesus;

**Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.**

(Saint John 15: 13).

As we read (or re-read) the familiar words of Scripture again this year let us remember the example and expression of divine love and resolve to love, follow and obey our blessed Saviour in every way.

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;**

**love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

(Verse 4 of Hymn 247 (When I survey the wondrous cross)).

Written by Isaac Watts and based on Galatians 6: 14 and Philippians 3: 7-8

Yours sincerely

*Raymond Stewart*

# St Patrick's Day Traffic Arrangements

As St Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday this year, there may be some slight disruption to our 4:00pm Evensong Service. See details below and hopefully this will be minimal. The Parade will setup and depart from Bishop Street Carpark at 3.00pm and make its way to finish on Strand Road. There will be a partial Carpark Closure in place in Bishop Street Carpark which will be only in the upper section, so parishioners should not be impacted for the 11:00am morning service. It is envisaged the Bishop Street Car Park area should be clear by 4.00pm, but this will depend on a punctual starting time! There will be no road closures in place and normal traffic rules will apply.

## CHAPTER NEWS

The Preacher at Choral Eucharist (Order Two) at 11.00 a.m. on SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2024 will be The Reverend Canon Katie McAteer, Pastoral Director, The Grouped Parishes of Christ Church, Londonderry, Culmore, Muff and Saint Peter, Londonderry.

## THE GENERAL VESTRY

A meeting of the General Vestry of The Parish of Templemore (Saint Columb's Cathedral, Londonderry) will be held in The Chapter House of Saint Columb's Cathedral on MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

## SERVICE OF DEDICATION

A Service of Dedication for churchwardens, glebewardens and Select Vestries in the Derry Rural Deanery will be held in All Saints' Church, Clooney, Londonderry on SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024 at 7.00 p.m.

The Preacher will be The Reverend Canon Katie McAteer, Pastoral Director, The Grouped Parishes of Christ Church, Londonderry, Culmore, Muff and Saint Peter, Londonderry.

## LENT 2024

There will be a devotional service  
(An Order for Compline – BCP page 154-161)  
with an Address on each Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m.

## LENT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

The Dean will conduct a series of talks during Lent.  
The series on The Miracles of Jesus will be held in The Parish Office  
on Wednesday afternoons at 2.45 p.m.

- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024 –  
The Miracle of the Feeding of the 5,000 (Saint John 6: 1-14)  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 –  
The Miracle of the Wedding Feast at Cana of Galilee (Saint John 2: 1-11)  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 –  
A man is brought to Jesus by his friends (Saint Mark 2: 1-12)  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024 –  
The healing of blind Bartimaeus (Saint Mark 10: 46-52)  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 –  
The calming of the Storm at Sea (Saint Mark 4: 36-41)





Sunday School has successfully moved to the Diocesan Centre which is a beautiful building! The children now have their own tables right beside the breakfast bar. We have juice and biscuits (sorry mum's). The children will have to remember their folders and they will take home the worksheets they have completed that morning.

Our numbers have definitely taken a hit and we do love to see you all. A big thanks to Katie, who has completed her Access NI, and her helper Sam. The awesome duo definitely add their own flair to teaching. It's a pleasure to watch the interaction between them and the younger children.

Well done to everyone for readings, prayers. Thank you Alesha for stepping in at the last minute and thank you to Mark and Ben. We are now working towards Mothering Sunday and will be sharing some of our work on Sunday 10th March. Then we all look forward to Easter.

### MARCH

- 3rd Sunday School meets in The Diocesan Centre
- 10th Mothering Sunday Service with The Rite of Holy Baptism
- 17th Saint Patrick's Day
- 24th Palm Sunday
- 31st Easter Sunday

## Confirmation 2024

**The Right Reverend Andrew Forster, Bishop of The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe, will (DV) visit Saint Columb's Cathedral on SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2024 (The Feast Day of Saint Columba) at 11.00 a.m. to administer The Rite of Confirmation. Please pray for Ewan Copestake, Ellen Duffy, Sean Graydon, Robbie Hamilton, Freddie McIntosh and Wendy Jackson.**

Confirmation classes will take place on the following Sundays in the Chapter House immediately after the 11am service.

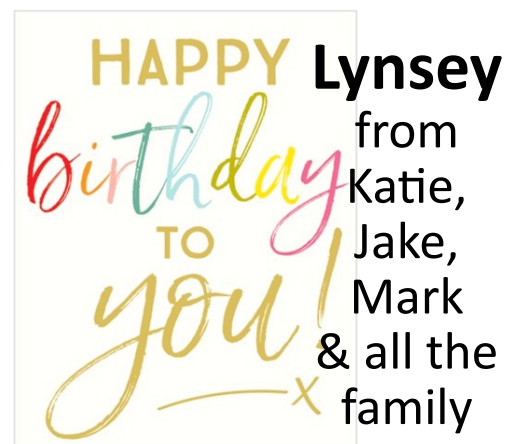
April	May	June
7th	5th	2nd
14th	12th	7th – Rehearsal 4pm (Friday)
21st	19th	9th - The Rite of Confirmation 11am
28th	26th	



**Ben McLaughlin**



Sam, Elliot & Joseph would like to thank everyone who supported the retiring offering on Sunday 25th February. A sum of £370 was donated and shared equally. We also had our Table Quiz which had 32 teams which included family and friends. It is great to see so many supporting our young students. We look forward to hearing all about the trip from the teens on their return from America.



# THE FELLOWSHIP OF CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

Derry/Donegal Reflection Morning

SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2024

Saint Peter's Church, Culmore Road, Londonderry

Witness: The Reverend Canon George Irwin

10.00 a.m. Tea/Coffee in Choir Vestry  
10.30 a.m. First Contemplation  
11.30 a.m. – 11.45 a.m. Break, in silence  
11.45 a.m. Second Contemplation  
1.00 p.m. Contemplative Communion  
1.30 p.m. Lunch

Contemplations focus on a saying of God or of Jesus

**Everyone is welcome**

## THE REVEREND CANON DAVID CROOKS

We send our congratulations and very best wishes to The Reverend Canon David Crooks who on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March will celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his institution as Incumbent of The Parishes of Taughboyne with Craighadooish, Newtowncunningham and Killea. He was instituted to the incumbency of these parishes on 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 1984.

It is believed that Canon Crooks is the longest serving incumbent in the whole of The Church of Ireland.



## THE MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club, affiliated to First Derry Presbyterian Church, will meet on THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 at 7.30 p.m. in the Lower Lecture Hall of First Derry Presbyterian Church. The speaker will be The Reverend Dr Stephen Skuce and his talk is entitled 'Towards understanding Israel/Palestine today'.

It will be a most interesting and informative talk. All men around the City and surrounding area will be made most welcome, so please come along and bring your friends.

Light refreshments will be available after the talk.

## SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT PATRICK

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Order One) in Bishop William Alexander Chapel  
11.00 a.m. Choral Eucharist (Order One)  
4.00 p.m. Evensong (said)

## FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024 / WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation – led by women – which enables us to hear the thoughts of those women from all parts of the world. This year the Service has been compiled by the Christian Women of Palestine.

**NOTE: In the Foyle area the Service was held in Saint Peter's Church, Culmore Road, Londonderry on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 at 7.30 p.m.**

## Tourism and Volunteer Co-ordinator - Expression of Interest

An application has been made for grant aid to create a 6-month self-employed post as a Tourism and Volunteer Co-ordinator for the Summer opening hours in the Cathedral in 2024. This is a request for an expression of interest from anyone in our Parish who feels they might be interested, but it is important to stress the post will only be subject to funding becoming available. Should you be interested, and for further details please contact Robert McGonigle at **07794 666754 robert@stcolumbs.net**



As I write this I am looking out at daffodils, those welcome signs of Spring but they are dancing in a cold wind! Hopefully by the time you are reading this the temperature will have increased. I think many of us were glad that our February meeting was held via Zoom and we did not have to brave the cold and dark.

And we could wear our comfy trousers and slippers!

Our speaker was Kelley Bermingham who is a Pioneer Evangelist attached to St Brigid's Cathedral in Kildare. St Brigid's Day is on 1st February and Kelley gave us a timely and fascinating presentation about the Saint, her history and how she inspires and influences us today. This was an open meeting and we were delighted to share the fellowship with our friends.

Our Worldwide meeting is also open to all. This is on Tuesday 19th March in Glendermott Hall at 8 pm when the speakers will be Reverend Johnny and Mrs Emily Lowden who will talk about their visit to Burundi last May, so do come and support them if you can.

The next branch meeting will be on Tuesday 26th March after the 7.30 pm Holy Week service in the Cathedral.

### **MU Making a Difference - Spotlight on the Mothers' Union Literacy & Agriculture Programme in Democratic Republic of Congo**



*Katungu Zawadi, 22 years old, married to Kefa Tumusime, they have one child David.*

'I joined Mothers' Union as a member and shortly after they introduced this savings programme in my parish. It has been a real blessing to me, and I've become empowered through being part of this savings group called Baraka meaning "Blessings". I am so thankful to God and to Mothers' Union.

I have so much joy because this savings group has been a real blessing to me. It has allowed me to save with hope. We are in our first cycle of savings and I'm looking forward to getting all the money I've saved and starting a new cycle in the coming months. I've used a loan from the group to help with my business of making and selling mandazi, (small doughnuts). I also sell peanuts and female shoes. With my businesses I can now pay for my household needs and food, buy new clothes and now I'm working towards setting up a tailoring business too where I'll have more than one machine and have enough for buying materials and equipping my tailoring workshop. My prayer is that soon my tailoring workshop will be well equipped and one day I will be able to have my own enterprise and help other women to be independent.

My life has not been easy up to this point. I was born in a big family. When I was seven years old, my older brother took me from my parents to take care of me. He paid school fees from primary three up to secondary school. He is an Anglican pastor. He supported me yes, but not for all needs, his wife loved me too. However, in my life I never had a hug from my mother or father, only my family in law when I got married, they showed me the good way of love and to have joy and hope. Also, through my savings group my relationship with other members has been improved. We now study the Bible together, we share our lives together and we pray together. This has changed my life.'

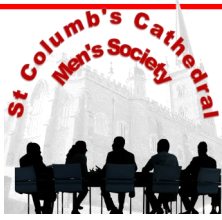


## **THE SELECT VESTRY**

A meeting of the Select Vestry will be held in Cathedral House, No 1 St Columb's Court on **TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024** at 7.30 p.m.

## **THE CATHEDRAL MAGAZINE**

Notes / Articles for the April 2024 issue of the Cathedral Magazine are due by **SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**.



The Men's Society met in Cathedral House on 20<sup>th</sup> February at 7:30pm when Captain Bill McCann delivered a talk on the operation of Foyleport. As part of his presentation Bill showed a very informative video of the working processes, followed by a most interesting Powerpoint presentation. This was really well received by all the members and the follow up of questions was testament to the interest generated.

Our next meeting will be in Cathedral House on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March when Dr Keith Munroe will talk about his great aunt, [Greta Cousins](#), who was a pioneer of the Suffragette Movement and the first female Chief Justice in India.



The Youth Club once again is fully operational offering many new programmes for all age groups. Our classes are aimed at all age groups as we are aware that at this time of year people can get a bit down and feel isolated. For those who use Facebook we have all programmes on view but for anyone who prefers I have listed classes and contact number (028 7126 0483).

### Monday

10.30am - 12.30pm Women Into Irish History Facilitated by Trevor Temple. A great opportunity to learn about local Irish History of all aspects, good banter and meet new friends.  
After Schools Drop In for Juniors and Seniors 2.00pm - 8.00pm.  
Programmes both Educational and Recreational.

### Tuesday

Tai - Chi 1.30pm - 2.30pm. Look Good Feel Good Six-week programme. All Welcome.  
After Schools Homework Tuition and Support Club Primary and High School age group.  
Tips on using your Air Fryer 5.00pm - 7.00pm. Four-week programme for Adults.

### Wednesday

Praxis Adult Group 10.00am - 3.00pm. Workshops for people with disabilities.  
Drop in After School Craft workshops and games 2.00pm - 8.00pm  
Guitar Lessons Facilitated by Norman Rosborough. Suitable for beginners 4.30pm - 5.30pm  
Can't Cook, Won't Cook for young people 6.00pm - 8.00pm

### Thursday

Jo Jingles Mother and Toddler 12.30pm - 1.30pm  
Adults Art Class Facilitated by David Faghey. Well known artist. 11.00am - 1.00pm  
After Schools Fun in The MUGA. 4.00pm - Young people's Crafts and music 6.00pm - 8.00pm  
Craft Classes adults 7.00pm - 9.00pm A wide variety of classes regarding Crochet, knitting, needlework, glass painting, and Basket Making.

### Friday

Essential Skills ICT 10.00am - 12 noon Facilitated by North West Regional College  
Friday Fry - Seven Piece treat for the small price of £5 (I includes tea / coffee)  
Art delights with Asma age 4years - 8years.  
Monday to Thursday all young people enjoy a Tea Time disco and treats 5.30pm - 6.30pm.  
Our Cafe Davy's Diner is open daily from 11.00am - 2.00pm. Come along and enjoy a treat.  
We encourage everyone to come along and enjoy these programmes.

Regards  
Jeanette

## Winners of The Chelsea Garden Gold Award



## HOSPITAL / NURSING HOME ADMISSIONS



If you or a relative is admitted to, or discharged from, hospitals or nursing homes please let Dean Raymond Stewart 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 a hospital or a nursing home if the Chaplain notifies us or if you or a relative notifies us. Thank you for your co-operation.



# Oliver - 20th March 2024 - 23rd March 2024

We wish some of our Cathedral Choristers, and all who are involved in the LMS Production of Oliver, the very best as they prepare for their live shows in March!

We are proud of our Choristers, David (Oliver), Ben, Daniel & Robyn-Emily and would highly recommend buying a ticket for one of the shows.

You can buy tickets from the Millennium Forum Box Office.

028 7126 4455



## It's Early!

Easter is never on time and this year it is early!

As we only have a few weeks to get ready for the most important event in the church calendar a plan is needed. The plan is to have several cleaning days in the Cathedral on **13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> March**.

We need your help. If we have enough volunteers we may only need two days. For those who are good at vacuuming please bring your machines. We have dusters, *wood silk* for the wood, a mop, and a cup of tea.



Decorating of the Cathedral for Easter will take place on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2024** and as it must be done in the one day. We would really appreciate all the help we can get, to fetch and carry and arrange. If you have spring flowers to donate that would be much appreciated and can be left in

the Cathedral on Friday if that is suitable for you. We had some lovely surprises last year and look forward to what arrives this year.

**Elizabeth & Doreen**

Congratulations to  
Patrick & Natasha Morton  
on the birth of their baby boy, Alfie





Templemore Mothers' Union invites you to a



**SATURDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

in

The Diocesan Centre, London Street

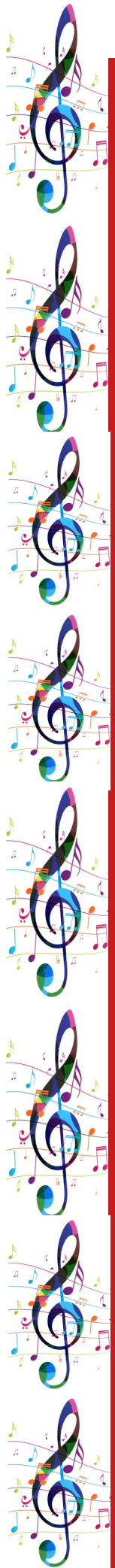
**10.30am-12.30pm**



**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families  
The Dioceses of Derry & Raphoe

**PROCEEDS to MUMS in MAY 2024**

# Music List March 2024



<p>Sunday 3 11am</p> <p>4pm</p>	<p>The Third Sunday in Lent Choral Eucharist (Order Two) The Cathedral Girls' Choir and The Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir Communion Service, John Rutter Be still for the presence of the Lord, arr. David Evans</p> <p>Choral Evensong The Cathedral Chamber Choir Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in D major, Richard Ayleward Expectans expectavi, Charles Wood</p>
<p>Sunday 10 11am</p> <p>4pm</p>	<p>The Fourth Sunday in Lent - Mothering Sunday A Family Service with The Rite of Holy Baptism The Cathedral Choir A Clare Benediction, John Rutter</p> <p>Choral Evensong The Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in C minor, George Dyson Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Thomas Tallis</p>
<p>Sunday 17 11am</p> <p>4pm</p>	<p>The Feast Day of Saint Patrick -The Fifth Sunday in Lent (Passiontide) Choral Eucharist (Order One) The Cathedral Girls' Choir and The Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir Holy Communion in F major, John Ireland The King of Love, Henry Coleman Evensong (said)</p>
<p>Sunday 24 11am</p> <p>4pm</p>	<p>The Sixth Sunday in Lent - Palm Sunday The Passion of our Lord The Cathedral Choir Benedictus, Harold Darke Steal away, arr. John Barnard Were you there, arr. Francis Westbrook God so loved the world, John Stainer</p> <p>Choral Evensong The Cathedral Choir Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in G by Herbert Sumsion Anthem Thou knowest Lord by Henry Purcell.</p>
<p>Thursday 28 7.30pm</p>	<p>Maundy Thursday Choral Eucharist of the Last Supper (Order Two) The Cathedral Chamber Choir Missa Brevis, Palestrina Ave verum corpus , William Byrd</p>
<p>Friday 29 2pm</p> <p>7.30pm</p>	<p>Good Friday An Hour at the Cross The Cathedral Choir Pie Jesu, Gabriel Faure Steal away to Jesus, arr. John Barnard</p> <p>The Passion and Death of our Lord The Cathedral Choir Agnus Dei, Charles Wood Reproaches, John Sanders Nunc Dimittis in F major, George Dyson</p>
<p>Sunday 31 11am</p> <p>4pm</p>	<p>The First Sunday of Easter - Easter Day Festival Choral Eucharist (Order Two) The Cathedral Girls' Choir and The Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir Easter Joy, Andrew Carter Festival Eucharist, Noel Rawsthorne Easter Song of Praise, Richard Shephard</p> <p>Festival Choral Evensong with The Rite of Holy Baptism The Cathedral Choristers Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in A major, Henry Ley The Lord bless you and keep you, John Rutter</p>



# HOLY WEEK

2024

24<sup>th</sup> March - 31<sup>st</sup> March



## SERVICES



### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March / The Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)**

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Order One) in Bishop William Alexander Chapel
- 11.00 a.m. The Passion of our Lord: A Liturgy of Readings, Hymns and Anthems for Palm Sunday
- 4.00 p.m. Choral Evensong

### **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March / Monday in Holy Week**

- 10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Order One) in Bishop William Alexander Chapel
- 7.30 p.m. An Order for Compline

### **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March / Tuesday in Holy Week**

- 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Order Two) with intercessions for the sick
- 7.30 p.m. An Order for Compline

### **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March / Wednesday in Holy Week**

- 10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Order One) in Bishop William Alexander Chapel
- 7.30 p.m. A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March / Maundy Thursday**

- 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Order One) in Bishop William Alexander Chapel
- 7.30 p.m. Choral Eucharist of the Last Supper

### **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March / Good Friday**

- 10.30 a.m. The Litany in Bishop William Alexander Chapel
- 2.00 p.m. 'An Hour at the Cross' – Meditations on the Suffering and Passion of our Lord
- 3.30 p.m. An Act of Worship at the graves of Archbishop William and Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander at The City Cemetery, Londonderry
- 7.30 p.m. A Liturgy of Hymns, Anthems and Readings on the Passion and Death of our Lord

### **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March / Easter Eve**

- 10.30 a.m. Ante-Communion in Bishop William Alexander Chapel

### **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March / The First Sunday of Easter (Easter Day)**

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Order One) with hymns
- 11.00 a.m. Festival Choral Eucharist (Order Two)  
The Right Reverend Andrew Forster,  
Bishop of The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe
- 4.00 p.m. Festival Choral Evensong with The Rite of Holy Baptism



# Bible Readings for March 2024

<b>DAY</b>	<b>READING</b>	<b>THEME</b>
Friday 1	Revelation 19:6-9	The Bride of Christ
Saturday 2	Revelation 21:1-7	The plan complete
Sunday 3	Nehemiah 1:1-2:10	A broken city
Monday 4	Nehemiah 2:11-3:5	Making Plans
Tuesday 5	Nehemiah 3:6-21	Working together
Wednesday 6	Nehemiah 4:1-18	Opposition surfaces
Thursday 7	Nehemiah 5:1-19	Helping those in need
Friday 8	Nehemiah 6:1-19	Opposition and false rumours
Saturday 9	Nehemiah 7:1-7, 70-73	A gathering
Sunday 10	Nehemiah 8:1-18	Ezra reads the law
Monday 11	Nehemiah 9:1-8, 32-38	A time of repentance
Tuesday 12	Nehemiah 10:28-39	An agreement reached
Wednesday 13	Nehemiah 11;1-4, 20-36	The settlers
Thursday 14	Nehemiah 12:27-47	A service of dedication
Friday 15	Nehemiah 13:1-14	Nehemiah's reforms
Saturday 16	Nehemiah 13:15-30	In those days
Sunday 17	Mark 5:1-20	Jesus calls us by name in times of struggle
Monday 18	Mark 5:21-43	When we feel like we don't belong
Tuesday 19	Mark 6:1-6	Changes: sometimes difficult, yet needed
Wednesday 20	Mark 6:7-13	He sent them two by two
Thursday 21	Mark 6:14-29	The brutal death of John the Baptist
Friday 22	Mark 6:30-44	Our world needs small, loving actions
Saturday 23	Mark 6:45-56	Take heart; God is there
Sunday 24	Mark 11:1-11	Jesus defies public expectations
Monday 25	Mark 11:15-25	Jesus clears barriers to the temple
Tuesday 26	Mark 14:1-9	Jesus anointed at Bethany
Wednesday 27	Mark 14:10-26	The last Supper and its promises
Thursday 28	Mark 14:32-52	Jesus distressed in Gethsemane
Friday 29	Mark 15:21-41	The death of Jesus
Saturday 30	Mark 15:42-47	Jesus is buried
Sunday 31	John 20:1-10	Out of darkness



# THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office is read in Bishop William Alexander Chapel,  
Monday – Friday, 10-30 a.m.

**Monday: Morning Prayer. Wednesday: Morning Prayer. Thursday: Morning Prayer.  
Friday: The Litany.**

**The Tuesday morning service of Holy Communion (Order Two)  
with intercessions for the sick is celebrated in the main aisle of the Cathedral.**

**Holy Communion on Saints' days and holy days  
is celebrated in Bishop William Alexander Chapel.**

## Foyle Hospice Volunteer Minibus Drivers Needed

This role will involve transporting patients to and from their homes to our Day Hospice. We are looking for someone who has a friendly and compassionate nature and can spare a few hours each week.

The role will also require you to hold Category D1 on your driving licence and an Enhanced Access NI check will be required.

If you think this is something which interests you or you would like more information, please get in touch with Rachael Osbourne, Volunteer Co-ordinator,

**(028) 7135 1010 or email [rachael@foylehospice.com](mailto:rachael@foylehospice.com)**



### THE LEPROSY MISSION PRAYER

Almighty Father, the giver of life and health, look mercifully on those who suffer from leprosy. Stretch out your hand to touch and heal them as Jesus did during His earthly life.

Grant wisdom and insight to those who are seeking the prevention and cure of the disease.

Give skill and sympathy to those who minister to the patients.

Reunite the separated with their family and friends.

And inspire your people with the task set before The Leprosy Mission that it may never lack the staff or the means to carry on its healing work in accordance with your will and to the glory of your holy name. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

### THE CHURCH MISSION SOCIETY PRAYER

May the God of Light shine brightly on the CMSI family, bringing blessing to – and through – staff, volunteers, members, mission personnel and Global Partners.

May the God of Life bring hope and renewal to those living in despair, in the places where CMSI's partners work.

May the God of Love bring healing and transformation to churches and individuals in Ireland as they encounter Him afresh and engage in His work of mission.

May the God of Peace and Justice reign in our world.

May His Kingdom come on earth as in heaven. **Amen.**

# **PARTNERS IN PRAYER 2024**

**FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024 / WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2024 / THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**The Church of The Province of Uganda**

The Most Reverend Stephen Kaziimba, Archbishop of Uganda;  
Bishop of The Diocese of Mityana.

**The Church of Ireland**

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

**The Diocese of Clogher.** The Right Reverend Ian Ellis.

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

**The Parishes of Dungiven and Bovevagh.** The Reverend Mark Loney, Rector.

**MISSION FOCUS – THE BIBLE SOCIETY IN NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Now into its third year of distribution ‘Bibles for Babies’ provides children with Bibles in Northern Ireland. Already more than 3000 homes have received a Toddler Bible when their child turned One.**

**Participants will also receive birthday cards on their 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Birthdays and a Children’s Bible on their 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday.**

The project has also gathered a committed group of volunteers who meet to wrap Bibles, write cards and pray for the families of the little ones each Thursday at The Bible Society in Northern Ireland offices in Belfast. Volunteers have benefitted from getting to know new people and also impacting families all over Northern Ireland.

We believe that it is important to read the Bible every day and this project equips families to build the habit of Bible reading into their own routine.

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (MOTHERING SUNDAY)**

**The Church of Ireland**

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

**The Diocese of Clogher.** The Right Reverend Ian Ellis.

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

**The Parishes of Balteagh, Carrick, Tamlaghtard and Aghanloo.**

The Reverend Rhys Jones, Rector.

**MISSION FOCUS**

**CHURCH MISSION SOCIETY IRELAND MISSION PARTNERS IN TRAINING**

**Pray for The Reverend Andrew and Mrs Joanne Quill as they depart Northern Ireland and travel to South Sudan to begin their mission partner service in Ibba Diocese.**

Pray for courage and resilience as they say farewell to their adult children, parents and extended family.

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

**THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT PATRICK / THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT (PASSIONTIDE)**

**The Church in Wales**

The Most Reverend Andy John, Archbishop of Wales;  
Bishop of The Diocese of Bangor.



**The Church of Ireland**

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

**The Diocese of Clogher.** The Right Reverend Ian Ellis.

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

**The Parish of Tamlaghtfinlagan (Ballykelly) and Myroe.**

The Reverend Canon Harold Given, Rector.

**MISSION FOCUS – THE LEPROSY MISSION IN SUDAN**

**At the time of writing (October 2023), things in Sudan are very uncertain. There have been three months of conflict between forces within the military and there are limited signs of this changing.**

**By the time that you read this we can pray that this may have changed but we cannot know.**

Pray for people who need treatment for leprosy in Sudan.

Supplies of multi drug therapy (the antibiotics that cure leprosy) in Sudan stopped when the conflict started. Stopping treatment like this can lead to complications and preventable impairments.

Pray for all of these patients. Pray that they will receive the treatment that they need soon.

**TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT JOSEPH OF NAZARETH**

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

**THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT / PALM SUNDAY**

**The Church of The Province of West Africa**

The Most Reverend Cyril Kobina Ben-Smith,  
Primate of The Church of The Province of West Africa;  
Bishop of The Diocese of Asante-Mampong.

**The Church of Ireland**

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

**The Diocese of Clogher.** The Right Reverend Ian Ellis.

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

**The Parish of Drumachose (Limavady)**

The Reverend Canon Aonghus Mayes, Rector.  
The Reverend Andrew Neill, Curate-assistant.

**MISSION FOCUS – CHURCH MISSION SOCIETY IN KENYA**

**Eastern Kenya is experiencing alarming levels of heavy rain, with the weather pattern following recent El Nino conditions.** While rains are welcome after the 3-year drought, the intensity can lead to flooding, threaten lives and induce widespread displacements.

**MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK**

**TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK**

**WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK**

**THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / GOOD FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 / EASTER EVE**

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024**

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER / EASTER DAY**

**The Church in The Province of The West Indies**

The Most Reverend Howard Gregory,  
Primate of The Church in The Province of The West Indies;  
Bishop of The Diocese of Jamaica and The Cayman Islands.

**The Church of Ireland**

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

**The Diocese of Clogher.** The Right Reverend Ian Ellis.

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

**The Parishes of Castlerock and Dunboe**

The Reverend Chris Mac Bruithin, Rector. Ms McCall Gilfillan, Diocesan Reader.

**MISSION FOCUS – THE LEPROSY MISSION IN NIGERIA**

**TLM Nigeria works in collaboration with the Government of Nigeria to support the control of leprosy, Neglected Tropical Diseases, and the consequences of these diseases on affected populations in Nigeria.**

TLM Nigeria implements various projects across several States of Nigeria. **Pray that, through these projects, persons and communities affected by leprosy and disabilities would be positively impacted and truly transformed to live life in all its fullness.**

**THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024 / THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria**

The Most Reverend Samy Fawzy, Archbishop of Alexandria; Bishop of The Diocese of Egypt.

**The Church of Ireland**

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

**The Diocese of Connor.** The Right Reverend George Davison.

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

**The Parish of Killowen, Coleraine**

The Reverend Donard Collins, Rector.

Mrs Val Bleakley and Mr Victor Carson, Diocesan Readers.

**MISSION FOCUS – THE BIBLE SOCIETY IN THE PHILIPPINES**

**This project supports 'Bible Learning Groups' across the Philippines.**

Groups of believers meet to listen to audio Bibles and to discuss the passages heard. They are then provided with Scriptures to allow them more independent study at home on their own.

Many Christians in the Philippines have grown closer to God through listening to audio Bibles and having the opportunity to discuss together. The **'Faith Comes by Hearing'** project is available in the 8 major languages of the Philippines as people improve their own knowledge of God as well as their literacy skills at the same time.

The relationship between The Philippines Bible Society and churches across the country has improved because of these groups. Ministers are able to use the material to encourage their congregations to learn more of the Bible.



## *With Heartfelt Sympathy*

### **WHITE**

We remember Frances White and her sons, Samuel and Charles, and all of the relatives of **(The Very Reverend Dr) Stephen Ross White** who died in England on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. Stephen was Curate-assistant in Redcar, Diocese of York (1985-1988); Priest-in-Charge of The Parishes of Gweedore (Bunbeg) with Carrickfin, and Templecrone (Dungloe) (1988-1993); Rector of The Parishes of Raphoe (Saint Eunan's Cathedral), Raymochy (Manorcunningham) and Clonleigh (Lifford), and Dean of Raphoe (1993-2002); Dean of Killaloe and Clonfert (2002-2012) when he returned to parish ministry in England.

### **DICKSON**

We remember the family, relatives and all of the friends of **Miss Caroline Dickson**, Fahan, County Donegal and Derry City who died on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Caroline was a much loved cousin, fondly and sadly missed by her many friends, colleagues and her beloved Fahan community.

Caroline was the Diocesan Architect of The Dioceses of Derry and Raphoe for forty years.

### **DOHERTY**

We remember the family and all of the relatives of **Mr Billy Doherty**, Whitecastle, Quigley's Point, County Donegal who died, peacefully at his home, on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February. We remember Billy's brother Ken and sister-in-law Joan Doherty, Londonderry.

### **MARSHALL**

We remember the family and all of the relatives of **Mrs Margaret Dorothy Marshall** (nee Hamilton), Abbeydale, Waterside, Londonderry who died, peacefully at Altnagelvin Hospital, Londonderry on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

Dorothy was the beloved wife of the late Samuel (Sammy) Marshall; a much loved mother of Ruth and Lynn; a loving mother-in-law of Peter; a devoted grannie of Jonathan (Rosalynn) and Laura (Patrick), and a dearest great-grannie of Charlie, Jack, Ryan and Olivia. She was a cherished sister of Nina and of the late Samuel, Elizabeth, Martha and Clarke. Dorothy was an aunt by marriage of Doreen Sidebottom, Clearwater, Londonderry to whom, and to whose husband Peter and their family, we also express our sympathy.

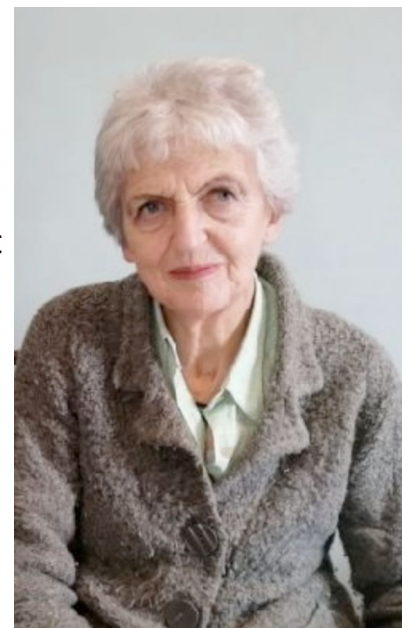
## **CAROLINE DICKSON**

Saint Columb's Cathedral was saddened to hear of the passing of Caroline Dickson, who until recently was the Diocesan Architect, overseeing work on many churches throughout Derry, Tyrone and Donegal. She oversaw many projects in Saint Columb's Cathedral, including the 1986 restoration and more recently as an advisor for the Deanery Restoration in 2017. She was meticulous in all her works always maintaining the highest standards for the built heritage. Caroline was a most gracious lady whose opinion was often sought, and her advice followed. She was actively working until recently from her office in Clarendon Street.

Miss Dickson retired from her diocesan role last year after 40 years' service. Throughout those four decades, she worked diligently on the Diocese's behalf, displaying formidable expertise when it came to working on buildings of great historical significance.

Last year, at the Diocesan Synod, a special presentation was made to Miss Dickson by Bishop Andrew Forster to acknowledge the outstanding service she had given to Derry and Raphoe.

She will be greatly missed by her many friends throughout the Diocese and Raphoe, especially at her home area of Fahan and Bunrana.





# In Memoriam

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<b>In loving memory of Aubrey Fielding</b>	
From Elizabeth, and the families of Stephen, John, Andrew & James	2,000.00
<b>In memory of my late brother Aubrey, who went to claim his great reward on 16th January 2024</b>	
From Maurice & Eileen Fielding	300.00
<b>In memory of Aubrey D Fielding—Captain of the Tower</b>	
From The Cathedral Bellringers	200.00
<b>In memory of Aubrey Dukes Fielding M.B.E.</b>	
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His presence and gentle guidance will be greatly missed.	100.00
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<b>In memory of Norma Glenn</b>	
From Trevor & Sylvia Cadden	50.00
<b>In loving memory of my dear wife, Carmel</b>	
From John McClelland	500.00

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This will be reflected in the information supplied in the 'In Memoriam' page in future issues of the magazine, with names of those who have donated shown, but no individual amounts beside their name. Only the total amount of all donations will be entered.

Updated GDPR consent forms will be made available to all parishioners during March, and also to those donating from outside the Parish. The completed and signed forms should be returned as soon as possible and this will allow names of those who have given permission to be included in future.

The form will also ask permission to use data such as contact details, receipt of ongoing events by email, post, telephone. This is a work in progress, and we would apologise for any inconvenience this will cause in the short term.

We ask for your full cooperation during this process and thank you in anticipation.



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# Saint Columb's Cathedral

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**11.00 am (1st & 3rd Sunday of the month) Choral Eucharist**  
**(2nd Sunday of the month) Choral Matins**  
**4.00 pm Choral Evensong**  
**4th SUNDAY: 11.00 am Family Service**  
**EACH TUESDAY: 10.30 am Holy Communion**

**Services held Monday to Friday at 10.30 am**

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