

CROSSROADS

St Ignatius and St Andrew

June 2015

Parish Magazine



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Dear Friends

Several of my friends and acquaintances are fascinated with trains and railways. It is an interesting hobby (for *them*) and one which keeps them endlessly amused. Perhaps it is the power of the locomotive or the longevity of the tracks: whatever it is, a "Railway Enthusiast" is a breed unto itself.

The railways they love are generally railways of the past: show them an engine driven by steam or a carriage with a polished wooden finish, or an old timetable with turned up corners and they exude happiness. Listen in with some of them for a few moments and the conversation will turn to the best location to identify rolling stock, or the best website to research railway companies. It is all another world.

For most of us, a railway is a means of being transported from somewhere a few miles from A to somewhere a few miles closer to B. (That description effectively explains the *weakness* in the railways system, but that's for another day!)

For many people the perception they have of Christians with Faith is quite like their view of Railway Enthusiasts: harmless for the most part, a little bit odd perhaps, and certainly not to be taken too seriously. When we become preoccupied with the past, overly focussed on the engines/buildings rather than their purpose, many people will want to give us a wide berth.

As you share your faith this summer, you can do so by simply asking where the timetable for worship is in your location, or better, by speaking about the power which brings you through your journey, i.e. Jesus, your strong and caring friend. But when you do it, let people know that it is not the paraphernalia of religion that you love, but the person who inspires you to live and love and serve, even Jesus Christ.

It's not easy but - between ourselves - I'd rather be a follower of the Saviour who saves than just an engine which heads down a track. And for the many Christians who are both followers and enthusiasts. . . don't let your passion for Choo-Choos overwhelm your passion for Jesus!

Stephen



Carryduff Sunday School

7 June Trip to Funtastic.

We will meet by attending church as usual at 10.30am and, during our Sunday School time, we will walk to Funtastic for some fun activities. The children can be collected from Funtastic after the church service at approx 12.00. Please let us know if you wish your child to attend the outing.

14 June

Sunday School as normal followed by Parish Picnic

21 June Prize giving during the Children's Day Service.

Well done and a big thank you to everyone who contributed to the Sunday School project. We raised an amazing £78. The children thought a lot about their donation to Send a Cow, and have decided to 'send':

a goat, a little donkey, a tip tap, food for a child, and, wait for it, not 1 but 3 chickens!!

Well done children, you have made great choices!

NB There will be no Sunday School on 28 June or during the summer months. Sunday School will start again on 6th September.

We hope you have a good summer and we are looking forward to seeing you all again in September. **Olwen and Jill**

Mothers' Union

Recently, a convoy of cars left the church car park en route to Mountstewart House and Gardens. We were blessed with fine weather and spirits were high.

We were not disappointed with the recent restorations of the house or the colourful spring planting in the gardens. On to Harrison's of Greyabbey where we had a lovely view of Scrabo Tower and across Strangford Lough to the Mournes.

Our meal was delicious and we were well looked after. The afternoon was very enjoyable and particular thanks are due to our intrepid chauffeurs and to Joan and Pamela.

I am sure you would like to join me in congratulating our fellow member, Mrs. Lowry, on her recent 95th birthday celebrations.

Our next meeting is on 3rd September at 8p.m. We will have a bring and buy sale to boost our funds, and our speaker on this occasion is Miss Nicky Kells, who will talk to us of her work with excluded children. I hope all our members have a safe and refreshing summer break and I look forward to seeing you again at our meetings in the autumn.

Mary Hewitt



Crossroads 2015 Meet James Boyd

for Him **you**

Ladies Coffee Morning

We have arranged our 4th Ladies Coffee Morning at Rockmount Golf Club on Saturday, 20th June at 10.30am. Revd. James Boyd, who is leading our Mission in October, will speak to us. This is a great opportunity to meet James informally and to welcome him to Killaney and Carryduff. The morning is open to all ladies from both parishes and their friends.

The cost for tea/coffee & scones is £3.50.

To facilitate catering, tickets can be purchased from Florence Coulter in Killaney, or Liz Fleming/Marlene Moore in Carryduff.

The Men's Breakfast

We've heard of James Boyd: the man who is coming to speak to us in October at CROSSROADS 2015. Now you get a first chance to meet him!

James is really looking forward to meeting people from Killaney and Carryduff and his first opportunity is at the Men's Breakfast on Saturday 20th June from 8.30 am.

James will meet with us while we eat and then give a short introduction to himself and what matters to him. We gather at Woodlawn, at the Maple Restaurant from 8.30 am and will be finished for 9.30: please bring £5 towards the cost or, if bringing a friend, £10 to include them! Please "book" in the Jeremy Taylor Chapel or St Andrew's Warden's Table or by text/email to Stephen: 07834584932

St Ignatius' Golf Society

The golf season is now in full swing with a successful outing on a fine spring day in April at Whitehead Golf Club when we played for the first time. We had an excellent turn out of twenty eight members and guests, which is a record for recent years. At the time of writing we are looking forward to the May outing at Carnalea Golf Club.

We will be returning to Spa Golf Club in July, which is "home" for ten of our members. Golfers of all standards are welcome to join us at Spa or at any of the remaining outings.

Thu 18 June

Spa @ 1.30pm

Thu 23 July

Lurgan @ 1.30pm

Wed 19 August

Kilkeel @ 1.30 pm

Thu 17 September

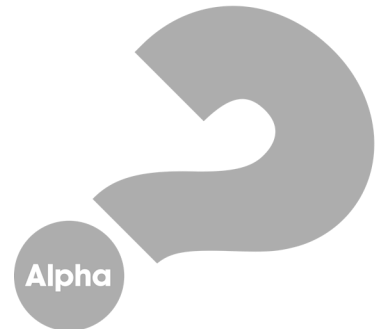
Clandeboye (Ava) @ 1.30pm

Wesley McCamley (Secretary)

Alpha Course

The Alpha Course continues into June and we encourage those who have been attending to continue to do so for a few more weeks. The complete course is between eleven and fourteen sessions long and by mid June we will have covered more than half of them.

With numbers attending varying between sixteen and twelve, the Course, so far, has been a success. Hearing afresh - or for the first time - the basic Christian understanding of life, the course gives participants the chance to air their faith and their doubt without fear of criticism. It is a safe space.



The speakers this year are those presenting this spring's course at Holy Trinity Brompton, and well produced videos of their talks provide the content of the evenings.

Thanks to everyone who participated this year: We hope you are discovering a little bit more about Jesus, the Alpha and Omega!

Nepal Appeals: Carryduff and Killaney

With the tragic earthquake in Nepal the parishes launched two appeals for urgent help.

Carryduff

Christian Aid was the charity through which Carryduff parishioners were encouraged to give. Grants were given from the Vestry's "Outreach Fund" towards the work of Bible Society, Habitat for Humanity and Christian Aid. At the time of writing we do not have the figure of the amount of plate-giving but wish to thank parishioners for their generosity through this and any other means they used to help the people of Nepal. We thank David Riddell for giving us some first hand information. *Stephen*

Killaney

As the Northern Ireland Representative of the Gurkha Welfare Trust I wish to thank our rector, the Church Wardens and the Select Vestry for permitting an appeal over two Sundays on behalf of the above Trust following the disaster in Nepal. The appeal to date has raised a magnificent £1,475 plus Gift Aid of £347. This money is not being used exclusively for the benefit of Gurkha veterans and their widows but is available to all those in need.

The Trust maintains 22 Area Welfare Centres throughout the affected area staffed by male & female doctors, nurses and administrative staff, who are ex-Gurkha soldiers. Sadly, one of the centres was destroyed in the earthquake but now operates from a tent.

The death toll is now in excess of 8,000 with 12,000 injured, and the infrastructure is badly damaged.

Relief Packs, sourced within Nepal and costing £33 each are being distributed. They consist of a tarpaulin, two blankets, two bedrolls, packets of noodles and biscuits and basic cooking utensils. On behalf of the Gurkha Welfare Trust may I thank all those who contributed in such a generous manner, not only in Saint Andrew's and the Boardmills and Carryduff areas but also friends and neighbours. Money is still coming in and hopefully will reach £2,000 plus Gift Aid.

The situation has now moved from rescue to reconstruction. Whole villages have been destroyed and water pumps have been swept away. The monsoon is due in June therefore shelter is a priority.

To Quote the Director of GWT "We are in it for the long haul".

Terry Barbour.

NI. Representative, GWT.

J Club News

Belfast Community Gospel Choir Concert in April



Thank you to everyone who attended the event or made traybakes or buns. Proceeds in aid of J Club Groups funds

The Choir is returning in November 2016!!!

Make sure you don't miss it!

JClub Big Sleep Over in May

was a fantastic weekend of fun, food and worship.

June Programme

Friday 5th - Special children's fun night & worship

Sunday 7th - Leaders' end of year day out!

Friday 12th LAST DAY!

J Club outing to The Ark Open Farm

J Club Plus outing to Vertigo

New Leaders

J Club Group is currently looking for new leaders to join its large and amazing team from September. Applicants should be:

Junior Leaders 16yrs+

Senior Leaders 18yrs+

- Do you have a passion to work with children or young people
- Can you commit to two Friday evenings per month and any special events?
- Do you have a sense of fun and are you a team player?
- Do you feel you could bring something to the group?

If it's a YES!

Contact Keith Shaw

07901935205 or email

Keith_shaw@live.co.uk

Closing date for applications is FRIDAY 31ST JULY

J Club works under the guidelines of the Church of Ireland Safeguarding Trust.

J Club is hosting **African Children's Choir Special Christmas Concert**

On Friday 18th December

@ 7.30pm

at Carryduff Parish

more details later

Father's Day

21 June is Father's Day - time to celebrate male role models!

In the UK, USA and Canada, the third Sunday in June is Father's Day. It's a good time for sons and daughters to take their father to his favourite restaurant, or to watch a favourite sport, or whatever else he enjoys doing.

How will you celebrate it this year? If your own father cannot be with you, is there a 'spare' father somewhere in your church or your circle of friends whose children cannot be with him, and who would welcome some special treat on the day?

How do these special days ever get started, anyway? Well, Father's Day began because way back in 1909 there was a woman in Spokane, Washington, named Sonora Louise Smart Dodd. That year she heard a church sermon about the merits of setting aside a day to honour one's mother. Mother's Day was just beginning to gather widespread attention in the United States at this time. But Sonora Louise Smart Dodd knew that it was her father who had selflessly raised herself and her five siblings by himself after their mother had died in childbirth. So the sermon on mothers gave Sonora Louise the idea to petition for a day to honour fathers, and in particular, her own father, William Jackson Smart.

Sonora Louise soon set about planning the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane in 1910. With support from the Spokane Ministerial Association and the YMCA, her efforts paid off, and a 'Father's Day' was appointed. Sonora Louise had wanted Father's Day to be on the first Sunday in June (since that was her father's birthday), but the city council didn't have time to approve it until later in the month. And so on June 19, 1910, the first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane.

Gradually, other people in other cities caught on and started celebrating their fathers, too. The rose was selected as the official Father's Day flower. Some people began to wear a white rose to honour a father who was dead, and a red one to honour a father who was living. Finally, in 1972, President Richard Nixon signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day - a permanent, national holiday.

Today, Father's Day is a great time to celebrate any sort of male role models, like uncles or grandfathers, as well as dads. Certainly Father's Day has become a day for greetings card companies to rejoice, and sales of the most popular gifts for Dad (shirts, ties, and electric razors) increase considerably. Perhaps most telling of all, though, is how children continue to see their fathers: in America, for example, more 'collect calls' to home are recorded on Father's Day than on any other day of the year!

Christian AID Lunch CONNECT

Those of you who were able to attend the Christian Aid Anniversary Soup Lunch on Thursday 14th May, will be aware that it was a great success with approximately 50 volunteers and friends sharing lunch over a two hour period, and contributing over £270 to Christian Aid's 70th anniversary. This was in addition to money raised from local door-to-door collections.

A special thank you must go to Danny Todd, who proposed this joint-venture, and his team of helpers who made it all run smoothly and successfully, and to everyone who supported the event. This was the first time Christian Aid and Connect worked together for such an event.

Thank you all for your support and contributions to Christian Aid.

Harry Foster



Smile Lines 😊

Miscellaneous observations on life

The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once. - Nash

I had some words with my wife, and she had some paragraphs with me. - Sigmund Freud

I took the wife's family out for tea and biscuits. They weren't too happy about having to give blood though. - Les Dawson

Love is grand; divorce is a hundred grand.

Everybody talks about the weather, but nobody does anything about it.

I had a ploughman's lunch the other day. He wasn't very happy about it.

South Sudan by *Liz Fleming*

On April 28th, my friends and I, who went to Maridi in December last year, made our way to Ballymoney to attend a meeting called, 'South Sudan in Focus. We met up with a gathering of people who had been to South Sudan, or were planning to go there in the near future. The meeting was held under the auspices of CMSI.

Rev. Andrew Sweeney, Rector of St Patrick's Church, opened the proceedings with a welcome and an opening prayer. Jenny Smyth, the new CEO of CMSI in Northern Ireland, told us about the current situation in South Sudan. Since the breakdown of the peace talks in March, there have been sporadic clashes between the warring factions, and several attempts to calm things down. There are several splinter groups, too many to remember, so I won't confuse you by trying. Instead I will tell you of some snippets which stuck in my mind.

- Bishop Hilary of Yei Diocese in SSudan, and his wife were the victims of an armed robbery in their house. They were tied up and were about to be shot. Bishop Hilary said to his wife, "Let's prepare ourselves for death", and they began to pray together. The soldiers decided to shut them in their bedroom instead of killing them because one of the soldiers had understood what the Bishop had said to his wife.
- King Hussein of Jordan said that Christians are the glue that holds the Middle East together.
- Two students, one a Dinka and the other a Nuer (two tribes which have been sworn enemies for generations), were studying for a Theological exam. They told their classmates that, according to tradition, they should be killing each other. Instead, they had decided to work together.
- A woman was fleeing from conflict, when her husband said to her, "Go to the church in Maridi. There you will find the love of Christ."
- There is a move afoot among the powers that be in South Sudan, to have the Church involved in the peace talks, as that is the only chance of lasting peace.

Although the picture is bleak in South Sudan, you can see that there is a realisation that God and His church are still working there. May we suggest you remember the people of South Sudan in your prayers: here are some suggested areas for prayer:

Please Pray

- for courage for the pastors who speak God's word into the present situations
- for compassion to respond to the overwhelming suffering
- for the peace talks, and the inclusion of representatives of Christianity to be involved in the talks
- for the school, set up in Maridi for displaced children, that it would keep going and prosper for the hundreds of children displaced or orphaned in the fighting.

'The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.' Proverbs 18:10.

Partnership with Olo Diocese

We recently received pictures from our partners in Olo Diocese showing seven bicycles which they have purchased with money sent from Carryduff Parish.

When Liz was with them two bicycles were purchased, and then, when the Vestry sent a further £1000, another five (pictured with them) were bought. The Bishop of Olo, Tandema Obed Andrew, decided that this was the best use of these resources so that his clergy could access their parishioners more quickly than by



foot. We thank God that Olo has a leader who is decisive and sensitive to the needs of his people.

'Senior pastors', as the archdeacon calls them, have received the bicycles, including one for a female pastor (also pictured), Rural Dean, Lydia Amona, who serves in Nazareth Parish.

Writing to us, one of the clergy -

Archdeacon Alex Amvuti - said:

Thank you: we are very excited for your support, I think our Pastors will speed up their pastoral work this year smoothly with the few bicycles they have received. It is our prayer that God may continue to bless you all for the wonderful thing you have done to us. Keep this spirit for ever for the glory of our living God".

CALENDAR

June 2015

Sunday 31 May

- 9:00 Holy Communion TWO in Carryduff
Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17
- 10:30 Morning Prayer TWO in Carryduff
- 12:00 Morning Prayer TWO in Killaney
Isaiah 6:1-8 John 3:1-17
- 6:30 ALPHA COURSE in Carryduff
"Why and How do I pray?" with Nicky Gumbel.

Trinity Sunday (White)

Monday 1 June

- 19:30 Select Vestry in Carryduff

Wednesday 3 June

- 10:30 Holy Communion in Carryduff
1 Peter 1:18-25 Mark 12:18-27

Friday 5th June

J Club: Children's Fun Night

Sunday 7 June

- 9:00 Holy Communion ONE in Carryduff
2 Corinthians 4:13-5: 1, Mark 3:20-35
- 10:30 Parish Communion in Carryduff *including*
Sunday school trip to Funtastic in Carryduff
- 12:00 Parish Communion in Killaney
2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5: 1 Mark 3:20-35
- 6:30 ALPHA COURSE in Carryduff
"Why and how should I read the bible?" with Paul Cowley.

Trinity 1 (Green)

Tuesday 9 June

- 19:30 Select Vestry in Killaney

Wednesday 10 June

- 10:30 Holy Communion in Carryduff
Micah 4.1-5, Romans 5.1-6, John 12.20-26

St Columba (White)

Friday 12th June

J Club: Outings to The Ark Open Farm and (J Club Plus) to Vertigo
Killaney Youth Club: Indoor & Outdoor games night

Sunday 14 June

- 9:00 Holy Communion TWO in Carryduff
2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17 Mark 4:26-34
- 10:30 Morning Prayer TWO in Carryduff
- 12:00 Morning Prayer TWO in Killaney

Trinity 2 (Green)

1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17
from 12:30 Parish Picnic in Delamont Park
6:30 ALPHA COURSE in Carryduff
"How does God guide us?" With Nicky Gumbel

Wednesday 17 June

Summer Magazine Materials to Church Office/Editor today
10:30 Holy Communion in Carryduff
2 Corinthians 9:6-11, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday 18 June

1:30 Golf Society tee-off at Spa Golf Club

Saturday 20th June

8.30 Men's Breakfast at Woodlawn Leisure: Maple Restaurant
We will eat from 8.45 am: James Boyd will introduce himself.
10.30 Ladies Coffee Morning at Rockmount Golf Club
Please come to hear James Boyd - our Mission 2015 speaker.
2.30 Killaney Youth Sponsored Walk at Delamont (collect 4.30)

Sunday 21 June

Trinity 3 (Green) FATHER'S DAY

9:00 Holy Communion TWO in Carryduff
2 Corinthians 6: 1-13 Mark 4: 35-41
10:30 Children's Day Service at Carryduff
Prize Giving for Carryduff Sunday School
12:00 Children's Day Service in Killaney
Prize Giving for Killaney Sunday School
6:30 ALPHA COURSE in Carryduff
Video in the Church, refreshments and discussion in hall.

Wednesday 24 June

Birth of St John the Baptist (White)

10:30 Holy Communion
Acts 13:14b-26 Luke 1:57-66, 80

Friday 26th June

11.00 Magazines for Summer made up and distributed
Evening Killaney Barbeque and Family Fun Night (details later)

Sunday 28 June

Trinity 4 (Green)

9:00 Holy Communion TWO in Carryduff
2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5: 21-43
10:30 Parish Communion in Carryduff
12:00 Parish Communion in Killaney
2 Corinthians 8: 7-15; Mark 5: 21-43
6:30 Evening Praise in Carryduff
Worship and Teaching

Killaney Rosters

Flowers; Marie Mack

Cleaning: Brian and Lynn McNeill

Welcome: Florence Coulter and

7,14 Valerie Shiels

21,28 Anne Mannis



A perfect summer day is when the birds are singing, the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing and the lawn mower is mowing!

Be with us at our table when we dine,
For all life's mercies, Lord, are gifts of thine.
Grant us thy blessings on our daily bread,
And over all our lives, thy radiance shed.

KILLANEY YOUTH

Coffee Morning & Cake Sale

A big thank you to all who supported our recent Coffee Morning and Cake Sale: over £600 was raised for Sunday School and Youth Group Funds.

Sunday School

Takes place each Sunday during worship. We encourage you to come every week. This month we have a Prize Giving for the children on Sunday 21st June at 12.00 as a key part of our morning service.

Youth Club Programme

Fri 12th June Youth Club

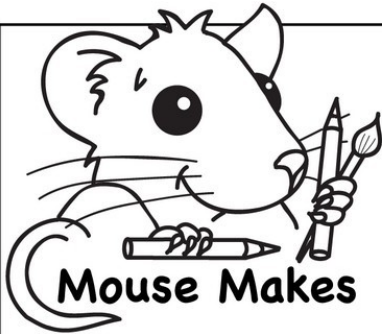
Indoor & Outdoor games at Killaney Parish Hall

Sat 20th June Youth Sponsored Walk/Picnic

Everyone is to meet in Delamont Forest Park at 2.30pm. Children will be ready for collection again at 4.30pm. Juice and snacks will be provided.

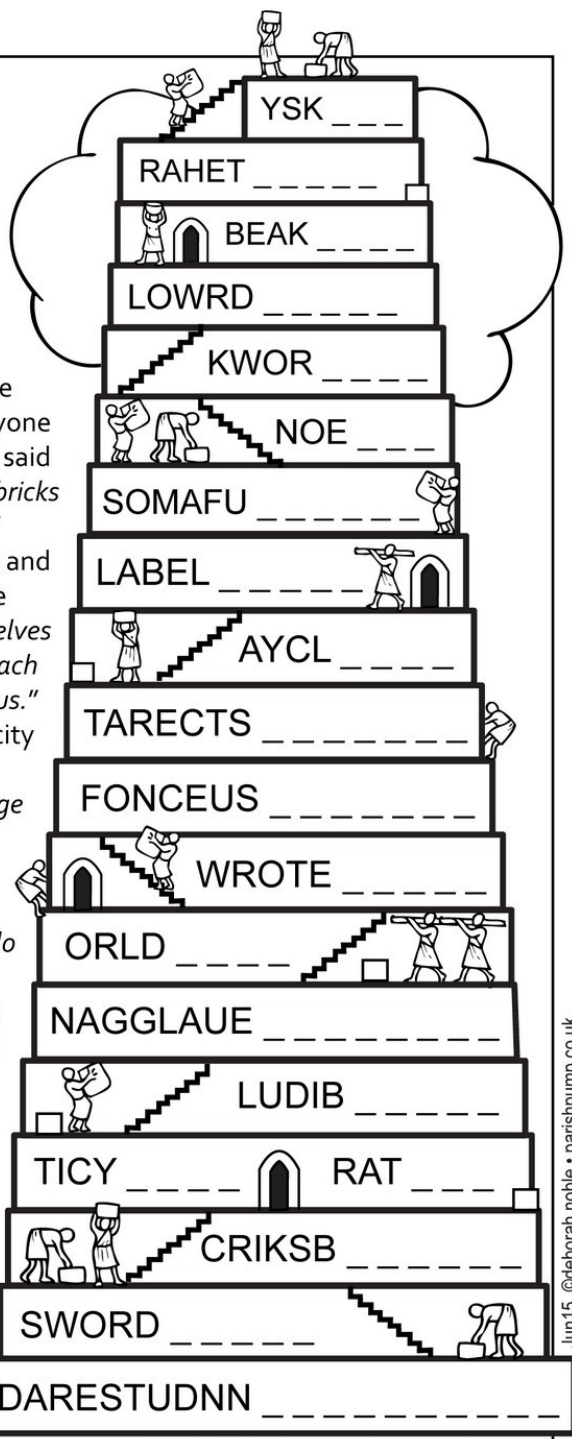
Fri 26th June Killaney Youth Family Fun Night

Barbeque and family fun night.
Arrangements to be confirmed.



Mouse Makes

There was a time when the whole world spoke one language. Everyone used the same words. Then they said to each other, "Let's make some bricks of clay and bake them in the fire." They used these bricks as stones and they used tar as mortar. Then the people said, "Let's build ourselves a city and a tower that will reach the sky, then we will be famous." The Lord came down to see the city and the tower and said, "These people all speak the same language and I see that they are joined together to do this work. This is only the beginning of what they can do, soon they will be able to do anything they want. Let's go down and confuse their language then they will not be able to understand each other." So people stopped building the city and the Lord scattered them all over the earth. That is the place where the Lord confused the language of the whole world. That is why it is called **Babel**.



Some words in the story have become jumbled up on the tower, can you unjumble them?



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J Club at Worship

We had an exciting morning as the young people of J Club and J Club PLUS connected with the congregation at St Ignatius' Church on 17th May.

Almost fifty children had spent the Saturday at the Praise Party in Moira, enjoyed a great evening of activities in the church hall, then spent a night on a supposed "sleep-over" in the halls - apparently the boys had a "stay-awake-over" instead.

On Sunday morning, after some time on the bouncy castles, and a tasty cooked breakfast, the tired children came into church for a service, which they introduced.

About ten members introduced sections of the service, read scriptures, and led prayers. With the help of leaders Keith, Amanda and Lindsay, the ideas of the J-club were described. Music was led by Pat on the organ and Kameron on the computer, and a lively happy service resulted. Well done everybody!

Did you know?

Large Print: Although the words of hymns and prayers are projected on screens at Carryduff, large print editions of the service are also available: please ask at the door as you arrive.

Refreshments: Every Sunday at Carryduff and once a month at Killaney the service is followed by free tea coffee and juice kindly provided by parishioners. If you would like a chance to chat with people this is a great opportunity. Volunteers to help are always welcome. Ask Keith or Anne.

Car Parks: The Car Parks are here to welcome visitors and regular worshippers: **well done** to the Vestry at Killaney for planning an extension at St Andrew's and to the Work Party at Carryduff for the great tidy up undertaken this spring already.

Here is . . .

The Bible in 50 words

God made
Adam bit
Noah arked
Abraham split
Joseph ruled
Jacob fooled
Bush talked
Moses balked
Pharaoh plagued
People walked
Sea divided
Tablets guided
Promise landed
Saul freaked
David peaked
Prophets warned
Jesus born
God walked
Love talked
Anger crucified
Hope died
Love rose
Spirit flamed
Word spread
God remained.
- anon



The Heart of Nepal

We probably know very little about the recently devastated country of Nepal and, more specifically, about its people and their quite primitive everyday life. We have all heard of the fearless Gurkha regiment of the British army, recruited from Nepal; and we might even know that the capital city is called Kathmandu.

We might also recall that Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world, is in Nepal. Yet this very name betrays something of our condescending colonial attitude towards this extraordinary country. The mountain was named after Sir George Everest, a retired former Surveyor General of India, who never even set eyes on it (its real and much more evocative Nepalese name was Sagarmatha).

Fortunately the original names of many other very challenging but less fashionable peaks still survive. Yet, how many people in the West would know of Churen Himal (24158 ft.) or Putha Hiunchuli (23800 ft.), or of the amazingly inaccessible Buddhist Monastery of Shey Gumpa which, at 15000 ft., is among the highest inhabited places on earth?

On travelling to Nepal we would find ourselves straying into an earlier century. Even before the dreadful earthquake of 25 April the town of Pokhara to the north west of Kathmandu (population 255,465) would appear to us as a ramshackle shanty town; a place already in need of good Samaritans. Then, just a little further west, lies the district of Gorkha - a cluster of scattered villages close to the epicentre of the earthquake and now a scene of total destruction.

The impact of the earthquake - and a second one on 12 May - is unimaginable. By 5 May a Nepalese army spokesman reckoned the known loss of life to be about 15,000, with many more still buried in rubble. The ultimate death toll could be much greater. But it isn't news anymore!

It might be instructive to recognise that the survivors include over eight million people who are now homeless and in immediate need of such basics as food, water and shelter. Eight million shattered lives! That figure represents over a quarter of the Nepalese population and, to put it more graphically, it also exceeds the entire population of the island of Ireland.

Yes, the whole disaster has disappeared from news bulletins; and we can readily forget all about it. However, if we are to respond to the implication of the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10 v.25-37) to “love your neighbour as yourself,” we ought to be actively concerned about these people. Jesus invites us to recognise that our neighbour includes everyone who is in need whether that be the elderly widow next door in the wheelchair or the family man round the corner just made redundant or the destitute victims of the Nepalese earthquakes.

It salves our conscience to some extent that there are Disaster Response Teams in Nepal and that we have played some part through our parish subscriptions to Christian Aid and Habitat for Humanity. But should we just leave it at that? I read recently of an expedition to the region near the Shey Gumpa monastery to study the habits of the bharal (the extraordinary Himalayan blue sheep) in which one of the party writes of an upland village woman “gathering the summer’s yak dung to dry and store as cooking fuel.”

Are the lives of such impoverished people less important than the lives of people like us in the West who live in such comfort? We could all at least increase our level of active support for the agencies striving against formidable odds to bring relief and a better quality of life to the Nepalese people in the wake of this terrifying natural disaster.

Denis Carson

Parish Picnic

Sunday 14th June from 12.30pm onwards

Delamont Country Park

Killyleagh, Co Down

All parishioners and friends are invited to join us after the morning service at Delamont for a picnic, BBQ, fellowship and lovely walks. Collect your free entry pass from the churchwardens or Susan/ Stephen Creber.

Make a note in your diary and enjoy a lovely summer’s afternoon beside Strangford Lough!

All are Welcome

Carryduff Rotas

9.00 Readers

7th Caroline Taylor
14th Mary Hewitt
21st David Patterson
28th Raymond Scott

10.30 Readers

7th Jim Gibb
14th Sandra Thomas
21st Lucy Ewing
28th Denis Carson

Weekly Refreshments

7th Barbara & Belle
14th No teas (Picnic)
21st Sunday School Teachers
28th Vera & Mary

Intercessions

7th Raymond Scott
14th Vera Lowry
21st Sunday School
28th Barbara Deane

Welcome Team

7th Ken & Barbara Fletcher
14th Ken & Fiona Ellis
21st Trevor & Marion Wilson
28th John & Jackie Mulholland

Keynote Operators

7th Fiona Ellis
14th Dave Nevin
21st Kameron Eralp
28th Jenny Montgomery

June Flowers

7th Grant family
14th Ken Ellis
21st Audrey Good
28th Jennifer Carson

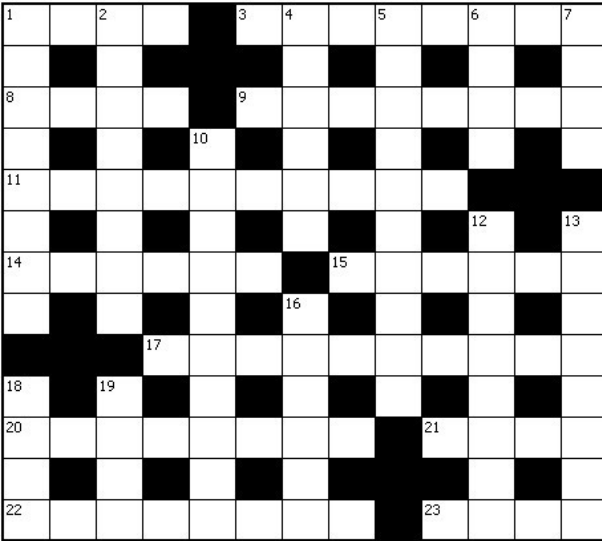
Communion Assistants

J McDowell Denis Carson

Discovery Gospel Choir

is a 30 member intercultural choir based in Dublin. It was founded in 2004 in St George's Church in Central Dublin when Rev Catherine Poulton was the Rector, as part of the Church of Ireland's 5-year Discovery Project - an initiative to welcome migrants and encourage social integration in Ireland. The Choir has now developed into an inter-denominational, professional choir.

On Sunday 14th June the Choir will perform in Down Cathedral at 3.30pm. We hope that this event will be well supported by all our Churches and friends and that you will bring your friends as part of our 2015 Mission Outreach. Admission is free for under 18's and a contribution of at least £5.00 from adults.



Across

- 1 See 23 Across
- 3 Where the thief on the cross was told he would be, with Jesus (Luke 23:43) (8)
- 8 Invalid (4)
- 9 Blasphemed (Ezekiel 36:20) (8)
- 11 Adhering to the letter of the law rather than its spirit (Philippians 3:6) (10)
- 14 Shut (Ecclesiastes 12:4) (6)
- 15 'This is how it will be with anyone who — up things for himself but is not rich towards God' (Luke 12:21) (6)
- 17 Mary on Isis (anag.) (10)
- 20 Agreement (Hebrews 9:15) (8)
- 21 Native of, say, Bangkok (4)
- 22 Deaf fort (anag.) (5-3)
- 23 and 1 Across 'The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of — to work it and take — of it' (Genesis 2:15) (4,4)

Down

- 1 Struggle between opposing forces (Habakkuk 1:3) (8)
- 2 James defined this as 'looking after orphans and widows in their distress and keeping oneself from being polluted by the world' (James 1:27) (8)
- 4 'The one I kiss is the man; — him' (Matthew 26:48) (6)
- 5 'Be joyful in hope, patient in —, faithful in prayer' (Romans 12:12) (10)
- 6 St Columba's burial place (4)
- 7 Swirling current of water (4)
- 10 Loyalty (Isaiah 19:18) (10)
- 12 'God was pleased through the foolishness of what was —, to save those who believe' (1 Corinthians 1:21) (8)
- 13 Camp where the angel of the Lord slew 185,000 men one night (2 Kings 19:35) (8)
- 16 'There is still — — — Jonathan; he is crippled in both feet' (2 Samuel 9:3) (1,3,2)
- 18 David Livingstone was one (4)
- 19 Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (1,1,1,1)

Answers on page 22

WOMAN AT THE WELL

By Helen Long

Jesus, the weary traveller,
At Jacob's well sits down;
He's come to slake his noontide
thirst,
And rest beyond the town.

A woman chances on the scene,
Samaritan by race,
She brings a jar for water,
And sees him in that place.

He slowly turns towards her,
Then asks her for a drink:
Aware that he is Jewish,
She knows not what to think.

'You're asking me for water?
But look, you are a Jew,
And sharing is forbidden
Between my kind and you...'

He holds her gaze so calmly,
His words so crystalline—
'If you but knew the gift of God,
You'd recognise this sign...

You don't know who you're
speaking to,
Or you'd have asked instead
To give you living water—
Your thirst would be allayed.'

'But where, Sir, is your bucket?
This well is very deep—
Where is that living water,
Of which you fondly speak?'

'When you've drunk from this water,
Your thirst will still remain,
But those who drink from me
will find
They never thirst again!

The water I will give them
Will be a lifelong spring,
Gushing to eternal life,
Transforming everything.'

'Oh give me, sir, this water,
That I may thirst no more,'
He tells her, 'Call your husband—
Then come back as before.'

'Alas, I have no husband!'
'You're right,' his voice is calm,
For five you've had, and you're not
married
To your latest man.'

'I see you are a prophet...
And now you're telling me
Jerusalem's the place to go,
To worship properly...

Our ancestors before us
Revered this holy place,
It goes right back to Jacob,
If heritage you trace...'

'You worship what you know not,
We worship what we know,
Salvation's coming from the
Jews—
You'll see it will be so...

A time is coming very soon,'
He says with solemn face,
When worship will not need to be
In either sacred place...

I tell you, God is spirit,
And those who worship him,
Must worship him in spirit,
His blessedness to win...

The Father asks us simply,
In old age, as in youth,
To be sincere and praise his name
In spirit and in truth.'

'I know Messiah's coming—
The one we long to see...'
And Jesus holds her with His gaze,
And tells her, I am he.'

PARISH REGISTER



Holy Matrimony

2nd May Sarah Small and Gary Bell, Killaney

Those whom God has joined together let no one put asunder

YOUR SUMMER HOROSCOPE

- Capricorn** (December 22nd-January 20th): The position of the stars and planets will not affect your life in any way whatsoever.
- Aquarius** (January 21st-February 19th): The position of the stars and planets will not affect your life in any way whatsoever.
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Crossword Answers: Across: 1 Care; 3 Paradise; 8 Null; 9 Profaned; 11 Legalistic; 14 Closed; 15 Stores; 17 Missionary; 20 Covenant; 21 Thai; 22 Trade-off; 023 Eden

Down 1 Conflict; 2 Religion; 4 Arrest; 5 Affliction; 6 Iona; 7 Eddy; 10 Allegiance; 12 Preached; 13 Assyrian; 16 A son of; 18 Scot; 19 DVLA

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