

Flowers on Mothering Sunday 11th March
Donkey visits on Palm Sunday 25th March

Dear Friends

Milestone or Millstone?

Before the rapid widening of roads in the 1960's most main thoroughfares had stone markers placed every few miles, which marked distances. They were called milestones. They indicated how far you were along your journey between the nearest regional towns. With each marker, you were a mile closer to your destination and a mile further from your starting point.

Milestones served a worthy purpose, answering the unspoken question, "Where am I?"

With the passing of years - when we become a teenager, enter our twenties, or reach retirement age - such milestones are an occasion for celebration. Recently, I reached 60 years of age and took my wife with me on a trip to Rome, a city we had both wanted to visit for many years. It was a fitting way to celebrate the milestone.

However, there is a down-side to such moments: people presume, and often say words out loud, to try to influence us. The words "You are a big boy, now, you shouldn't cry" can stop us expressing emotions easily, and the milestone becomes a millstone.

"Should you be doing that at your age?" can stop us in our tracks and make us behave sensibly and over-carefully, to the point that life loses its sense of adventure.

The most significant milestone for me was the day in my late childhood when I placed my trust and future into God's hands. It has helped define me ever since. It has been a stimulus to keep travelling on the journey, daring to believe in God. It is a constant reminder that my times are 'in his hands' and that whatever age I have reached, there are more miles to travel.



Deciding to follow Jesus, in response to God's love, was the milestone for me. Refusing to trust in our creator God can become a millstone, holding us back from enjoying his call and serving him.

Thank you for all the kind wishes as another milestone slips by!

Stephen



A milestone in South Sudan

Mothers' Union

Thursday 1st March promises to be an exciting evening at the Mothers' Union . Have you ever wondered if your "night time " routine is helping, or hindering your skin ? Our guest speaker, Shirley Kerr, will be there to help. She will be demonstrating an effective routine for your skin type using Body Shop products.



This will cover removal of make up, cleansing and moisturising. Everyone can get an opportunity to trial products. There will also be an opportunity to purchase products at the end of the demonstration. We will finish with a short epilogue, followed by supper.

Please join us in the Mitchell Room at 8:00 pm.

On Thursday 1st February Evelyn Briggs, Down and Dromore Overseas Representative, took us on a whistle stop tour of projects around the world, supported by MU. In 81 countries MU supports projects including health education, giving grants to start small businesses and literacy programmes. Closer to home, work includes supporting women in Hydebank prison, and the Women's Refuge in Bangor and Newry, supplying wash bags to local hospitals and a system of phone calls to support housebound members. Evelyn also shared memories and photos of some of the many overseas visitors who had enjoyed fellowship around her kitchen table.

Members are reminded that money to support the Overseas Fund will be collected at our March meeting.



Mrs Evelyn Briggs at Feb's MU

On Friday March 2nd the Women's World Day of Prayer Service takes place in Carryduff Presbyterian Church at 8:00 pm.

Everyone is invited to attend.

CONTEMPLATIVE ART FOR LENT

[Extracts from Sister Wendy Beckett, *The Art of Lent: A painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter*, (2017), Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge (SPCK), London.]

During our retreat to St Gall's, William kindly introduced us to *Lectio Divina* (the "divine" reading). The following extracts are from a book by Sister Wendy Beckett, *The Art of Lent*. They are both thought provoking and inspirational and may help as we read, reflect, pray and contemplate over the coming weeks. The book contains a diverse range of Western art, with reflective responses by Sister Wendy.

The Tower of Babel, c. 1563 Pieter Bruegel the Elder

(The Art of Lent: A painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter, p. 16)



What silence principally armours us against is Babel: the endless foolish chatter, words used to confound thought, words misused to ward off friendship or attachments, words as occupation. The biblical Babel was a metaphor for the loss of human ability to communicate as a consequence of the rise of different languages; but the foreignness of other tongues is a smokescreen. To express what one means, and to hear what another means: this is a rare thing. Babel is profoundly destructive of our energies, as

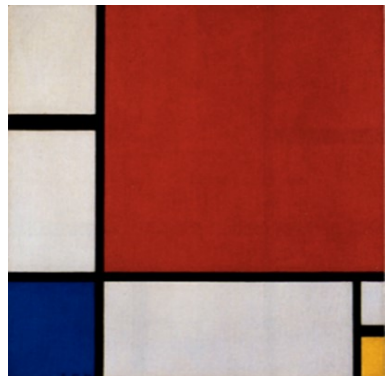
Bruegel so splendidly shows. This monstrous tower is consuming all who labour on or near it. We have an absolute need for quiet, for the heart's wordless resting on God.

Composition in Red, Yellow and Blue, 1930 Piet Mondrian

(The Art of Lent: A painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter, p. 40)

True peace, dependent on nothing external, and hence wholly steadfast, comes from an inner balance between desire and potential. As long as we hunger for what we cannot have and battle hopelessly against what must always defeat us, we are not at peace. In case this sounds discouraging, the point is that it is not so much that we cannot have all we desire - and more - but that we have to align our desires in the truth. Our spirit is too great for small and specific happinesses; our potential is infinite. The secret of peace is determining where this infinitude is, and here is where the need for balance becomes paramount.

In this painting Mondrian has used only three colours and a few black lines, and from their balance created a painting of the most subtle passion. Move a line or modify a rectangle, and the balance is lost and the painting becomes dull.



Holy Island from Lamlash, 1994 Craigie Aitchison
(*The Art of Lent: A painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter*, p. 14)

Profound silence is not something we fall into casually. This may indeed happen, and a blessed happening it is, but normally we choose to set aside a time and a place to enter into spiritual quietness. (Those who never do this, or shrink from it, run a very grave risk of remaining half-fulfilled as humans.) Craigie Aitchison's view of Holy Island pares this choice down to its fundamental simplicities. Brown earth, blue sea, red sky, Holy Island a stony grey lit by glory. There is a small ship to take us across, if we choose to ride in it. There are no fudging elements here: all is clear-cut. This is not silence itself but rather the desire for silence. Silence, being greater than the human psyche, cannot be compressed within our intellectual categories; it will always escape us. But the desire to be silent, the understanding of the absolute need for it: this is expressed in Aitchison's wonderful diagram of life within the sight of the holy.



Chasing the Butterfly, c. 1775-76 Thomas Gainsborough
(*The Art of Lent: A painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter*, p. 84)

Parental love is potentially its purest form, and may be the most painful. Gainsborough, whose marriage was unhappy, adored his two daughters, whom he called Molly and the Captain. Their mother's flawed psyche was inherited by both girls, and their father agonized over them all his life. Neither was to know happiness, and his many pictures of them show a sad foreknowledge of this. To leave those we love their independence, to accept that we cannot make their choices for them, that they cannot live by our hard-earned experience: this is part of love. We have to allow those dear to us to chase the butterfly, however convinced we are that it is uncatchable. We can never give the butterfly of happiness to another: each must catch it alone. For some, it will be ever elusive, and love must work within that painful understanding.



Carryduff Parish J Club

J Club is a wonderful group of children from P1 to P6 who meet on 3 Friday evenings a month and on one Sunday morning.

We have worship, group games, crafts, baking, tuck shop and lots more.

On the J Club Sunday we meet and take part in all age worship, enjoy refreshments and go on a short trip out afterwards, before arriving back at the halls at 2:00 pm.

Like your children to be a part of this?

Open from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm each Friday.

10:00 am to 2:00 pm on our Sunday Special once a month.

For information contact Group Leader: Elizabeth Maginn.



Carryduff Parish J Club Plus

J Club Plus is thrilled to have 20 plus teenagers attending each week.

When, in a lot of churches, we find numbers dropping off at around 12 years old, we are still growing.

I encourage you to thank God in your prayers for this. I also encourage you to pray as we currently seek a leader for this group.

We are seeking to find someone who has both a deep love for Jesus and a real “heart” for young people and their discipleship. We want to continue to grow both in number and in faith.

In the month of February, we arranged for the group to attend the Hub at Orangefield Presbyterian Church, run by Crown Jesus Ministries. There, hundreds of young people gathered for modern worship and, of course, a trip to McDonalds afterwards.

The leaders and young people had a wonderful evening and it was a real encouragement and blessing to everyone.

We hope to take the group to the forthcoming weekend away to Castlewellaan Castle from 9th - 11th March run by Down and Dromore Youth Department

It will be pumped full of activities like laser tag and canoeing, along with other outdoor adventures and the ultra competitive, 'Girls vs Boys' Saturday Night Live programme. All in the brilliant setting of Castlewellaan Castle!

The main aim of this weekend is to explore some core elements of the Christian faith:

Jesus, the Bible and prayer, through teaching and praise times along with small group discussions and activities.

NEW LEADER REQUIRED

To lead this wonderful group of teenagers in faith and in action. Please spread the word !

If you know any teenagers why not encourage them to come to J Club Plus.

Fridays @ 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm

J Club Sunday @ 10:00 am to 2:00 pm or speak to Keith Shaw.

Killaney Rotas

Flowers

Viona Crothers

Cleaning

Betty Green

Eileen Earney

My Daughter

Who's the one who'll understand,
When I'm worried takes my hand,
Tells me, "Mum, you're looking grand"? –
My daughter.

Who is it that always seems to know
When I'm blue and feeling low,
Then says, "Mum, I love you so"? –
My daughter.

Who can chatter on no end,
Sometimes drives me round the bend,
But will always be my friend? –
My daughter.

Who can all the world beguile,
With the sweetness of her smile
Who makes everything worthwhile? –
My daughter.

Mothering Sunday 11th March

We warmly invite you to bring your children or your mothers or yourselves to worship on 11th March when floral gifts will be given to all who have been mothers either in family life or in caring for others—as mothers do—in our lives.

If you wish to take any flowers remaining after those present have received them, you are welcome to do so.

Palm Sunday

A Donkey will be paying us a visit on 25th March: A Sunday Special *not* to be missed!

St Andrew's: EASTER VESTRY

Following the excellent attendance at last year's Easter Vestry. We will hold this year's meeting on Sunday 18th March at 12:00 midday: a short service will precede this annual general meeting. All welcome.



Me

"What do you see, tell me, what do you see? Who are you seeing when looking at me? A crabbit old woman, not very wise, uncertain of habit, with faraway eyes, who seems not to notice the things that you do, and forever is losing a stocking or shoe? Is that what you're thinking is that what you see? Then open your eyes, for you're not seeing me.

"I'm a small child of 10 with a father and mother, sisters and brothers who love one another; a bride at just 20, my heart gives a leap, remembering the vows I promised to keep.

"A woman of 30, my children grow fast, bound to each other with ties that should last. At 40, my grown-up sons soon will be gone, but my man stays beside me to see I don't mourn. At 50 once more babies play round my knee, again we know children, my loved one and me.

"I'm an old woman now, grace and vigour depart, but thousands of memories live in my heart. Inside me, you see, a girl still dwells, and now and again my tired heart swells. I remember the joy, I think of the pain, and I'm loving and living life over again. So open your eyes, please, open and see not a crabbit old woman – look closer, see ME."

Palm Sunday Special

Sunday 25th March at 10:30 and 12:00 in Carryduff and Killaney.

Palm Sunday promises to be a memorable day for all of us, especially children and young people, as we meet for worship. We look forward to seeing an extra member of the congregation, in the form of a **real live donkey**.

We encourage all our young families and all ages in our congregations to come and enjoy informal family worship.

Refreshments follow the services.

We assure you of a warm welcome.



New Year Retreat Day

Members of the parishes assembled at St Gall's Carnalea for the Retreat Day. Led by William Jeffrey, and featuring refreshments, a gentle walk, Lectio Divina, and featuring music and an act of communion which began and ended the day, this was a significant spiritual moment for our members.

May God give us strength to maintain the practices we first experienced there and to build on the fellowship we shared.





MISSION MATTERS



The Leprosy Mission
Northern Ireland

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At the World Leprosy Day Service in Lisburn Cathedral, Mr Brent Morgan, the TLM International Director, shared the vision of the Mission to see leprosy eradicated by 2035.

In the last 35 years 16,000,000 people have been cured of the disease but 2 new cases are diagnosed every minute.

Research and advocacy are essential elements of the work of TLM, but education is also vitally important in the curing of and prevention of disfigurement associated with the disease.

At the present time, new drugs to find a vaccine are undergoing trials in USA, and the signs are encouraging. Engaging with governments to highlight discrimination and end the cruel stigma suffered by so many sufferers of leprosy continues to be a top priority of the Mission.

With advances in treatment, "We look ahead to a time when there will be zero new cases of leprosy, zero transmission, zero disability and zero discrimination."

Friday Night Live with SAMS

The Craigavon Civic Centre was crowded, as in past years, for the SAMS annual rally, and it did not disappoint its enthusiastic supporters. The opening worship, led by a music group from Shankill Parish, Lurgan, ensured that the evening got off to a good start. Included in the programme were interviews with members of teams from Strabane and Mullavilly, who had spent time in Peru and Paraguay during the summer months. Such short term mission experiences are life-changing and show that God uses a wide variety of skills to bring His love to the vulnerable and marginalised.



The highlight of the event was the excellent address given by the Revd. Cristobal Ceron from Chile, who is pastor of a church in Santiago, and leads a Gospel Trust that aims to train and equip people for evangelism and discipleship. He read and preached on Psalm 71, concluding that its message reaches its maximum level at the Cross and points to Jesus. It was a superb word in the run up to Lent.

It was a surprise to many that Bishop Ken Clarke, Director of SAMS, is retiring this summer; he has been in post for 6 years. His passion for mission, and his warm, easy manner have inspired others to pray, to give and to go. We know God will continue to use him to encourage and support others who also have a heart for mission.

Sunday 25 February

- 9:00 Holy Communion in Carryduff
Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38
- 10:30 Sunday Special
- 12:00 Sunday Special
Mark 8:31-38
- 6:30 Evening Prayer
Genesis 17:1-7,15-16 Romans 4:13-25

Lent 2 (Purple)

in Carryduff
in Killaney

in Carryduff

Wednesday 28 February

- 11:30 Midweek Communion plus Lunch
Jeremiah 18:18-20 Matthew 20:17-28
- 7:30 Lenten Midweek Worship Jeremiah 1:1-10

in Carryduff

in Carryduff

Thursday 1 March

- 8:00 Mothers' Union

in Mitchell Room

Friday 2 March

- 8:00 Women's World Day of Prayer in Carryduff Presbyterian

Sunday 4 March

- 9:00 Holy Communion TWO
1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22
- 10:30 Parish Communion
- 12:00 Parish Communion
1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22
- 6:30 Praise Mix based on Psalm 19

Lent 3 (Purple)

in Carryduff

in Carryduff

in Killaney

in Carryduff

Monday 5 March

- 7:30 Select Vestry

in Quin Room

Wednesday 7 March

- 10:30 Midweek Fellowship Communion
Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Matthew 5:17-19
followed by refreshments

in Carryduff

- 7:00 Sunday Special prep meeting

in the Rectory

- 7:30 Lenten Midweek Worship Deuteronomy 18:15-22 Moses

in Carryduff

Friday 9 March

- 7:30 Then Sings My Soul in Carryduff Presbyterian Church Hall
Admission Free: donations of £10 are suggested for Action Cancer

Sunday 11 March

Mothering Sunday (Purple)

- 9:00 Holy Communion TWO
Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:33-35

in Carryduff

- 10:30 Mothering Sunday Service

in Carryduff

- 12:00 Mothering Sunday Service

in Killaney

- 1:00 1 Samuel 1:20-28 Psalm 127:1-4 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

- 7:00 This evening we will go to Saintfield Road Presbyterian in Carryduff
Vera Zhuravleva from SU in St Petersburg will speak there.
Lifts available: contact Stephen

Wednesday 14 March

- 10:30 Midweek Fellowship Communion for St Patrick's Day in Carryduff
 Isaiah 49:8-15 John 5:17-30
 followed by refreshments
- 7:30 Lenten Midweek Worship in Carryduff

Saturday 17 March St Patrick's Family Day in Saul and Downpatrick

- 9:30 Communion in Saul Parish Church
 10:00 Pilgrimage to Down Cathedral
 11:00 Festival Service at Down Cathedral

Sunday 18 March Lent 5 (Purple)

- 9:00 Holy Communion TWO in Carryduff
 Hebrews 5:5-10 John 12:20-33
- 10:30 Morning Prayer in Carryduff
 Jeremiah 31:31-34. John 12:20-33
- 12:00 Morning Worship & Easter Vestry in Killaney
 Jeremiah 31:31-34
 Everyone welcome. Refreshments to follow.
- 6:30 The Lord's Supper in Carryduff
 Hebrews 5:5-10. John 12:20-33

Wednesday 21 March

- 10:30 Midweek Fellowship Communion in Carryduff
 Daniel 3:14-20, 24-25, 28 John 8:31-42
 followed by refreshments
- 7:30 Lenten Midweek Worship - Daniel 1:1-20 in Carryduff

Sunday 25 March Lent 6 Palm Sunday (Red)

- 9:00 Holy Communion TWO in Carryduff
 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 John 12:12-16
- 10:30 Palm Sunday Donkey Special in Carryduff
 Mark 11:1-11
- 12:00 Palm Sunday Donkey Special in Killaney
 Mark 11:1-11
- 6:30 Holy Week Worship in Carryduff
 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Mark 15:1-39

Monday 26 March

- 8:00 Monday in Holy Week in Carryduff

Tuesday 27 March

- 8:00 Tuesday in Holy Week in Carryduff

Wednesday 28 March

- 10:30 Holy Communion in St. Andrew's, Killaney
 8:00 Wednesday in Holy Week in Carryduff

Thursday 29 March Maundy Thursday

- 6:30 Maundy Thursday Meal in Carryduff Church Hall
 Please sign up to attend this Meal & Maundy Thursday Ceremony.

Friday 30 March Good Friday (no colours)

- 10:30 All Age worship
 8:00 Good Friday Tenebrae in Carryduff



Three Persons?

In His post resurrection Great Commission Jesus directed his disciples to “go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28 v.19).” This text is one of the clearest scriptural references we have in support of the doctrine of The Trinity.

There is a similar reference in the concluding words of Paul’s second letter to the Corinthians. He writes: “May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all (2 Corinthians 13 v.14).”

Trinity is certainly implied in these texts although the word itself does not feature here or anywhere else in the scriptures. It is derived from the Latin word Trinitas meaning “threefold” – and this is a formulation that has become central to mainstream Christian belief. It is a doctrine which holds that God is in effect three “consubstantial persons” yet one in substance, essence or nature. How can we get our heads round such a concept?

Our patron saint, Patrick, is accredited with a useful illustration – the shamrock. The leaf of the shamrock is threefold, yet growing from one single stem. We also have the great, traditional Trinity hymn attributed to Patrick and known as St. Patrick’s Breastplate (no.322 in our hymn book).

It begins with the emphatic statement:

“I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity,

By invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.”

This is not the only hymn to feature the Trinity. Among several others the best known is probably “Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty....” which, of course, includes the words: “God in three persons, blessed Trinity.”

The fact that “holy” is stated three times is significant and possibly derives from its threefold use in Isaiah 6 v.3 and Revelation 4 v.8.

There is another reference point that might be worth a mention. I have in mind the words of Ignatius of Antioch – after whom our parish church is named – who, in c.110AD, proclaimed obedience to “Christ, and to the Father, and to the Spirit.”

It might also be worth noting the observation by John (as recorded in the King James Version): “For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost and these three are one (1 John 5 v.7).”

There is, nevertheless, an element of mystery about the Trinity. Although I readily accept it, I also recognise that the whole truth of the nature of God is beyond the language available to us. Three persons? How can that be?

Our language, however well-developed, can only give expression to the nature and characteristics of human beings. The real issue is that God is above and beyond this language. Trinity can only be seen and understood, therefore, as a spiritual experience rather than something we can grasp logically.

We can recognise Jesus Christ as a person – as God in human form. But it stretches the meaning of language to imagine God the Father or God the Holy Spirit as “persons.” Both are undeniable yet unseen. Both are and always have been there; and Jesus is and always has been coequal with them. There is no power structure at work here.

“Persons” may not be an adequate word, but at least it serves to link the three co-equal ever living elements of the Trinity in a way that our faltering faith can digest. Faith is required. There is more to God than human language or experience can perceive.

Denis Carson

Smile Lines.....

So you think English is easy?

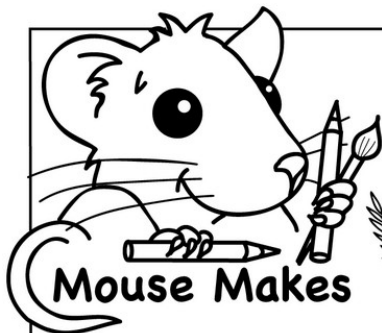
Read on:

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 4) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 5) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 6) A sea bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 7) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 8) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 9) After going out after having done some sewing, a sewer fell into a sewer.
- 10) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.

What now?

Today, I was in the bathroom at a popular coffee chain. Someone had written "What Would Jesus Do?" on the wall. Another person had added, directly underneath: "Wash His hands."

Then a third person wrote, "And your feet."



Journey to the Cross

Read the Bible - find the answers

READ Matthew 21:1-11

Where did Jesus stop on his journey? vs 1

What did Jesus send his disciples to get? vs 2

What did the crowd spread on the road in front of Jesus? vs 8

What did the people shout? vs 9

What city was Jesus going to? vs 10

READ Matthew 26:17-75

What festival did the disciples celebrate? vs 17

Which disciple denied Jesus? vs 34

Which disciple betrayed Jesus? vs 47

READ Matthew 27

When Jesus was taken to be crucified, what did the soldiers put on him? vs 28-29

What time did Jesus die? vs 45

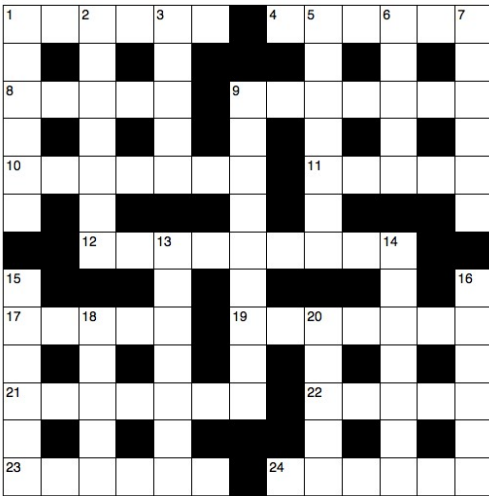
Whose tomb was Jesus buried in? vs 57

READ Matthew 28

On the third day who rolled away the stone covering the tomb? vs 2

What had happened to Jesus? vs 6,7





Down

- 1 Appalled (Job 26:11) (6)
- 2 'In an — to escape from the ship, the sailors let the lifeboat down into the sea' (Acts 27:30) (7)
- 3 Expel (Acts 18:16) (5)
- 5 'But I have a baptism to — , and how distressed I am until it is completed!' (Luke 12:50) (7)
- 6 'Of the increase of his government and peace there will be — — ' (Isaiah 9:7) (2,3)
- 7 Hurry (Psalm 119:60) (6)
- 9 'For I desire mercy, not — , and acknowledgement of God rather than burnt offerings' (Hosea 6:6) (9)
- 13 One of its towns was Sychar, where Jesus met a woman at Jacob's well (John 4:5) (7)
- 14 Shouting (Acts 7:57) (7)
- 15 Arachnid (Isaiah 59:5) (6)
- 16 One of Paul's first converts in Philippi was Lydia, a — in purple cloth (Acts 16:14) (6)
- 18 Donkeys (5)
- 20 Raked (anag.) (5)

Across

- 1 Arouse (Song of Songs 2:7) (6)
- 4 Extinguish (Isaiah 1:31) (6)
- 8 "“They — — ,” you will say, “but I’m not hurt!”” (Proverbs 23:35) (3,2)
- 9 Unhappiness (Nehemiah 2:2) (7)
- 10 Jewish (7)
- 11 Dirge (anag.) (5)
- 12 'A truthful witness gives honest — , but a false witness tells lies' (Proverbs 12:17) (9)
- 17 Paul quoted from the second one in his address in the synagogue at Pisidian Antioch (Acts 13:33) (5)
- 19 'Do not use your freedom to — the sinful nature' (Galatians 5:13) (7)
- 21 'As you can see, he has done nothing to — death' (Luke 23:15) (7)
- 22 Name applied by Isaiah to Jerusalem (Isaiah 29:1) (5)
- 23 'All the people — — one man, saying, “None of us will go home”’ (Judges 20:8) (4,2)
- 24 Lazarus, who was carried by angels to Abraham's side when he died, was one (Luke 16:20) (6)

Answers on page 18

Smile Lines...

Dear God...

A little boy's prayer: "Dear God, please take care of my daddy and my mummy and my sister and my brother and my doggy and me. Oh, and please take care of yourself, God. If anything happens to You, we're gonna be in a big mess."



PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

11 February Heidi Pauline Isabella Walker, Ballygowan
"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"

Christian Funerals

7 February Yvonne Geraldine Perry, Alveston Park, Carryduff.
8 February Nelson Ferguson Williams, Muskett Gardens, Carryduff
13 February Katheryn Avril Nixon-Campbell, Lough Road, Boardmills
"The Lord is my Shepherd "

Friends Remembered

Members of Killaney Parish were saddened to hear of the death of **Mrs Avril Nixon-Campbell**, late of Lough Road. During her prolonged illness Avril attended St Andrew's, and was both encouraged and an encouragement, as she visited for worship. Although a resident here for some 29 years, she had previously lived in various places. She is survived by her children and grandchildren, and her brother, Edwin.

Following the funeral service, the family gathered with friends and supporters at Rockmount Golf Club. We thank Douglas & Co for handling the funeral arrangements.

Our sympathies go to Freya, Kelda, William, Ewan, and the next generation, Amelia, Corey, Darcie and Nathan at their time of loss.

The sudden death of **Mr Nelson Williams** of Muskett Gardens came as sad news to his many friends. Nelson was a hardworking and much valued member of the church at Carryduff, and spent many years serving the parish in various roles. In recent months he had decided to stand down from regular involvement due to health restrictions, but he remained a valued member of the congregation from home. Nelson was an only son, and leaves his widow Pat, and their two children, Paul and Nicky, and grandchildren Ethan, Adam, Lewis and Alexandra.

His funeral service at Carryduff was followed by refreshments prepared by the ladies of the parish, and burial at Blaris Cemetery, Lisburn. Pat expressed heartfelt thanks to all who helped in any way.

Mrs Geraldine Perry of Alveston Park was remembered at her funeral service in Killaney. Her extended family and friends joined with her son, Ruairi, and daughter, Siona as they remembered her with affection. Her grandchildren were newborn Clodagh, twins Jamie and Ryan, and Gabriel and Malachy.

Geraldine was a skilled and respected nurse, who was devoted to her patients. She had worked in Intensive Care at Belfast City Hospital after a fulfilling career. Following her retirement some years ago, her general health had deteriorated. The burial took place at St Patrick's Graveyard in Downpatrick, alongside the resting place of her third child, Bronagh, who died in infancy. Those attending gathered at Denvir's Hotel for fine refreshments afterwards.

A very successful Burns Night at Killaney & Carryduff

The evening started with guests being received before following Mr Jimmy Johnston as he piped the guests into the hall, followed by a word of welcome from Keith.

Then it was time to pipe in the haggis.

Liz Fleming and Terry Barbour addressed and raised a toast to the haggis after which Terry said the Selkirk Grace.

Then it was time to enjoy a delicious meal together, served by the Whitehorse Caterers.

A wonderful evening of entertainment followed, provided by the Moneyreagh Highland School of Dancing, Mr Jimmy Johnston, Grace Notes Choir, and Denis Carson who read some poems by Robbie Burns and himself.

Stephen brought the evening to a close with an expression of thanks to everyone involved.

I wish to say thank you to Viona & Jenny for designing and printing the tickets and flyers, to Joyce & Elizabeth for looking after the flowers and candles for the tables, and to Terry and Florence for their advice and guidance in planning the Burns Night.

Finally, may I express thanks to everyone who attended and made it a very special evening in our parishes.

Keith

(See photos on back cover)

Then Sings My Soul!

Church Hall, Carryduff Presbyterian Church

Friday 9th March 2018
7.30 p.m.



To the Glory of God and in memory of Hilda -
An evening of favourite anthems presented by
CARRYDUFF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHOIR
in association with Action Cancer, Carryduff

Light interval refreshments will be served.

Admission - Free

Suggested Donation £10.00

Carryduff Rotas* for March

Lesson Readers 9.00

- 4 Ken
- 11 David
- 18 Caroline
- 25 Raymond

Lesson Readers 10.30

- 4 Sandra Thomas
- 11 Elizabeth Sweetnam
- 18 Joan Clayton
- 25 J Club

Intercessions

- 4 William
- 11 Sons and Daughters
- 18 Keith
- 25 J Club

Welcome Team

- 4 Pamela & Jean
- 11 Ann & Mary
- 18 Norah & Helen
- 25 J Club & Jene

Flower Donors and Arrangers

- 4 McFarland Family *by Joyce*
- 11 Mothering Sunday
Ellen Kirkpatrick Wedding Flowers
- 18 Joan Clayton & Jeannie Cotter
by Joan Palms
- 25 Palm Sunday
Palms

Keynote Operators

- 4 Jenny
- 11 Dave
- 18 Jim
- 25 Kameron

Lay Assistants

Jacky and Keith

Refreshments

Thanks to those who have offered and agreed to do refreshments . Keith Shaw will be arranging the rota for March. Details will be published on a Notice Board in the Jeremy Taylor Chapel.

What now? Today, I was in the bathroom at a popular coffee chain. Someone had written "What Would Jesus Do?" on the wall. Another person had added, directly underneath: "Wash His hands." Then a third person wrote, "And your feet."

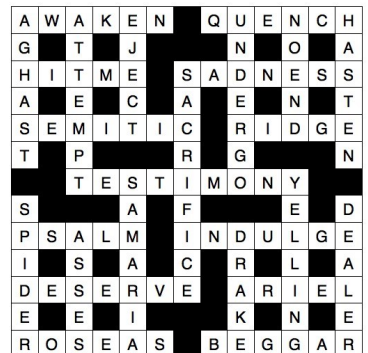
*** Scared** Some people are scared of church like they are scared of helicopters – they are frightened of being sucked into the rotas.

Beautiful The English test had only one question: "Write an essay on "The Most Beautiful Thing I Ever Saw."" One of the students finished his essay in less than a minute. It read in its entirety: "The most beautiful thing I ever saw was just too beautiful for words." He got the only A in the class.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

ACROSS: 1, Awaken. 4, Quench. 8, Hit me. 9, Sadness. 10, Semitic. 11, Ridge. 12, Testimony. 17, Psalm. 19, Indulge. 21, Deserve. 22, Ariel. 23, Rose as. 24, Beggar.

DOWN: 1, Aghast. 2, Attempt. 3, Eject. 5, Undergo. 6, No end. 7, Hasten. 9, Sacrifice. 13, Samaria. 14, Yelling. 15, Spider. 16, Dealer. 18, Asses. 20, Drake.



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Parish Panels: The Parish Panels seek to help ensure that children and their leaders experience a safe and secure environment in their youth work.

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Please email content to Stephen or Marlene by Wednesday 14 March 2018

Make up Team Friday 23 March at 11.00 am

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